



REGULAR AGENDA

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council to be held on Monday, May 26, 2025, taking place at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Recommendation:

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of May 26, 2025, be adopted as presented.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

5. PRESENTATIONS

- a) Video Presentation Re: Development

6. CONSENT AGENDA

a) Council minutes for approval

- i. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 5, 2025;
- ii. Minutes of the Special Meeting to Close of May 5, 2025;
- iii. Minutes of the Special Regular Meeting of May 8, 2025;

b) Reports for receipt

- iv. Report from Planning Re: Development Activity Report April 2025;
- v. Report from Manager of Communications, Engagement and Social Development Re: BIG Project Communications Review;
- vi. Report from Planning Re: Community Planning Activity Report – May 2025;
- vii. Report from Fire Chief Re: Monthly Fire / Rescue Report – April 2025;

c) Correspondence for approval

- viii. Request for proclamation for Indigenous Survivors Day – National Blanket Ceremony Day – June 30, 2025;

d) Correspondence for receipt

- ix. Letter from NCRD to BC Utilities Commission Re: Pacific Northern Gas Proposed Increase of Natural Gas Delivery Rates;

- x. BC Hydro EV Site Host Update;
- xi. Letter from the City of Enderby to MLA David Williams Re: Bill 7 – 2025: Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act;
- xii. Indigenous Relations Committee Meeting Minutes – April 11, 2025;
- xiii. WESTAC Key Messages for Letters to Prime Minister Mark Carney;

Recommendation:

THAT all items on the Consent Agenda be approved or received as requested.

7. REPORTS

a) Report from the Chief Financial Officer Re: Security Issuing Resolution – Police Detachment

Recommendation:

THAT Council approve the borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia, as part of their 2025 fall issue, \$17,000,000 as authorized through Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 3484, 2022 (authorizing borrowing of funds for the purpose of funding the police detachment project) and that the North Coast Regional District be requested to consent to this borrowing over a thirty (30) year term and include the borrowing in their security issuing bylaw.

b) Report from the Director of Operations Re: RFQ 25-0005 Outfall J to I Relocation

Recommendation:

THAT Council award RFQ 25-0005 Outfall J to I relocation to Progressive Ventures.

8. COUNCIL ROUND TABLE

9. ADJOURNMENT



MINUTES

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council to be held on Monday, May 5, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

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

STAFF: R. Buchan, City Manager
R. Pucci, Deputy City Manager
R. Miller, Director of Corporate & Legislative Services /
Corporate Officer
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
N. Beauregard, Director of Recreation & Community
Services (Remote)
M. Pope, Director of Development Services (Remote)
P Vendittelli, Director of Transportation & Economic Development
R. Beattie, Cow Bay Marina Manager
J. Beckwith, Fire Chief
C. O'Hara, Deputy Fire Chief
V. Steward, Manager of Communications, Engagement and
Social Development

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Added as items:

- 6.c) Report from the Manager of Communications, Engagement, and Social Development & Director of Planning and Development Services and Presentation from Andrew Lockhart from Atmospheric Perspective Architecture and Ken Larson from Connect Landscape Architecture Re: Japanese Canadian Legacies Project and Mariners Park Design Update

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of May 5, 2025 be adopted as presented and amended.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a) Council minutes for approval

- i. Minutes of the Special Regular Meeting of April 24, 2025;
- ii. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28, 2025;
- iii. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 28, 2025;

b) Reports for receipt

- iv. Report from the Deputy City Manager Re: SWANA Award;

c) Correspondence for approval

- v. Request for proclamation for Wild Salmon Day 2025;

d) Correspondence for receipt

- vi. NCLGA Member Webinar about Bridging Gaps in Care within Northern and Central BC; and
- vii. Letter from the Village of Telkwa to the Premier and BC Utilities Commission Re: Call for a comprehensive reset of Pacific Northern Gas (PNG) and an audit of the organization's operations and expenditures.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT Council direct staff to send a similar letter to the Premier and BC Utilities Commission.

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Skelton-Morven and seconded by Councillor Forster THAT all items on the Consent Agenda be approved or received as requested.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

a) Report from the Fire Chief Re: Fire Control and Protection Bylaw No. 2944.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council consider the new Fire Control and Protection Bylaw No. 2944.

CARRIED

b) Report from the Director of Transportation & Economic Development Re: Cow Bay Marina Fees and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 3662, 2025.

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council consider the Cow Bay Marina Fees and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 3662, 2025.

CARRIED

- c) **Report from the Manager of Communications, Engagement, and Social Development & Director of Planning and Development Services and Presentation from Andrew Lockhart from Atmospheric Perspective Architecture and Ken Larson from Connect Landscape Architecture Re: Japanese Canadian Legacies Project and Mariners Park Design Update.**

7. BYLAWS

- a) **City of Prince Rupert Fire Control and Protection Bylaw No. 3663, 2025.**

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council give First and Second Readings to the City of Prince Rupert Fire Control and Protection Bylaw No. 3663, 2025.

- b) **Cow Bay Marina Fees and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 3662, 2025.**

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council amend and give First and Second Readings to the Cow Bay Marina Fees and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 3662, 2025.

8. COUNCIL ROUND TABLE

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:02 pm.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER



SPECIAL AGENDA to Close MINUTES

For the **SPECIAL MEETING** of Council to be held on May 5, 2025, at 5:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

PRESENT: Mayor H. Pond
Councillor B. Cunningham
Councillor N. Adey
Councillor G. Randhawa
Councillor T. Forster (Remote)
Councillor W. Niesh (Remote)

ABSENT: Councillor R. Skelton-Morven

STAFF: R. Buchan, City Manager
R. Pucci, Deputy City Manager
R. Miller, Director of Legislative and Corporate Services /
Corporate Officer
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the Special Meeting of Council to order at 5:01 pm.

2. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT the meeting be closed to the public under Section 90 of the Community Charter to consider items relating to one of the following:

- 90.1 (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

CARRIED

3. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT the meeting be adjourned to Closed at 5:02 pm.

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER



MINUTES

For the **SPECIAL REGULAR MEETING** of Council to be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025, at 5:15 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

PRESENT: Mayor H. Pond
Councillor G. Randhawa
Councillor B. Cunningham
Councillor T. Forster
Councillor N. Adey

ABSENT: Councillor W. Niesh
Councillor R. Skelton-Morven

STAFF: R. Buchan, City Manager (Remote)
R. Pucci, Deputy City Manager (Remote)
R. Miller, Director of Corporate & Legislative Services /
Corporate Officer
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
J. Schmidt, Director of Operations
T. Higginson, Deputy Chief Financial Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the regular meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT the Agenda for the Special Regular Council Meeting of May 8, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

4. REPORTS

a) Report from the Chief Financial Officer Re: 2024 Audited Financial Statements

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Forster THAT Council accepts the 2024 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

6. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT the meeting be adjourned at 5:28 pm.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER



REPORT TO COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of Council

DATE: May 26, 2025
TO: Robert Buchan, City Manager
FROM: Rodolfo Paras, Urban Planner

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT APRIL 2025

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council Receive and File the attached Development Activity Report in Attachment 1.

REASON FOR REPORT:

This report summarizes development application activity in the City of Prince Rupert for April 2025. This report is intended to inform the Council on applications that have been received and their status to date.

Report Prepared By:

Report Reviewed By:

Rodolfo Paras,
Urban Planner

Robert Buchan,
City Manager

Attachments:

1. Development Activity Report

Development Activity Report – April 2025

Planning and Zoning

File No.	Location	Proposal Description	Date Received	Status	Date of Decision
ZBLA-24-04	100 1 st Avenue E	Zoning amendment of property with existing building	Oct. 28, 2024	Waiting on Conditions to be met before 4 th Reading.	N/A
DP-25-07	954 3rd Ave W	Proposed signage for existing commercial building in the City Core	Apr. 01, 2025	Approved	Apr. 07, 2025
DP-25-08	George Hills Way	Proposed development of a grocerie store in City Core DPA	Apr. 22, 2025	Provisional Approval, Waiting on Provincial Approval	N/A

Building Department Permits - Summary April 2025

Number of Building Permits approved during the month:	27
Number of Housing Units Approved during the month	0
City Core Revitalization Incentive recipients during the month	3

Building Department Permits – Summary 2025

Housing Units approved in 2025	7
City Core Revitalization Incentive recipients in 2025	18



REPORT TO COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of Council

DATE: May 26th, 2025
TO: Robert Buchan, City Manager
FROM: Veronika Stewart, Manager of Communications, Engagement and Social Development

SUBJECT: BIG PROJECT COMMUNICATIONS REVIEW

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive this update for information regarding communications work in relation to the BIG Project.

REASON FOR REPORT:

At the April 28th meeting, Council requested additional information with respect to the BIG Project be made publicly available. This report shares the existing channels used for communications and provides an overview of areas for improvement that staff have flagged internally with the project team and external contractors.

BACKGROUND:

Replacement of the water main on Crestview drive has now been completed, marking the first completion of a major residential section of utilities as part of the BIG Project, and as such, an opportunity to reflect on communication efforts that were effective, but also those that could be improved in the next section, which starts mid-May on Bacon Street. Site signage, door knockers, and direct letters to impacted households were delivered over the past two weeks to the Bacon Street area to advise of the project.

Below is an overall review of the communications efforts that have been made to date regarding the project.

- **Initial Project Overviews:** Presentations to Council at outset of the project, press releases, as well as the 2024 Town Hall meeting.
- **Open House in December at Conrad School:** Mailers sent to all residents in Phase 1 + 2 of the project, with 70 residents in attendance. The event provided an opportunity to share updates, address concerns, and answer questions related to construction timelines and accessibility.

