



Committee of the Whole

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to be held at

City of Penticton, Council Chambers

171 Main Street, Penticton, B.C.

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Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Recessed from the Regular Council Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

1. **Call Committee of the Whole to Order**
2. **Adoption of Agenda**
3. **Delegations and Staff Presentations:**
 - 3.1 Proclamation 'Starfish Backpack Month' November 2020 1
Tracy Van Raes
 - 3.2 Budget Primer Overview 2
Jim Bauer, Chief Financial Officer, General Manager, Finance & Administration
4. **Adjourn to Regular Meeting of Council**

Proclamation

“Starfish Backpack Month”

November 2020

WHEREAS In 2019, BC had the 8th highest child poverty rate out of all provinces and territories. In 2018, Penticton was slightly higher than the provincial average, and

WHEREAS Rotary Club of Penticton started the “Starfish Backpack Program” in April 2017. This was acted on as educators sounded the alarm that local children were going home on Fridays concerned with where their weekend meals would come from, Educators were reporting that children who didn’t have sufficient food over the weekend were coming to school on Monday tired and unable to concentrate, and

WHEREAS The Rotary Club of Penticton started providing one elementary school with 10 backpacks of weekend food necessities for their most in-need students, and

WHEREAS The program expanded to service 60 kids in 9 local elementary schools with food assistance every weekend of the school year, and

WHEREAS Due to COVID, the “Penticton Starfish Committee” moved to providing the 60 students (and their families) with gift cards from Starfish partner, Penticton Save-On foods. This allows families to purchase some necessities to help keep everyone fed over the weekend.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Mayor John Vassilaki, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM** November 2020 as “**Starfish Backpack Month**” in the City of Penticton.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Vassilaki".

Mayor John Vassilaki

2021 – 2025 Five Year Financial Plan

November 3, 2020	Budget Primer Overview
November 4, 2020	Corporate Business Plan and Budget Documents Available on City of Penticton Website
November 16 & 18, 2020	Community Engagement Sessions: November 16 – TBD November 18 – TBD
November 24-26, 2020	Special Council Meetings – Budget Deliberations
December 8, 2020	First, Second & Third Reading & Adoption “2021-2025 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw”