

Regular Meeting of Council Agenda July 13, 2026

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: Nil**
- 5 **COMMUNITY WELLNESS, SAFETY & DEVELOPMENT (CHAIR BELL / DEPUTY BOJECHKO / DEPUTY HEATON-SHERSTOBITOFF):**
 - (a) **COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE**
 - (b) **FIRE DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE**
 - (c) **Emergency Services Monthly Report – June 2026**

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve to receive for information:

 - Emergency Services Monthly Report – June 2026
 - (d) **RCMP DETACHMENT VERBAL UPDATE**
 - (e) **WEST KOOTENAY REGIONAL AIRPORT VERBAL UPDATE**
 - (f) **COMMUNITY WELLNESS, SAFETY AND DEVELOPMENT VERBAL UPDATE.**
 - (g) **Board of Variance & Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw Updates (Report No. 26-54)**



Report from the Planner – Policy to seek Council consideration of the required readings of Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw 1463, Board of Variance Bylaw 1464 and approval of the Board of Variance Terms of Reference

RECOMMENDATIONS: (to be considered individually) Council consider and resolve:

1. THAT Council consider the required readings of the Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw 1463.
2. THAT Council consider the required readings of the Board of Variance Bylaw 1464,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council approve the Board of Variance Terms of Reference to take effect concurrently with Board of Variance Bylaw 1464.

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) **Travel Authorization – Ktunaxa Nation Council 2026 Annual General Assembly (Report No. 26-61)**

Report from the Executive Assistant to seek Council authorization for Deputy Mayor Bogle to attend the Ktunaxa Nation Council (KNC) 2026 Annual General Assembly (AGA), hosted by yaqan nu?kiy, held in Creston, BC from Wednesday, July 15 to Thursday, July 16, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

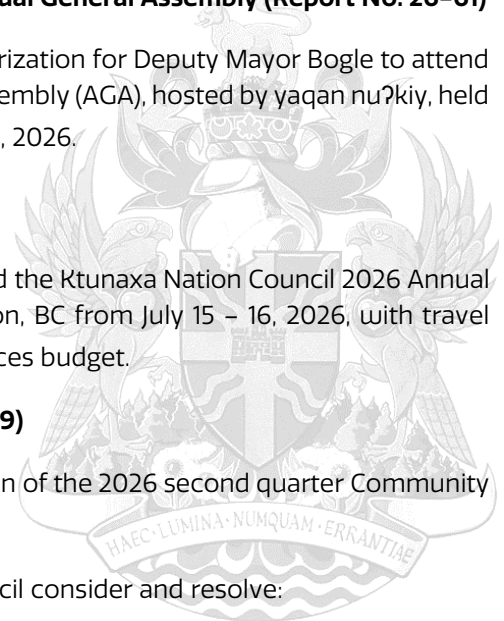
THAT Councillor Bogle, in capacity of Deputy Mayor, attend the Ktunaxa Nation Council 2026 Annual General Assembly, hosted by yaqan nu?kiy held in Creston, BC from July 15 – 16, 2026, with travel expenses to be allocated from the 2026 Council Conferences budget.

- (e) **2026 Q2 Community Grant Applications (Report No. 26-59)**

Report from the Accountant to seek Council's consideration of the 2026 second quarter Community Grant applications.

RECOMMENDATIONS (to be considered individually): Council consider and resolve:

1. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$1,300 to the Castlegar Girls on Boards for the Harvest Jam Skate Contest.



2. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$5,000 to Can Jam Link-Up Festival 2026.
3. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$500 to the Kootenay Robusters for the Robusters Calendar.
4. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$5,000 to the Royal Canadian Legion Castlegar/Robson BR. 170 and Ladies Auxiliary for a commercial freezer.

(f) **2025 Annual Report (Report No. 26-53)**

Report from the Manager of Financial Services to present and obtain Council's comments on the draft Annual Report and approval to release the draft 2025 Annual Report to the public and set a meeting date for public comments on the draft 2025 Annual Report.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council approve the release of the draft 2025 Annual Report to the public, including the 2025 Audited Financial Statements, for the year ended December 31, 2025,

AND FURTHER;

THAT the Annual Meeting, as required by the *Community Charter*, be set for the August 10, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

(g) **Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project – Funding of Project Development Costs (Growing Communities Fund) (Report No. 26-60)**

Report from the Chief Administrative Officer to seek Council approval to utilize the Growing Communities Fund Reserve to fund the City's share of project development costs identified by the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) necessary to continue advancement of the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project.

RECOMMENDATIONS: (to be considered individually) Council consider and resolve:

1. THAT Council approve \$36,750 of additional Stage 2 Negotiated Request for Proposals (NRFP) honorarium funding required to invite a third qualified proponent to be funded from the Growing Communities Fund Reserve.
2. THAT Council approve \$13,230 of funding for a public engagement program for the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project to be funded from the Growing Communities Fund Reserve.
3. THAT Council approve \$66,150 of funding for the geotechnical assessment required to support the next phase of the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project.
4. THAT staff be authorized to work with the Regional District of Central Kootenay and Electoral Area J to confirm final cost-sharing amounts for the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project and bring forward any required amendments to the City's 2026-2030 financial plan.