- **Staffing Support:** A part-time staff member has been hired to assist with project-related communications and coordination.
- **Issues Register:** An ongoing issues register has been maintained to log community concerns as they arise. This tool is instrumental in ensuring accountability and closing the loop on communications.
- **Contractor Coordination:** Weekly meetings with contractors are held to review the issues register and discuss upcoming work and community impacts. Concerns from the issue register are addressed at these meetings and assigned. Follow up is monitored and communicated through the same meetings.
- **Online Engagement Platform:** The project webpage at engage.princerpert.ca/big provides regular updates, FAQs, Q&A functionality, and a map/table of current traffic disruptions (linked to the City's GOMAP platform). The Q&A section is monitored daily by the Communications team.
- **Dedicated phone line and email:** From the start of the project, the phone number (250) 627 2822 and big@princerpert.ca have been used to intake project inquiries from the public. Business cards have also been developed for the contractors and on site staff to hand out, and can be provided to Council.
- **Direct Communications:** Regular mail-outs, including letters and door knockers, have been distributed to keep residents informed. Site signage and door knocking have also been used for targeted notifications. Most recently, a letter has been distributed to Crestview residents regarding the upcoming work on curb and gutter repairs and paving, which is to occur Summer/Fall (dependent on contractor availability).
- **Encroachment Notifications:** Specific communications including letters and door knocking have been issued to residents regarding property encroachments when they are likely to be impacted by construction works.
- **Accessibility Resource Handout:** Where accessibility has been flagged as a concern at certain residences through the Issues Register or on the ground reporting, staff have delivered a list of accessibility focused resources for residents to access and to encourage them to reach out to the team to enable accommodations, where possible.
- **Emergency Communications:** A dedicated emergency communications plan is in place to ensure timely updates in critical situations.
- **Targeted Survey:** A survey is being prepared for distribution to residents in the Crestview area to gather feedback.
- **Digital Updates:** Ongoing updates are provided via the City's website and social media channels, including posts related to delays.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

This project supports the Council's Strategic Objective of renewing and maintaining core infrastructure, while ensuring clear and transparent communication with residents throughout the process.

ANALYSIS:

The following takeaways have been generated based on the initial phase of the project.

Lessons Learned

- Clarification of impacts during investigative works is essential. It has been communicated clearly with the project team that a minimum of 48 hours notice should be provided any time that there is a planned disruption to water service.
- Communications planning has been adjusted to better reflect the impacts of commissioning activities. Commissioning will also not be scheduled on weekends to ensure that staff are more readily available to support the contractor given the specificity of the City's water system in some areas.
- A contractor roundtable has been scheduled to review additional project takeaways and ensure these are reflected in future planning and implementation.
- As soon as the project team becomes aware of potential project delays, broader communications internally and to the community will be provided to promote transparency. If desired, this can include monthly Council updates.

COMMUNITY SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

Considerations related to equity, accessibility, sustainability and communication have been proactively integrated into the planning and delivery of communications for the BIG Project.

- Accessibility Considerations – accessibility has been a key concern expressed by residents. The communications team developed an Accessibility Hand Out to Crestview Drive residents outlining local supports, accessibility planning and outreach options during construction. These materials aimed to reduce barriers for those with mobility issues and help residents navigate temporary disruptions. An Emergency Communication Strategy document has also been developed with accessibility in mind, ensuring critical information is delivered in an inclusive and timely manner.
- Community Engagement – The December Open House and continued updates via engage.princerpert.ca/big website have been central to ensuring that residents that are affected by the BIG Project have a voice in the process. Questions and concerns raised by the community directly influenced the creation of specific outreach resources. Additionally, ensuring the use of multiple communication methods (door knocking, mailing letters/notices, in-person events, printed handouts, online updates) is consistently applied to all phases of

the project to give continuity to all residents and business owners.

LINKS TO COUNCIL PLANS AND POLICY DIRECTION:

This project is the direct execution of the City's Infrastructure Renewal Strategy, included in the 2025 Budget.

COST:

Costs of the above communication efforts are included within the total budget for the BIG Project.

Report Prepared By:

Report Reviewed By:

Veronika Stewart
Manager of Communications,
Engagement and Social Development

Robert Buchan,
City Manager



REPORT TO COUNCIL
Regular Meeting of Council

DATE: May 26, 2024
TO: Robert Buchan, City Manager
FROM: Rodolfo Paras Diaz, Urban Planner I

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY PLANNING ACTIVITY REPORT – MAY 2025.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receive and file the Community Plans Activity Report

REASON FOR REPORT:

This report provides an update on the community plans under development in the City of Prince Rupert to Council.

UPDATES:

Climate Change Adaptation Plan (Grant-Funded): Adopted by the City Council on January 27th.

Official Community Plan Updates (Grant-Funded):

Currently, administrative requirements and policy are being reviewed. The consultants have drafted the Engagement Strategy and public engagement will start within the next few months.

Food Systems Plan:

This plan is driven by the community and involves significant engagement from its members, along with the coordination of various partnerships. Staff are working with community partners to begin targeted engagement.

Development Approval Review Process (Grant-Funded):

Reports are under review. Engagement completed. Grant has supported education and information sharing initiatives for the public on the Development Process.

Recreation and Wellness Plan (partially Grant-Funded)

City staff has selected a preferred proponent to perform the work needed to complete the City Recreation and Wellness Plan. Staff and the consulting team will kick off the project, and the consultant will commence work related to the project early June.

COST:

This report has no budgetary effects.

Report Prepared By:

Rodolfo Paras,
Urban Planner I

Report Reviewed By:

Robert Buchan,
City Manager



REPORT

May 1, 2025

TO: City Manager

FROM: Fire Chief Jeff Beckwith

SUBJECT: Monthly Fire / Rescue Report – April 2025

During the month of April 2025, the Prince Rupert Fire Rescue Department responded to 86 emergency incidents. Of these incidents, 2 properties sustained damage due to fire including one marine vessel. The Fire Department attended 16 additional fire related incidents, 4 MVI's, 2 Rescues, 62 medical responses and other public service requests.

Location	Property Value	Property Loss
215 Cow Bay Rd	30,000	30,000
825 Borden St	572,000	1,000
Totals:	602,000	31,000

INCIDENT COMPARISON

April	2025	86 Incidents
April	2024	48 Incidents
April	2023	70 Incidents
April	2022	109 Incidents
April	2021	102 Incidents
April	2020	60 Incidents

FIRE SERVICE ACT INSPECTIONS

During the month of April Fire Rescue Department personnel conducted Fire Service Act inspections within 15 public buildings in Prince Rupert

INSPECTION COMPARISON

April	2025	15 Public Building Inspections
April	2024	4 Public Building Inspections

April	2023	4 Public Building Inspections
April	2022	0 Public Building Inspections
April	2021	1 Public Building Inspections
April	2020	3 Public Building Inspections

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Fire Prevention and Public Education:

Prince Rupert Fire Rescue attended a fire drill at Northern Savings Credit Union.

Training & Upgrading:

During the month of April 11 training sessions were completed. These included Ropes and Knots, Ladder Training, Driver Training, Aerial Ops, First Responder, and Cyber Awareness.

Daily Apparatus & Equipment Maintenance:

Daily inspections and maintenance were conducted on all equipment and apparatus, and they remain in working condition.

911 DISPATCH SUMMARY

The following is a summary of emergency calls received and handled by the 911 Operators/Dispatchers.

PR ADMIN	322
PR FIRE	13
PR AMB	197
PR EHS	76
PR RCMP	168
PR ALARM	15

PED ADMIN	0
PED FIRE	0
PED AMB	1
PED EHS	0
PED RCMP	0
PED ALARM	1

OTH FIRE	1
OTH AMB	0
OTH EHS	0
OTH RCMP	14

CITY	98
H/U	71
WRONG #	21
R.C.C.	0
CITYWEST	20
311	0

Total: 1018

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Beckwith,
Fire Chief

Heather MacRae

From: Troy Abromaitis <tabromaitis@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 5:56 PM
To: City Hall; Council; Herb Pond
Subject: Indigenous Survivors Day - National Blanket Ceremony Day
Attachments: New Brunswick Proclamation - Indigenous Survivors Day.pdf; Nova Scotia Proclamation - Indigenous Survivors Day (1).pdf; BC Indigenous Survivors Day - June 30 (1).pdf; Chief Janet Reference Letter Final.pdf

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Dear Mayor and Members of Prince Rupert City Council,

I write to you today in a deeply personal capacity—this request comes from my heart and is not made on behalf of any organization or group.

On behalf of myself and my family, as Sixties Scoop survivors—myself and my late mother—I am writing to respectfully and personally request that the City of Prince Rupert formally proclaim June 30th as *“Indigenous Survivors Day – National Blanket Ceremony Day.”*

This important day has already been officially recognized by the provinces of British Columbia, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, and is now being commemorated by several Canadian cities, including Surrey and Prince George. By joining this growing movement, the City of Prince Rupert would take a meaningful step forward in honouring the experiences of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis families whose lives have been forever shaped by the Sixties Scoop, Millennium Scoop, birth alerts, and related colonial practices that removed Indigenous children from their families and cultures.

This request carries deep personal significance. My own journey home to Lytton First Nation took more than thirty years—a long path of rediscovery and healing. I eventually reconnected with my family and began to truly understand the impacts of the Scoop on our lives. My late mother, who passed earlier this year, was also a survivor. Before she passed, she expressed her wish that the voices of Survivors be recognized across this country. It is in her honour, and for the countless others affected, that I make this request.

Indigenous Survivors Day – National Blanket Ceremony Day would be a powerful act of recognition and remembrance. The day would offer a space for healing, education, and awareness, while celebrating the strength and resilience of Survivors. The blanket, long used in our communities as a symbol of warmth, protection, and belonging, would serve as a central symbol—honouring Survivors through ceremony and connection.

This proclamation would align with the City of Prince Rupert’s commitments to reconciliation, the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and the principles of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). While September 30th is nationally

recognized to honour Residential School Survivors, June 30th would complement that day by specifically acknowledging Survivors of other forms of systemic removal and disruption, including the Sixties Scoop.

I would be honoured to support this initiative in any way—whether through sharing background materials, offering my lived experience, or helping to organize a future ceremony or event.

On behalf of my family, my late mother, and Survivors across this country, thank you for considering this heartfelt request. I hope that the City of Prince Rupert will help lead the way in honouring Survivors and building a future rooted in empathy, ceremony, and justice.

With respect and hope,
Troy Abromaitis
Sixties Scoop Survivor
Member, Lytton First Nation



Lytton First Nation

March 19, 2023

From: Chief Janet Webster
Lytton First Nation
951 Main Street
Lytton, BC V0K 1Z0

RE: Reference Letter – Troy MacBeth Abromaitis, Lytton First Nation Member

Troy MacBeth Abromaitis is a passionate advocate for Indigenous community building, economic reconciliation and has been pivotal in the Nation's rebuilding efforts after the wildfires and flooding which affecting the Fraser Canyon and our communities in 2021. I first met Troy in 2018, at a Chief and Council meeting, where he sincerely reflected on his emotional homecoming and spoke about his 35-year journey to reconnect with his family, people, culture and community. His journey home brought tears to our eyes. He was born on August 27, 1983, in Vancouver, British Columbia, and is a sixties scoop survivor.

