



# CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT

## COUNCIL CORNER

### Update from Council Meeting — February 9th, 2016

**Council voted to approve a development variance permit** to a homeowner in the Conrad St neighbourhood to allow for additional height to be added to their garage.

**City Council passed a resolution 5-2 to accept the proposed changes to the structure of Recreation fees and charges.** The changes, which will be implemented starting July 1st, will result in an increase of 5% to fees each year for 5 years, and will help to fund improvements to recreation facilities in the future.

**Council heard a request from the Skate Club for a reduction in ice rental fees** for their end-of-year performance in March. Council requested further information surrounding the specific amount requested, to be considered at the next Council meeting.

Council resolved to work as a group to identify priorities for the proposed **Small Business Advisory Committee** brought forward by Councillor Blair Mirau at the previous Council meet.

**The Mayor provided an update on the Planning for Major Projects, OCP and Affordable Housing Policy Development Special Committee**—The Committee had their first meeting Tuesday of last week, where they reviewed the City's options to implement a series of interim policies which will address potential impacts of proposed development. These policies would help to inform an eventual update to the 2007 Official Community Plan, should Council decide to update the Plan. As a first step, the Committee identified a series of goals and objectives to guide policy development for staff

