

CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular meeting of Council held October 13, 2020.
This is not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the Director of Corporate Services at 250.720.2823 or e-mail: twyla_slonski@portalberni.ca

■ PUBLIC INPUT

Terri Hodgson took this opportunity to speak to Council requesting an update in regards to residents being given the ability to construct secondary suites [within garages etc.] to accommodate aging family members.

■ STAFF REPORTS

Appointment of Deputy City Clerk

Council appointed Sara Darling as the City's Deputy City Clerk and assigned the responsibilities of corporate administration as prescribed in the *Community Charter* to the Deputy City Clerk in the absence of the Director of Corporate Services.

Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure Program – Applications for Funding

Council directed staff to prepare an application for funding to the Unique Heritage Infrastructure stream of the Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure Program (CERIP) in relation to the City's Train Station Project.

3118 3rd Avenue [Harbourview Apartments] – Reconsideration of Remedial Order

Following representation from the property owner and property manager, Council confirmed the Remedial Action Requirement originally passed on September 14, 2020 and extended the time for the owner to carry out the requirements by an additional 30 days.

Burde Street Pump Station – Contract Award

Council awarded the contract for the Burde Street Pump Station Upgrade to Bowerman Excavating Ltd., for the tendered price of \$420,180.15 plus GST. The upgrades incorporate a number of benefits including providing system upgrades for the Arrowsmith Heights neighbourhood.

■ BYLAWS

“Official Community Plan Amendment No. T5 (Cannabis Cultivation – Development Permit Area Regulations), Bylaw No. 5012” and “Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment No. T25 (Cannabis Cultivation), Bylaw No. 5013” were adopted by Council.

“Zoning Bylaw Map Amendment No. 41 (5381 Falls Street – Faithful Construction), Bylaw No. 5014” was given third reading and final adoption.

■ PROCLAMATIONS

Council proclaimed the month of October as **“Foster Family Month”**.

■ REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA

The Director of Corporate Services advised that the City will be making available for sale City owned lots 2289, 2291, 2293, 2295 and 2297 Anderson Avenue. The City will provide formal Notice via the AV News and the City's website following completion of required lot survey work.

■ NEW BUSINESS

At the invitation of Council, and stemming from public input, the Manager of Planning noted that a priority of the City's planning department is to address short-term rentals/accessory dwellings within the City and that Council will receive a report from staff at a future meeting of Council in the near future.

▪ PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

While 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 to continue to engage with City Council by submitting your comments/questions to 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'. Please identify your submission as either Public Input or a Question and submissions will be presented in the order that they are received.

Individuals wishing to provide public input and/or questions to Council in real time [during Council's virtual meeting] we ask that you contact the Corporate Services' department [250.720.2823] **no later than 9:00 am on the day of the meeting** in order to register and to discuss details on virtual participation. Please note that we will accommodate up to a maximum of four [4] individuals each re: public input/question period.

We continue 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

Wednesday, October 21st

10:00 am – Advisory Traffic Committee [Zoom Platform]

Monday, October 26th

2:00 pm – Regular Council meeting [Zoom Platform]