



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

*An information report summarizing the Regular Meeting of Council held March 29, 2016.
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■ PUBLIC INPUT

Matthew Pearson suggested marijuana is medicine and its access shouldn't be limited any more than it is for tobacco. He indicated he will be submitting a proposed amendment to the City's marijuana regulations.

Danielle Eely spoke on behalf of Grandview Residents' petition for a walking path along Grandview to Compton for safety reasons.

Bob Kanngiesser representing the Chamber of Commerce Civic Affairs Committee provided general support for the City's 2016-2020 Five Year Financial Plan.

■ DELEGATIONS

Tricia Knight, Centennial Belles

Provided information on the upcoming Jane Austen Festival taking place on July 8 – 9, 2016 in Port Alberni.

Joanne Sales, Broombusters

Provided background and information on 'broombusting' and encouraged the

community to become involved. She advised they are currently identifying locations in Port Alberni for this year's initiatives.

■ STAFF REPORTS

Lease of Property to Tar's Auto Sales

Council approved a lease agreement with Tar and Tarmet Binning for the portion of lane adjacent to the property at 3707 3rd Avenue for a two year period at a cost of \$350.00 per year plus taxes effective April 1st, 2016.

2016 Community Investment Program – Late Requests

- Council denied a request for \$1,800 in kind for tent rentals for use at the Solstice Art Festival from the Community Arts Council and recommend they work with Art Rave Society to share the tents already allocated.
- Council approved a \$610 in kind grant for utilities for the Port Alberni Youth Centre and denied their request for \$500 for water line repair.

- Council approved the request from the RCMP Drug Awareness Services for 570 Youth Admission passes (up to \$750) to support the Youth Empowerment Summit.

Development Permit No. 16-02 (4905 Cherry Creek Road – Complete Contracting)

Council approved Development Permit No. 16-02 to facilitate the construction of a multi-unit/multi-tenant light industrial development at 4905 Cherry Creek Road.

Draft Departmental Operations Financial Statement

Council received a report from the Director of Finance providing the draft 2015 Financial Statement of Operations.

A report will be provided at the next meeting regarding the status of the Alberni Valley Bulldogs' outstanding debt.

2016 Banners

Art Thompson street banners will be installed again this year

■ **BYLAWS**

The following Bylaws were finally adopted:

"City of Port Alberni Commercial Revitalization Tax Exemption Program, Bylaw No. 4898"

"City of Port Alberni Revitalization Tax Exemption Program, Amendment No. 1, Bylaw No. 4897"

"Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2016 - 2020, Bylaw No. 4904" was introduced and read three times.

Advisory Planning Commission

Council received the summary report of the March 17, 2016 meeting of the Advisory Planning Commission.

Development Variance Permit No. 89 – 3820 – 10th Avenue

Council gave notice of intent to consider a Development Variance Permit for 3820 10th Avenue (Alberni District Cooperative Association).

First and second readings were given to:

"Official Community Plan Amendment No. 19 (Burde Street – Phase 2 of Uplands Subdivision), Bylaw No. 4899",

"Zoning Text Amendment T8 (Burde Street – Phase 2 of Uplands Subdivision), Bylaw No. 4900",

"Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment No. 11

(Burde Street – Phase 2 of Uplands Subdivision), Bylaw No. 4901,

"Official Community Plan Amendment No. 20 (3532 – 4th Avenue – D. Beecroft), Bylaw No. 4902" and

"Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment No. 12 (3532 – 4th Avenue – D. Beecroft), Bylaw No. 4903".

The Bylaws were advanced to a **Public Hearing on Monday, April 11, 2016 at 6:00 pm** in the City Hall Council Chambers.

■ **CORRESPONDENCE**

Society for the Advancement of Young Scientists

Council received a request for a financial contribution to the Vancouver Island Regional Science Fair being held at the University of Victoria on April 10 & 11, 2016.

Concerned Residents of Grandview Road

Council forwarded a petition from residents of Grandview Road requesting a walking path on Grandview Road to the City Engineer for a report back.

Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD)

Council received a request from MADD requesting support.

Roland Smith

Council received a letter expressing concern regarding the location of the City's Public Works Yard within the tsunami inundation zone and requesting clarification on how the City plans to address this risk.

Rupert & Franny Yakelashek

Council received information on the Blue Dot Movement and encouraging communities to make an environmental rights declaration.

4th Annual No.7 Challenge – 10 km Race Against the Train – May 1, 2016

Council authorized the request from the Chamber of Commerce for the use of City barricades, temporary closure of Victoria Quay from Roger Street to Johnston Road on May 1, 2016 for the 4th Annual No. 7 Challenge, subject to notification of emergency services, consultation with all affected businesses to minimize potential conflict and traffic concerns.

District of Tofino

Council received the District of Tofino's support of the City of Victoria's resolution to the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) calling on the Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) to create a fossil-fuel-free investment fund.

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Thurs. March 31

10:00 am – McLean Mill Advisory Meeting
@ McLean Mill

Wed. April 6

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

Thurs. April 7

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

Mon. April 11

7:00 pm - Regular Council Meeting
@ Council Chambers