



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

*An information report summarizing the Regular meeting of Council held May 11, 2020.
This is not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the Deputy City Clerk at
250-720-2823 or e-mail: twyla.slonski@portalberni.ca*

■ STAFF REPORTS

UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – 2020 ESS Grant Award

The City received preliminary notice of its successful grant application to UBCM's Community Emergency Preparedness Fund in the amount of \$25,000. Funds will be used to equip a mobile trailer with reception centre equipment.

BC Transit Fare Waiver

Council will continue to endorse provisions to forego bus transit revenue in the City until May 31, 2020. In addition, and pre COVID-19, fare changes were planned to take effect April 1, 2020. These fare changes will now be implemented on June 1, 2020 when fare collection resumes.

BC Transit Annual Operating Agreement

Council authorized the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the 2020-2021 Annual Operating Agreement between the City and BC Transit effective April 1, 2020.

Financial Reporting Update

Council received a report from the City's Director of Finance, speaking to the City's financial reporting requirements/deadlines for the 2020 calendar year.

Development Permit No. 19-04 (3550 Johnston Road)

Council approved Development Permit No. 19-04 which will facilitate the development of a one storey commercial building at 3550 Johnston Road.

Actions to Support the Small Business Sector

Council authorized staff to redirect \$140,000 of the City's 2020 Economic Development allocation for initiatives to support the small business community in Port Alberni through COVID-19.

■ BYLAWS

"Official Community Plan Amendment No. 30 [Pineo Road – Murphy], Bylaw No. 5006"

and "Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 39 [5269 Pineo Road – Murphy], Bylaw No. 5007"

were given first and second readings. Prior to Council considering further readings to the bylaws, a public hearing will be held [date to be determined], the applicant must provide security for the required water, sewer and storm connections, and that a covenant be registered on title restricting development to no more than one additional dwelling [in addition to the principal dwelling] and that the dwelling not exceed 700 ft².

■ CORRESPONDENCE

BC Achievement Foundation

Council received notification that local resident, Carolina Tatoosh, has been awarded a BC Achievement Community Award. Carolina is being recognized for over 20 years in serving the community in the role of youth/elder worker for the Hupacasath First Nation and her work in developing relationships with schools, youth, elders, families, RCMP, other nations and service providers. Congratulations Carolina!

▪ NEW BUSINESS

Notice of Motion was provided in regards to exploring steps in providing transit service to east Vancouver Island.

▪ PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

As City facilities remain closed to the public, public engagement continues to be a key priority of Council. While City Council continues to conduct their meetings electronically, residents are reminded and encouraged to continue to engage with City Council by submitting your comments/questions to the following email council@portalberni.ca.

Submissions received in advance of, or during a council meeting will be read out by City staff during 'Public Input' or during the 'Question Period'. Residents are asked to identify their submission as either Public Input or a Question and submissions will be presented in the order that they are received. [NOTE: Questions received and read out during the meeting will not be reflected in the Council Summary but will be noted in the meeting minutes.]

We wish to thank residents for their ongoing patience and cooperation as we continue to navigate through this difficult time.

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MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Thurs. May 21st

12:00 pm – Advisory Planning Commission
Via Zoom

Mon., May 25th

11:00 am – Audit Committee

2:00 pm – Regular Meeting of Council
Via Zoom