

# **Minutes**

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

Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

**Present**: Mayor Bloomfield

Councillor Boultbee 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 10:01 a.m.

## 2. Adoption of Agenda

454/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the agenda for the November 23, 2023 Special Meeting of Council as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## 3. 2024 Budget Deliberations

#### 3.1 Recap

Angela Campbell, Director of Finance & Administration, provided Council with a recap of the decisions made thus far and the overall 2024 budget.

#### 455/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Sports and Recreational Needs Assessment budget request as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

**Councillor Miller, Opposed** 

#### 456/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove the Arena Feasibility Study budget request as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**DEFEATED** 

Mayor Bloomfield and Councillors Boultbee, Gilbert, Graham, Konanz and Watt, Opposed

#### 457/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Arena Feasibility Study budget request as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

**Councillor Miller, Opposed** 

#### 458/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the increase of the existing part-time Human Resources Coordinator to a full-time position as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

Councillors Boultbee, Konanz and Miller, Opposed

#### 459/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Facilities Project Manager position as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

**Councillors Boultbee and Miller, Opposed** 

#### 460/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove the Small Projects Coordinator position as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

**Councillors Gilbert and Watt, Opposed** 

#### 461/2023

## It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the additional Meter and Traffic Technician position as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

Councillors Boultbee, Konanz and Miller, Opposed

462/2023 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the second full-time Gardener position as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**DEFEATED** 

Mayor Bloomfield and Councillors Boultbee, Graham, Konanz, Miller and Watt, Opposed

463/2023 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove the second full-time Gardener position as presented in the draft 2024-

2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

**Councillor Gilbert, Opposed** 

464/2023 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the full-time Building Official position as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

DEFEATED

Mayor Bloomfield and Councillors Boultbee, Konanz and Miller, Opposed

465/2023 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council remove the full-time Building Official position as presented in the draft 2024-

2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED** 

Councillors Gilbert, Graham and Watt, Opposed

466/2023 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the leadership position for Public Safety and Partnerships position as presented in the draft 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 11:01 a.m. and reconvened at 11:17 pm.

3.2 Final Decisions

467/2023 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to phase in the remaining 2022 taxation deferral over the years

2024-2026 to be incorporated into the 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**DEFEATED** 

Mayor Bloomfield and Councillors Gilbert, Graham and Watt, Opposed

468/2023 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to phase in the remaining 2022 taxation deferral over the years

2024-2025 to be incorporated into the 2024-2028 Financial Plan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

469/2023

### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the 2024-2028 Financial Plan as presented, discussed and amended during the budget deliberations, that includes a tax increase of 5.31% and balances the general fund through surplus draw;

AND THAT Council direct staff to return to Council with a proposed 2024-2028 Financial Plan Bylaw for readings and adoption.

**CARRIED** 

**Councillors Boultbee and Miller, Opposed** 

- 4. Public Question Period
- 5. Adjournment

470/2023

#### It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adjourn the November 23, 2023 Special meeting of Council at 12:12 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Certified correct:

Angie Collison Corporate Officer Confirmed:

Julius Bloomfield

Mayor