

CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular meeting of Council held April 8, 2024.
These are not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the Corporate Services department at 250.723.2146 or email: corp_serv@portalberni.ca.

■ DELEGATIONS

Introduction of Asset Management Initiatives Manager

A. McGifford, Director of Finance introduced the City's new Manager of Asset Management Initiatives, K. Orchiston. The new position will focus on the financial assets and investments of the City.

■ UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Five Year Financial Plan Q&A Summary

The Director of Finance presented a summary of questions and responses as it relates to the 2024-2028 Financial Planning process.

■ BYLAWS

"City of Port Alberni 2024-2028 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 5097, 2024" was adopted. The Financial Plan requires adoption annually prior to May 15th in order to set tax rates, complete all filing and distribute tax notices.

"City of Port Alberni Tax Rates Bylaw No. 5104, 2024" was deferred to a future meeting to permit additional information to be presented to Council regarding historical allocation of tax rate shares across classes.

■ CORRESPONDENCE

Loaves and Fishes Community Food Bank Society

Council directed staff to write a letter to the Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities on behalf of Loaves and Fishes Community Food Bank Society in support of their funding request to construct the new 25,000 sq.ft. warehouse in Nanaimo, BC.

Council also received their correspondence summary which included letters from:

- Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | Food Security Emergency Planning Grant Award & Emergency Support Services Grant Award
- The Alberni Project Society and HMCS Alberni Museum and Memorial | Invitation to the 80th Anniversary of the Sinking of HMCS Alberni Ceremony and Exhibit August 21, 2024
- Ministry of Agriculture and Food | Invitation to a Presentation on Land Use Planning for Agriculture

- Association of Vancouver Island & Coastal Communities | United Way BC 2024-2025 Community Investment Grants
- Town of Osoyoos | Support for Legislative Changes - Personal and Defamatory Attacks on Municipal Leaders
- PRIMECorp | 2024-2025 Budget
- Municipal Pension Retirees' Association | Support for Council Seniors Advocacy Resolution

■ PROCLAMATIONS

On behalf of Fondation Émergence, Council proclaimed May 17, 2024 as '**International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia**' in Port Alberni.

On behalf of Walk for Values, Council proclaimed April 24, 2024 as '**Human Values Day**' in Port Alberni.

■ NEW BUSINESS

Island Health Community Wellness 2024 Grant Application

Council authorized staff to apply for the April 12, 2024 intake of the Island Health 'Community Wellness Grant Program' for \$50,000 to develop a Community Well-Being and Safety Strategy for the Continuum of Care of safety, security and social services in Port Alberni.

Council further authorized staff to engage a consultant to develop the strategy upon the grant application being successful.

■ QUESTION PERIOD

N.Anderson

Inquired about the Walk for Values organization, the letter of support from Town of Osoyoos regarding personal and defamatory attacks on municipal leaders, and sought additional information on the resolution regarding Seniors Advocacy.

B. Kanngiesser

Inquired regarding the financial plan, taxation rates, service levels, and Council consideration to halt construction of the Quay to Quay Pathway.

■ COUNCIL MEETINGS

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■ MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Monday, April 15th

6:00 pm – Committee of the Whole
Council Chambers

Wednesday, April 17th

10:00 am – Traffic Advisory Committee
Council Chambers

Thursday, April 18th

12:00 pm – Advisory Planning Commission
Council Chambers

Monday, April 22nd

2:00 pm – Regular Council
Council Chambers