



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held January 23, 2017.

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■ PUBLIC INPUT

Maggie Paquet provided input and suggestions in regards to reconciliation and moving forward in a respectful way.

Ellen Froom, Executive Director, ACAWS provided information regarding the 'Coldest Night of the Year' fundraising event taking place on February 25th and encouraged the public to participate.

Gary Spencer-Smith requested changes to secondary suite regulations to attract more investors, create jobs and provide safe, quality, affordable housing.

Hi?hunkennis (Robert Watts) noted that AW Neill spent a large part of his life opposing people like himself as well as other races and suggested it would be a good move on behalf of the City to change the name of the street.

■ DELEGATIONS

Rosemarie Buchanan

Summarized many of AW Neill's racist viewpoints and provided quotes directly from Hansard. She suggested a street with Neill's name is harmful and negative and requested Council remove the name from the street.

Cameron Stefiuk

Provided background information on AW Neill highlighting some positive initiatives. He commented we should not forget the past, but learn from it and not repeat the same mistakes going forward.

■ UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposed Renaming of Neill Street

Council received numerous letters regarding the proposed renaming of Neill Street.

Following lengthy debate, Council endorsed a resolution directing staff to bring forward a report at the earliest opportunity proposing options to further the City's efforts and

commitment towards reconciliation in our community.

Response to Questions

Council received a report from the CAO providing responses to a letter from Roland Smith regarding the McLean Mill.

■ **STAFF REPORTS**

Development Permit No. 16-05 (4410 Glenwood Drive)

Council approved Development Permit No. 16-05 to facilitate the construction of a steel frame building at 4410 Glenwood Drive.

Draft Request for Proposals – Westporte

Council received a report from the City Planner and endorsed the RFP for the sale and development of a portion of City owned property off Russell Street adjacent to the Westporte neighbourhood, including a playground.

Oil to Heat Pump Energy Rebate Program

Council directed staff to implement Oil to Heat Pump Energy Rebate Program and staff to work with City Green Solutions to move forward with the implementation of an 'Oil to Heat Pump Incentive' leveraging the Provincial 'Oil to Heat Pump Incentive Program'.

All Mex'd Up Inc., Alberni Harbour Quay

Council entered into a lease for Unit #6 at the Alberni Harbour Quay with "All Mex'd Up Inc." (Matt Dunk) for a five year term commencing February 1, 2017.

Application for Funding – FireSmart Planning Grant Program

Council supported an application for funding to the Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative FireSmart Planning Grant Program.

■ **BYLAWS**

The following Bylaws were finally adopted:
"Official Community Plan Amendment No. 22 (2720 Burde Street – Evans), Bylaw No. 4923"

"Zoning Amendment No. 17 (2720 Burde Street – Evans), Bylaw No. 4924"

■ **CORRESPONDENCE**

Golden Oldies Car Club

The 43rd Annual Show n' Shine Car Show will take place on July 8, 2017. Council authorized a one day closure of Third Avenue from Argyle Street to Mar Street from 7 am to 2 pm subject to notification of emergency services, consultation with all affected businesses to minimize potential conflict and traffic concerns.

■ **NEW BUSINESS**

Committee of the Whole

Council directed staff to investigate and provide a report regarding the potential for Committee of the Whole meetings for Council's consideration.

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Wed. Feb 1

6:00 p.m. - Presentation of Draft of Five Year Financial Plan @ Council Chambers

7:00 pm - Alberni Valley Heritage Commission
@ Alberni Valley Museum

Thurs. Feb 2

4:30 pm - Food Security & Climate Disruption Committee Mtg @ Committee Room

Wed. Feb 8

6:00 pm – Review Draft Five Year Financial Plan
@ Council Chambers

Thurs. Feb 9

Seniors Advisory Committee
@ Committee Room

Tues. Feb 14

7:00 pm - Regular Council Meeting
@ Council Chambers

Wed. Feb 15

6:30 pm – eTown Hall Public Budget Meeting
@ Council Chambers