#### MINUTES

# SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL 2017-2021 FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2017 AT 6:00 PM IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PRESENT: Mayor Ruttan, Councillors Washington, Sauvé, Minions, and Paulson

LATE: Councillor Alemany

**REGRETS:** Councillor McLeman

#### A. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>

It was moved and seconded:

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

<u>CARRIED</u>

#### B. DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

### 1. 2015-2018 Strategic Plan Update

Jake Martens, Deputy City Clerk/Communications Coordinator presented the draft 2015-2018 Strategic Plan Update. The City's progress with respect to goals and objectives were highlighted along with the City's priority projects and initiatives.

#### 2. 2017-2021 Five-Year Financial Plan

Councillor Alemany joined the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Tim Pley, Chief Administrative Officer presented the draft 2017-2021 Five-Year Financial Plan noting a 3% tax increase is being proposed for each year of the plan with limited service reductions and increased spending on infrastructure. The plan also proposes a reduction of 4.7 Full-time equivalent positions by attrition and limits net increases in operational costs to 1% each year.

The CAO provided a summary of each department's proposed budget for the plan.

The following questions were referred the February 8, 2017 special budget meeting:

- Potential contractual issues with the proposed personnel reductions within the Fire Department.
- Rationale for not budgeting road and pipe replacement projects together.
- Status of the water meter replacement project.

The CAO also reviewed the proposed capital projects for 2017.

It was moved and seconded:

That Council for the City of Port Alberni endorse the updated Corporate Strategic Plan 2015-2018 as presented February 1, 2017.

**CARRIED** 

It was moved and seconded:

That Council for the City of Port Alberni receive the draft 2017-2021 Five-Year Financial Plan and refer the document for consideration at upcoming meetings to be confirmed.

<u>CARRIED</u>

#### C. COUNCIL REVIEW

No further direction or requests for information were provided.

## D. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

The public and press was afforded an opportunity to ask questions of the Mayor and Council.

## E. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

It was moved and seconded:

That the meeting adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

<u>CARRIED</u>

Mayor