He is a descendant of the Thom, Oates, Draney and Drynock families of the Nlaka'pamux Nation. He was raised by his adoptive parents Theresa and Vytas Abromaitis in Richmond, British Columbia and returned to his ancestral territory of Lytton, British Columbia for the first time five years ago. He is a business professional specializing in real estate development and home building.

Troy is truly inspired when it comes to his involvement in the Indigenous community and our community greatly benefits from his passion for giving back. He also has a genuine desire to help, in a good way, and this has been demonstrated time and time again. Troy's fundraising efforts were heartfelt, and his dedication had a profound impact, when it came to help rebuild his community. Troy worked as President of the Rotary Club, with various corporations and other First Nations on coordinated fundraising efforts.

His leadership also inspired numerous other fundraisers and donations within the real estate development and home building industry, non-profit sector, and other organizations which Troy actively contributes. These fundraising campaigns raised several hundred thousand dollars towards the community and benefited the Nation with both significant donations of building materials and professional expertise from housing industry professionals.

He also serves on the Economic Development Corporation Board with Lytton First Nation to further contribute and benefit his communities rebuilding efforts. Prior to his involvement on the fundraising and building side, Troy was actively involved with the implementation of the land code program and community planning, for our 14,161 acres of land divided into 56 reserves, and was designed as our primary real estate professional through a band council resolution. We trust Troy's twenty years of real estate experience and his strategic and conciliatory approach has been invaluable to our band.

We are incredibly proud of Troy's accomplishments and the remarkable journey he has made to reconnect with and help his community. His gift for community building and collaborative relationships have been celebrated through a variety of awards. Troy was named as a Top 40 Under 40 by the National Centre for American Indian Enterprise, received the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal from the province of British Columbia and was selected for a National Philanthropy and Community Service Award by the Canadian Mortgage Awards.

Troy Abromaitis is a sixties scoop survivor, successful businessman and philanthropist who has left an indelible impact on Lytton First Nation. He has a passion for social entrepreneurship, believing that business and society can work together toward common goals. He is a community builder, respected Lytton leader and has made many outstanding contributions to the community. We are extremely proud to have him as a member of our Nation and he is also making his ancestor's proud.

Sincerely,

LYTTON FIRST NATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chief Janet Webster", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Chief Janet Webster



May 16, 2025

BC Utilities Commission
Suite 410, 900 Howe Street
Vancouver, BC Canada V6Z 2N3
Email: Commission.secretary@bcus.com

Re: Pacific Northern Gas Proposed Increase of Natural Gas Delivery Rates

Dear BC Utilities Commission,

On behalf of the Board of the North Coast Regional District (NCRD) I am writing to call for a comprehensive reset of Pacific Northern Gas (PNG) and an audit of the organization's operations and expenditures following the receipt of the correspondence sent by the Village of Telkwa, dated April 29, 2025.

As the current trend of PNG natural gas delivery rates for households continues to rise, families and residents of B.C. and the north coast are further driven towards the inability to cover the costs of necessities during the coldest parts of the year. This in addition to the indiscretion of PNG with regards to its operations on the projected two-hundred million (\$200,000,000) dollar expenditure on the new pipeline shows a lack of accountability for its economic loss on operational practices which should not be deferred to the people of B.C. to recover. For these reasons, the NCRD opposes any and all increases to PNG natural gas delivery rates.

Furthermore, the NCRD urges the B.C. Utilities Commission to conduct a thorough and transparent audit of PNG's financial practices and decision-making processes to review that fair and just rates are being provided to the communities of B.C. and the north coast.

Should you have any questions please contact NCRD staff.

Sincerely,

Barry Pages

Chair

*CC: Municipalities and Regional District of BC
Hon. Laanas – Tamara Davidson, MLA, North-Coast Haida Gwaii
Hon. Adiran Dix, Minister of Energy and Climate Solutions
Hon. Brittny Anderson, Minister of State for Local Governments and Rural Communities*



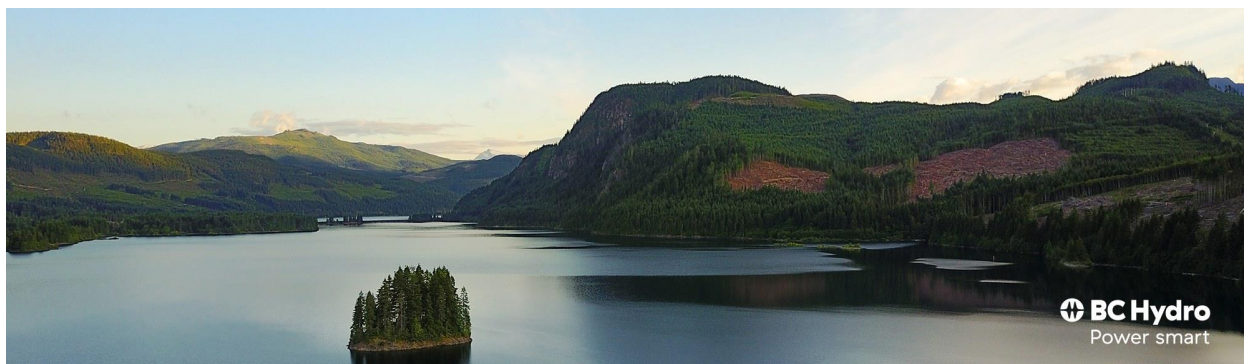
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BC Hydro EV Site Host Update

Welcome to the BC Hydro EV Site Host Quarterly Update

In this update, you'll find the latest news from BC Hydro's electric vehicle public service. Our goal is to keep you informed and connected as we continue to build the future of transportation electrification together.

Industry Trends & Insights

B.C. is a leader in EV adoption

In 2024, zero emissions vehicles (ZEVs) made up a remarkable 22.8% of all new light duty vehicles sales in the province. Today, over 195,000 electric vehicles are registered in B.C., and BC Hydro projects this number will grow to between 700,000 and 900,000 within the next decade.

As a site host, you play a significant role in expanding our charging network. More sites across the province mean greater confidence for EV drivers and less range anxiety, while also helping drive demand for chargers on your sites as EV adoption grows.

Zero-Emission Vehicle Update

The province of British Columbia recently released the **Zero-Emission Vehicle Update for 2024**, which looks at ZEVs market highlights and targets, public charging and fueling infrastructure, rebates, and more. Read the annual [here](#).

Public Charging Behaviour

Based on data from April 1, 2024 - April 28, 2025, the most popular time of day to charge (based on kWh used by time of day) across our entire network is between 1 - 2 pm. We also saw the highest number of charging sessions in December 2024, followed by January 2025.

Have ideas on how we can increase EV usage at your site? We would love to hear from you!

BC Hydro EV updates

Our charging network continues to grow

Thanks to your partnership, we hit a major milestone. In just one year, our public charging network tripled in size! On average, we have installed more than one charging port a day for a total of 418 over the past year, bringing our total up to **591 ports at 144 sites across the province.**

Over the last few months, we've installed new chargers in the following locations:

- [Maple Ridge](#)
- [Surrey](#)
- [Port Moody](#)
- [Sidney](#)
- [Sechelt](#)
- [Gibsons](#)
- [Agassiz](#)
- [Chilliwack](#)

For more information on what we accomplished over the last year and what lies ahead, take a read through our latest [EV Progress Report](#).

Customer Experience Improvements

We are committed to enhancing the customer experience both on-site and digitally. We've recently updated all site signage with the new charging rates (noted below). Furthermore, many of our new sites are now equipped with NACS ports so all EV drivers can charge seamlessly on our network.

At the same time, we're making ongoing improvements to our app to streamline the user experience and keep customers informed about new site openings and other EV charging updates.

BC Hydro Network Reliability

BC Hydro is focused on providing robust maintenance and service support, ensuring a consistent experience across the network with 24/7 assistance for drivers. These efforts contribute to our exceptional reliability, with our fast-charging network boasting an industry-leading charger uptime rate of 99%.

As a result, BC Hydro was named one of [ChargeHub's best-rated charging networks in 2024](#), which a mention of excellence for improving user's charging experience.

Rates as of April 1, 2025

Effective April 1, 2025, the costs to charge at BC Hydro EV chargers are:

- Level 2 charging \$0.2972 per kWh (no idle fee)
- Fast charging (labelled 25 kW or higher) \$0.3609 per kWh minute
- Idle fee *\$0.40 per minute

For more information, visit: [Charging rates and roaming](#)

For technical issues with the chargers, we have a dedicated team of agents available 24/7 EV who can assist with technical issues around the clock: evsupport@bchydro.com or 1-866-338-3369. This number should be used to report or resolve technical issues with the equipment.

Customer Feedback

Every great charging experience is made possible by the work we do together, from reliable infrastructure to accessible, well-maintained sites. We're excited to share a few recent comments from EV drivers who've had positive experiences on our network at sites like yours:

"BC Hydro provides the most reliable and cost effective fast charging experience compared to other networks and other provinces and USA. Moving the older 50kw to 100kw+ charging will get EVs in and out of charging stations faster, reduce trip times and reduce wait times." – 2024 Public Charging Survey Participant

"A BC Hydro charging station is always our first choice. I hope we'll see more of them in the years to come. We haven't yet attempted any long road trips, but that is definitely something we

look forward to in the future. plenty of BC Hydro charging stations will make that dream much more feasible". – 2024 Public Charging Survey Participant

"Well done BC Hydro. What an awesome 2024 for BC Energy!" – TYMP (user) on PlugShare

"We travelled the crow nest hwy to Kaslo in September our first EV roadtrip. We found that the bc hydro and Flo chargers were brilliant. They flat out just worked every time. Loved that there was charging in every town we drove thru. Manning Park, Keremeos, Osoyoos, Greenwood, Castlegar , New Denver, Kaslo, and Nakusp. GREAT JOB, BC Hydro. Keep the chargers coming." – 2024 Public Charging Survey Participant

"Hats off to BC Hydro! This set of chargers is just what northern EV folks needed. This 350kW is proving the accuracy of the Ford Lightning specs." – Hofdy Lightning (user) on PlugShare

Annual site host survey

That's a wrap on our Spring 2025 EV update!

We hope you found these updates helpful and inspiring. Keep an eye out for a short survey coming soon, where you'll have the opportunity to share your thoughts and experiences with our EV chargers.

Stay tuned for more updates next quarter!

Thank you for being a valued part of the journey towards a cleaner, greener future. Please feel free to reach out anytime if you have questions.

Scott Petrie

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Olena Moshko

From: aholmes@cityofenderby.com
Sent: Monday, May 5, 2025 11:33 AM
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Dear MLA Williams, Local Governments and Political Parties of British Columbia,

Please find attached correspondence from Council for the City of Enderby with respect to Bill 7 – 2025: Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act.

Sincerely,

Andraya Holmes
Clerk Secretary

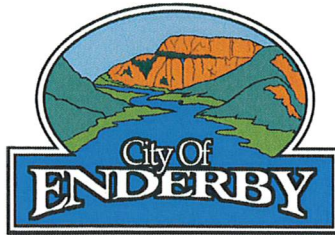
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April 23, 2025

MLA David Williams
Room 201 - Parliament Buildings
Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

Re: Bill 7 – 2025: Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act

Dear Mr. Williams:

Council has resolved to express its concerns regarding *Bill 7 – 2025 Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act*.

Council for the City of Enderby recognizes that the economic challenge posed by tariffs requires an effective government response. However, that response must flow from our shared commitment to transparency, accountability, and public participation.

Council respectfully requests that the Government of British Columbia makes the following changes to *Bill 7 – 2025 Economic Stabilization (Tariff Response) Act*, before it becomes law:

1. Modify Part 2 [Procurement Directives] of the Act to ensure that there is adequate provision for oversight, accountability, and performance measurement in government purchasing programs and policies under this part;
2. Define the intent, scope and limits of Part 3 [Tolls, Fees and Charges] of the Act and include a requirement for regular and ongoing consultation with British Columbian citizens, including indigenous persons, and businesses to understand and adapt to the consequences of measures taken under this part; and
3. Add a requirement to Part 5 [General Provisions] of the Act requiring regular public reporting of regulations made under the Act, including the objectives, performance measures, and impacts of those regulations upon British Columbian citizens, including indigenous persons, and businesses.

Moreover, we urge the Government of British Columbia to:

4. Commit to not reintroducing Part 4 [Lieutenant Governor in Council's Response Powers] of the Act whatsoever, including as a separate enactment.

When the intentions of a law enacted by the Legislative Assembly are not clearly expressed, regulations risk defining the law rather than following from the law. In this time of crisis, we urge the Government of British Columbia to legislate in a manner that upholds the rule of law, not the rule of regulation.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Huck Galbraith
Mayor

Cc: Local Governments of BC
British Columbia New Democratic Party
Conservative Party of BC
Green Party of British Columbia

Meeting Minutes – Indigenous Relations Committee

April 11th, 2025, 12 pm, Kxeen Community Services Society

Present:

Farley Stewart

Clarence Nelson Jr.

Veronika Stewart (City staff rep)

Myfannwy Pope (City staff rep)

Symbia Barnaby (remote)

Arnie Nagy

Billy Nelson

Regrets:

Lori Burger/Roberta Edzerza

Nicholas Blackwater

Miranda Kessler (Kxeen Community Services Society)

Indigenous Relations Committee

- a.) Opening Prayer
- b.) Review and approval of the agenda and opportunity to add items – item e) added.
- c.) Review and approval of the minutes of last meeting
- d.) Review of priorities for Action Plan with Committee – Activity + Discussion
 - Potential facilitators to seek quotes from for engagement – Frank Morven, Harvey Russell Jr., Maynard Angus
 - Potential videographers/trainers – Andrew Stewart, Phil Cornwall, Rudy Kelly, Billy Nelson
 - Suggested to limit to youth 15-20 years old, with the goal of developing skills/cultural learnings
 - Suggested to reach out to Indian Residential School Survivors Society and/or FNHA for on site support during elders interviews
 - **MOTION:** Committee resolved to approve the action plan and schedule of activities for engagement activities in principle. Moved by Billy, Seconded by Farley – Passed.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Staff to proceed with selecting dates for camp, securing quotes for activities presented in the draft project

plan/schedule, including facilitators, videographer/trainers identified by group

- **ACTION ITEM:** Staff to generate youth sign up sheet and process, with Billy to support in reducing barriers for entry

e.) Information on Newspaper article re: totem poles in front of Civic Centre

- Symbia provided additional context to committee regarding information taken out of context in article early April.
- Staff noted that action on totem poles is led by senior administration and outside the scope of committee business, and that staff are seeking to proceed in a sensitive way.

f.) Adjournment

Olena Moshko

From: Marzia Rizvi <mrizvi@westac.com>
Sent: Friday, May 9, 2025 2:30 PM
Subject: Leader's Council: Key Messages for Letters to PM Carney
Attachments: WESTAC Key Messages - Leader's Council.pdf

Categories: Olena

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Dear WESTAC Members,

Following the Leaders Council session held on May 1, 2025, we've prepared a short set of key messages to support your communications with Prime Minister Mark Carney as he begins his term and forms his cabinet. These messages reflect the priorities and opportunities identified during the discussion and may be useful in your letters or congratulatory notes.

Please find the document attached for your reference.

Best regards,
Marzia



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WESTAC Leader's Council Spring 2025 – Key Messages for PM Mark Carney

The following messages were developed after discussion with WESTAC members at Leader's Council session held during WESTAC's Spring Member Forum on May 1, 2025. They reflect shared priorities and key opportunities identified by members and are intended to help inform member communications with Prime Minister Mark Carney.

The three key messages are:

- Canada is at the crossroads and must act with urgency to diversify our market access and to seize the opportunities ahead especially through Western Canadian trade corridors—protecting and growing new jobs, expanding Indigenous participation in projects, and attracting global investment.
- We need your leadership in assisting a government culture shift to understand what is at risk. Establish a mindset of yes and how. Waiting for no risk opportunities, means we lose investment, we lose jobs, and we lose opportunities.
- We can attract capital investment and grow our trade transportation infrastructure by implementing policies that de-risk projects. This includes ensuring regulatory certainty—such as clear project approvals, predictable timelines, and strong Crown-Indigenous relations—alongside tax incentives and a 'culture of yes' that embraces opportunity and facilitates development.



REPORT TO COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of Council

DATE: May 26, 2025
TO: Robert Buchan, City Manager
FROM: Corinne Bomben, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: SECURITY ISSUING RESOLUTION – POLICE DETACHMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approve the borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia, as part of their 2025 fall issue, \$17,000,000 as authorized through Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 3484, 2022 (authorizing borrowing of funds for the purpose of funding the police detachment project) and that the North Coast Regional District be requested to consent to this borrowing over a thirty (30) year term and include the borrowing in their security issuing bylaw.

REASON FOR REPORT:

The City approved a loan authorization bylaw up to \$25 million in June 2022 for the purpose of constructing a new police detachment. This resolution initiates the final step in the process to obtain the long-term financing contemplated in the bylaw.

BACKGROUND:

The City began the new police detachment project in late 2022 after the borrowing bylaw was approved by the Inspector of Municipalities of British Columbia.

ANALYSIS:

The last stage in the municipal process for borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) is for a Security Issuing Resolution to be passed by Council and forwarded to the Regional District which will begin their process of adopting a Security Issuing Bylaw. After their process, application can be made by the Regional District to the MFA for debenture financing.

Once financing is approved at the fall MFA meeting, the City will have an obligation to repay the debenture over the term of the loan, with the option to pay down the debt after ten (10) years which is the earliest opportunity to do so under debenture financing.

The loan authorization bylaw for which debt is approved under had a maximum limit of \$25 million. Council will note the security issuing resolution sought is for \$17 million. The reason for this lower debt financing is twofold. First, the construction project was completed under that budgeted by the City. Second, given the City had reserved funding, starting in 2019, from new industrial taxes and placing those amounts into reserve for the purpose of repaying the anticipated debt, the accumulation of funding has been used to partially pay for the project thereby reducing the debt needed.

It is anticipated, provided interest rates do not escalate by the time the debenture is taken, that there will be no tax increase proposed in the 2026 budget to fund the debt repayments that will begin in that fiscal year.

LINKS TO COUNCIL PLANS AND POLICY DIRECTION:

The construction of the RCMP detachment was included as one of the actions fulfilling the goal of replacing and renewing the City's infrastructure.

COST:

There is no cost associated with this resolution.

CONCLUSION:

Council passing the resolution proposed will complete the funding process controlled by the City and advance the process for the North Coast Regional Districts consideration.

Report Prepared By:

Corinne Bomben
Chief Financial Officer

Report Reviewed By:

Robert Buchan,
City Manager

Attachment:

- Certificate of Approval



Certificate of Approval

Under the authority of the *Local Government Act*, I certify that
Bylaw No. 3484, cited as the "Police Detachment Loan
Authorization Bylaw No. 3484, 2022" of the City of Prince Rupert
has been lawfully and validly made and enacted, and that its
validity is not open to question on any ground in any court of
British Columbia.

Dated this Fifteenth *day*
Of August , 2022

Deputy Inspector of Municipalities of British Columbia



REPORT TO COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of Council

DATE: May 26, 2025
TO: Robert Buchan, City Manager
FROM: Jordan Schmidt, Director of Operations
SUBJECT: RFQ 25-0005 OUTFALL J TO I RELOCATION

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council Award RFQ 25-0005 Outfall J to I Relocation to Progressive Ventures.

REASON FOR REPORT:

To recommend award of this contract for the Outfall J to I relocation project. The City received an administrative directive from Environmental Climate Change Canada Enforcement Branch requiring the elimination of marine outfalls as part of long-term compliance planning for future wastewater treatment.

ANALYSIS:

The Operations Department finalized the design and issued a Request for Quotation (RFQ) for the Outfall J to I Relocation Project through BC Bid. Two compliant submissions were received and reviewed by City staff and the City's consulting Engineer. Progressive Ventures submitted the lowest bid:

Broadwater Industries	\$3,385,397
Progressive Ventures	\$2,363,695

Staff are recommending awarding the contract to Progressive Ventures for the following reasons:

- **Regulatory Compliance:** The project is required under an Environmental Enforcement directive with a firm completion deadline of December 31, 2025. Awarding this contract ensures the City remains on track to meet compliance obligations.
- **Cost Efficiency:** Progressive Ventures submitted the lowest compliant bid, and the project is within the approved budget.

COST:

Council has already approved the capital expenditure for the 2025 Outfall J to I Relocation Project, and this award falls within the approved budget, funded through RBA.

Report Prepared By:

Report Reviewed By:

Jordan Schmidt
Director of Operations

Robert Buchan
City Manager