

Regular Meeting of Council Agenda October 6, 2025

Regular Meeting of the City of Castlegar Council held in Council Chambers at the Community Forum, 445 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C., and via Zoom live meeting, commencing at **3:00 p.m.** for **Committee of the Whole Meeting**, immediately followed by a **Closed Council Meeting** and reconvening at **7:00 p.m.** for **Regular Council Meeting**.

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1 CALL TO ORDER (3:00 P.M.)

2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3 RESOLUTION TO RESOLVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

4 DELEGATION:

- (a) Yann Troutet et al on behalf of The Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers re: introduction of organization.
- (b) George Edney et al on behalf of BC Timber Sales re: local Timber Sales.

5 COMMUNITY WELLNESS, SAFETY & DEVELOPMENT (CHAIR BELL / DEPUTY BOJECHKO / DEPUTY HEATON-SHERSTOBITOFF):

- (a) **COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE**
- (b) **Castlegar & District Public Library Regular Meeting Minutes**

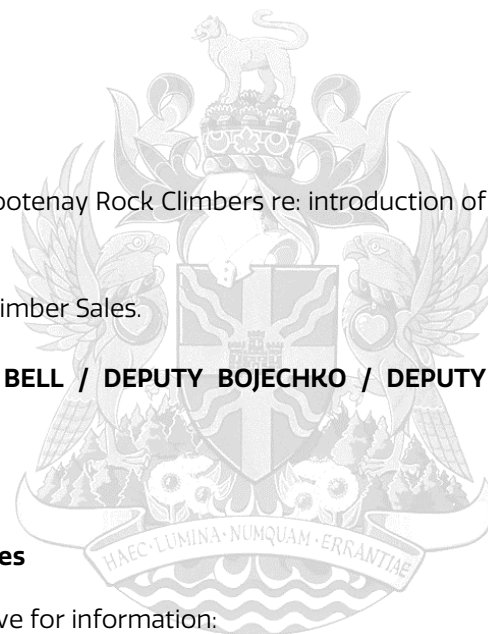
RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve to receive for information:

- Castlegar & District Public Library Regular Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2025

(c) **FIRE DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE**

(d) **RCMP DETACHMENT VERBAL UPDATE**

(e) **WEST KOOTENAY REGIONAL AIRPORT VERBAL UPDATE**



(f) **COMMUNITY SAFETY AND DEVELOPMENT VERBAL UPDATE.**

6 CULTURAL & CIVIC PRIDE (CHAIR HEATON-SHERSTOBITOFF / DEPUTY BOGLE / DEPUTY MACLEOD):

(a) **COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE**

7 FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES (CHAIR BOGLE / DEPUTY FALSTEAD):

(a) **FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMUNITY LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE**

(b) **CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE**

(c) **FINANCE DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE.**

(d) **2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442 (Report No. 25-73)**

Report from the Director of Finance & Technology to seek Council approval for the proposed 2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council proceed with the required readings of the proposed 2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442.

(e) **IT DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE.**

8 MUNICIPAL SERVICES (CHAIR MACLEOD / DEPUTY BELL):

(a) **MUNICIPAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE.**

(b) **Request for Quotation 2024-23 Supply and Delivery of Calcium Chloride – Recommendation for Award (Report No. 25-69)**

Report from the Assistant Manager of Operations to seek Council authorization to award Request for Quotation (RFQ) 2024-23 Supply and Delivery of Calcium Chloride to NSC Minerals Ltd. (NSC Minerals) for a 4-year term.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council award Request for Quotation 2024-23 Supply and Delivery of Calcium Chloride for a 4-year term to NSC Minerals Ltd. in the amount of \$98,525 for 2024/25, \$102,475 for 2025/26, \$106,575 for 2026/27, and \$110,825 for 2027/28 plus applicable taxes,

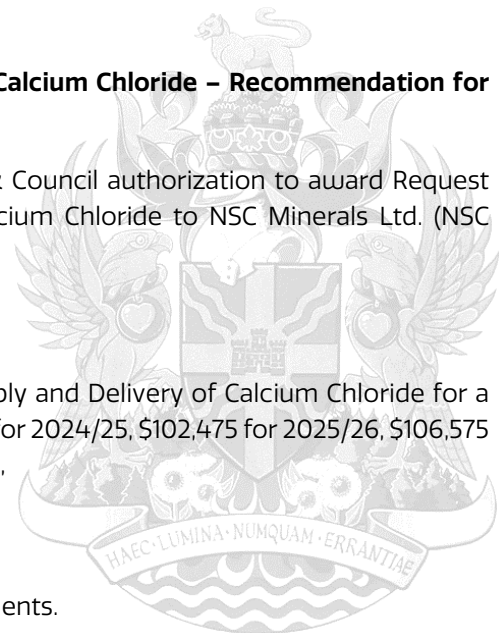
AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

9 QUESTION PERIOD:

10 RESOLUTION TO RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Council consider and resolve to rise from the Committee of the Whole.



11 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE PUBLIC, RECESS THE PUBLIC MEETING UNTIL 7:00 P.M., AND IMMEDIATELY CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

RESOLUTION:

THAT pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, the public be excluded from this portion of the meeting as the subject matter being considered relates to the following:

- ***Community Charter Section 90(1)(C)***
Labour relations or other employee relations.
- ***Community Charter Section 90(1)(E)***
The acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality.
- ***Community Charter Section 90(1)(L)***
Discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [annual municipal report].
- ***Community Charter Section 90(2)(B)***
Consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

AND FURTHER;

THAT the public portion of the meeting be recessed until 7:00 p.m.,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council immediately resolve into the closed portion of their meeting.

12 RECONVENE (7:00 P.M.) MAYOR TO RECONVENE AT THE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.

13 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 – OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS AND QUESTIONS.

14 DELEGATION:

- (a) Yuri Kutschera et al on behalf of Castlegar-Embetsu Educational Exchange Committee re: trip to Embetsu and other parts of Japan.

15 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

RESOLUTION: THAT the following Minutes be adopted:

- (a) Regular Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2025

16 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS:



- (a) Recommendations from the September 15, 2025, Committee of the Whole meeting to be considered for adoption (Motions to be considered individually). Full discussions, and reports on these recommendations can be viewed on the City's website during the September 15, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting.
1. THAT the following items considered and received for information at the September 15, 2025, Committee of the Whole meeting, be adopted:
 - Emergency Services Monthly Report – August 2025
 - Building Permit Report – August 2025
 - Business Licence Report – August 2025
 2. THAT Council direct staff to work with the Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society to undertake the internal process to construct up to an 18-hole disc golf course at Kinnaird Park and report back to Council at a future meeting.
- (b) Committee of the Whole recommendations from the October 6, 2025, meeting for adoption (Motions to be brought forward from the Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting to be considered individually). Full discussions, and reports on these recommendations can be viewed on the City's website during the October 6, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

17 REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY (RDCK) MEETING MINUTES:

RECOMMENDATION: THAT the following minutes be received for information:

- (a) Regular Board Meeting Minutes – August 21, 2025

18 CORRESPONDENCE:

- (a) Grandview Heights Strata Council, Petition and Letter of Support for a park and playground in Grandview.
- (b) Stephen Hill, on behalf of Grandview Park & Playground organizing committee re: outline for the proposal of a park and playground in Grandview.
- (c) Mario Duarte, on behalf of the Woodland Drive neighbourhood re: request for signage to address encampments and loitering.
- (d) Angie Cox et al, on behalf of the residents of 5th Avenue South re: request for speeding solutions on 5th Avenue South.

19 REPORTS OTHER:

- (a) **Recreation Commission Member Verbal Update**
- (b) Councillor MacLeod Report re: Union of British Columbia Municipalities 2025 Convention.

20 MAYOR'S REPORT:

21 NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nil



22 BYLAWS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- (a) **2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442– First, Second and Third Readings (Report No. 25–73)**

A Bylaw to exempt from taxation certain properties situated in the City of Castlegar.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442 be read a first, second and third time.

23 NEXT MEETING(S):

October 20, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. for Committee of the Whole Meeting followed by the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m., held in Council Chambers at the Community Forum, 445 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C. and via Zoom live meeting.

24 NOTICE OF MOTION: Nil

25 QUESTION PERIOD:

26 ADJOURNMENT:

27 2023–2027 STRATEGIC PLAN INFORMATION PAGE



From: [coc mailer](#)
To: [Castlegar City of](#)
Subject: New submission from Apply to Appear Before City Council
Date: July 22, 2025 10:49:13 AM

Contact Details

Name

Yann Troutet

Email

[REDACTED]

Phone

[REDACTED]

Enter the names of any other individuals who will be part of your Delegation.

Yann Troutet
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On Behalf of

The Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers (TAWKROC)

Delegation Details

1st Meeting Choice Date

Council Meeting - September 15, 2025

2nd Meeting Choice Date

Council Meeting - October 6, 2025

Purpose of Delegation

Requesting action by Council

Subject to be Presented

First and foremost, we would like to more formally introduce our organization (TAWKROC) as the owner of 27 acres of property within City Limits. Our mission and activities will be presented.

We would take advantage of this opportunity to loop back on failed tax exemptions requests we have made over the years for the following property:

Folio 201.01360.710

PID 031-125-956

Plan_Number EPP96022

LTO_Number CA8278402

District_Lot 12358

(we purchased a first property in 2016 and a second in 2020. Since 2020, we applied several times for this tax exemption, but our request has been lumped in by error with a similar request made annually for our first property.)

Delegation Presentation Guidelines & Procedures

- Yes

From: [coc mailer](#)
To: [Castlegar City of](#)
Subject: New submission from Apply to Appear Before City Council
Date: August 18, 2025 4:08:49 PM

Contact Details

Name

George Edney

Email

[REDACTED]

Phone

[REDACTED]

Enter the names of any other individuals who will be part of your Delegation.

Harold Dorgelo, Woodlands Supervisor and Pete Jansen, Operations Manager

On Behalf of

BC Timber Sales

Delegation Details

1st Meeting Choice Date

Council Meeting - October 6, 2025

2nd Meeting Choice Date

Council Meeting - November 3, 2025

Purpose of Delegation

Information only

Subject to be Presented

BC Timber Sales is an agency within the Ministry of Forests that sets the price through public auction of Crown Timber and provides timber into the local market to supply sawmills. The Castlegar council has requested a meeting with the Forests Minister Ravi Parmar at UBCM and I thought a meeting to follow up on specifics locally regarding BCTS would be helpful for council.

Delegation Presentation Guidelines & Procedures

- Yes



Your place in the community to explore, create and share information and ideas

Regular Board Meeting Minutes June 11th 2025

Call to order: June 11th 2025, 6:05 p.m.

In attendance	Alex Seaborn (Library Director), Nova MacDougall (Chair), Terry Gerling, Sarah Courtemanche, Dianne Galloway, Geeta Gillespie, Dylan Sargent (visitor)
Regrets	
Chair	Nova MacDougall
Recording	Nicole McCrea

Territorial acknowledgement:

We would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional and unceded territory of the Sinixt, the Ktunaxa, the Syilx, and the Secwepemc peoples.

Item	Motion	Second
1. Approval of the Agenda	Nova	Terry
2. Approval of the May Minutes	Terry	Sarah
3. Library Director's Report (attached) Quote obtained from Andrew Sheret for bathroom fixture upgrades	Geeta	Dianne
4. Committee Reports		
a. Finance - Still in need of another board member to join committee - Bank transfer to Kootenay Savings still in process - Exact Earnings – Amy Lockhart is new bookkeeper	Nova	Geeta
b. Personnel Nothing to Report		
c. Friends of the Library Book sale was a great success – approximately \$2,100 was raised by the donation-based sale	Sarah	Nova

d. Kootenay Library Federation • Workshop presented by KLF was attended by Dianne and Nova – Nova will bring a package to September 2025 meeting for discussion • Package for onboarding successive staff including director has been given to the library	Terry	Geeta
e. Policy • Nothing to report		
f. Building Committee • Flooring selection in process • Walls have been painted		
g. Board Recruitment and Succession • Motion – New Board Trustee Recruitment Package ◦ Adapted from Strategic Plan ◦ Mission Statement to be added to website ■ Carried forward via unanimous vote • Motion - EDI Policy - 10.1.1 Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion Statement ◦ Members like the use of word definitions and meanings and the remembrance to “listen to directly rather than listen to indirect sources” ◦ Members would like to flesh out the meaning of “diversity” and may want to change it to a statement in the future ◦ EDI and other policies can be changed and discussed at any time ■ Carried forward at this time via unanimous vote	Nova	Sarah
5. Old Business • Nothing to Report		
6. New Business: • Consent Agenda - Instead of voting on items separately - the board will vote at the end of the meeting ◦ Motion - Start in September ■ Carried forward via unanimous vote • Motion - New addition of the Patron Code of Conduct - 8.2 Expectations of Behavior/Patron Code of Conduct		



Your place in the community to explore, create and share information and ideas

○ Currently is the heading for the expectations in library ○ Alex has now combined and put into a new format ○ New incident report forms to be made for patrons and staff ○ Warning/strike system in place for patrons not adhering to Policy 8.2 ■ Step/Strike 1: Written Warning ■ Step/Strike 2: Day/Week Library Ban ■ Step/Strike 3: Determined lengthy library ban (this is to be discussed and determined by the board trustees) ○ Carried forward via unanimous vote		
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Adjourned: 6:46 p.m.

Next regular meeting: September 10th 2025, 6:00 p.m.

CASTLEGAR

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE:	October 6, 2025	REPORT NO.: 25-73
SUBMITTED BY:	Director of Finance & Technology	FILE NO.: 1970-40
SUBJECT:	2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442	

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council proceed with the required readings of the proposed 2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442.

PURPOSE:

To seek Council's approval for the proposed 2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442.

This report is for consideration at the October 6, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting, first three readings at the October 6, 2025, Regular Council Meeting, and adoption at the October 20, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Permissive tax exemptions are a way for Council to support organizations within the community that enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Castlegar by exempting the organization from property taxes. Permissive tax exemptions are at Council's discretion and can be granted to an eligible property, on a partial or full basis, for a period that Council deems appropriate. Permissive tax exemptions must be granted through a bylaw, which must be adopted and forwarded to BC Assessment Authority (BCAA) prior to October 31 of the preceding tax year. BCAA adjusts the assessed value for each property contained in the bylaw, prior to issuing completed assessment roll at the end of the year which is used for the property tax calculation.

Part 7, Division 6 of the *Community Charter* provides for statutory tax exemptions over which the municipality has no discretion. Examples of properties automatically exempted from taxation are hospitals, churches, and private schools.

Part 7, Division 7 of the *Community Charter* provides for permissive exemptions, which allows municipalities to exempt (in whole or in part) certain lands and/or improvements from municipal taxation. Council considers applications for permissive tax exemptions from charitable, philanthropic or other not-for-profit organizations where the property use is directly related to the purposes of the organization. There is no entitlement to a permissive tax exemption by a taxpayer; it is granted solely at Council's discretion. Council considers organizations that benefit the community such as recreational programs and facilities for public use, programs and facilities that are used by youth, seniors, and other special needs groups, cultural or education programs available to the public that promote community spirit cohesiveness and tolerance.

When Council grants a permissive tax exemption on a specific property, that property is automatically exempted from municipal, school, regional district, hospital, and BC Assessment taxes. The permissive tax exemption does not apply to utility fees such as water, sewer, curbside collection charges or to parcel taxes.

The City put two ads in the paper to advertise the permissive tax exemption application intake period. The deadline to apply for 2026 property tax exemption was July 31, 2025. For 2026, the City received 37 applications, of which 33 were from organizations that received an exemption in 2025, one previous applicant and two new applicants.

New Applications

The Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson is a first-time applicant with three properties. They provide religious classes, meetings, gathering and masses for weddings and burials serving about 250 families. Rentals of the hall and kitchen are done on occasions for parish members for weddings or anniversaries. The church supports the soup kitchens, food bank and they participate in community events. Per a recent BC Assessment ruling, only the parcel of land on which a church building is physically located is eligible for permissive exemption. In this case, the Catholic Church's parking lot and house, though applied for, were not included in the exemption. It should be noted that if a church owns multiple adjacent properties, it may apply to have them consolidated into a single legal parcel. Doing so could allow the entire parcel including associated parking or residences to qualify for a larger exemption.

The Air Cadet League of Canada 581 Castlegar Sponsoring Committee is a first-time applicant. They provide a high quality and free program to youths aged 12 to 18 and also rent space to community groups which helps fund the Cadet Program which currently has 25 Cadets. Their program's goal is creating better citizens, strong leaders and starting youths on successful aviation careers.

The one previous applicant, Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers added one property to their application that was not exempted in prior years. The use of the property is in line with the organizations purposes and is an expansion on their ongoing services to the community.

Three of the five new 2026 applications meet the requirements, therefore staff recommend inclusion to the permissive tax exemption draft Bylaw.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Council could direct staff to remove any listed properties from the 2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Schedule or vary the amount of the exemptions.
2. Council may defer consideration of the proposed Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1442, or request revisions. Any revisions will require a Special Council Meeting to pass the Bylaw as the deadline to submit the Bylaw to BCAA is October 31, 2025.

IMPLICATIONS:

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| (1) Social | Not-for-profit groups that receive permissive tax exemptions provide services that benefit the residents of the City. |
| (2) Environmental | N/A |

(3) Personnel

It takes approximately 25 hours of staff time to calculate the exemptions and prepare the report and Bylaw for Council consideration.

(4) Financial

The municipal property taxes exempted in Schedule "A" is projected to be \$164,638. The exact value of the exemptions will not be known until 2026 when the BCAA releases the revised property tax roll, and the City sets its own tax rates.

If all exemptions were granted, the municipal taxes exempted are 1.55% of the approximated 2026 municipal tax requisition. The property taxes exempted are shared amongst all the non-exempted properties. The 1.55% amount is a comparable to other BC communities.

In addition to relief from municipal taxes, exempted properties also receive tax relief from other levels of property taxation (i.e., School, Regional District, Hospital, and BC Assessments taxes). Property tax exemptions do not apply to parcel taxes or City utilities. Total estimated value of permissive exemptions for all types of taxes is \$343,034. Like municipal taxes, exempted Regional District and Hospital property taxes are also shared amongst the non-exempted properties.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The *Community Charter* requires that the Permissive Taxation Exemption Bylaw for 2026 be adopted prior to October 31, 2025.

Property Tax Exemption Policy No. 15 sets the eligibility criteria for the annual permissive tax exemption.

This supports Council's Strategic Plan Principle #3 Quality of Life and the goal Build Pride Through Engagement.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Once adopted, the Bylaw will be forwarded to BCAA to update next year's assessment prior to October 31, 2025.

Section 227 of the *Community Charter* requires that details of the proposed tax exemption bylaw be posted and advertised in a local newspaper each week for two consecutive weeks prior to Council approval.

The notice must identify the properties that will be subject to the Bylaw, describe the proposed exemptions, state the number of years that the exemptions may be granted, and provide the estimated amount of taxes that would have been imposed on the properties if they were not exempt.

In order to meet the advertising requirements and the need to have the Bylaw adopted by October 31st, a Special Council meeting will need to be scheduled.

COMMUNICATION:

Advertising of the proposed 2026 property tax exemption will be listed in the Castlegar News on October 16 and 23, 2025 and sent to the Castlegar Source.

The Permissive Tax Exemption exempted amounts are included in the City's Annual Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by



Steffan Klassen, CPA
Director of Finance & Technology



Chris Barlow, A.Sc.T.
Chief Administrative Officer



Permissive Tax Exemption

Bylaw 1442

Effective 2025 October

CASTLEGAR

Permissive Tax Exemption Pursuant Bylaw 1442

A bylaw pursuant to Sections 220, 224 and 225 of the *Community Charter*, to exempt from taxation certain properties situated in the City of Castlegar.

WHEREAS the *Community Charter* provides that Council may, by a bylaw, exempt from taxation certain lands and improvements;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it to be in the public interest to exempt from taxation, in 2026, those properties set out herein;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Castlegar, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited as the "Bylaw 1442, 2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw".
2. The following properties, being areas surrounding buildings set apart and in use for public worship, are exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(f) of the *Community Charter*:
 - a. Parcel A (KR165758), Plan 4253, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.372), held by the Synod of Diocese of Kootenay (St. David's Anglican Church);
 - b. Lot A, Plan 14911, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 503.025), held by the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada;
 - c. Lot B, Plan 5345, District Lot 7173, Kootenay District, (Roll 1429.000), held by the Trustees of the Congregation of Castlegar-Kinnaird Pastoral Charge;
 - d. Lot A, Plan NEP73133, District Lot 7174, Kootenay District, (Roll 1442.120), held by the Trustees of the Congregation of Kinnaird Church of God;
 - e. Parcel B, (See W5798) & Lot 10, Block 32, Plan 650, District Lot 181, Kootenay District (Roll 151.100), held by Castlegar Baptist Church;
 - f. Lot A, Plan 13580, District Lot 7198, Kootenay District, (Roll 1731.050), held by the Trustees for the Castlegar South Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses;
 - g. Lot 1, Plan NEP82008, District Lot 7175, Kootenay District, PID 026 819 406, (Roll 1360.850) held by Calvary Baptist Church in Castlegar.
 - h. Lots 7 to 10 inclusive, Block 26, Plan 650, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 101.080), held by St. Peter Lutheran Church of Castlegar.
 - i. Lot H, Plan NEP5434, District 7174, Kootenay District (Roll 1463.135), held by Living Waters Faith Fellowship.
 - j. Lot 1, Plan NEP79548, District Lot 181, Kootenay District (Roll 00459.000), held by Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson
3. Lots 5 to 9 inclusive, Plan 2714, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.175), held by the Castlegar Villa Society and used exclusively to provide homes for elderly citizens, are exempt from taxation under the provisions of Sections 224(2)(h) of the *Community Charter*.
4. Parcel "B" (see P9064), Plan 2585, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 313.000) and Parcel "A", (see XG233) Plan 2585, District Lot 181, Kootenay District (Folio 315.001) held by the Kootenay Family Place and occupied by an institution licensed under the Community Care Facility Act, are

exempt from taxation on both land and improvements under the provisions of Section 224(2)(j) of the *Community Charter*.

5. Lot 1, Plan 18518, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 343.016) and Lot 3, Plan 2288, District Lot 181, (Roll 346.000), held by Interior Health Authority, being the area surrounding a building used solely as a hospital under the hospital act, is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(h) of the *Community Charter*.
6. The following properties, which are owned by a charitable, philanthropic, or other not for profit organizations and which the council considers are used for a purpose that is directly related to the purposes of the corporation, are exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(a) of the *Community Charter* to the extent indicated:
 - a. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements on Lot A, Plan 12010, District Lot 7174, Kootenay District, (Roll 1485.050), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - b. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements on Lot A, Plan NEP77899 District Lot 181, (Roll 4.035), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - c. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot A, Block 6, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 1047.010), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - d. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 4, Plan NEP5388 District Lot 7180, Kootenay District, (Roll 648.410), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - e. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 6, Plan NEP2682, District Lot 7182, Kootenay District, (Roll 655.000), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - f. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 1, Plan NEP21849, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 641.000), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - g. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 1, Plan 6957, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 1374.022), held by the Circle of Indigenous Nations Society;
 - h. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 10 and 11, Block 13, Plan 650, Kootenay District, (Roll 3.000), held by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;
 - i. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 1, Block 3, Plan NEP2617, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 4097.000), held by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;
 - j. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot A, Plan NEP4407, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.850), held by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;
 - k. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Plan NEP617QQ, District Lot 5637, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.855), occupied by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;

- b. District Lot 15392, Kootenay District, (Roll 796.560), occupied by the Castlegar and District Heritage Society (Zuckerberg Island);
 - c. Lot 1, Plan 8749, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, occupied by the Kootenay Doukhobor Historical Society (Doukhobor Village) (Roll 3002.021), and the Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society (Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science) (Roll 3002.020), except for the Marketing building located adjacent to the restaurant building on the property legally described as Lot 1, Plan 8749, District Lot 4598;
 - d. Lot 1, Plan 8285, District Lot 7173, Kootenay District, (Roll 1375.205), occupied by the Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce.
9. Lot 1, Plan NEP20546, District Lot 184, Kootenay District, (Roll 587.100), owned by Fortis BC Energy Inc. and occupied by the City of Castlegar and is used as a public park is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2) of the *Community Charter*.
10. Eight percent of the total assessed value of Lot A, Plan 17217, Kootenay District, (Roll 796.810), owned by Zellstoff Celgar Limited and used for the supply of water; eight percent of the supply of water being to the City of Castlegar, is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2) of the *Community Charter*.
11. Ninety-three percent of the total assessed value of Lot A, Plan NEP77686, District Lot 7174, Kootenay District (Roll 1443.000), occupied by Kinnaird Hall, is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(g) of the *Community Charter*.

Repeal

Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1430, 2025 and all amendments there to is hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of , 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this day of , 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME this day of , 2025.

ADOPTED this day of , 2025.

Mayor

Director of Corporate Services

Schedule "A"
City of Castlegar
Permissive Tax Exemptions 2026

Organization	Street Address	Estimated Exempted Taxes	
		All Taxes	Municipal Only
Places of Public Worship			
St Peter Lutheran Chruch of Castlegar	713 4TH ST	\$ 1,245	\$ 511
Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay	610 CHRISTINA PL	1,487	610
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada	602 7TH ST	1,774	728
Trustee's of the Congregation of Castlegar-Kinnaird Pastoral Charge	809 MERRYCREEK RD	1,917	787
Living Waters Faith Fellowship	2329 6TH AVE	1,230	505
Trustees of the Congregation of Kinnaird Church of God	2404 COLUMBIA AVE	1,351	554
Trustees for the Castlegar South Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses	1680 WOODLAND DR	1,291	530
Castlegar Baptist Church	419 7TH AVE	1,230	505
Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson	525 7TH AVE	1,736	712
Calvary Baptist Church in Castlegar/Kinnaird Park Community Church	1250 26TH ST	3,495	1,434
		16,756	6,877
Community Housing Organizations			
Castlegar Villa Society	718 VALHALLA ST	3,361	1,292
Habitat for Humanity Southeast BC	560 8TH ST	6,874	2,642
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	1007 2ND ST	771	296
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	810 HIGHWAY DR	3,747	1,440
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	1660 COLUMBIA AVE	3,393	1,304
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	COLUMBIA AVE	918	353
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	1695 COLUMBIA AVE	11,327	5,628
Kootenay Society for Community Living	2224 6TH AVE	9,763	4,851
Kootenay Society for Community Living	1001 2ND ST	2,973	1,143
Kootenay Society for Community Living	404 29TH ST	3,064	1,178
Kootenay Society for Community Living	839 SILVER BIRCH LANE	4,197	1,613
Kootenay Society for Community Living	101 PRINCE AVE	3,880	1,491
Kootenay Society for Community Living	1101 2ND ST	2,551	981
Woodland Park Housing Co-Operative	SILVERWOOD CRESCENT	5,816	2,236
		62,635	26,448
Community Service Organizations			
Kootenay Family Place	749 11TH AVE	1,399	538
Kootenay Family Place	767 11TH AVE	10,068	5,002
British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	124 HERITAGE WAY	24,293	12,070
Castlegar & District Hospital Auxiliary	210 11TH AVE	11,636	5,781
Circle of Indigenous Nations Society	1801 CONNORS RD	2,177	1,066
Blueberry Creek Community School Council	200 CENTRE AVE	31,120	15,462
Blueberry Creek Community School Council	200 CENTRE AVE	1,075	413
Freedom Quest Youth Services Society	2216 COLUMBIA AVE	9,305	4,623
Air Cadet League of Canada 581 Castlegar Sponsoring Committee	216 8TH AVE	3,531	1,755
		94,604	46,710
Regional Health Board			
Interior Health Authority	1001 COLUMBIA AVE	8,949	4,446
Interior Health Authority	709 10TH ST	19,408	9,643
		28,357	14,089
Recreation and Not for Profit			
Portuguese Social Centre Society	421 13TH AVE	2,195	901
Royal Canadian Legion	248 COLUMBIA AVE	2,529	1,038
Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers	3500 16TH AVE	747	287
Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers	2701 14TH AVE	520	200
Fortis BC Energy Inc. - Terasen BTW Park	101 5TH ST	13,222	6,569
		19,213	8,995
Cultural Organizations			
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	400 13TH AVE	3,833	1,904
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	500 9TH ST	1,213	603
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	500 9TH ST	4,155	1,705
Kootenay Doukhobor Historical Society (Doukhobor Village)	2 120 HERITAGE WAY	29,709	14,761
Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society	1 120 HERITAGE WAY	6,693	3,325
Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce	1995 6TH AVE	59,189	29,408
		104,792	51,706
City Water Supply/Partnership Agreement			
Zellstoff Celgar Ltd.	2901 ARROW LAKES DR	7,099	5,056
Corporation Vetted for Non-Profit Status			
CTN Labor Holding Ltd - Kinnaird Hall	2320 COLUMBIA AVE	9,578	4,759
Total Permissive Tax Exemptions for 2026		\$ 343,034	\$ 164,638

CASTLEGAR

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: October 6, 2025 **REPORT NO.:** 25-69
SUBMITTED BY: Assistant Manager of Operations **FILE NO.:** 2240-20
SUBJECT: Request for Quotation 2024-23 Supply and Delivery of Calcium Chloride – Recommendation for Award

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council award Request for Quotation 2024-23 Supply and Delivery of Calcium Chloride for a 4-year term to NSC Minerals Ltd. in the amount of \$98,525 for 2024/25, \$102,475 for 2025/26, \$106,575 for 2026/27, and \$110,825 for 2027/28, plus applicable taxes.

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

PURPOSE:

Report to authorize staff to award Request for Quotation (RFQ) 2024-23 Supply and Delivery of Calcium Chloride to NSC Minerals Ltd. (NSC Minerals) for a 4-year term in the amount of \$98,525 for 2024/25, \$102,475 for 2025/26, \$106,575 for 2026/27, and \$110,825 for 2027/28, plus applicable taxes.

This report is for consideration at the October 6, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting, and adoption at the October 20, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The City of Castlegar uses inhibited calcium chloride, a specialized anti-icing agent utilized in winter road maintenance operations. This product is formulated to establish a protective barrier on road surfaces, effectively preventing the adhesion of snow and ice to the pavement. The product contains an organic corn-based additive which acts as a corrosion inhibitor designed to safeguard municipal infrastructure and vehicles from the corrosive effects typically associated with anti-icing materials.

The Civic Works department has a 25,000L storage tank that is routinely replenished during the winter months. Based on historical information from past winters, the tank requires filling approximately 10 times each year to ensure an adequate supply, resulting in an estimated purchase volume of 250,000L annually.

On October 20, 2024, a RFQ was posted to BC Bid to engage a company to supply and deliver calcium chloride. The RFQ closed on November 15, 2024, and the City received 3 quotes, 2 which were compliant and 1 that was non-compliant and disqualified. The 2 compliant bids were from NSC Minerals and Tiger Calcium Services Inc. (Tiger Calcium) and pricing received based on an estimated volume of 250,000 L was as follows:

Proponent	2024/25 Pricing Per Litre	2024/25 Extended Price	2025/26 Pricing Per Litre	2025/26 Extended Price	2026/27 Pricing Per Litre	2026/27 Extended Price	2027/28 Pricing Per Litre	2027/28 Extended Price
NSC Minerals	\$.3941/L	\$98,525	\$0.4099/L	\$102,475	\$0.4263/L	\$106,575	\$0.4433/L	\$110,825
Tiger Calcium	\$0.69/L	\$172,500	\$0.714/L	\$178,500	\$0.739/L	\$184,750	\$0.765/L	\$191,250

The City engaged NSC Minerals for the provision of calcium chloride during the 2024–2025 season using pricing obtained through the 2024 RFQ. While an award report and formal agreement should have been executed in 2024 prior to the provision of services, this did not happen due to turnover of a prominent management position that was leading the procurement at the time. Staff were satisfied with both the quality of the product supplied and the level of customer service provided by NSC Minerals and are now recommending award to formally execute an agreement in alignment with the City's Purchasing Policy.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Council could direct staff to cancel the RFQ and reissue a new RFQ. Staff do not recommend this alternative as even though a formal award and agreement wasn't executed in a timely fashion, the RFQ was issued in accordance with the City's Purchasing Policy and services have been delivered by NSC Minerals to the City. Not awarding the RFQ to NSC Minerals in accordance with the RFQ could leave the City open to possible litigation.

IMPLICATIONS:

(1) Social

Maintaining public safety on roads and sidewalks throughout the winter season remains a top priority for Council, staff, and the community. Proactive measures are essential to ensure safe and accessible transportation routes for all residents during adverse weather conditions.

(2) Environmental

Canadian winters require anti-icing and de-icing solutions to keep roads clear and drivers and pedestrians safe. Corrosion inhibited liquid calcium chloride solutions are developed especially for anti-icing applications in moderate to extreme winter conditions. Calcium chloride provides safer driving conditions more quickly, efficiently, effectively and economically and is considered safe within the industry.

The calcium chloride product supplied by NSC Minerals, is an organic corrosion inhibitor that protects concrete, maintenance equipment, and road infrastructure while delivering the highest quality of winter road management. This product is highly viscous which lessens the spread of product on the road, as well as less waste and run off.

(3) Personnel

The estimated staff time to execute a contract and complete the RFQ process is 20 hours.

(4) Financial

The budget for the supply and delivery of calcium chloride services is included in the City's 2025-2029 Five-year Financial Plan.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

This project aligns with Council's 2023–2027 Strategic Plan goal of providing quality of life and prioritizing public safety.

IMPLEMENTATION:

If Council chooses to award the contract to NSC Minerals staff will issue the relevant documentation and execute the service contract.

COMMUNICATION:

N/A

Respectfully submitted,



Crystal Bazar
Assistant Manager of Operations

Approved by



Chris Barlow, AScT
Chief Administrative Officer

APPLICATION TO APPEAR AS A DELEGATION BEFORE COUNCIL

Please submit to: castlegar@castlegar.ca

To: Director of Corporate Services, City of Castlegar
460 Columbia Avenue
Castlegar, BC V1N 1G7

We hereby ask to be placed on the agenda as a Delegation for the Regular Meeting of Council to be held:

October 20, (7 pm)
(1st Choice Date)

October 6, (7 pm)
(2nd Choice Date)

Name of Spokesperson(s): Nick Ahlefeld, Kelsey Law, Yuri Kutschera and the student delegation to Embetsu

Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Contact Person(s): Yuri Kutschera

Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

On Behalf of: Castlegar-Embetsu Educational Exchange Committee
(Organization, Business, Self, etc.)

Subject to be presented: *(a copy of the presentation must be received electronically by the Manager of Corporate Services no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday immediately preceding the meeting at which the delegation is to be heard):*

The 2025 Castlegar Student Delegation has returned from their visit to Castlegar's sister city, Embetsu, Japan. The delegation is excited to share their experiences and the valuable lessons they learned during their stay in Embetsu and other parts of Japan. Additionally, they have brought back a gift from the Town of Embetsu to present to the City of Castlegar.

Purpose of delegation:

- ☐ Information only
☐ Requesting action by Council
☐ Requesting a letter of support
☒ Other courtesy visit

Yuri Kutschera
Signature of Applicant

August 23, 2025
Date

NOTE: All information provided in this application, as well as any additional pages submitted, may be included in the agenda package, which is published in print and online format and is part of the permanent public record.



PROCEDURES:

1. Anyone wishing to appear before Council as a delegation shall file with the Director of Corporate Services a written request (this form) clearly outlining:
 - a) the subject matter and/or proposals to be presented, and
 - b) the names of the spokesperson(s) / contact person(s).
2. Depending on your topic, your request may be referred to a relevant City Department.
3. The above-mentioned written request, supporting documentation, and a copy of the presentation must be received by the Manager of Corporate Services **no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday** immediately preceding the meeting at which the delegation is to be heard.
4. Delegations are heard as one of the first items of meeting business. Ensure you arrive in advance of the meeting start time.
5. Name of the person/group and the subject of the delegation will be on the agenda, which is available to the public and posted on the internet. The local media may be in attendance at the meeting and are permitted to use information from delegations in their reporting.
6. Delegations are permitted a maximum of 15 minutes to present their submission to Council, which includes time for questions following the presentation. The time limit may only be extended if so expressed by a majority of Council members present.
7. Any petition to Council shall include the name and residential address of each petitioner.
8. Council/Committee will receive the information and may refer the issue to staff for a report or for consideration at a future meeting.
9. There is a limit of two delegations per meeting. Delegations are scheduled on a first come/first served basis. Please provide your first and second choice of dates in your request

PRIVACY STATEMENT:

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Information on this form is collected in order to respond to your request to appear before Council. If you have any questions or concerns about the collection and use of this information, please contact the Director of Corporate Services.

The agenda is posted on the public notice bulletin board at City Hall, 460 Columbia Avenue. The complete agenda package and proceedings of Council/Committee Meetings, including delegations, are recorded and posted on the on the City website at www.castlegar.ca.

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CASTLEGAR

Regular Meeting Minutes of Council September 15, 2025

Regular Meeting Minutes of the City of Castlegar Council held by Zoom live meeting and available to the public for live streaming in Council Chambers at the Community Forum, 445 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C., commenced at 3:00 p.m. for Committee of the Whole, immediately followed by a Closed Meeting of Council and reconvened at 7:00 p.m. for Regular Council proceedings.

Members Present	Mayor Maria McFaddin Councillor Darcy Bell Councillor Brian Bogle (Via zoom) Councillor Sandy Bojecho (Via zoom) Councillor Shirley Falstead Councillor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff Councillor Cheryl MacLeod
Absent	Nil
Staff Present	Chris Barlow, Chief Administrative Officer Bree Seabrook, Director of Corporate Services Steffan Klassen, Director of Finance & Technology Chris Hallam, Director of Municipal Services Nick Ahlefeld, Acting Fire Chief David Bristow, IT Manager Nicole Brown, Manager of Legislative Services Jennifer Chamberlain, Executive Assistant Meeri Durand, Acting Director of Community Safety & Development Deanna Hooper, Acting Operations Manager Ginger Lester, Communications Manager Ryan Niddery, Manager of Engineering and Infrastructure Ryan Reid, Accountant Brad Stickles, Assistant Fire Chief Monty Taylor, RCMP Sergeant
Other	Public and Media

1 CALL TO ORDER: Mayor McFaddin called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

R188-25 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

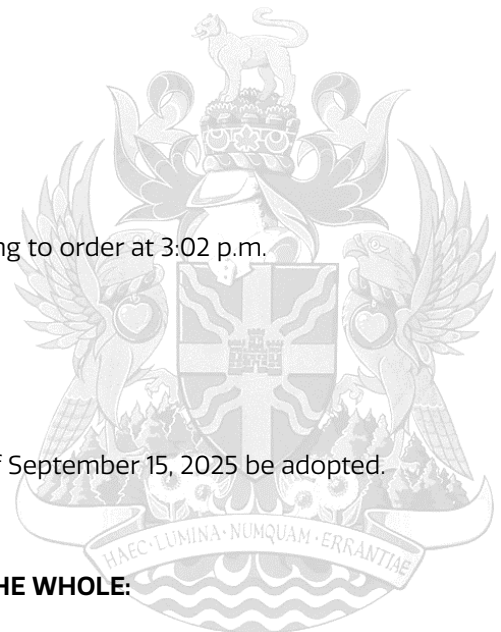
THAT the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of September 15, 2025 be adopted.

CARRIED.

3 RESOLUTION TO RESOLVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

R189-25 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED: THAT Council now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.



4 DELEGATION:

Patrick Audet, Miguel Godau, and Mike Misuraca on behalf of the Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society, provided Council with an update regarding the Open House/Town Hall Meeting, which was held on Tuesday, August 26, 2025. Highlights of the discussion include:

- Commented on how they advertised and promoted the meeting.
- Meeting was well attended with approximately 50 attendees.
- Overview of the Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society, benefits of disc golf in the community.
- Some people were concerned about how the forest area would be impacted or changed with a disc golf course.
- Strong support from majority of attendees.
- People were concerned about the huckleberry habitat in that area for people and wildlife, potentially hazardous trees, and safety of daycare attendees.
- Course design adjustments may be able to be made to minimize impact to the daycare and huckleberries.
- Considering adjusting to 9 holes from 18 holes.
- Seeking consultation on hazardous trees, risk mitigation, and safety.

COW077-25

Moved, and
RECOMMENDED:

THAT Council direct staff to work with the Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society to undertake the internal process to construct up to an 18-hole disc golf course at Kinnaird Park and report back to Council at a future meeting.

CARRIED.

5 COMMUNITY WELLNESS, SAFETY & DEVELOPMENT (Councillor Bell, Chair)

(a) COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE

- Nil

(b) FIRE DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE

- Introduction of Brad Stickle, Assistant Fire Chief.

(c) Emergency Services Monthly Report – August 2025

COW078-25

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve to receive for information:

- Emergency Services Monthly Report – August 2025

CARRIED.

(d) RCMP DETACHMENT VERBAL UPDATE

- Currently have 15 of 16 members.
- Two members received the Alexa Award.
- Cops for Kids arrived in Castlegar a week ago.

(e) WEST KOOTENAY REGIONAL AIRPORT VERBAL UPDATE

- One cancellation in September so far.

(f) COMMUNITY SAFETY AND DEVELOPMENT VERBAL UPDATE

- Uptake in business licensing and building permits.



(g) **Building Permit and Business Licence Reports – August 2025**

COW079-25

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve to receive for information:

- Building Permit Report – August 2025
- Business Licence Report – August 2025

CARRIED.

6 CULTURAL & CIVIC PRIDE (Councillor Heaton-Sherstobitoff, Chair)

(a) **COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE**

- Borscht Cook-Off scheduled for September 27, 2025.
- Kootenay Gallery of Art 50th Anniversary event.
- Winter Wonderland event planning.

7 FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES (Councillor Falstead, Chair)

(a) **Finance and Corporate Services Community Liaison Verbal Update**

- Chamber of Commerce board meeting this Thursday.

(b) **Corporate Services Department Verbal Update**

- HR update on current postings and upcoming interviews.
- Wildsafe education event to be held in the Forum on September 25, 2025 at 6pm.
- BC Goes Wild free movie at the Castle Theatre on October 5, 2025 at 2pm.
- Update on new safety planning requirements as part of event planning and permitting.
- Reminder of the Castlegar Harvest Match Program.
- Household Hazardous Waste Round-up event at the Complex this Saturday.
- City's Vegetation Management Plan work underway.

(c) **Appointment of Municipal Insurance Association of BC Voting Delegate and Alternate 2025 (Report No. 25-71)**

Report from the Executive Assistant to seek Council's appointment of a voting delegate and alternate voting delegate to represent the City of Castlegar's interests at the Municipal Insurance Association of BC Annual General Meeting.

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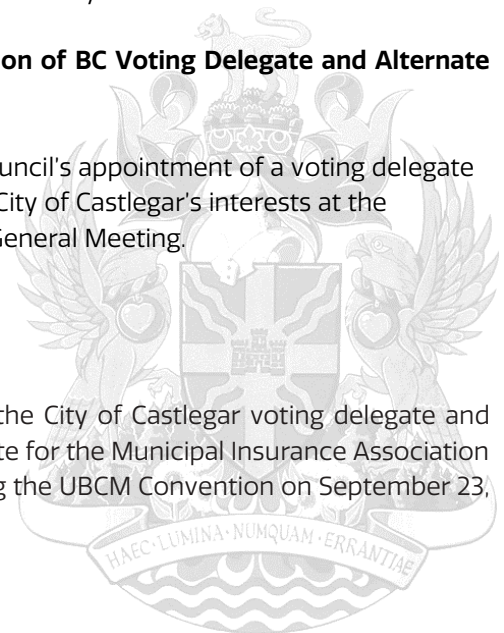
Moved, and
RECOMMENDED:

THAT Council appoint Councillor MacLeod as the City of Castlegar voting delegate and Mayor McFaddin as the alternate voting delegate for the Municipal Insurance Association of BC Annual General Meeting to be held during the UBCM Convention on September 23, 2025.

CARRIED.

(d) **Finance Department Verbal Update**

- Working on permissive tax bylaw.
- Annual tax sale on September 29, 2025.
- Introduction of Ryan Reid, Accountant.
- Update on the temporary manager position.



(e) **2024 Statement of Financial Information (Report No. 25–67)**

Report from the Director of Finance & Technology to seek Council's approval of the 2024 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI).

COW081-25

Moved, and
RECOMMENDED:

THAT Council approve the 2024 Statement of Financial Information for submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs,

AND FURTHER;

THAT the Mayor and Director of Finance & Technology be authorized to sign the Statement of Financial Information Approval form.

CARRIED.

(f) **2024 Annual Report (Report No. 25–72)**

Report from the Director of Finance & Technology to obtain Council's comments on the draft Annual Report and approval to release the draft 2024 Annual Report to the public and set a meeting date for public comments.

COW082-25

Moved, and
Recommended:

THAT Council approve the release of the draft 2024 Annual Report to the public, including the 2024 Audited Financial Statements, for the year ended December 31, 2024,

AND FURTHER;

THAT the Annual Meeting, as required by the Community Charter, be set for the October 6, 2025, Regular Council Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

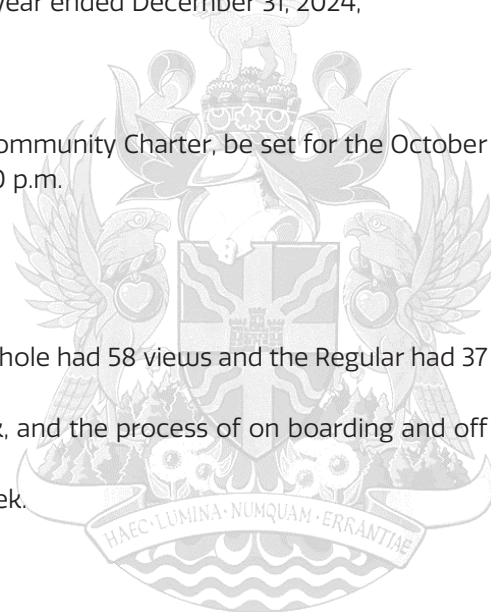
(g) **IT Department Verbal Update**

- The September 2, 2025 Committee of the Whole had 58 views and the Regular had 37 views.
- Update regarding capital projects, help desk, and the process of on boarding and off boarding of staff.
- Attendance at the MISA conference last week.

8 MUNICIPAL SERVICES (Councillor MacLeod, Chair)

(a) **Municipal Services Department Verbal Update**

- Updated security system at Millennium washrooms.
- New service installs, maintenance and repairs.
- Hazardous tree identification and removal, preparing for fall leaf maintenance.
- Winterizing irrigation, storm flushing, and sink hole repairs.
- Storm event near the airport and repairing bank erosion.
- Asphalt paving site being identified along Columbia Avenue.



- Update on capital projects, flood plain mapping project, Eremenko demolition project, Liquid Waste Management Plan, GIS project, Millennium Park & Ponds basketball courts.

9 QUESTION PERIOD:

- Nil

10 RESOLUTION TO RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

R190-25

Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED: THAT Council rise from Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.

11 RESOLUTION TO RECESS THE PUBLIC MEETING UNTIL 7:00 P.M.

R191-25

Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, the public be excluded from this portion of the meeting as the subject matter being considered relates to the following:

- ***Community Charter Section 90(1)(L)***
Discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [annual municipal report].

AND FURTHER;

THAT the public portion of the meeting be recessed until 7:00 p.m.,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council immediately resolve into the closed portion of their meeting.

CARRIED.

The meeting recessed at 4:54 p.m.

12 RECONVENE: Mayor McFaddin reconvened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Members
Present

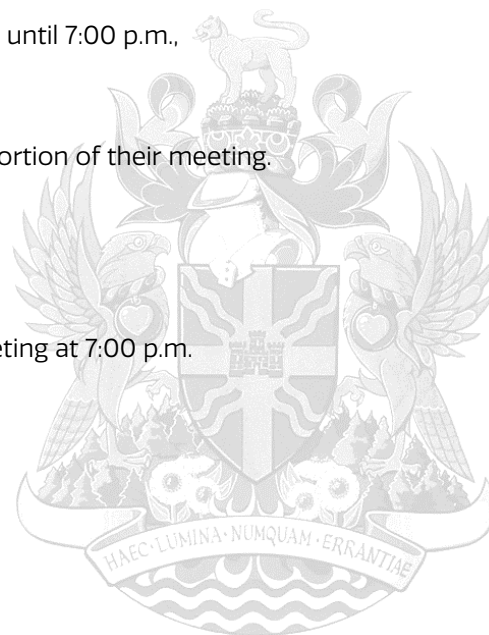
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Councillor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff
Councillor Cheryl MacLeod

Absent

Nil

Staff
Present

Chris Barlow, Chief Administrative Officer
Bree Seabrook, Director of Corporate Services
Steffan Klassen, Director of Finance & Technology
Chris Hallam, Director of Municipal Services
David Bristow, IT Manager



Nicole Brown, Manager of Legislative Services
Jennifer Chamberlain, Executive Assistant
Meeri Durand, Acting Director of Community Safety & Development
Ryan Niddery, Manager of Engineering and Infrastructure

Other Public and Media

13 DELEGATION: Nil

14 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

R192-25 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT the following Minutes be adopted as presented:

- Regular Meeting Minutes – September 2, 2025

CARRIED.

15 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

The following resolutions were recommended at the September 2, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting and are presented for consideration of adoption by Council:

R193-25 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT the following items considered and received for information at the September 2, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting, be adopted:

- Emergency Services Monthly Report – July 2025
- Building Permit Report – July 2025
- Business Licence Report – July 2025

CARRIED.

R194-25 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT the January – June 2025 Supplier List be received for information.

CARRIED.

The following resolutions were recommended at the September 15, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting and are presented for consideration of adoption by Council:

R195-25 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council appoint Councillor MacLeod as the City of Castlegar voting delegate and Mayor McFaddin as the alternate voting delegate for the Municipal Insurance Association of BC Annual General Meeting to be held during the UBCM Convention on September 23, 2025.

CARRIED.



R196–25

Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council approve the 2024 Statement of Financial Information for submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs,

AND FURTHER;

THAT the Mayor and Director of Finance & Technology be authorized to sign the Statement of Financial Information Approval form.

CARRIED.

R197–25

Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council approve the release of the draft 2024 Annual Report to the public, including the 2024 Audited Financial Statements, for the year ended December 31, 2024,

AND FURTHER;

THAT the Annual Meeting, as required by the Community Charter, be set for the October 6, 2025, Regular Council Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED.

16 REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY (RDCK) MEETING MINUTES: Nil

17 CORRESPONDENCE:

R198–25

Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council approve the request from Arijana Cajic, on behalf of the Cerebral Palsy Association of British Columbia to change the Kinnaird Overpass lights to green on October 6, 2025, in recognition of World Cerebral Palsy Day.

CARRIED.

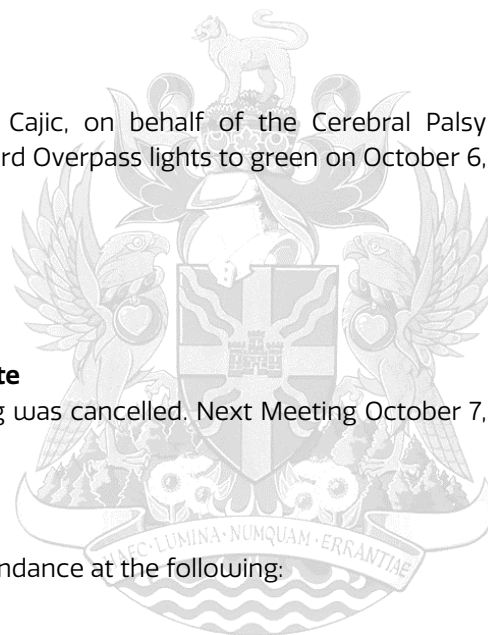
18 REPORTS OTHER:

(a) **Recreation Commission Member Verbal Update**

- September Recreation Commission Meeting was cancelled. Next Meeting October 7, 2025.
- Workshop being held on October 2, 2025.

19 MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor reported on her attendance at the following:

- West Kootenay Transit Committee Meeting.
- Meeting with the Minister of Transportation.
- Meeting regarding housing with Ministry and MP.
- RDCK meetings.
- BC Burning documentary screening.
- Kootenay Gallery of Art 50th Anniversary.
- Upcoming: September 30, 2025, Orange Shirt Day.



20 NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nil

21 BYLAWS FOR CONSIDERATION: Nil

22 NEXT MEETING(S):

October 6, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. for Committee of the Whole Meeting followed by the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom live meeting and available to the public for live streaming in Council Chambers at the Community Forum, 445 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

23 NOTICE OF MOTION: Nil

24 QUESTION PERIOD: Nil

25 ADJOURNMENT:

R199-25

Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED: THAT the Regular meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED.

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Bree Seabrook
Director of Corporate Services

Maria McFaddin
Mayor





Regional District of Central Kootenay
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Open Meeting Minutes

The **eighth** meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in 2025 was held on Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. through a hybrid meeting model.

Quorum was maintained throughout the meeting.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

PRESENT	Chair A. Watson	Electoral Area D	In-Person
	Director G. Jackman	Electoral Area A	In-Person
	Director R. Tierney	Electoral Area B	In-Person
	Director K. Vandenberghe	Electoral Area C	In-Person
	Director C. Graham	Electoral Area E	In-Person
	Director T. Newell	Electoral Area F	In-Person
	Director H. Cunningham	Electoral Area G	In-Person
	Director W. Popoff	Electoral Area H	In-Person
	Director A. Davidoff	Electoral Area I	
	Director H. Hanegraaf	Electoral Area J	In-Person
	Director T. Weatherhead	Electoral Area K	In-Person
	Director M. McFaddin	City of Castlegar	In-Person
	Director A. DeBoon	Town of Creston	In-Person
	Director S. Hewat	Village of Kaslo	In-Person
	Director K. Page	City of Nelson	In-Person
	Director A. McLaren-Caux	Village of Nakusp	In-Person
	Director J. Fyke	Village of New Denver	
	Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo	In-Person
	Director L. Main	Village of Silverton	In-Person
	Director J. Lunn	Village of Slocan	In-Person

ELECTED OFFICIALS

ABSENT	Director L. Casley	Village of New Denver
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STAFF PRESENT	S. Horn	Chief Administrative Officer
	M. Morrison	Corporate Officer/Manager of Corporate Administration
	A. Lund	Deputy Corporate Officer
	U. Wolf	General Manager of Environmental Services
	J. Chirico	General Manager of Community Services
	Y. Malloff	General Manager of Finance, Information Technology and Economic Development
	S. Sudan	General Manager of Community Sustainability and Development Services
	C. Saari-Heckley	Human Resources Manager
	D. Séguin	Manager of Community Sustainability
	N. Wight	Planning Manager
	D. Lau	Information Technology Manager
	C. Stanley	Regional Manager – Operations and Assent Management

G. Hume	Deputy Regional Fire Chief
P. Marshall Smith	Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor
S. Chezenko	Planner
S. Worden	Records and Information Management Coordinator
N. Schilman	Environmental Technologist
H. Bench	Environment Services - Project Advisor
J. Bradley	Project Manager
I. Briscoe	Emergency Program Coordinator
T. Dool	Research Analyst

1. ZOOM REMOTE MEETING INFO

To promote openness, transparency and provide accessibility to the public we provide the ability to attend all RDCK meetings in-person or remote (hybrid model).

Meeting Time:
9:00 PDT

Join by Video:
<https://rdck-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/95573345491?pwd=k4eCLxEF2ggHCiAbpTcQis1tMHnt5b.1>

Join by Phone:
855 703 8985 Canada Toll-free

*6 to unmute or mute
*9 to raise or lower your hand

Meeting ID: 955 7334 5491
Meeting Password: 142530

In-Person Location:
Nelson Office - Boardroom
202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC

2. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

2.1 Traditional Lands Acknowledgement Statement
We acknowledge and respect the Indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

2.2 Adoption of the Agenda
On behalf of the Board, Director Newell recognized and had a moment of silence for the family of Fred Schneider, former Fire Chief of the North Shore Fire Hall.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

406/25 The agenda for the August 21, 2025 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated with the addition of the addendum.

Carried

2.3 Adoption of the Minutes
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

407/25 The minutes from the July 17, 2025 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

- 2.4 **Introductions**
CAO Horn introduced Chance Sheffield, Emergency Program Coordinator, replacing Jon Jackson.

DIRECTOR PRESENT Director Cunningham joined the meeting at 9:06 a.m.

- 2.5 **Delegation**
 - 2.5.1 **Forestry Works for BC Society**
Ken Kalesnikoff
Steve Kozuki

Steve Kozuki gave a presentation to the Board regarding the new non-profit society Forestry Works for BC (FWFBC).

Mr. Kozuki noted citizens and leaders in BC should be proud of forestry and that BC's forests are well-managed and generate immense social, economic and environmental benefits to everyone. He discussed the goals of FWFBC and engaging with communities to provide knowledge of forestry in BC.

Mr. Kozuki provided a background on who the FWFBC is, they are forest-based organizations and companies, representing thousands of workers and citizens engaged in all aspects of BC’s forestry sector and are concerned with the future of forestry in BC.

He provided stats on the economic benefits of forestry, discussed the replanting and management of forests to generate resiliency to wildfires and keep our communities safe. He gave examples of regenerating forests and how it sequesters CO2. He indicated momentum is building and communities around BC are voicing their concerns over the crisis in the forest sector and requested the RDCK advocate to support forestry.

In conclusion, Ken Kalesnikoff and Steve Kozuki answered the Board's questions.

Chair Watson thanked Steve and Ken for their presentation.

- 3. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**
 - 3.1 **Director Main: FCM Committee Appointment**
Board Meeting - July 17, 2025
RES 401/25 Refer to August 21, 2025 meeting

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

408/25 WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of member municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM’s Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the united voice required to carry the municipal message to the federal government;

BE IT RESOLVED that Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay endorse Leah Main to apply for selection to serve on FCM Standing Committees and Forums for the period starting in September 2025 and ending June 2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Board assumes all costs associated with Leah Main attending FCM's Standing Committee and Board of Directors meetings with costs to be paid from General Administration Service S100.

Carried

4. COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

4.1 With Recommendations

4.1.1 Riondel Commission: minutes July 8, 2025

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

409/25

That the Board approve the updated RDCK Rental Rates for the Riondel Recreation Facilities Specified Service Area (S209) to be effective January 1, 2025.

Carried

4.1.2 Nelson and District Recreation Commission No. 5: minutes July 30, 2025

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

410/25

That the Board approve the RDCK extending the Operating Agreement with the City of Nelson for the operation of the Nelson Civic Arena for a period of two (2) years, until May 31, 2026, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

4.1.3 Castlegar and District Recreation Commission: minutes August 5, 2025

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

411/25

That the Board approve the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) entering into an Event Site License Agreement with the Pass Creek Exhibition Society for the Pass Creek Fall Fair for the ten (10) days – September 14, 2025 – September 23, 2025; AND FURTHER, that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

4.1.4 Joint Resource Recovery Committee: minutes August 20, 2025

NOTE: Item 3.1 (Recommendation No. 8) has been referred to the August 21, 2025 Board meeting.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

412/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Creston Lions Club for a refundable collection service at the Creston Car Wash and Creston Landfill Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

413/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Salmo Community Memorial Church Association for a refundable collection service at the Salmo and Ymir Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

414/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Balfour Seniors Branch #120 for a refundable collection service at the Balfour Recycling Depot, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

415/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Kootenay Contribution for a refundable collection service at the Kaslo Recycling Depot, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

416/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Burton Volunteer Fire Brigade Society for a refundable collection service at the Burton and Edgewood Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

417/25

That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Kootenay Carshare Cooperative for a refundable collection service at the Lakeside and the Grohman Narrows Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 418/25 That the Board authorize staff to direct award a Service Agreement to the Horse Association Central Kootenay for a refundable collection service at the Crescent Valley and Ootischenia Landfill Recycling Depots, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement.
- Carried**
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
- 419/25 That the Board direct staff to reach out to current service providers for the collection of Refundables at the Nakusp, Boswell, and Crawford Bay Resource Recovery Facilities and explore their interest to continue to provide these services under the conditions laid out in the previous Requests for Expressions of Interest and if they are, to direct award Service Agreements for a refundable collection service at these three locations, for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2028 with the possibility of two 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement and further that staff prepare and release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the refundable collection services at all remaining Resource Recovery Facilities without these agreements.
- Carried**
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
- 420/25 That the Board direct staff to implement the regulatory framework as presented for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional organic waste disposal at the Ootischenia Landfill, Creston Landfill, Grohman Narrows Transfer Station, and Central (Salmo) Transfer Station and return with the new definitions and fee structures for the next general update to the RDCK Resource Recovery Facilities Regulatory Bylaw No 2961, 2025.
- Carried**
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
- 421/25 That the Board direct RDCK operated offices and facilities within the municipalities of Nelson, Castlegar, Salmo, and Creston that generate organic waste to begin preparing to participate in source-separated organics recycling in 2026 coinciding with the proposed implementation timeline for the Industrial, Commercial and Institutional Organic Waste Disposal Regulation, including budgeting, procurement, and when needed, updating waste hauling services contracts to include commercial source-separated organic waste collection.
- Carried**
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
- 422/25 That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Services Agreement with GFL Environmental Inc. for waste transfer services from Slocan, Rosebery, and Nakusp transfer stations not to exceed annual value of \$393,875 plus GST, with annual adjustments as prescribed in the Services Agreement, for the period of October 1, 2025 till September 30, 2028, with up to two (2) one-year extensions, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents;

AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Refuse Disposal – West Subregion Service S188.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

423/25

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for General Administration Service S100 to INCREASE Account Transfer from Reserves by \$7,000 and INCREASE Account Transfer to Other Service by \$7,000;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Development Services Service A108 to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$7,000 and INCREASE Account Transfer to Other Service by \$7,000;

AND FURTHER that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Environmental Services Service A102 to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$7,000, INCREASE Account Grants by \$28,000 and INCREASE Account Consulting fees by \$35,000.

Carried

4.2 Membership/Appointments

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

424/25

That the Board appoint the individual to the following RDCK Commission:

Area G Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission - term to end December 31, 2026

Anna Bundschuh

And further, the Board send a letter to outgoing member Dave Lang thanking them for their service with the Area G Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission.

Carried

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1 The letter dated August 8, 2025 from Neville Abbott, Village of Lions Bay, requesting support for the UBCM resolution on Emergency Water Treatment Plants.**

6. BYLAWS

- 6.1 Bylaw 2971: East Waste Management Subregion Refuse Disposal/Recycling Service (Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm) Loan Authorization**

The Board Report from Amy Wilson, Resource Recovery Manager, seeking the Board approval to move forward with the amended loan authorization Bylaw No. 2971 for long-term borrowing for the Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

425/25

That THIRD reading of East Waste Management Subregion Refuse Disposal/Recycling Service (Creston Septage and Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm) Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2971, 2024, be RESCINDED.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

426/25 That the East Waste Management Subregion Refuse Disposal/Recycling Service (Creston Landfill – Phase 1 C/D Closure & Berm) Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2971, 2024 be read a THIRD time, as amended.

Carried

6.2 Bylaw 3031: Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment (Fontaine and Kolynchuk - Area J)

The Board Report from Sadie Chezenko, Planner, seeking the Board adopt zoning amendment Bylaw No. 3031 (Fontaine and Kolynchuk - Area J), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

427/25 That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3031, 2025 being a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER, that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

6.3 Bylaw 3032: Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment (Edgewood Community Club Society - M’akola - Area K)

The Board Report from Sadie Chezenko, Planner, seeking the Board adopt zoning amendment Bylaw No. 3032 (Edgewood Community Club Society - M’akola - Area K), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

428/25 That Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3032, 2025 being a bylaw to amend the Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 is hereby ADOPTED; AND FURTHER, that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.

Carried

6.4 Bylaw 3055: Slocan Valley Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment Amendment

The Board Report from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, seeking the Board to give three readings to amending Bylaw No. 3055, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

429/25 That the Slocan Valley Fire Protection Local Service Area Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 3055, 2025 be read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time by content.

Carried

7. NEW BUSINESS
7.1 Development and Community Sustainability

7.1.1 Community to Community (C2C) funding for Goat River Watershed Sustainability Planning

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval for the C2C funding application to UBCM for the Building Our Relationship for Working Together on Water Sustainability with yaqan nuʔkiy, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

430/25

That the Board approve submission of a Community to Community (C2C) funding application to UBCM for the Building Our Relationship for Working Together on Water Sustainability with yaqan nuʔkiy;

AND FURTHER, directs staff to provide overall grant management for the project, with the Chair and Corporate Officer authorized to execute the application and any related agreements, subject to a successful application.

Carried

7.1.2 Award: Dog Control and Patrols in Taghum Beach and Crescent Valley Beach Regional Parks (Areas E and F)

The Board Report from Erik Stout, Manager of Building and Bylaw Enforcement, seeking Board approval to enter into a Service Agreement for Dog Control including added patrols in Taghum Beach Regional Park and Crescent Valley Beach Regional Park, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

431/25

That the Board approve a sole source Service Agreement with 1494359 BC LTD for Dog Control Services in Areas E and F and Dog Control patrols in Taghum Beach Regional Park and Crescent Valley Beach Regional Park to a maximum value of up to \$96,000 plus GST for the period of June 2, 2025 to April 15, 2027, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents;

AND FURTHER, that the costs be paid from Services:

- S183 Dog Control Services in E and F (General Service Provision)
- S202 Nelson Salmo EFG Parks Service (Dog Patrols Taghum Beach Regional Park)
- S203 New Denver, Silverton, Slocan and Area H Parks Service (Dog Patrols Crescent Valley Beach Regional Park)

Carried

**RECESS/
RECONVENED**

The meeting recessed at 10:22 a.m. for a break and reconvened at 10:38 a.m.

**DIRECTOR
ABSENT**

Director Davidoff left the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

7.1.3 FCM Green Municipal Fund: Climate-Ready Plans and Process Funding Application

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval to apply for FCM’s Green Municipal Fund for Climate Ready Plans & Processes funding, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

432/25

That the Board direct staff to apply to FCM's Green Municipal Fund for Climate Ready Plans & Processes funding up to the maximum eligible amount, and to collaborate with RDCK member municipalities, Regional District of East Kootenay and Kootenay Boundary and First Nations governments where applicable;

AND FURTHER, That the Chair and Corporate Office be authorized to sign subject to a successful application;

AND FURTHER, approve an amendment to the 2025 year of the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for Development Services Service A108 to INCREASE External Contributions & Contracts – Specified by \$140,000 and INCREASE Professional Fees by \$71,000; Education and Training by \$30,000; Travel by \$5,000; Advertising & Communication by \$20,000; and Administration by \$14,000.

Carried

7.1.4 Temporary Use Permit - Upper (Area G)

The Board Report from Sadie Chezenko, Planner, seeking Board approval for a Temporary Use Permit - Upper (Area G), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

433/25

That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Temporary Use Permit T2501G to Porcupine Wood Products for the property located at 8564 Highway 6, Rural Salmo BC and legally described as LOT 1 DISTRICT LOT 1237 KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 4415 (PID 010-362-134) for the period of August 21, 2025 – November 21, 2025.

Carried

7.1.5 Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC's Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program, Stream 3: Goat River Watershed (Creston Valley)

The Board Report from Paris Marshall Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, seeking Board approval to apply for Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC's Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program, Stream 3 for the Goat River Watershed (Creston Valley), has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

434/25

That the Board direct staff to apply to the Investment Agriculture Foundation of BC's Agriculture Water Infrastructure Program, Stream 3 (project type #8) to support direct producer engagement in the Goat River Watershed (Creston Valley), and that the Chair and Corporate Office be authorized to sign the necessary agreements subject to a successful application.

Carried

7.1.6 For Information: 2024 State of Climate Action and 2023 Greenhouse Gas Inventory

The Board Report from Paris Marshal Smith, Sustainability and Resilience Supervisor, providing the Board with the 2024 State of Climate Action (SOCA) and 2023 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory reports, has been received for information.

7.1.7 For Information: 2024 Wildfires Community Recovery Manager Closeout

The Board Report from Ian Briscoe, Emergency Program Coordinator, providing the Board with a comprehensive overview of the post-wildfire community recovery work after the 2024 wildfire season, has been received for information.

7.1.8 For Information: 2024 Wildfire - After - Action Report

The Board Report from Dan Séguin, Manager of Community Sustainability, providing the Board with a summary of the findings and recommendations from the 2024 wildfire season, has been received for information.

7.2 Administration & Finance

7.2.1 SharePoint Migration Pilot Project

The Board Report from Shiree Worden, Records and Information Management Coordinator, seeking Board approval to amend the 2025-2029 Financial Plan for the SharePoint Migration Pilot Project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

435/25

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for General Administration Service S100 to Transfer from Reserves by \$27,417 and INCREASE Contracted Services by \$27,417 to provide partial funding for the SharePoint Migration Pilot Project.

Carried

7.2.2 Policy 200-01-18: Information Request Policy

The Board Report from Shiree Worden, Records and Information Management Coordinator, seeking Board adopt Policy 200-01-18 Information Request, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

436/25

That the Board adopt Policy No. 200-01-18 Information Request policy effective immediately.

Carried

7.2.3 Annual Operations Agreement: BC Transit - Public Passenger Transportation System

The Board Report from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, seeking Board approval to enter into an Annual Operating Agreement with BC Transit for the Public Passenger Transportation System, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

437/25

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into an Annual Operating Agreement with British Columbia Transit for the provision of a Public Passenger Transportation System for the period of April 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

7.2.4 Physician Recruitment Contribution Agreement: Castlegar and District Physician Recruitment Funders (Areas I and J)

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

438/25

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Physician Recruitment Contribution Agreement with Castlegar and District Physician Recruitment Funders (City of Castlegar) for the funding responsibilities and cost-sharing arrangements in connection to services outlined in the Physician Recruitment Services Agreement to be paid from Economic Development – Areas I and J Service S115 for the period from May 7, 2025 ending December 31, 2027, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

7.2.5 For Information: 2025 RDCK Quarterly Report (Q2)

The 2025 RDCK Quarterly Report (Q2) from Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer, has been received for information.

7.3 Fire Services

7.3.1 Financial Plan Amendment: Fire Services - Multiple Departments

The Board Report from Grant Hume, Regional Deputy Fire Chief, seeking Board approval to prepare financial amendments to multiple fire services, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

439/25

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for S137 Fire Protection – Area I to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$45,400 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures by \$45,400;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for Rural Administration S101 to Decrease Account Equipment by \$54,000 and INCREASE Account Transfer to Other Service by \$54,000;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for S141 Fire Protection – Area E to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$27,000 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures by \$27,000;

AND FURTHER, that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for S134 Fire Protection – Area F to INCREASE Account Transfer from Other Service by \$27,000 and INCREASE Account Capital Expenditures by \$27,000.

Carried

7.3.2 For Information: Service Case Analysis - Fire Protection/Response Hills to Summit Lake

The Board Report from Tom Dool, Research Analyst, providing the Board with an update on the investigation of Fire Protection/Fire Response Services for the community of Hills within Area H, has been received for information.

**ORDER OF AGENDA
CHANGED**

The Order of Business was changed to address public time with Item 11 Public Time considered at this time.

11. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:48 a.m.

There were no questions from the public or members of the media.

ORDER OF AGENDA

Item 7.4 Grants considered at this time.

RESUMED

7.4

Grants

7.4.1

Discretionary

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

440/25

Discretionary grants out of the funds available for the following Electoral Areas/Member Municipalities be approved as designated:

<u>AREA A</u>		
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary	\$500
Wynndel Community Centre	Wynndel Days	\$2,500
<u>AREA B</u>		
Yahk Kingsgate Recreation Society	Emergency Well Repair/Upgrade	\$5,000
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary	\$750
<u>AREA C</u>		
Creston Valley Fall Fair	Fall Fair Local Food Feast	\$1,000
Creston Valley Rotary Club	Drive Fore Rotary	\$250
<u>AREA J</u>		
Robson Fire and Rescue Society	Halloween Fireworks	\$1,000
<u>AREA K</u>		
Fauquier Community Club	Emergency Preparedness	\$950
Carried		

7.4.2

Community Development

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

441/25

Community Development grants out of the funds available for the following Electoral Areas/Member Municipalities be approved as designated:

<u>AREA A</u>		
Creston Auditorium Society	Keeping the Lights On	\$1,500
<u>AREA B</u>		
Creston Valley Fall Fair	Creston Valley Fall Fair 2025	\$2,500
<u>AREA D</u>		
Kaslo Mountain Bike Club	Upper Buckshot trail extension/Family bike park improvements	\$5,000
Johnsons Landing Community Association	Emergency Preparedness	\$2,500
Johnsons Landing Community Association	Operational Funding	\$4,900
Village of Kaslo	Kaslo Cemetery	\$5,000
<u>AREA E</u>		

West Shores Leisure Advancement Society	Arts & Nature After School Club	\$3,917.40
West Shores Leisure Advancement Society	E & F Community Newsletter	\$3,975.14

AREA G

Salmo District Arts Council	Mediation and Training	\$5,000
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AREA H

Red Mountain Road and Enterprise Creek Emergency Preparedness Society (REEPS)	Volunteer Training	\$5,000
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AREA K

Kootenay Mountain Biking	Everyone Rides Grades 4 & 5 Education	\$3,000
Kinship Connection Society	Exploring Building Acquisition	\$1,000

CRESTON

Kootenay Mountain Biking	Everyone Rides Grades 4 & 5 Education	\$3,000
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KASLO

Village of Kaslo	Arena Community Readiness Project	\$20,000
Village of Kaslo	City Hall Exterior Painting & A/V Equipment for Council Chambers	\$30,000
Village of Kaslo	Kemball Memorial Centre Renovations	\$40,000

SALMO

Village of Salmo	Emergency Replacement of Clarifier Pump	\$15,043.06
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Carried

7.4.3 Financial Service Grant Amendment
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

442/25

That Resolution 344/25, being the allocation of Financial Service Grant funds, be amended by including:

Lardeau Valley LINKS Marketfest	EDC-Kaslo and D Services S109	\$6,800
Kaslo Chamber of Commerce	EDC-Kaslo and D Services S109	\$7,500

Carried

7.4.4 Community Works Funds Amendment: Fauquier Community Club - Solar Array Project
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

443/25

That Resolution 398/25, being the allocation of Community Works funds, be amended by changing:

AREA K

Fauquier Community Club – Solar Array Project \$14,183.90

To

AREA K

Fauquier Community Club – Solar Array Project \$12,000

Carried

7.5 Chair/CAO Reports

The Chair's Report regarding the Emergency Support Services (ESS) meeting with Emergency Management Climate Readiness (EMCR) and RDCK staff, has been received.

Chair Watson attended the Provincial announcement for the HealthIM app in Nelson with Honourable/MLA Brittney Anderson and City of Nelson Mayor Morrison. She provided the Board with an overview of what the HealthIM app entails and that it will help police assess next steps when they are dealing with a mental-health crisis.

She provided an update on the Emergency and Disaster Management Act working group and that soon they will be reviewing the regulations.

CAO Horn had no items.

**RECESSED/
RECONVENED**

The meeting recessed at 11:58 a.m. for lunch and reconvened 1:01 p.m.

8. RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**DIRECTOR
PRESENT**

Director Davidoff joined the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 444/25 That the Corporate Officer of the Regional District of Central Kootenay be directed to file a Notice with the Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia, stating that a resolution has been made under Section 57 of the Community Charter by the Regional District Board relating to land at 741 Waterloo Rd , Electoral Area J and legally described as LOT I, PLAN NEP90327, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT PID 028-138-571, and further, if an active Building permit or Building application is in place, that it be cancelled; and finally, that information respecting the resolution may be inspected at the office of the Regional District of Central Kootenay on normal working days during regular office hours.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 445/25 That the Corporate Officer be authorized to remove the Notice on Title relating to 749 Waterloo Rd, Electoral Area J and currently owned by D Bar D Riding Stables Ltd., property legally described as LOT K, PLAN NEP90327, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT, the RDCK Building Department has confirmed that the Notice on Title on this property is not required; And FURTHER, to waive the fees associated with the removal of the Notice on Title.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

446/25 That the Board APPROVE a Site-Specific Floodplain Exemption to authorize the existing manufactured home sites that have been established below the required Flood Construction Level and approve four (4) proposed sites (5A, 4A, 3A and 2A) to be established on the subject property in accordance with the “Geotechnical Flood Hazard Site Assessment – Revision 2” prepared by WSP Engineering, for the property located at 916 Airport Road, Electoral Area G and legally described as LOT 1, DISTRICT LOTS 17201 AND 273, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN EPP103761 (PID: 031-317-910) as follows:

1. SUBJECT TO preparation by AMY BRANDL of a restrictive covenant under Section 219 of the Land Title Act and Section 56 of the Community Charter in favour of the Regional District of Central Kootenay.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

447/25 That staff be directed to complete the required “Notice of Zoning Bylaw Amendment” prior to the September Rural Affairs Committee meeting and further, explore the legal possibility of the applicant placing restrictive covenants on both of the potential proposed new .83 hectare lots limiting future development to 1 residence with no accessory accommodation and to bring the application back to Rural Affairs Committee.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

448/25 That the Board endorse the proposed consultation plan for the Official Community Plan updates, from the as outlined in the Consultation Plan - Official Community Plan Updates report, dated July 30, 2025, and with the added requests from the Rural Affairs Committee at the August 20, 2025 meeting:

1. Summary of changes in the common language;
2. Video explaining changes;
3. Presentation on changes;
4. Use of language to highlight density changes in the consultation material.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

449/25 That Electoral Area I (Sentinel Mountain) retain their existing Official Community Plans and Zoning bylaws without immediate alignment efforts.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

450/25 That the Planning Department workplan reflect the 2022 resolution regarding zoning work to be performed for Area D with a recognition of priority dating back to the initial community planning work done in 2010.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 451/25 That Electoral Area E retain their existing Official Community Plans and Zoning bylaws without immediate alignment efforts.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 452/25 That the Community Works Fund application submitted by the RDCK for the RDCK-Passmore Fire Hall Stand-By Generator Project in the amount of \$20,000 be approved and that funds be disbursed from Community Works Funds allocated to Electoral Area H.

Carried

9. DIRECTORS' MOTIONS

9.1 Director Popoff: Recreation and Park Community Advisory Committee - Slocan Valley and Area H

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 453/25 That the Board direct staff to prepare a Recreation and Parks Community Advisory Committee bylaw that includes the Slocan Valley and Area H (South).

Carried

9.2 Notice of Motion: BC Climate Action Charter and Partners for Climate Protection Program

Director Vandenberghe request the following recommendation be added to the September 18, 2025 Board meeting:

"WHEREAS the RDCK is a signatory to the BC Climate Action Charter and a participant in the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program, both voluntary frameworks that promote net-zero targets;

AND WHEREAS participation in these programs incurs ongoing financial, staffing, and administrative obligations driven by top-down targets which may not align with local realities or infrastructure-based emissions reductions, and for which a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis has not yet been presented to the Board; and RDCK residents lifestyle desires may not align with these high-density, urban-focused mitigation strategies;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The RDCK Board direct staff to immediately suspend all work, including data collection and reporting, related to compliance with the PCP program and BC Climate Action Charter net-zero commitments;
2. That staff prepare and present to the Board a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis, including but not limited to: all financial obligations, staff/resource allocation, and other measurable costs and benefits incurred since RDCK's enrollment in the PCP program through to projections for 2050;
3. That this analysis include benchmark metrics and clarify how local infrastructure renewals and stewardship compare to program-mandated emissions targets in terms of cost and effectiveness.

4. That a “localized environmental stewardship” approach be defined and maintained until the Board has reviewed and approved the analysis and made further decisions;
5. That the Board will reconsider its continued participation in the PCP program upon review of the completed cost-benefit assessment."

10. CONSENT AGENDA

10.1 For Information: Committees & Commissions

Committee/Commission Reports for information have been received as follows:

10.1.1 Burton Water Service Community Advisory Committee: Discussion Notes June 2, 2025

10.1.2 Fauquier Water Service Community Advisory Committee: Discussion Notes June 9, 2025

10.1.3 Area A Economic Development Commission: minutes July 8, 2025

10.1.4 Area J Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes July 9, 2025
Staff has received direction regarding the Bylaw Amendment Application.

10.1.5 Area A Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes July 21, 2025

10.1.6 Area B Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes July 30, 2025
Staff has received direction regarding a Bylaw Amendment application.

10.1.7 Arrow Creek Water Treatment and Supply Commission: minutes July 31, 2025
Staff received direction to proceed with proposed measures to improve raw water quality through pre-treatment upgrades for the Arrow Creek water treatment facility.

10.1.8 Riondel Commission: minutes August 5, 2025
Staff has received direction regarding the purchase and installation of blinds at the Riondel Community Centre.

10.1.9 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes August 7, 2025

10.2 For Information: Communication

10.2.1 The letter dated July 22, 2025 from Jillian Rouselle, Ministry of Forests, providing the dates for the Heritage Conservation Act Transformation Project - Update and Phase 3 engagement opportunities.

10.2.2 The letter dated June 30, 2025 from Jay Chalke, Ombudsperson, providing the Quarterly Report - October 1 - December 31, 2024.

10.2.3 The email dated August 11, 2025 from Alison Fox, BC Ministry of Agriculture and Food, providing Bylaw Development in Farming Areas offers standards for local governments who are developing and amending bylaws affecting farming areas.

10.3 For Information: Accounts Payable

The Accounts Payable Summary for July 2025 in the amount of \$9,712,942 has been received for information.

10.4 For Information: Directors' Reports

10.4.1 Director Jackman: CBRAC/RCC/IJC

10.4.2 Director Popoff: Letter of Support - Valhalla Foundation for Ecology Application

10.4.3 Director Hewat: CBT & Activities

10.4.4 Director McLaren-Caux: July 7 - August 11 Activities

12. CLOSED

12.1 Meeting Closed to the Public

The Open meeting will be adjourned after In Camera without reconvening back into the open session unless there is business that needs to be addressed.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

454/25

In the opinion of the Board - and in accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter* - the public interest so requires that persons other than DIRECTORS, ALTERNATE DIRECTORS, DELEGATIONS AND STAFF be excluded from the meeting; AND FURTHER, in accordance with Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, the meeting is to be closed on the bases identified in the following subsections:

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;
- (f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2);

Carried

12.2 Recess of Open Meeting

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

455/25

The Open meeting be recessed at 1:15 p.m. in order to conduct the Closed Board meeting and reconvened at 3:11 p.m.

