



MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, February 23, 2026

4:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, Langley City Hall
20399 Douglas Crescent

- Present: Mayor Pachal
Councillor Albrecht
Councillor James (via videoconference)
Councillor Mack
Councillor Solyom
Councillor Wallace
Councillor White
- Staff Present: R. Beddow, Deputy Director of Development Services
A. Chang, Director of Financial Services
K. Hilton, Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Services
R. Hull, Deputy Fire Chief
C. Johannsen, Director of Development Services
P. Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer
D. Pollock, Director of Engineering, Parks and Environment
B. Zeller, Manager of Human Resources

Mayor Pachal invited those present to observe a moment of silence in recognition of the loss being felt by the residents of Tumbler Ridge.

1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Mayor Pachal acknowledged that the land on which we gather is on the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the February 23, 2026 regular agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council commence the Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

- a. Bylaw 3311 - Road Closure Bylaw

A bylaw to remove the dedication of highway and to close the portion of road (94.1 square metres) right-of-way located adjacent and to the east of 4505-4525 200A Street as the City intends to sell the property and the road is no longer required.

It was MOVED

THAT Council receive an introduction to the bylaw from Carl Johannsen, Director of Development Services.

Mr. Johannsen advised of the purpose of the bylaw to remove dedication of highway and enclose a portion of road right of way to the east of 4505-4525 200A Street and sell the property to Oaken Developments. He further noted that the road is no longer required.

The Corporate Officer advised that the statutory public notice requirements had been met and advised that no correspondence had been received.

The Mayor invited those in attendance at the meeting who deemed their interest in property affected by the road closure bylaw to present their comments.

There were no speakers.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Committee rise and report.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

a. Bylaw 3311 - Road Closure Bylaw

Final reading of a bylaw to remove the dedication of highway and to close the portion of road (94.1 square metres) right-of-way located adjacent and to the east of 4505-4525 200A Street as the City intends to sell the property and the road is no longer required.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as "Road Closure Bylaw No. 3311, 2026" be read a final time; and

THAT Council receive the introduction to the bylaw from Carl Johannsen, Director of Development Services.

CARRIED

5. CONSENT AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the following item be approved:

a. Bylaws

1. Bylaw 3333 - Radio Amplification Bylaw

Final reading of a bylaw to provide for in-building emergency responder communications enhancement systems

THAT the bylaw cited as "Radio Amplification Bylaw No. 3333" be read a final time.

CARRIED

6. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

See Consent Agenda

7. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

a. Upcoming Regular Meetings

b. Council Advisory Bodies Update

Councillor Wallace advised that the Langley Library has a new accessible pod. Members of the public can reserve time in this quiet space.

She further congratulated Langley Library staff on a successful Lunar New Year Celebration.

She also thanked Langley Community Services for a great Lunar New Year event as well.

8. BYLAWS

a. Bylaw 3329 - Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 222

Third and final reading of a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow liquor primary use in the Langley Senior Resource & Recreation Centre located at 20605 – 51B Avenue.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the bylaw cited as "Zoning Bylaw 1996, No. 2100 Amendment No. 222, 2026, No. 3329" be read a third and final time.

CARRIED

1. Liquor Primary License Application - Langley Senior Resource and Recreation Centre (20605 51B Avenue)

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to notify the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch as follows:

1. The City of Langley supports the application by Thrive Advisors on behalf of Langley Senior Resources Society for a liquor primary license enabling liquor service for 250 persons from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. in the Langley Senior Resource and Recreation Centre located at 20605 – 51B Avenue (Lot1, District Lot 36, Group 2, New Westminster District, Plan 86944, PID# 016-512-774);
2. Langley City Council considered the impact of noise in the vicinity and the general impact on the community of the proposed liquor license;
3. Langley City Council gathered the views of residents through a public hearing process as part of a zoning amendment application to permit the land use. No concerns or comments in opposition to the liquor license application were received.

CARRIED

9. **OTHER BUSINESS**

a. Motions/Notices of Motion

1. The Use of Personal Mobility Devices and Micro-Utility Devices - Councillor Albrecht

It was MOVED and SECONDED

WHEREAS the Motor Vehicle Act in British Columbia and associated regulations presently inhibit seniors and people with disabilities the ability to be active, independent, and engaged by prohibiting the use of electric wheelchairs and three or four wheeled personal mobility scooters on municipal bike and roll lanes and routes resulting in increased conflicts between these devices and pedestrians on sidewalks, multi-use pathways, and trails as well as motor vehicles.

AND WHEREAS the rapid growth of micro-mobility devices such as electric kick scooters and electric bikes dictate that the Province needs to regulate the use of such devices in the Motor Vehicle Act.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that LMLGA and UBCM advocate to the Province of British Columbia to amend the legislation and regulations within the Motor Vehicle Act to permanently enshrine a new class of Personal Mobility Devices and Micro-Mobility Devices and establish consistent, province-wide standards and regulations for the use of these devices on traffic-calmed public roads and cycling infrastructure across BC.

CARRIED

2. Closed Captioning for Increased Accessibility – Councillor Mack

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to ensure closed captioning is functional and accurate for all recorded and live-streamed council meetings;

THAT Council direct staff to facilitate the use of real-time closed captioning within the Council Chambers during meetings; and

THAT staff report back to Council should further financial investment be required to facilitate these requests, beyond existing staff resources.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED Council discussion ensued and staff responded to questions from Council members.

It was MOVE and SECONDED

THAT the foregoing motion be amended by adding the following clauses:

“if possible, within existing staff and financial resources” after “council meetings” in the first clause; and

“if possible, within existing staff and financial resources” after ‘during meetings’ in the second clause.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED on the amendment it was noted that if the task is easily attained staff can proceed however if more financial investment is required Council would like a report back.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE AMENMEND and same was

CARRIED

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED on the main motion staff responded to a question from Council.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED on the motion, as amended, and it was

CARRIED

The motion now reads in its entirety as follows:

THAT Council direct staff to ensure closed captioning is functional and accurate for all recorded and live-streamed council meetings, if possible, with existing staff and financial resources; and

THAT Council direct staff to facilitate the use of real-time closed captioning within the Council Chambers during meetings, if possible, within existing staff and financial resources; and

THAT staff report back to Council should further financial investment be required to facilitate these requests, beyond existing staff resources.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

See Consent Agenda

11. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 4:16pm.

CARRIED

Signed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER