



MINUTES

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council to be held on April 22, 2024, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

PRESENT: Mayor H. Pond
Councillor W. Niesh
Councillor G. Randhawa (Remote – joined at 7:26 pm)
Councillor B. Cunningham
Councillor N. Adey
Councillor T. Forster
Councillor R. Skelton-Morven

STAFF: R. Buchan, City Manager (Remote)
R. Miller, Director of Corporate & Legislative Services / Corp. Officer
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
M. Pope, Director of Development Services
R. Paras, Planner
V. Stewart, Manager of Communications, Engagement & Social Development

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:01 pm.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Item 6. n) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services / Corporate Officer Re: Liquor License Amendment.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Skelton-Morven THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of April 22, 2024, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a) Council minutes

- i. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 8, 2024;

b) Reports

- ii. Development Activity Report for March 2024;
- iii. Monthly Fire / Rescue Report for March 2024;

- iv. Report from Director of Operations & Intergovernmental Relations Re: Prince Rupert Major Project Update;

c) Correspondence

- v. City of Port Alberni: Resolution for Consideration by Delegates at the AVICC 2024 AGM & Convention;
- vi. Provincial Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin – April 1st, 2024;
- vii. LCRB Liquor Policy Re: Bulletin 24 – 02, 03, 04: Improved Visitor Experience at Manufacturing Sites;

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Skelton-Morven THAT all items on the Consent Agenda be accepted as noted and filed.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS

a) Report from Director of Operations & Intergovernmental Relations Re: 6th Avenue Bridge Project – Project Award – RFT-23-0089.

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council directs Staff to Award the 6th Avenue Bridge Project to Surespan Construction Ltd.

CARRIED

b) Report from City Manager Re: City Health Care Improvement Strategy.

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council approve the proposed City Health Care Improvement Strategy.

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT the meeting be adjourned to the COTW Council Meeting at 7:19 pm; and reconvened at 7:45 pm.

CARRIED

c) Report from Director of Planning and Development Services & Manager of Communications, Engagement and Social Development Re: Proposed Expanded Scope for Japanese Canadian Legacies Project.

MOVED by Councillor Skelton-Morven and seconded by Councillor Forster THAT Council direct staff to proceed with an application to the JCLS Fund for up to \$400,000 towards a memorial project in Mariners Park;

AND THAT Council approve moving forward in the application with both approved sites in Mariners Park, with the selection of the current memorial wall site pending secured funding for removal and replacement of the existing Mariners Memorial wall;

AND THAT If no funding is available for the removal and replacement of the existing Mariners Memorial wall, that the project proceed on the secondary site in Mariners Park.

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Forster that the Proposed Expanded Scope for Japanese Canadian Legacies Project needs amendment.

CARRIED

d) Report from Planner Re: Development Variance Permit #24-01 – PID 031-690-823, located on Seal Cove Circle:

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council proceed with final approval for Development Variance Permit (DVP) #24-01 – PID 031-690-823, located on Seal Cove Circle.

e) Report from Chief Financial Officer Re: Hall Society, ILWU Local 505 Revitalization Tax Exemption Agreement.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council authorize a municipal property tax exemption for ten years for Hall Society, ILWU Local 505 and direct staff to enter into a Downtown Core Area Revitalization Tax Exemption Agreement.

CARRIED

f) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 333 – 3rd Avenue West: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 333 – 3rd Avenue West (the “Property”) with the costs of clean-up placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

CARRIED

g) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 337 – 3rd Avenue West: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 337 – 3rd Avenue West (the “Property”) with the costs of removal placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

CARRIED

h) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 240 – 6th Avenue West: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 240 – 6th Avenue West (the “Property”) with the costs of removal placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

CARRIED

i) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 200 – 3rd Avenue West: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Skelton-Morven THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 200 – 3rd Avenue West (the “Property”) with the costs of removal placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

CARRIED

j) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 711 – 5th Avenue East: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 711 – 5th Avenue East (the “Property”) with the costs of removal placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

CARRIED

k) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 728 Lotbiniere Street: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 728 Lotbiniere Street (the “Property”) with the costs of removal placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

CARRIED

l) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 1040 – 2nd Avenue West: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 1040 – 2nd Avenue West (the “Property”) with the costs of removal placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

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m) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: 1614 Sloan Avenue: Remedial Action Order.

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Remedial Action Order under Section 74 of the *Community Charter* whereby the City of Prince Rupert will proceed with the clean-up of the property located at 1614 Sloan Avenue (the “Property”) with the costs of removal placed on the property taxes for the said Property;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide notice to the Property owner in accordance with Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT Council agree that reconsideration of these orders may be made, in writing, within 14 days of the notice provided under Section 77 of the *Community Charter*;

AND THAT if no reconsideration notices are received within 14 days of the notice provided Staff are directed to proceed with the Remedial Action Orders immediately as requested.

CARRIED

n) Report from Director of Corporate & Legislative Services / Corporate Officer Re: Liquor License Amendment.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council amend its resolution to support the Liquor License Amendment to enable a lounge area endorsement for 801 Fraser Street, as requested.

CARRIED

7. COUNCIL ROUND TABLE

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Skelton-Morven
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE
& LEGISLATIVE SERVICES/ CORP. OFFICER