COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



August 17, 2021 - Council Meeting Highlights

Canadian Mental Health Association – SOS Branch

Leah Schulting and Jon Ferebee were in attendance and provided Council with a presentation highlighting the services that the Canadian Mental Health Association provides and their need to find a new space for their programs and services.

Frontenac Energy Proposal

Steve Neil was in attendance and Dave White and Gary Grahn joined via zoom to provide Council with an overview of their company, their processes and their plans to expand into the Penticton area. Public engagement will begin in the fall.

Travel Penticton

Thom Tischik and Jessica Dolan were in attendance and provided Council with an overview of Travel Penticton's request for designated recipient status and to increase the MRDT to 3%.

Safety and Security Advisory Committee

Council supported the request to have a letter sent to the province requesting assistance with clean-up efforts along Highway 97 and other non-City lands and to establish a Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) 'clean-team' or other dedicated enforcement resource to respond to this growing issue.

BC Housing – Development Permit

John McEown, BC Housing was in attendance via zoom and provided further clarification on the correspondence that was submitted and to request that the Development Permit be approved without conditions. Council directed staff to work with BC Housing on an agreement.

Pathways Addictions Resource Centre

Daryl Meyers, Executive Director was in attendance to ask Council for a letter of support for Pathways Addictions Resource Centre. Council agreed to provide Pathways with a letter of support to accompany their application with Health Canada Substance Use and Addiction Program.

Notice of motion introduced by Councillor Miller on July 29, 2021

Due to the rising opioid crisis, Council agreed to send a letter to Susan Brown, CEO of Interior Health, with carbon copies to B.C. Health Minister Adrian Dix and Penticton MLA Dan Ashton, requesting that traditional funding to Pathways Addictions and Resource Centre of \$500,000 annually be restored effective immediately.

Travel Penticton Society – Agreement Renewal

Council supported the staff recommendation that the City be retained as Designated Recipient and support the Travel Penticton Society's increase in the MRDT from 2% to 3% MRDT. They also supported the Online Accommodators Funds being allocated by the City of Penticton towards Affordable Housing and directed staff to work with the Travel Penticton Society to develop a Fee for Service Contract the provision of Visitor Services and Destination Marketing and bring back for consideration as part of the Budget 2022 process. They moved that the Fee for Service Contract explicitly outline how the MRDT and Municipal funds will be allocated for the provision of Destination Marketing, Convention Bureau and Visitor Services.

North Gateway Redevelopment and Investment Strategy Colliers International Real Estate Analysis

Russell Whitehead and Christopher Kuno of Colliers International were in attendance via Zoom and provided Council with an overview of their real estate analysis regarding the North Gateway Redevelopment plan. Council received the report into the record.

Save Pond Hockey/BCHL 60th Anniversary Event Proposal

Alex Welsman was in attendance and provided Council with an overview of the BCHL's 60th Anniversary Event Proposal. Council endorsed the Save Pond Hockey event to be hosted in conjunction with the British Columbia Hockey League 60th Anniversary event and direct \$45,000 cash and \$5,000 of in-kind funds in the 2022-2026 Financial Plan toward the operational costs of the event.

2021-2022 Deputy Mayor Appointment

Council approved the Deputy Mayor appointments as outlined in the report dated August 17, 2021 titled "2021 – 2022 Deputy Mayor Appointments".

Commercial Aquatics Land Lease for the Skaha Marina

Council directed staff to apply to the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations for an Aquatics Land Lease for a 30-year term for commercial marina, restaurant, breakwater, seasonal boat storage and public use purposes.

Continuing Penticton's Enrolment in the Provincial Nominee Program (PNP)

Council directed staff to apply to continue participating in the Government of British Columbia's Provincial Nominee Program Entrepreneur Immigration.

In-Year Grant Request

Council approved a \$2,575 cash grant to the Penticton Salvation Army Food Bank.

In-Year Special Event Grant Request

Council approved a \$4000 cash grant to the Penticton & District Community Arts Council for the annual Arts Rising Festival.

Road Closure Bylaw No. 2021-27

Re: 3914 Valleyview Road

Council adopted "Road Closure (section of road adjacent to 3914 Valleyview Road) Bylaw No. 2021-27".

Development Procedures and Delegation Amendment Bylaw No. 2021-28

Council adopted "Development Procedures and Delegation Amendment Bylaw No. 2021-28", a bylaw that increases the notification distance for development applications from 45m to 100m.

Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2021-25

Re: 877 Westminster Avenue West

Council gave first reading to "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2021-25", a bylaw that amends Map 1: Future Land Use of Official Community Plan Bylaw 2019-08, by changing the future land use designations from Tourist Commercial to Urban Residential, for 813 Westminster Ave West, 825 Westminster Ave West, and 877 Westminster Ave West and forwarded this item to the September 7, 2021 Public Hearing.

Temporary Use Permit PL2021-9056

Re: 813 Westminster Avenue West

Council approved "Temporary Use Permit PL2021-9056", a permit to allow the use 'motor vehicle sales and rentals' located at 813 Westminster Ave West, for a one-year period.

Development Variance Permit PL2021-9054

Re: 198 Barton Court

Council approved a permit to increase the maximum height of a retaining wall located within a required yard from 1.2m to 2.8m above approved grade.

Development Variance Permit PL2021-9050

Re: 152 Greenwood Drive

Council approved a permit to reduce the minimum lot width for a standard lot in the R2 zone from 13m to 12.1m.

Development Variance Permit PL2021-9023

Re: 599 Burns Street

Council approved a permit to reduce the width of one required parking space from 3.5m to 2.99m, for the conversion of an existing accessory building into a carriage house.

Development Variance Permit PL2021-9041

Re: 1753 Fairford Drive

Council approved a permit to vary the following sections of Zoning Bylaw 2021-01:

- 1. Table 4.1: to increase the maximum projection of a deck into a rear yard from 3.0m to 4.12m; and
- 2. Section 8.1.4.1: to increase the maximum gross floor area of a secondary suite from 40% of the habitable floor area of the building to 49% of the habitable floor area of the building.

Development Variance Permit PL2021-9030

Re: 250 Marina Way

Council approved a permit to increase the maximum permitted fence height on a property from 1.8m (6ft.) to 2.5m (8ft.).

Soil Use for Placement of Fill or Removal of Soil (ALR Soil or Fill Use PL2021-9036) Re: 1147 Corbishley Avenue

Council supported the application to allow for the placement of fill within the Agricultural Land Reserve, subject to the condition that the top soil is preserved.

Business Arising

Council supported sending a letter to BC Housing advocating for the continued use of the location at Skaha Sunrise, 2852 Skaha Lake Road, for Canadian Mental Health Association and their services.

These highlights are intended to provide a brief summary of recent Council proceedings. The summary is not inclusive of all agenda items. For a detailed account of the full agenda, including staff reports, other supporting documents and official meeting minutes, please consult the City's website (www.penticton.ca/council) or call the City's Corporate Administration Department at 250-490-2400.