



City of Prince Rupert

AGENDA

For the **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING** of Council to be held on November 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424-3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Recommendation:

THAT the Agenda for the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 26, 2018 be adopted as circulated.

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a) **Christine Malaka – Re: Trees within the City of Prince Rupert.**

b) **Sandra Jones and Michael Gurney, Prince Rupert Community Arts Council Society – Re: Information Update.**

4. QUESTION PERIOD FROM THE PUBLIC

5. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

6. ADJOURNMENT TO RECONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor and Council
City of Prince Rupert
City Hall Corporate Administration
424-3rd Avenue West
Prince Rupert, B.C.
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Your Worship and Councilors;

I'd like to address the next Council meeting on the topic of trees in Prince Rupert.

We live in temperate rain forest and our trees grow to giant size, though it takes time on the scale of hundreds of years to do so.

This asset is so beautiful and so unique to our area that we need to look at protecting it not only for local aesthetic and tourism values but also as a legacy for future generations.

I believe that the city needs to include in its planning a kind of policy that recognizes this value and places the kind of importance on trees that one-of-a-kind and irreplaceable things of great scale and beauty deserve.

Since we have been cutting down so many of the tall trees in our city in recent years, either as citizens or the municipality, I have noticed a great decline in the number of eagles that we see flying and singing around the city.

We need to protect what makes us beautiful and unique in our quest to become modern and to develop.

Other municipalities, such as Saanich, have policies and bylaws that do this and it is time that Prince Rupert considered a similar approach.

My presentation will be to discuss the topic and suggest some next steps.

I will not be representing an organization in my presentation. I am currently reaching out to organizations that may have an interest in participating in developing a full nature/recreation/tourism concept for the area.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christine Malaka".

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