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

(b) **Millennium Park & Ponds: Operational Update.**

(c) **Request for Quotation 2026-13 – Utility Truck – Recommendation for Award (Report No. 26-55)**

Report from the Assistant Manager – Maintenance to recommend that Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-13 – Utility Truck to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$215,899 plus applicable taxes.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-13 – Utility Truck to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$215,899 plus applicable taxes,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

(d) **Request for Quotation 2026-11 – Service Truck 1 – Recommendation for Award (Report No. 26-56)**

Report from the Assistant Manager – Maintenance to recommend that Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-11 – Service Truck 1 to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$123,942 plus applicable taxes.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-11 – Service Truck 1 to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$123,942 plus applicable taxes,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

(e) **Request for Quotation 2026-12 – Service Truck 2 – Recommendation for Award (Report No. 26-57)**

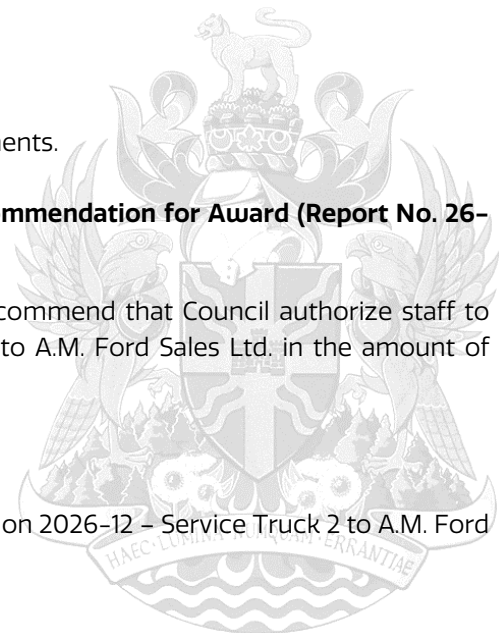
Report from the Assistant Manager – Maintenance to recommend that Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-12 – Service Truck 2 to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$101,811 plus applicable taxes.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-12 – Service Truck 2 to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$101,811 plus applicable taxes,

AND FURTHER;

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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)(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].

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 DELEGATION:

(a) Myron Nichol and Ron Anderson on behalf of the Castlegar Curling Club re: parking for the Curling Club.

14 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

RESOLUTION: THAT the following Minutes be adopted:

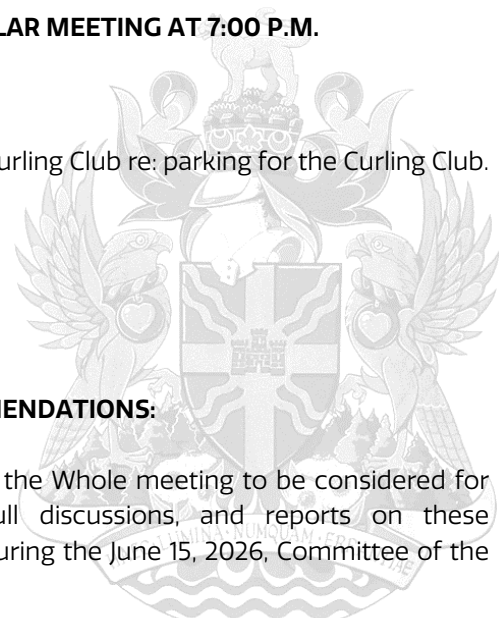
(a) Regular Meeting Minutes – June 15, 2026

15 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS:

(a) Recommendations from the June 15, 2026, 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 June 15, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

1. THAT the following items considered and received for information at the June 15, 2026, Committee of the Whole meeting, be adopted:

- Emergency Services Monthly Report – May 2026
- Building Permit Report – May 2026
- Business Licence Report – May 2026



- (b) Committee of the Whole recommendations from the July 13, 2026, 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 July 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting.
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16 REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY (RDCK) MEETING MINUTES:

RECOMMENDATION: THAT the following minutes be received for information:

- (a) RDCK Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2026

17 CORRESPONDENCE:

- (a) Simon Cretien on behalf of the Castlegar Nordic Ski Club re: request for letter of support.

18 REPORTS OTHER:

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

19 MAYOR'S REPORT:

20 NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nil

21 BYLAWS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- (a) **Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw 1463 – First, second, and third readings (Report No. 26-54)**

A Bylaw to repeal the Advisory Planning Commission.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw be read a first, second, and third time.

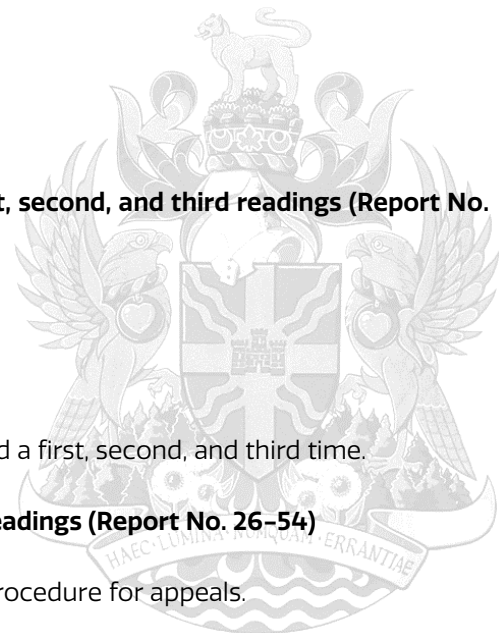
- (b) **Board of Variance Bylaw 1464– First, second, and third readings (Report No. 26-54)**

A Bylaw to establish a Board of Variance and establish a procedure for appeals.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Board of Variance Bylaw 1464 be read a first, second, and third time.

- (c) **Council Expense Allowance Amendment Bylaw 1460 – Adoption (Report No. 26-45)**



A Bylaw to provide for amendments to Council Expense allowances for the Mayor and Councillors.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council Expense Allowance Amendment Bylaw 1460 be adopted.

(d) **Council Indemnity Amendment Bylaw 1461 – Adoption (Report No. 26-45)**

A Bylaw to amend Council Indemnity Bylaw 835.

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve:

THAT Council Indemnity Amendment Bylaw 1461 be adopted.

22 NEXT MEETING(S):

August 10, 2026, 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.

23 NOTICE OF MOTION: Nil

24 QUESTION PERIOD:

25 ADJOURNMENT:

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EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT

June 2026

This report has been prepared for the July 13, 2026, meeting to council, file number 7300-20.

Fire Department Operations:

The chart below compares the previous year 2025 to current year 2026.

Incident	2026		2025	
	June 2026	Year to Date	June 2025	Year to Date
Fires	0	11	3	19
Rescue (EMCR* Task)	1	7	2	12
Rescue (BCAS Assist)	35	165	35	184
Aircraft	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Accident/Incident	3	18	4	21
Hazardous Materials	6	12	3	12
First Responder Medical	4	26	4	15
False Alarms	6	46	7	45
Standby	1	38	14	92
Public Service	5	20	5	15
Complaints	10	42	5	73
Other	16	24	12	28
Monthly Totals	92	414	94	516
Service Charge (False/Nuisance)	0	0	0	0
Burning Permits	0	0	0	1
Reportable Fires (OFC)	1	4	1	3
Fire Damage Dollar Loss	\$40,000	\$475,000	\$0	\$5,000
Fire Dollar Amount Saved	\$2,264,000	\$5,300,600	\$50,000,000	\$50,005,000
Fire Injuries	0	0	0	0

TRAINING:

1. COTR test Ch. 5-8 tests and Skills
2. Firefighter survival props
3. Search and Rescue
4. Pumps and pumping
5. Aerial Operations
6. Driver training on Engine 1

Other:

1. Kinnaird Elementary School Hall Tour
2. Complex Pre-School Fire Safety Talk
3. City Department Meeting
4. Operational, Officer and Safety meetings at Firehall
5. Lieutenants have started their Fire officer 1 course.
6. 6 FireSmart assessments

Prepared by

Nick Ahlefeld

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Fire Chief

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO.:** 26-54
SUBMITTED BY: Planner - Policy **FILE NO.:** 0360-01
SUBJECT: Board of Variance & Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw Updates

RECOMMENDATIONS: (to be considered individually)

- 1. THAT Council consider the required readings of the Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw 1463.***
- 2. THAT Council consider the required readings of the Board of Variance Bylaw 1464,***

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council approve the Board of Variance Terms of Reference to take effect concurrently with Board of Variance Bylaw 1464.

PURPOSE:

A report seeking the required readings of Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw 1463, Board of Variance Bylaw 1464 and approval of the Board of Variance Terms of Reference.

This report is for consideration at the July 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting, three readings at the July 13, 2026, Regular Meeting, and adoption at the August 10, 2026, Regular Meeting.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The Board of Variance and Advisory Planning Commission Bylaws are part of the development approval process. Staff reviewed these bylaws following legislative changes and recent updates to the City's development approval framework. The review identified opportunities to modernize procedures, improve clarity, and better align with best practices.

Members of both bodies are appointed through Legislative Services in accordance with legislated appointment cycles and continue to serve until they are reappointed, replaced, or removed. Currently, there are no members appointed to the Advisory Planning Commission. The Board of Variance presently has one active member, who was appointed last year, while the terms of the remaining members expired in December. Recruitment for new members has been deferred in anticipation of the proposed bylaw amendments.

Advisory Planning Commission

The Advisory Planning Commission (APC) is an optional advisory body that provides recommendations to Council on planning, land use, and development matters when such matters are referred to the Commission by Council in accordance with applicable legislation.

Since the APC Bylaw was last updated in 2014, provincial legislation and City bylaws have changed significantly. Many development applications that historically would have been

referred to the APC are now no longer necessary. Under the new legislation and bylaw updates:

- Most permits are now delegated to staff for approval.
- Public consultation is not required where a proposal aligns with the Community Plan and is prohibited where at least 50% of the proposal is residential.
- The 2024 Zoning Bylaw update has reduced requests for amendments and major variances.
- Five-year reviews of the Zoning Bylaw and Community Plan, undertaken with community consultation, are expected to continue supporting low demand for bylaw amendments.

The proposed Board of Variance Bylaw update would provide a refreshed peer-approval pathway for unusual circumstances that could otherwise require Council consideration.

The APC has not met in approximately three years and there are currently no appointed members. Staff recommend repealing the APC Bylaw and using project-specific consultation tools when additional public input is needed. These tools may include public surveys, stakeholder meetings, technical advisory groups, or committees tailored to the issue being considered.

Board of Variance

The Board of Variance (BOV) is a legislatively required body that provides property owners with an alternative pathway for seeking relief from certain land use regulations where compliance would create undue hardship.

The Board considers minor variances and limited appeals authorized under the *Local Government Act*. It cannot approve changes to land use, density, residential rental tenure, or matters restricted by other legal instruments.

The BOV Bylaw was adopted in 1995 and last updated in 2015. The proposed Board of Variance Bylaw No. 1464 repeals and replaces the existing Board of Variance Bylaw No. 739 to update procedures, clarify Board authority, and establish more comprehensive application and hearing requirements. The proposed Bylaw considers current legislation, best practices, related City bylaws, and a review of other municipalities bylaws.

Key Changes

Proposed Change	Purpose
Updated membership provisions	Aligns appointments with Council terms and provides flexibility to appoint either three or five members.
Clear decision-making criteria	Clarifies what the Board must consider when evaluating applications.
Expanded application requirements	Ensures sufficient information is available to support decisions.

Hybrid and recorded hearings	Improves accessibility and public transparency.
Site visit procedures	Supports procedural fairness and consistent practices.
Updated notification requirements	Increases notification distance and notice period.
Revised fee and refund structure	Increases the application fee and introduces a refund policy to recover administrative costs.
Joint board option	Allows participation in a shared Board if opportunities arise.
Legislative updates	Aligns the bylaw with current provincial legislation.

Staff also recommend adoption of a Board of Variance Terms of Reference. The Terms of Reference provide operational guidance for Board members, including expectations related to conduct, conflicts of interest, attendance, hearing procedures, public participation, records management, and site visits. Together, the Bylaw and Terms of Reference support transparent, consistent, and fair decision-making.

