



MINUTES

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council, held on Monday, September 28, 2026, 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

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

STAFF: R. Pucci, Chief Administrative Officer (Remote)
R. Miller, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the regular meeting to order at 7:21 pm.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of September 28, 2026, be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Francois Dagenais Cote, property owner at 1800 8th Ave East Re: DP #26-23;
- b) Greg Campbell, local president of the CUPW union in Prince Rupert Re: Proposed Canada Post Changes to Mail Delivery in Prince Rupert.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a) Council minutes for approval

- i. Minutes of the Special Meeting to Close of September 8, 2026;
- ii. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2026;

b) Reports for receipt

- i. Report from the Planning Re: Development Activity Report July & August 2026;

- ii. Report from the Chief Financial Officer Re: July 2026 Financial Variance Report;
- iii. Report from the Fire Chief Re: Monthly Fire/Rescue Report – August 2026;
- iv. Report from the RCMP Re: Policing Report July & August 2026;
- v. Report from the Manager of Communications, Engagement and Social Development Re: Indigenous Relations Committee Update;

c) Correspondence for approval

- i. Request for Proclamation October 2026 as Foster Family Month;

d) Correspondence for receipt

- i. Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Re: Support for a Minimum Five-Year Renewal of the Local Government Climate Action Program;
- ii. Canada Post Re: Proposed Changes to Mail Delivery in Prince Rupert;
- iii. City of Williams Lake Re: BC Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) – Funding Continuation; and,
- iv. PACE Group Re: SOS and Municipal Leaders Calling for Five Priority Actions from Province.

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT all items on the Consent Agenda be approved or received as requested.

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT Council direct Staff to review different options related to property requirements for Canada Post in terms of the mailboxes and any other ideas as they see fit to consider this issue and report back to Council within 3 months.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS

a) Report from the Planning Re: Development Permit #26-23 – 1800 8th Avenue East

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council support approval of Development Permit (DP) #26-23 and direct the CAO, or Designate, as the delegated approval authority, to issue the permit.

CARRIED

7. BYLAWS

a) Permissive Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 3571, 2026

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council consider fourth and final reading to Permissive Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 3571, 2026.

CARRIED

b) Tax Sale Redemption Extension Bylaw 3572, 2026

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council consider fourth and final reading to Tax Sale Redemption Extension Bylaw No. 3572, 2026.

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL ROUND TABLE

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT the meeting be adjourned to the closed meeting at 7:43 pm.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER