

Special Council Meeting
held at City Hall, Council Chambers
171 Main Street, Penticton, B.C.

Wednesday, November 22, 2023
at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Mayor Bloomfield
Councillor Boulton
Councillor Gilbert
Councillor Graham
Councillor Konanz
Councillor Miller
Councillor Watt

Staff: Anthony Haddad, City Manager
Angie Collison, Corporate Officer
Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration
Kristen Dixon, General Manager Infrastructure
Blake Laven, Director of Development Services
Cheryl Hardisty, Manager of Council & Executive Operations
Elma Hamming, Manager of Finance
Amber Coates, Financial Analyst
Courtney Jones, Financial Planning and Budget Specialist
Crystal Dearden, Finance Exec. Assistant & Project Coordinator
Paula McKinnon, Deputy Corporate Officer

1. Call to Order

Mayor Bloomfield called the Special Meeting of Council to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

423/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the agenda for the November 22, 2023 Special Meeting of Council as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. 2024 Budget Deliberations

3.1 Grants

Amber Coates, Financial Analyst, and Jeff Plant, Sport & Event Supervisor, provided Council with a summary of grant requests made for 2024.

424/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
THAT Council approve the Arts, Culture & Heritage grant requests for 2024 which includes:
- \$10,000 cash to the Okanagan School of the Arts; and
- \$600 cash to the Penticton Concert Band.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

425/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
THAT Council approve the Health, Safety & Social Services grant requests for 2024 which includes:
- \$700 in-kind to the Dragonfly Pond Family Society; and
- \$13,000 cash to the South Okanagan Seniors Wellness Society.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

426/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
THAT Council approve the Parks, Recreation & Sport grant requests for 2024 which includes:
- \$9,788 in-kind to the Penticton Paddle Sports Association.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

427/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
THAT Council approve the Not-for-Profit Special Event grant requests for 2024 which includes:
- \$5,000 cash to the Community Foundation of the South Okanagan Similkamneen;
- \$3,000 cash to the Jean Minguy Memorial Police Youth Academy;
- \$5,000 in-kind to the Okanagan Valley Music Festival Society; and
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Miller declared a conflict of interest as an active member of the Royal Canadian Legion and left the meeting at 9:17 a.m.

428/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
THAT Council approve the Not-for-Profit Special Event grant requests for 2024 which includes:
- \$5,000 cash to the Royal Canadian Legion.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Miller returned to the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

429/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
THAT Council approve the Health, Safety & Social Services grant requests for 2024 which includes:
- \$0 cash to First Things First Okanagan;
- \$3,600 cash to the Okanagan Fruit Tree Project;
- \$12,650 cash to the Penticton Recovery Resource Society; and
- \$15,465 cash to the Skaha Bluffs Park Watch Society.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

430/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
THAT Council approve the Parks, Recreation & Sport grant requests for 2024 which includes:
- \$1,550 cash to the Penticton Lawn Bowling Club.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

431/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Not-for-Profit Special Event grant requests for 2024 which includes:

- \$4,000 cash and \$6,000 in-kind to the HA HA HA KIDZFEST SOCIETY;
- \$3,600 cash to the Meadowlark Festival/Okanagan Similkameen Conservation Alliance; and
- \$15,450 cash and \$1,000 in-kind to the Penticton Curling Club.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

432/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Not-for-Profit Special Event grant requests for 2024 which includes:

- \$5,150 cash to the Penticton Regional Bridge Tournament;
- \$2,100 cash and \$2,500 in-kind to the Penticton Triathlon Club; and
- \$2,575 cash to the South Okanagan Seniors Wellness Society.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Gilbert declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

433/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Not-for-Profit Special Event grant requests for 2024 which includes:

- \$15,450 cash and \$5,000 in-kind to the Penticton Art Gallery.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Gilbert returned to the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

434/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Partnership Agreement grant requests for 2024 which includes:

- \$400 in-kind to Hoodoo Adventures Company Ltd;
- \$2,575 cash and \$650 in-kind to Okanagan Trestles Tour; and
- \$2,600 cash and \$500 in-kind to Tri 1 Events Ltd.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

435/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Health, Safety & Social Services grant requests for 2024 which includes:

- \$12,000 in-kind to United Way British Columbia.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

436/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve \$400 cash to the Canadian Mental Health Association.

**CARRIED
Councillor Konanz, Opposed**

437/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Not-for-Profit Special Event grant requests for 2024 which includes:

- \$2,000 cash to the Downtown Penticton Association (Light Up);
- \$9,000 cash to the Downtown Penticton Association (Alley Activiations); and
- \$7,150 cash to The Penti-Con Association.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 438/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council approve the Arts, Culture & Heritage grant request for 2024 which includes:
 - \$5,000 cash to the Penticton Peach Festival.
- CARRIED**
Councillors Konanz and Watt, Opposed
- 439/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council deny the Health, Safety & Social Services 2024 grant request from the Bethel Food Pantry.
- CARRIED**
Councillor Boulton, Opposed
- 440/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council deny the Health, Safety & Social Services 2024 grant request from the Penticton and Area Overdose Prevention Society.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 441/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council approve the Health, Safety & Social Services grant requests for 2024 which includes:
 - \$4,510 cash to The Penticton & Area Access Centre.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 442/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council deny the Parks, Recreation & Sport 2024 grant request from the Penticton & District Minor Hockey Association.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 443/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council approve the Not-for-Profit Special Event grant requests for 2024 which includes:
 - \$2,000 cash to Cat’s Paw Productions Society.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**
- 444/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council reduce the in-year 2024 grant budget by \$30,000.
- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:24 a.m.

3.2 Infrastructure Services

Kristen Dixon, General Manager of Infrastructure and Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration, provided Council with the 2023 accomplishments and an overview of the 2024 infrastructure and utilities initiatives and budget.

- 445/2023 **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
 THAT Council remove the second full-time Gardener position from the 2024-2028 Financial & Corporate Business Plan.
- DEFEATED**
Mayor Bloomfield and Councillors Gilbert, Graham and Watt ,Opposed

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove the Small Projects Coordinator position from the 2024-2028 Financial & Corporate Business Plan.

446/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council refer the Small Projects Coordinator position to be discussed during recap and final review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

447/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council amend the agenda to include Capital Overview budget deliberations from the Day 3 Agenda.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 12:21 p.m. and reconvened at 1:02 p.m.

448/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve in principle the Infrastructure Division 2024-2028 Financial & Corporate Business Plan initiatives and proposed budget, excluding FTE positions to be revisited during the recap, subject to final review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Capital Overview

Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration, provided Council with a Capital overview.

5. 2024 Budget Deliberations

5.1 Capital Budgets – Community Services

Anthony Policicchio, Facilities Manager, and Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration, provided Council with an overview of the Community Services 2024 capital budget.

449/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve in principle the Community Services 2024-2028 Capital Plan proposed projects and budgets, subject to final review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.2 Capital Budgets – Fire Services

Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration, provided Council with an overview of the Fire Services 2024 capital budget.

450/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council Council approve in principle the Penticton Fire Department 2024-2028 Capital Plan, subject to final review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.3 Capital Budgets – Information Technology

Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration, provided Council with an overview of the Information Technology 2024 capital budget.

451/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve in principle the Finance and Administration 2024-2028 Capital Plan initiatives and proposed budget, subject to final review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.4 Capital Budgets –Infrastructure

Kristen Dixon, General Manager of Infrastructure, and Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration, provided Council with an overview of the Infrastructure 2024 capital budget.

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 2:38 p.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m.

452/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve in principle the Infrastructure Division 2024-2028 Capital Plan, subject to final review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Public Question Period

7. Adjournment

453/2023

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adjourn the November 22, 2023 Special meeting of Council at 3:20 p.m.

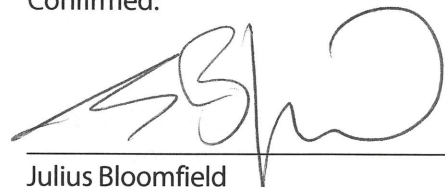
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Certified correct:



Angie Collison
Corporate Officer

Confirmed:



Julius Bloomfield
Mayor