Staff recommend that the proposed Board of Variance Bylaw No. 1464 be considered for the required readings and that the Board of Variance Terms of Reference be adopted concurrently.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Retain the existing APC Bylaw. Staff do not recommend this option because the Commission is no longer actively used and existing consultation tools can provide more flexible and representative public input.
2. Retain the existing Board of Variance Bylaw. Staff do not recommend this option because the Bylaw does not reflect current legislation or best practices.
3. Direct staff to revise the proposed bylaws. Staff can support this option provided any amendments remain consistent with applicable legislation and best practices.
4. Give first and second readings of the proposed bylaws at the July 13, 2026, Regular Meeting, and defer consideration of third reading and adoption to the August 10, 2026, Regular Meeting.

IMPLICATIONS:

(1) Social

Improving the Board of Variance process will make it easier for community members to access this service and have their situations fairly considered by peers when certain regulations create undue hardship.

(2) Environmental

There are no environmental implications.

(3) Personnel

Approximately 40 hours of staff time was spent researching and drafting the proposed bylaws and staff report.

Adoption of the proposed bylaws is expected to reduce administrative effort associated with maintaining an inactive Advisory Planning Commission and on-boarding new members, as well as improve efficiency in processing variance applications.

(4) Financial

The proposed bylaw increases the Board of Variance application fee from \$300 to \$500 and establishes a revised refund policy intended to better reflect administrative costs associated with application intake, notification, and hearing preparation.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

This supports Council's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan Principles of:

- Governance & Service Excellence: Goal 3 - Efficient and Effective Services

IMPLEMENTATION:

If adopted, staff will repeal the existing Advisory Planning Commission and Board of Variance bylaws, publish the new bylaw and Terms of Reference on the website, and update related administrative procedures and application materials.

COMMUNICATION:

If adopted, the new Bylaw and Terms of Reference will be promoted in the Council Highlights and will be provided to residents as needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by



Sarah Martin
Planner - Policy

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

Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw

Bylaw 1463

A Bylaw to repeal the Advisory Planning Commission

WHEREAS changes in legislation have reduced the number of applications that require public consultation;

AND WHEREAS Council has delegated its powers to approve certain applications to staff for consideration;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed to be desirable to rescind the Advisory Planning Commission for the City of Castlegar due to a lack of matters for the commission to advise upon;

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

REPEAL

Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw 499 and all amendments to are hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of

READ A SECOND TIME this day of

READ A THIRD TIME this day of

ADOPTED this day of

Mayor

Director of Corporate Services



Board of Variance Bylaw
Bylaw 1464
Effective Upon Adoption

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Board of Variance Bylaw

Bylaw 1464

A Bylaw to establish a Board of Variance and establish a procedure for appeals.

WHEREAS pursuant to the *Local Government Act* a municipality that has enacted a zoning bylaw is required to establish a Board of Variance;

AND WHEREAS Section 539 (3) of the Local Government Act requires that a bylaw establishing a board of variance must set out the procedures to be followed by the Board of Variance;

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

PART 1 – INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as "*Board of Variance Bylaw 1464*".
- 1.2 Words or phrases defined in the British Columbia *Community Charter, Interpretation Act*, or *Local Government Act* or any successor legislation, shall have the same meaning when used in this Bylaw unless otherwise defined in this Bylaw.
- 1.3 The headings contained in this Bylaw are for convenience only and are not to be construed as defining or in any way limiting the scope or the intent of the provisions of this Bylaw.
- 1.4 If any provision or part of this Bylaw is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or inoperative, in whole or in part, or inoperative in particular circumstances, the illegal or inoperative portion shall be severed from the Bylaw and the balance of the Bylaw, or its application in any circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

PART 2– DEFINITIONS

Applicant means the Owner in relation to an Application pursuant to this Bylaw.

Application means written submission by an Applicant seeking a decision of the Board of Variance.

Board of Variance or Board means an independent body appointed under the *Local Government Act* that hears appeals for relaxation of certain land use regulations and requirements where there is undue hardship and the variance is minor.

Bylaw Administrator means an officer or employee of the City responsible for planning and building, or an officer or employee of the City designated to act on their behalf.

City means the City of Castlegar.

Council means the Council of the City of Castlegar.

Covenant means a covenant registered on the land under section 219 of the *Land Title Act* or section 24A of the *Land Registry Act*, or any successor legislation.

Fees means the specific costs and associated charges levied by the City for various services and applications under this Bylaw.

Heritage Property means a property:

- a) for which an authorization for alterations is required,
- b) for which a heritage revitalization agreement is in place, or
- c) that is a protected heritage property or features an identified heritage value or characteristic.

Non-Conforming Use refers to an existing use of land or buildings that are lawfully used at the time a new land use regulation bylaw is adopted and may be continued as a non-conforming use in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act*.

Owner means the registered owner of a property, or holder or occupier of land including tenants.

Permit refers to the various authorizations that municipalities can issue under the Local Government Act that pertain to the use of land and can include a Development Permit, Development Permit with Variance, Development Variance Permit or Temporary Use Permit.

Phased Development Agreement means an agreement between a municipality and a landowner that identifies terms and conditions such as zoning, servicing and amenities, that apply to a multi-phase development project in accordance with the *Local Government Act*.

Qualified Professional means a professional, such as a BC Land Surveyor, Professional Engineer, Professional Geoscientist, Architect, Landscape Architect, Certified Arborist, or other professional licensed to practice in B.C. with relevant expertise and in good standing, as determined by the Bylaw Administrator.

Terms of Reference (TOR) defines the roles, responsibilities and schedule of the Board of Variance and provides a basis for making decisions at a hearing.

PART 3 – SCOPE

- 3.1 This Bylaw should be considered in conjunction with the City's most recent Board of Variance Terms of Reference.
- 3.2 This Bylaw applies to an Application to the Board of Variance for a relaxation of:
 - a) zoning regulations regarding siting, size and dimensions of buildings;
 - b) siting of a manufactured home in a manufactured home park;
 - c) structural alteration, addition, or reconstruction of a non-conforming use;
 - d) relaxation of subdivision servicing requirements;
 - e) relaxation of tree protection requirements, as applicable; and
 - f) any other applicable provisions of the *Local Government Act* or successor legislation.
- 3.3 This Bylaw does not apply to an Application that would conflict with:

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- a) a covenant;
 - b) a permit;
 - c) a phased development agreement;
 - d) a floodplain specification; or
 - e) would apply to a Heritage Property.
- 3.4 An Application may be considered by the Board of Variance where the Applicant alleges compliance would cause them undue hardship and in the opinion of the Board the request does not:
- a) constitute a major variance;
 - b) result in inappropriate development;
 - c) adversely affect the natural environment;
 - d) substantially affect the use and enjoyment of neighbouring properties;
 - e) vary permitted uses and densities;
 - f) defeat the intent of the varied bylaw; or
 - g) vary residential rental tenure.

PART 4 – APPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The following is required for all Applications made pursuant to this Bylaw:
- a) An Application must be submitted to the City on the prescribed application form approved by the Bylaw Administrator and must include the application fee, payable to the City, as set out in Schedule A of this Bylaw.
 - b) An Application must be signed by all Owner(s) of the applicable lands;
 - c) An Application made under this Bylaw will include any plans and technical information that the Applicant or Board of Variance considers necessary, including, but not limited to:
 - i. a letter describing the request and explaining why compliance with the bylaw would cause undue hardship;
 - ii. building plans;
 - iii. a site plan;
 - iv. a technical report prepared by a Qualified Professional, where applicable; and
 - v. any other information the Applicant intends to present to the Board.
- 4.2 Upon receipt of a complete Application, the Bylaw Administrator will confirm acceptance in writing to the Applicant and provide the date, time, location, and means of participation for the hearing.
- 4.3 Incomplete applications shall be managed in accordance with the City's Development Approval Procedures Bylaw as amended or replaced from time to time.

PART 5 – NOTIFICATION

- 5.1 Notification of Application must be completed for all Applications to the Board of Variance.
- 5.2 Written Notification will be mailed or otherwise delivered to the Applicant, Board members, and Owners located within 100-metres of the subject property or properties at least 10-days prior to the hearing.
- 5.3 Except where the Board is receiving legal advice per section 90 of the *Community Charter*, all hearings must be open to the public and may be held electronically in accordance with the City's Council Procedures Bylaw as amended or replaced from time to time.

PART 6 – SITE VISITS

- 6.1 The Board of Variance may schedule a site visit prior to a hearing where a decision may be made on a given Application.
- 6.2 Board members considering the Application must attend the site together, and attendance must be no less than a quorum.
- 6.3 The Board shall refrain from discussing the merits of the Application or receiving representation from the Applicant or Owners specified under Part 5, outside of a hearing.

PART 7 – DECISIONS

- 7.1 A hearing will be held at the next scheduled meeting for which quorum can be achieved after written notification has been given.
- 7.2 After a hearing where the Board of Variance considers representations from the Applicant and any Owner notified under Part 5 of this Bylaw, the Board may order a minor variance or exemption from undue hardship in accordance with Part 3 of this Bylaw.
- 7.3 The Board may decide to approve or deny the Application, provide an alternative decision, request more information in accordance with Part 4 of this Bylaw, or defer to a later hearing.
- 7.4 If the Board defers the decision, the Chair will state the time, date, place and means of participation for where the decision will be made and if additional information is requested. If the Board does not provide details for when the decision will be made, further written notification will be given.
- 7.5 Where an Applicant has made Application to reconstruct a non-conforming use, the Board of Variance may determine the amount of damage and set aside any determination made by a building inspector. Such decisions of the Board can be appealed by the Applicant to the Supreme Court.

- 7.6 A decision of the Board is final and expires:
 - a) if construction is not completed within the time specified in the order, or
 - b) if construction is not substantially started within two (2) years after the order was made, or longer, if specified.
- 7.7 All Board of Variance decisions must be recorded and made available to the public during regular office hours.
- 7.8 Where it is determined that an Application does not conform to Part 3 of this Bylaw, the Applicant may apply for a development approval in accordance with the City's Development Approval Procedures and Fees Bylaw, as amended or replaced from time to time.

PART 8 – ESTABLISHMENT

- 8.1 Council shall appoint a Board of Variance or elect to participate in a joint Board of Variance by resolution.
- 8.2 Where Council appoints a Board, it shall consist of a minimum of three (3) members in accordance with the *Local Government Act*, or five (5) members at the discretion of Council, for a term of four (4) years concurrent with the term of Council.
 - a) a member of the Board shall serve a maximum of one (1) term unless re-appointed by acclaim or until a replacement is appointed.
 - b) Council may remove a member from the Board at any time.
 - c) Council may appoint a successor to finish the remainder of the term of a member that resigns, is removed, or is otherwise unable to complete the term of appointment, in accordance with the *Local Government Act*.

PART 9 – REPEAL

- 9.1 Board of Variance Bylaw 739 and all amendments to are hereby repealed.

PART 10 – READINGS

READ A FIRST TIME this

READ A SECOND TIME this

READ A THIRD TIME this

ADOPTED this day of

Mayor

Director of Corporate Services

SCHEDULE A – FEES

	FEES AND CHARGES
Application Fee	\$ 500
<p>Fees and charges are refundable under the following circumstances:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Application fees shall be refunded 50% of the application fee if the application is withdrawn before a Board of Variance hearing.2. Applications that are withdrawn or lapse prior to notification shall be refunded for the full amount of the application fee but charged a \$100 administrative fee.3. No refund shall be provided following a Board of Variance hearing.4. No refund shall be provided if the Board determines than an application is outside its scope.	

Terms of Reference

Board of Variance

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: RESOLUTION NO. R- -

This Terms of Reference defines the roles, responsibilities and schedule of the Board of Variance and provides a basis for making decisions at a hearing.

PART 1. MANDATE & ROLE

The Board of Variance (Board) is an independent body that hears appeals for relaxation of zoning regulations and servicing requirements, extension or reconstruction of non-conforming uses, and relaxation of tree protection requirements as applicable. The Board typically deals with requests for minor variances to the Zoning Bylaw regarding siting, size and dimensions of structures where compliance would cause an undue hardship.

The Board is supported by a non-voting City of Castlegar staff liaison from the Development Services Division. The staff liaison serves as the main point of contact for applicants and will communicate as to application status, hearing dates, notification responses, Board requests for information or site visits, and Board decisions.

PART 2. MEMBERSHIP**A. Appointment**

Members will be appointed by Council to the Board of Variance in accordance with the Board of Variance Bylaw.

- The Board will consist of three (3) or five (5) members at the discretion of Council.
- Persons eligible for appointment to the Board are members of the public and can not be members of Council or employees of the City.
- Board members may hold their position on the Board for no more than one (1) term unless reappointed by acclaim.
- Council may remove a member from the Board at any time.
- A member will continue to sit on the Board until a new member is appointed in their place, usually at the end of the four (4) year term of Council.

B. Chairperson

Members will elect a chairperson at the first meeting held at the start of term. The Chairperson may appoint another member to be Acting Chairperson in their absence.

C. Staff Liaison

The Board of Variance Bylaw Administrator may designate another staff member or staff member(s) to act as staff liaison(s). In the absence of a designate, the Bylaw Administrator will act as staff liaison.

PART 3. CODE OF CONDUCT

All appointed members will follow the Code of Conduct and any applicable policies and legislative requirements governing council, committees, and boards.

A. Conduct of Members

Members are expected to communicate and act with politeness, respect, courtesy, and honesty toward fellow members, City staff, applicants, and the public.

This expectation applies to all forms of communication—including in-person conversations, phone calls, written correspondence, emails, text messages, social media, and any other medium. It applies whether the communication is directed to, or made about, an individual or organization.

Any threats, intimidation, interference, coercion, harassment, bullying, or any other unprofessional or unethical conduct, suggested or otherwise, are not acceptable and may result in removal from the Board.

B. Attendance

Members are expected to attend hearings unless they have a valid reason for being absent. The City recognizes that members may occasionally be unable to attend due to circumstances such as illness, unexpected family or work-related obligations, or pre-scheduled vacation. Members whose availability may affect the Board's ability to meet quorum or function effectively are expected to step down voluntarily to allow another community member to take their place.

C. Conduct of Hearings

Members must come prepared for hearings, listen courteously and attentively, and remain focused on Board business. They must not interrupt others, make personal remarks unrelated to Board matters or otherwise disrupt the orderly conduct of a hearing.

D. Decisions Based on Merit

Members will make decisions based on the merits of the application, including input from the public and City staff, and not consider unrelated factors.

E. Conflict of Interest

Members must be transparent about conflicts of interest, step away from decision-making when necessary, and ensure proper documentation, unless the situation clearly falls under exceptions specified by the *Community Charter* or subsequent legislation.

F. Confidential Information

Members must keep application information confidential until it is lawfully released to the public. They must also maintain the confidentiality of matters considered in closed hearings. Members may not disclose confidential information without proper authorization or use it for personal, financial, or other private gain. This includes any information not made public through the board's official processes (e.g. notices, agendas, or hearing proceedings).

PART 4. HEARINGS, QUORUM & PROCEDURES**A. Hearing Schedule**

The Board may set a hearing schedule or request the staff liaison to provide a draft schedule for their review. The schedule must:

- be determined at the beginning of term;
- support quorum being met;
- not conflict with scheduled Council meetings;

- be scheduled at least monthly, with additional hearings as needed, subject to quorum;
- be posted annually on the City's website (see also D4).

B. Quorum

Quorum is a majority of Board members sufficient to allow the Board to make a decision without a tie. Members of the Board are expected to excuse themselves from any hearing where there may be a perceived conflict of interest. Inability to regularly meet quorum may be grounds for the replacement of a member by Council.

C. Hearings & Participation

Board of Variance Hearings will be held in a hybrid format, with in-person attendance and remote participation available through an audio-visual platform. This format is intended to support public access and accommodate Board members and applicants who are unable to participate in-person. Hearing recordings will be posted on the City's website.

D. Procedures**D1. Applications**

1. The staff liaison will receive all applications to the Board and review for completeness and applicability of the Board of Variance Bylaw (Bylaw).
2. Once a complete application is received, the staff liaison will determine the next applicable hearing date, confirm quorum, and advise the applicant of the application status, notification requirements, and the hearing date, time, location and means of participation.
3. The agenda package will be provided to Board members and the applicant by the staff liaison at least three (3) days before the hearing. It must include all application information, including any written responses to notification received before agenda distribution.

D2. Notification

The staff liaison will complete notification in accordance with the Bylaw and the *Local Government Act (Act)*.

1. A copy of the notice may be published on the City's website and made available at City Hall during regular office hours (excluding holidays).
2. Written responses to notification may be received up to the day before the Hearing, prior to the end of regular office hours.

D3. Site Visits

Site visits are discouraged for legal reasons. Site visits should be completed only if it is necessary to support a decision of the Board. The procedure for site visits is as follows:

1. The Board determines that a site visit is necessary at a hearing and defers the decision;
2. The staff liaison co-ordinates the site visit, is the only contact with the applicant, and ensures that the applicant is aware that they can not discuss the application with Board members;
3. All members of the Board considering the application must attend the site together with the staff liaison;

4. Members of the Board must not discuss the application with each other, the property owner, tenants, neighbours or the staff liaison*;
5. Members of the Board must immediately excuse themselves if anyone does not respect the previous requirement.

*Applications must only be discussed at a hearing.

D4. Hearings

A hearing will only be held if a complete application has been received, notification has been completed, and quorum is achieved.

1. The Chairperson will convene the hearing promptly at the time, date, and location set out in the notification. In the event the Chairperson is not present, the Acting Chairperson will act as Chair. The staff liaison will facilitate electronic participation.
2. If a member feels they have a financial or other conflict of interest, they must declare the conflict, provide the reason, and excuse themselves from discussion and voting on the matter. All declarations, reasons and times of leaving/returning must be recorded in the meeting minutes. The staff liaison must ensure the member is absent during discussion unless the declaration is withdrawn.
3. The Board will hear and decide on each application individually in agenda order or as decided before the first presentation.
4. The applicant has the first opportunity to present to the Board. The Chairperson thereafter directs the sequence of presentations until all parties have had the opportunity to speak. The recommended sequence is as follows:
 - anyone that received a notification;
 - written notification responses presented by the staff liaison;
 - any other members of the public.
5. The staff liaison will have an opportunity to present the City's views, including whether it considers that the variance would defeat the intent of the bylaw.
6. The Chairperson will give the applicant an opportunity to respond to any written responses to notification not received prior to agenda circulation.
7. The Chairperson may allow further presentations from the applicant and notified attendees in an orderly manner.

D5. Decisions

1. The Board may discuss the application and comments received from persons notified once all parties have had an opportunity to make presentation.
2. The decision is made by a majority of the members present in accordance with the Bylaw and can include:
 - that the Board does not have the authority to make a decision;
 - an alternative decision;
 - a time within which construction must be completed;

- a period either longer or shorter than two (2) years which is the standard period within which construction must substantially start in accordance with the *Act*.
3. If the Board requests additional information or determines that a site visit is necessary, the decision is deferred to a later date. If the decision is deferred, the Chairperson must either provide the details for the hearing before adjournment or indicate that additional notification will be given.
 4. If the Board decides that it does not have the authority to make a decision, the applicant may make an application to the City for a development approval.
 5. The staff liaison will provide a copy of the decision to the applicant within 10 days of the decision in a format approved by the Bylaw Administrator.

D6. Records

The staff liaison will keep records of Board of Variance proceedings in accordance with the City of Castlegar Records & Information Management Policies and all applicable legislation. The staff liaison will maintain a list of decisions that can be made available to the public during regular office hours. The record should include:

- the bylaw and provision being varied;
- the legal description and civic address;
- description of the development being authorized;
- date of the decision;
- the decision;
- any conflicts of interest;
- file number.

PART 5. GOVERNANCE MODEL

The authority to approve and adopt the Terms of Reference will be in accordance with the Community Charter and the Board of Variance Bylaw.

PART 6. RESOURCES

- Board of Variance Bylaw 1464
- Local Government Management Association Board of Variance Guide

CASTLEGAR

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO.:** 26-61
SUBMITTED BY: Executive Assistant **FILE NO.:** 0390-20
SUBJECT: Travel Authorization – Ktunaxa Nation Council 2026 Annual General Assembly

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Councillor Bogle, in capacity of Deputy Mayor, attend the Ktunaxa Nation Council 2026 Annual General Assembly, hosted by yaqan nu?kiy held in Creston, BC from July 15 – 16, 2026, with travel expenses to be allocated from the 2026 Council Conferences budget.

PURPOSE:

Report to seek Council authorization for Deputy Mayor Bogle to attend the Ktunaxa Nation Council (KNC) 2026 Annual General Assembly (AGA), hosted by yaqan nu?kiy, held in Creston, BC from Wednesday, July 15 to Thursday, July 16, 2026.

Due to the time sensitivity of this request, this report is for consideration and adoption at the July 13, 2026 Regular Council Meeting.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The Ktunaxa Nation Council represents the Ktunaxa Nation's member communities across its traditional territory, which spans southeastern British Columbia and extends into parts of Alberta, Montana, Washington, and Idaho.

The two-day Assembly brings together Chiefs, elected leadership, and invited government representatives to hear directly from the Nation on matters including the Ktunaxa Land Declaration, traditional knowledge and language, education and employment, lands and resources, core services, the economic and investment sector, and governance.

Attendance by a City representative supports ongoing inter-governmental relationship building between the City of Castlegar and the Ktunaxa Nation and reflects Council's continued commitment to reconciliation with First Nations.

Participation of the Ktunaxa Nation Council's 2026 Annual General Assembly aligns with the values outlined in the 2023-2027 Council Strategic Plan and supports ongoing regional and inter-governmental relations.

Approximate costs to attend this convention is as follows:

Registration (complimentary)	\$0
Accommodations (1 night)	\$350
Per diem and meals	\$120
Mileage	\$150
Total approximate cost	\$620

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Council could choose to not authorize this travel. Staff do not recommend this option. Participation at the AGA could be viewed as an important element of building and maintaining a respectful relationship with the Ktunaxa Nation and reflects commitment to reconciliation and inter-governmental engagement efforts.
2. Council could choose to send additional delegates. The incremental cost per additional delegate would be approximately \$620, subject to accommodation availability in Creston.

IMPLICATIONS:

- (1) Social** Attendance supports respectful and sustained engagement with the Ktunaxa Nation and reinforces the City's commitment to reconciliation.
- (2) Environmental** N/A
- (3) Personnel** Approximately 2 hours will be collectively spent on writing this report and preparing arrangements for this convention.
- (4) Financial** Expenses will be allocated from the 2026 Council Conference budget in accordance with Council Expense Allowance Bylaw No. 661.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Authorization to incur expenses for Council travel is required as per Council Expense Allowance Bylaw No. 661:

Where the City receives a written invitation or request that it be represented by the Mayor or another member of Council at a civic function, meeting, or other event, the invitation or request shall be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of Council for consideration if

- a) a regular or special meeting of Council is scheduled to be held more than 5 days prior to the date of the event, and*
- b) the estimated total cost for Council to be represented at the event is in excess of \$250.*

IMPLEMENTATION:

If authorization for attendance is received, staff will proceed with making the necessary arrangements.