Carried

13. MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED MEETING

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

456/25
IC56/25

That the Board authorize a Remedial Action Requirement in accordance with the Regional District of Central Kootenay's Unsightly Property Bylaw No, 1687, 2004 Sections 4 and 5, on property located at 734 11th Avenue South, Electoral Area B and LOT B, PLAN NEP12803, DISTRICT LOT 891, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT, PID 009-941-151 and zoned R2 Country Residential.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

457/25

That the Board approve funds in the amount of \$13,000 to develop a concept design and

IC59/25 estimate for the renovation of a new RDCK office space in the Rotacrest Hall upper floor; AND FURTHER that the Board approve an amendment to the 2025 Financial Plan for General Administration Service S100 to increase capital expenses by \$13,000 and transfer from reserves by \$13,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

458/25 That the Board authorize the cancellation of the Request for Proposal for architectural
IC61/25 assessments on the 19 fire halls within the RDCK, and that staff be authorized to retain the previously engaged structural engineer to provide letters of assurance on - Balfour - Beasley - Blewett - Crescent Valley - Harrop - North Shore - Pass Creek - Passmore - Riondel - Slocan - Winlaw - Wynndel – Yahk fire halls; AND FURTHER, that the structural engineer be retained, along with an architect, to prepare the design of necessary structural upgrades to Ootischenia, Robson, Ymir and Canyon Lister fire halls, with funds to be paid from the previously approved Community Works Fund applications, and that any unused funds are returned to the relevant electoral Area’s Community Works balance.

Carried

14. **ADJOURNMENT**
Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

459/25 That the meeting adjourn at 3:11 p.m.

Carried

Originally signed by

Aimee Watson, RDCK Board Chair

Originally signed by

Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer

Grandview Heights Strata Council

Castlegar, B.C.

August 27, 2025

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CITY OF CASTLEGAR

To:

City Council and Engineering Department

City of Castlegar

Subject: Support for Proposed Park/Green Space in Our Neighbourhood

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

On behalf of the residents of the **Grandview Heights Strata**, representing 47 housing units in our community, we are writing to express our strong support for the establishment of a park or green space in our neighbourhood.

We fully endorse and support the efforts of the community group currently petitioning Castlegar City Council to provide the necessary land and infrastructure to make this project possible. As a strata, our membership is primarily composed of seniors. However, many of us have grandchildren and families who visit regularly, and the addition of a safe, accessible park or playground would be of great benefit—not only to our residents, but also to the wider community.

We believe that such a green space would:

Enhance the quality of life for seniors by providing opportunities for light recreation and social connection.

Create a safe and welcoming environment for children and families.

Contribute to the overall attractiveness and livability of our neighbourhood.

We encourage Council and the Engineering Department to prioritize this initiative and to allocate the necessary resources to ensure its success.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued commitment to building a vibrant, inclusive Castlegar.

Sincerely,

Alister Nicoll

Chair, Grandview Heights Strata Council

On behalf of the Grandview Heights Strata NES3651

[Start a petition](#)

Develop a park in Grandview Heights

 Sign petition

81⁺

Verified signatures ▼

Recent signers:

Linda Reid • 3 days ago

Birkley Valks • 4 days ago

Ebonie Francoeur • 4 days ago

Amanda Postni

The Issue

South Castlegar has been without a park and greenspace for far too long. Our closest park was closed and developed into the Park Place development, leaving those in south Castlegar having to drive a significant way to access a park and green space, causing a barrier to those who cannot or don't drive. This lack of accessible green space is not just inconvenient, it is detrimental to our community's well-being. Green spaces are essential to ensuring a healthy and thriving community, providing a place for outdoor activities, relaxation, and social

interaction.

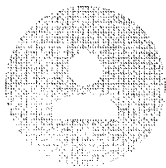
In recent years, the importance of parks and recreational areas has become even more evident as urban areas continue to grow. They offer a much-needed respite from city life, contribute to environmental health, and improve the quality of life for residents. For children, these areas are vital for their personal development, providing a safe space to play, learn, and connect with nature.

The Grandview Heights neighborhood in South Castlegar is the ideal location to establish a new park and green space. By investing in this area, the city can address the current deficiency in public recreational areas, fostering a more inclusive environment for all residents, regardless of age or physical ability.

By developing a new park, the City of Castlegar would not only provide a space for leisure and enjoyment but also promote healthier lifestyles, advocate for environmental awareness, and enhance the overall community spirit. Parks bring people together, help to forge community bonds, and increase property values too.

We urge the City Council of Castlegar to take immediate steps to designate and develop an area in the Grandview Heights neighborhood for a park and green space. It's time to prioritize the health, well-being, and unity of our community. Sign the petition to show your support for a greener South Castlegar and a better future for all residents.

 [Report a policy violation](#)



Taryn M
Petition Starter

Media inquiries

 **Support now**

 **Sign petition**

Name	City	Province	Postal Code	Country	Signed On
Taryn M	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Diana Norlin	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Scott Blackman	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Brandi Holoboff	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Jarrett Gallant	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Sarina Gallant	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Stephen Hill	Castlegar		V1N 4X8	Canada	2025-08-21
Edena Brown	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Lisa Colson	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Shelley Stansbur	Ktimat,		V8C 1T1	Canada	2025-08-21
Suzanne Stansbi	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Jodi Paulson	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Zoyia Moreau	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Jessica Hyson	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Oksana Serhieie	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Ashley Engel	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Emre Senay	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Lance Armor		Hawaii		United States	2025-08-21
Susan Runions	Coquitlam		V3K	Canada	2025-08-21
Rob Borsato	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Corrie Baker	Castlegar		V1N 4X8	Canada	2025-08-21
Amy Byers	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Christie Bergeso	New York	New York	29595	United States	2025-08-21
shirley swan	Birmingham	England	b14 7sr	United Kingdom	2025-08-21
Carol Callaghan	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
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Jason Vecchio	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Eva Siu	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Lori Pion	Ottawa		K1C	Canada	2025-08-21
Bonnie Vienneau	Scotsburn		B0K	Canada	2025-08-21
Eric Faulks	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
Tyrone Thompson	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
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Rosa McWilliam	Vernon		V1B 2S9	Canada	2025-08-21
Kevin Blackman	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-21
sharlee treloar	toronto	Ontario	M4J 1W7	Canada	2025-08-21
Dakota Moreau	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-22
Tyler Ward	Vancouver		V5Z	Canada	2025-08-22
Ying-Lin Chen	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-22
Sookie Chang	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-22
Susan Chang	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-22
Leah Hart	Riverside	California	92509	United States	2025-08-22
Seth N/A	Los Angeles	California	90060	United States	2025-08-22

Katrina Hruschak	Slocan Park		V1L	Canada	2025-08-22
Daniel Squires	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-22
Kara Glenn	Hermiston	Oregon	97838	United States	2025-08-22
Mirraka Venier	Trail		V1R	Canada	2025-08-22
Ella Pearce	Castlegar		V1N E15	Canada	2025-08-22
Judy Walker	Castlegar		V1N4y5	Canada	2025-08-22
Rebecca Sperling	Hawthorne	California	90250	United States	2025-08-22
Jon Inwood	Brooklyn	New York	11226	United States	2025-08-22
Charlie Street	Toronto		M8X	Canada	2025-08-22
Neil Jones	Castlegar		V1N3A3	Canada	2025-08-22
Diana Draper	Castlegar		V1N 4X6	Canada	2025-08-22
Shuyuan Chang	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-22
Alica Dixon	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-23
Louise Richards	Kelowna		V1W	Canada	2025-08-23
Jessica Adrain	Castlegar		V1N 4X9	Canada	2025-08-23
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Kyle Wheeler	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-24
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Constance Mack	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-24
Dot toombs	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-25
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Amanda Postniko	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-27
Ebonie Francoeu	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-28
Birkley Valks	Nelson		V1L	Canada	2025-08-29
Linda Reid	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-29
Kira Johnson	Castlegar		V1N	Canada	2025-08-30

GRANDVIEW & EMERALD GREEN PARK AND PLAYGROUND ASSOCIATION

**Interested in helping build our future park and
playground?**

For details please contact:

Stephen Hill



To Mayor & Council

First, we would like to thank you for your time on August 20. Our delegation was really appreciative with your initial enthusiasm for our proposal for a Park & Playground in Grandview! At your request we have drafted the following outline for our proposal:

1. Our desired location for the Park would be on private land currently owned by the McCarthy brothers. This would require their cooperation and a land swap or purchase and sale agreement with the City. This is flat and central to all constituencies in the Neighbourhood.
2. Our second desired location would be the small piece of land currently owned by the City that runs from Grandview towards Emerald Green and the Green Space currently designated there, on City owned land. We believe it is City owned water drainage access? We understand that this may be a desired location for the City, as it would connect two communities vs serving just the needs of one. This piece also ties in with the Trails and Bike paths that run all through the back of Emerald Green and ties in nicely with Kinnard & the Kinnard school. This would require a land swap or City purchase of some flat privately owned land that would connect the two communities. We have not done a title search to ascertain the current private land owner at this time, This flat land is where we would build our Park & Playground for Grandview & Emerald Green.
3. We have no budget for the Park & Playground, as we do not have a designated piece of land in which to build the Park. We would like assistance with securing an adequate piece of land on which we could build out our Park & playground over the next 5 to 10 years! What we do have is a kind offer from a CPA who lives in Grandview and sits on the organizing committee, to handle the budgetary process once we get to that stage.
4. Current levels of support are high. We have left you a copy of our signed petition and letter of support from the Grandview Senior strata council. We have solicited support by going door to door and no one in the community has NOT supported our proposal. We also have several members of the Castlegar Rotary who live in the community and support our project. They have discussed this project at their executive meeting and are interested in assisting with this project once a suitable piece of land has been found.
5. Donations to date have been quite positive and overwhelming at the same time as they have been unsolicited. We have had 2 park benches offered to date, both unsolicited. To give you some perspective on these kind offers, the strata has only had 3 benches donated after 20 years and unfortunately none of the three offers any shade, and are seldom used. The strata have suggested we also take their small sales office that is no longer needed and use it for shed and storage at our new site. MarWest has offered to do all the site preparation and provide the necessary landfill to prep the site. Numerous folks from the neighbourhood who work with significant Castlegar construction companies and contractors have offered to approach their employers for materials and labour for the buildout. We have been offered cash contributions from several residents in the order of \$500 to \$1,000 per household and have not even started a fundraising drive. This has all been unsolicited and extremely overwhelming as previously stated.

Please give this your time and attention. We look forward to receiving favourable support from the City. Our community has grown, and continues to grow rapidly, contributing significantly to the fabric

and revenues of the city as a whole. Our collective community need for safe, accessible green space has kept pace with this growth. We are ready and willing to take the next steps!

Humbly submitted on behalf of the Grandview Park & Playground organizing committee.

Stephen Hill



GRAND VIEW

From: Mar D <[REDACTED]>

Sent: September 11, 2025 6:55 PM

To: Meeri Durand <mdurand@castlegar.ca> [REDACTED]

Subject: Request for Signage to Address Encampments and Loitering

Hi Meeri,

Thank you for the hosting the meeting today and continuing to listen to residential concerns

As discussed, our neighborhood continues to experience challenges with individuals accessing Woodland Drive and surrounding areas for camping, loitering, and refuse disposal. Given that Woodland Drive is a dead-end road and has become a location for increased activity as the city core is growing, residents are requesting the installation of **"No Camping"** and **"No Loitering"** signage to help deter further encampment activity and discourage congregation in the area.

In addition, as the **City's core has grown and traffic volumes have increased**, there is a greater need for clear signage to inform the public in a meaningful way that this remains a **residential neighborhood** where mindfulness and respect for residents is essential.

We believe that the addition of this signage, alongside increased police patrols and potential traffic calming measures, will help reduce unwanted activity and improve safety for both residents and individuals passing through.

We respectfully request that Council consider this signage as a priority action, in line with the items noted in the meeting summary.

Kindest regards,

Mario Duarte

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Castlegar City of](#)
Subject: 5th Ave South Castlegar
Date: September 24, 2025 1:42:04 PM

You don't often get email from [REDACTED]. [Learn why this is important](#)

Date: September 24, 2025

To:
City of Castlegar
460 Columbia Avenue
Castlegar, BC V1N 1G7

Subject: Community Concern – Request for Speeding Solutions on 5th Avenue South

Dear City of Castlegar,

We are writing on behalf of multiple residents of 5th Avenue South and the surrounding neighbourhood to raise our collective concern about the ongoing issue of speeding on 5th Avenue South in Castlegar. We know this is not the first time this concern has been brought forward to the city.

As a residential street with families, seniors, and pedestrians regularly using the area, the current traffic speeds pose a serious safety concern. Many vehicles are observed traveling well above the posted speed limit, often at all hours of the day. This not only creates an unsafe environment for those walking or cycling but also negatively impacts the quality of life for those living along the avenue.

In light of these concerns, we would like to respectfully request that the City consider the following possible solutions:

- Lowering the speed limit on 5th Avenue South to better reflect its residential nature.
- Installing traffic-calming measures such as speed humps, raised crosswalks, or curb extensions.
- Improved signage or electronic speed feedback signs to make drivers more aware of their speed.
- Increased enforcement to deter repeat offenders.

We understand that the City must prioritize resources and projects across the community, but we believe this issue warrants attention due to the real and growing safety risks. If possible, we also ask that a traffic or speed study be conducted to assess

the current situation and inform potential action.

We appreciate the City's ongoing efforts to make Castlegar a safer and more livable community and look forward to hearing what options may be available to help address this concern.

Sincerely,

Angie Cox,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

UBCM Convention, Victoria, BC

September 22-26, 2025

Charting the Course

After registration Monday morning, I went on an Agricultural Study Tour. The tour had four stops; South Island Farm Hub, Northstar Organics, Mitchell's Farm, and our final stop was at Field Five Farm.

South Island Farm Hub

An incredible warehouse that houses The Mustard Seed an organization that has 3 trucks that travel around Victoria, five days a week, picking up food from grocery stores and delivering it back to be sorted by volunteers into 3 categories ; food share, compost and food that can be used to make meals.

12,000 pounds of food comes to this facility every day.

Flourish also runs out of this space. It is school meals program that prepares 1100 servings a day. Thirty schools in the Victoria area have their lunches delivered daily. There is also an educational part, teaching about nutrition, and gardening

Next stop Northstar organic farm a 4-hectare space that produces certified organic vegetables, herbs, and blueberries. North Star sells their produce and berries solely in the greater Victoria area.

Michell's Farm, a sixth-generation family owned and operated farm was our next stop. This farm has been growing on the Saanich Peninsula for over 150 years. The farm produces 4,000 tonnes of produce annually on it's 160 hectares. Lunch at their farm stand was delicious, burgers from beef grown on the Michell farm, French fries and a great salad.

Final stop was Field 5 Farm, a farm growing grains that are then used by micro breweries to make beer.

Outdoor Recreation for Community Development and Economic Development

The Outdoor Recreation Council of BC has produced an Outdoor Recreation Guidebook. The booklet is a guidebook for rural BC communities that was produced in May 2025. The guidebook offers background information, general guidelines, roles of various groups and detailed guidance and self assessment tools to help users figure out where to start with outdoor recreation development.

Elkford contracts user groups to maintain recreation sites like disc golf courses and slo pitch fields. Squamish has 450 thousand kilometres of resource roads, the maintenance of them is currently being done by forestry and mining ministries but with funding becoming scarce, who will maintain these roads to continue to allow for recreational use?

Smart Governance – Leveraging AI to Serve Communities

Kelowna uses AI to help residents with grant applications, building permits and some planning processes. Chat bots on their website help residents by answering questions and helping them find the information they need on the website.

Acting Earlier for Stronger Communities

A panel conversation that explained the role of the Representative for Children & Youth. It is an independent office in BC that helps ensure government services work effectively for children, youth, and young adults. Sara Darling, the Executive Director, Strategic Engagement and Communications led the discussion.

I brought home a copy of a booklet entitled How the Representative for Children & Youth helps Children, Youth and Families in BC, if anyone would like to look at it reach out.

Marcy Grossman delivered on incredible keynote address explaining her Four Rules of Diplomacy. Her website is www.marcygrossman.com

Cowichan Tribes Aboriginal Title Court Decision: Implications for Local Governments

Remarkably interesting session outlining the court case and the landmark decision that granted the Cowichan Tribes Aboriginal title over lands in Richmond. This court decision is currently being appealed.

Respectfully submitted,

Cherryl MacLeod



Permissive Tax Exemption

Bylaw 1442

Effective 2025 October

CASTLEGAR

Permissive Tax Exemption Pursuant Bylaw 1442

A bylaw pursuant to Sections 220, 224 and 225 of the *Community Charter*, to exempt from taxation certain properties situated in the City of Castlegar.

WHEREAS the *Community Charter* provides that Council may, by a bylaw, exempt from taxation certain lands and improvements;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it to be in the public interest to exempt from taxation, in 2026, those properties set out herein;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Castlegar, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited as the "Bylaw 1442, 2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw".
2. The following properties, being areas surrounding buildings set apart and in use for public worship, are exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(f) of the *Community Charter*:
 - a. Parcel A (KR165758), Plan 4253, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.372), held by the Synod of Diocese of Kootenay (St. David's Anglican Church);
 - b. Lot A, Plan 14911, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 503.025), held by the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada;
 - c. Lot B, Plan 5345, District Lot 7173, Kootenay District, (Roll 1429.000), held by the Trustees of the Congregation of Castlegar-Kinnaird Pastoral Charge;
 - d. Lot A, Plan NEP73133, District Lot 7174, Kootenay District, (Roll 1442.120), held by the Trustees of the Congregation of Kinnaird Church of God;
 - e. Parcel B, (See W5798) & Lot 10, Block 32, Plan 650, District Lot 181, Kootenay District (Roll 151.100), held by Castlegar Baptist Church;
 - f. Lot A, Plan 13580, District Lot 7198, Kootenay District, (Roll 1731.050), held by the Trustees for the Castlegar South Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses;
 - g. Lot 1, Plan NEP82008, District Lot 7175, Kootenay District, PID 026 819 406, (Roll 1360.850) held by Calvary Baptist Church in Castlegar.
 - h. Lots 7 to 10 inclusive, Block 26, Plan 650, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 101.080), held by St. Peter Lutheran Church of Castlegar.
 - i. Lot H, Plan NEP5434, District 7174, Kootenay District (Roll 1463.135), held by Living Waters Faith Fellowship.
 - j. Lot 1, Plan NEP79548, District Lot 181, Kootenay District (Roll 00459.000), held by Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson
3. Lots 5 to 9 inclusive, Plan 2714, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.175), held by the Castlegar Villa Society and used exclusively to provide homes for elderly citizens, are exempt from taxation under the provisions of Sections 224(2)(h) of the *Community Charter*.
4. Parcel "B" (see P9064), Plan 2585, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 313.000) and Parcel "A", (see XG233) Plan 2585, District Lot 181, Kootenay District (Folio 315.001) held by the Kootenay Family Place and occupied by an institution licensed under the Community Care Facility Act, are

exempt from taxation on both land and improvements under the provisions of Section 224(2)(j) of the *Community Charter*.

5. Lot 1, Plan 18518, District Lot 181, Kootenay District, (Roll 343.016) and Lot 3, Plan 2288, District Lot 181, (Roll 346.000), held by Interior Health Authority, being the area surrounding a building used solely as a hospital under the hospital act, is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(h) of the *Community Charter*.
6. The following properties, which are owned by a charitable, philanthropic, or other not for profit organizations and which the council considers are used for a purpose that is directly related to the purposes of the corporation, are exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(a) of the *Community Charter* to the extent indicated:
 - a. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements on Lot A, Plan 12010, District Lot 7174, Kootenay District, (Roll 1485.050), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - b. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements on Lot A, Plan NEP77899 District Lot 181, (Roll 4.035), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - c. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot A, Block 6, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 1047.010), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - d. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 4, Plan NEP5388 District Lot 7180, Kootenay District, (Roll 648.410), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - e. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 6, Plan NEP2682, District Lot 7182, Kootenay District, (Roll 655.000), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - f. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 1, Plan NEP21849, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 641.000), held by the Kootenay Society for Community Living;
 - g. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 1, Plan 6957, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 1374.022), held by the Circle of Indigenous Nations Society;
 - h. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 10 and 11, Block 13, Plan 650, Kootenay District, (Roll 3.000), held by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;
 - i. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot 1, Block 3, Plan NEP2617, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 4097.000), held by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;
 - j. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Lot A, Plan NEP4407, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.850), held by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;
 - k. One hundred percent of the total assessed value of the land and improvements of Plan NEP617QQ, District Lot 5637, Kootenay District, (Roll 589.855), occupied by the Castlegar & District Community Services Society;

- b. District Lot 15392, Kootenay District, (Roll 796.560), occupied by the Castlegar and District Heritage Society (Zuckerberg Island);
 - c. Lot 1, Plan 8749, District Lot 4598, Kootenay District, occupied by the Kootenay Doukhobor Historical Society (Doukhobor Village) (Roll 3002.021), and the Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society (Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science) (Roll 3002.020), except for the Marketing building located adjacent to the restaurant building on the property legally described as Lot 1, Plan 8749, District Lot 4598;
 - d. Lot 1, Plan 8285, District Lot 7173, Kootenay District, (Roll 1375.205), occupied by the Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce.
9. Lot 1, Plan NEP20546, District Lot 184, Kootenay District, (Roll 587.100), owned by Fortis BC Energy Inc. and occupied by the City of Castlegar and is used as a public park is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2) of the *Community Charter*.
10. Eight percent of the total assessed value of Lot A, Plan 17217, Kootenay District, (Roll 796.810), owned by Zellstoff Celgar Limited and used for the supply of water; eight percent of the supply of water being to the City of Castlegar, is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2) of the *Community Charter*.
11. Ninety-three percent of the total assessed value of Lot A, Plan NEP77686, District Lot 7174, Kootenay District (Roll 1443.000), occupied by Kinnaid Hall, is exempt from taxation under the provisions of Section 224(2)(g) of the *Community Charter*.

Repeal

Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1430, 2025 and all amendments there to is hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of , 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this day of , 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME this day of , 2025.

ADOPTED this day of , 2025.

Mayor

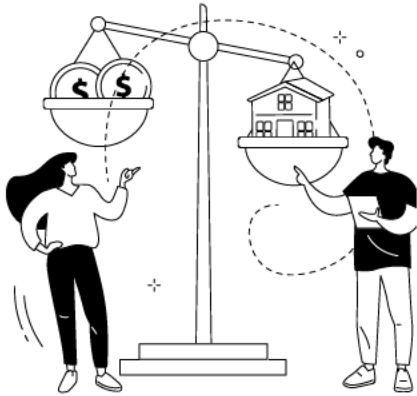
Director of Corporate Services

Schedule "A"
City of Castlegar
Permissive Tax Exemptions 2026

Organization	Street Address	Estimated Exempted Taxes	
		All Taxes	Municipal Only
Places of Public Worship			
St Peter Lutheran Chruch of Castlegar	713 4TH ST	\$ 1,245	\$ 511
Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay	610 CHRISTINA PL	1,487	610
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada	602 7TH ST	1,774	728
Trustee's of the Congregation of Castlegar-Kinnaird Pastoral Charge	809 MERRYCREEK RD	1,917	787
Living Waters Faith Fellowship	2329 6TH AVE	1,230	505
Trustees of the Congregation of Kinnaird Church of God	2404 COLUMBIA AVE	1,351	554
Trustees for the Castlegar South Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses	1680 WOODLAND DR	1,291	530
Castlegar Baptist Church	419 7TH AVE	1,230	505
Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson	525 7TH AVE	1,736	712
Calvary Baptist Church in Castlegar/Kinnaird Park Community Church	1250 26TH ST	3,495	1,434
		16,756	6,877
Community Housing Organizations			
Castlegar Villa Society	718 VALHALLA ST	3,361	1,292
Habitat for Humanity Southeast BC	560 8TH ST	6,874	2,642
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	1007 2ND ST	771	296
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	810 HIGHWAY DR	3,747	1,440
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	1660 COLUMBIA AVE	3,393	1,304
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	COLUMBIA AVE	918	353
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	1695 COLUMBIA AVE	11,327	5,628
Kootenay Society for Community Living	2224 6TH AVE	9,763	4,851
Kootenay Society for Community Living	1001 2ND ST	2,973	1,143
Kootenay Society for Community Living	404 29TH ST	3,064	1,178
Kootenay Society for Community Living	839 SILVER BIRCH LANE	4,197	1,613
Kootenay Society for Community Living	101 PRINCE AVE	3,880	1,491
Kootenay Society for Community Living	1101 2ND ST	2,551	981
Woodland Park Housing Co-Operative	SILVERWOOD CRESCENT	5,816	2,236
		62,635	26,448
Community Service Organizations			
Kootenay Family Place	749 11TH AVE	1,399	538
Kootenay Family Place	767 11TH AVE	10,068	5,002
British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	124 HERITAGE WAY	24,293	12,070
Castlegar & District Hospital Auxiliary	210 11TH AVE	11,636	5,781
Circle of Indigenous Nations Society	1801 CONNORS RD	2,177	1,066
Blueberry Creek Community School Council	200 CENTRE AVE	31,120	15,462
Blueberry Creek Community School Council	200 CENTRE AVE	1,075	413
Freedom Quest Youth Services Society	2216 COLUMBIA AVE	9,305	4,623
Air Cadet League of Canada 581 Castlegar Sponsoring Committee	216 8TH AVE	3,531	1,755
		94,604	46,710
Regional Health Board			
Interior Health Authority	1001 COLUMBIA AVE	8,949	4,446
Interior Health Authority	709 10TH ST	19,408	9,643
		28,357	14,089
Recreation and Not for Profit			
Portuguese Social Centre Society	421 13TH AVE	2,195	901
Royal Canadian Legion	248 COLUMBIA AVE	2,529	1,038
Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers	3500 16TH AVE	747	287
Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers	2701 14TH AVE	520	200
Fortis BC Energy Inc. - Terasen BTW Park	101 5TH ST	13,222	6,569
		19,213	8,995
Cultural Organizations			
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	400 13TH AVE	3,833	1,904
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	500 9TH ST	1,213	603
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	500 9TH ST	4,155	1,705
Kootenay Doukhobor Historical Society (Doukhobor Village)	2 120 HERITAGE WAY	29,709	14,761
Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society	1 120 HERITAGE WAY	6,693	3,325
Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce	1995 6TH AVE	59,189	29,408
		104,792	51,706
City Water Supply/Partnership Agreement			
Zellstoff Celgar Ltd.	2901 ARROW LAKES DR	7,099	5,056
Corporation Vetted for Non-Profit Status			
CTN Labor Holding Ltd - Kinnaird Hall	2320 COLUMBIA AVE	9,578	4,759
Total Permissive Tax Exemptions for 2026		\$ 343,034	\$ 164,638

Our Principles

These principles shape both short and long-term planning and decision making and they help set the direction the City of Castlegar takes during a Council's four-year term.



1 GOVERNANCE & SERVICE EXCELLENCE



2 A FUTURE WITH AFFORDABLE HOMES FOR ALL



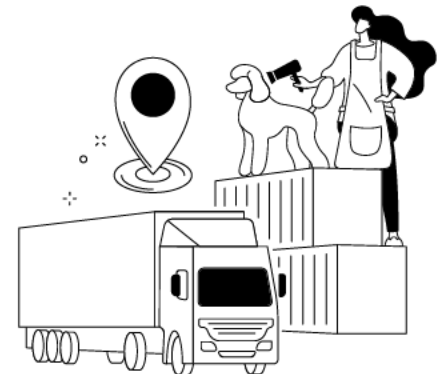
3 QUALITY OF LIFE



4 WEST KOOTENAY REGIONAL AIRPORT EXCELLENCE



5 ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE



6 A PROSPEROUS CITY