COMMUNICATION:

Deputy Mayor Bogle will share relevant reflections and information, as appropriate, with Council at a future Regular Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Chamberlain
Executive Assistant

Approved by



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

CASTLEGAR

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO.:** 26-59
SUBMITTED BY: Accountant **FILE NO.:** 1850-20
SUBJECT: 2026 Q2 Community Grant Applications

RECOMMENDATIONS (to be considered individually):

- 1. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$1,300 to the Castlegar Girls on Boards for the Harvest Jam Skate Contest.***
 - 2. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$5,000 to Can Jam Link-Up Festival 2026.***
 - 3. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$500 to the Kootenay Robusters for the Robusters Calendar.***
 - 4. THAT Council approve the Community Grant funding in the amount of \$5,000 to the Royal Canadian Legion Castlegar/Robson BR.170 and Ladies Auxiliary for a commercial freezer.***
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PURPOSE:

Report to seek Council's consideration of the 2026 second quarter Community Grant applications.

This report is for consideration at the July 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting and adoption at the July 13, 2026, Regular Council Meeting to allow prompt response to applicants.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The City's Community Grant program has a current balance of \$17,900 to provide grant funding and sponsorships to community groups that meet the criteria established in Grant Policy 3.2.

The purpose of a grant in aid is to provide financial assistance to an organization for a specific project or event to be held in Castlegar that is accessible and/or meets the needs of a significant portion of Castlegar residents. Local community not-for-profit organizations and registered non-profit societies are valuable resources in helping the City provide an enhanced quality of life for its residents.

For the second quarter of 2026, the City received grant applications from the following groups:

Castlegar Girls on Boards – \$1,300

The Castlegar Girls on Boards, along with the local skateboard shop, are putting on the Harvest Jam Skate Contest 2026 on August 23, 2026. The contest, which has run since 2021, brings together skaters of the West Kootenay in an inclusive format to showcase their skills, raise awareness of skateboarding and spark further interest in youth skateboarding. The event’s focus is to connect youth in the community, in a fun and safe environment. It is a successful event, and skaters can be seen wearing their Harvest Jam t-shirts around the community.

The funds are used to pay for necessities to run the event such as insurance, advertising, stickers, t-shirts and signage. The Castlegar Girls on Board volunteer time to plan and put on the event, No-Frills provides bags of goodies, and the Shop Skate and Snowboard Supply helps with prizes for the participants.

The City will be recognized through their signage, social media, and logo on the t-shirts, as well as verbal recognition at the event. The City has previously supported Castlegar Girls on Boards in 2021, 2024, and 2025.

Fiscal Year	Community Grant Amount
2021	\$500
2024	\$700
2025	\$1,000

Can Jam Link-Up – \$5,000

Can Jam Link-Up is an organization that raises funds to help support various causes, including lunch programs for schools and inclusive summer camps for children. This year’s goal is to send several underprivileged kids to a summer camp, based on recommendations from council.

Can Jam Link-Up is requesting funds to help with its annual Jamaican food festival at Millennium Park & Ponds on June 28, 2026. The festival included Jamaican cuisine, live reggae music, games, and other entertainment for people of all ages. The funds would be used to help pay two local bands and help with the cost of food.

The City would be recognized in radio, Facebook ads and other social media, pictures and videos, and if the City provides a banner and logos they would also use them around the event. The City has previously supported Can Jam Link-Up in 2024 and 2025.

Fiscal Year	Community Grant Amount
2024	\$2,500
2025	\$1,000

Kootenay Robusters –\$500

The Kootenay Robusters mandate is to raise awareness of breast cancer and to help improve the physical, mental, and emotional wellness of each of their members. The Robusters attend many local breast cancer awareness events and support all members, both cancer survivors and associate members, in the pursuit of good health.

The Robusters create and publish a calendar consisting of photographs from the local area. Proceeds of the sales help cover the cost of insurance, building maintenance, festival team

fees, and individual festival costs. The funds received will go directly to the calendar project and each sponsor receives an advertising spot in the calendar. The size of the spot is dependent on the money received. The City has previously supported the Robusters, with the most recent donation of \$500 in 2025.

Fiscal Year	Community Grant Amount
2023	\$250
2024	\$250
2025	\$500

The Royal Canadian Legion Castlegar/ Robson BR.170 and Ladies Auxillary– \$5,000

The Royal Canadian Legion is a country-wide veterans organization established in 1925, with the Castlegar Branch being founded in 1943. Its mission is to serve veterans and their families, promote remembrance of those who served, and contribute to community service.

The Castlegar Legion Branch is seeking funds for the purchase of a new commercial freezer. It will be used to help facilitate the public service of providing meals to current veterans, seniors, and others in the Castlegar area. The current freezer does not provide consistent, reliable cooling to preserve food intended for distribution to the community. The unit also operates at an unreasonably high volume, causing noise that disrupts meetings and events at the Legion Branch. Attempts to repair the unit have failed and a new freezer is seen as the best solution to continue meal services that provide valuable support to community members. The funds received will go directly to the freezer purchase and the city will receive recognition on social media and plan to announce and recognize the City for the contribution at the next “Appreciation Dinner”. The City has not previously supported the Castlegar Legion Branch through community grants.

IMPLICATIONS:

- (1) Social** Community groups play a vital role in building a healthy community by providing valuable services that contribute to the residents’ quality of life. Through a combination of strong community relationships and intimate local knowledge, these groups often have a better understanding of the community’s needs and the best ways to meet them.

- (2) Environmental** N/A

- (3) Personnel** If approved, it will take approximately two hours of staff time to process and award the grant funding to the community groups.

- (4) Financial** The Community Grant Program has a budget balance of \$17,900 at the end of quarter 1 of 2026.

 If grants are approved as recommended, a balance of \$6,100 will remain.

 In 2025, \$15,565 was awarded against a total budget of \$17,900, leaving \$2,335 Community grant funds not awarded.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Providing grants and sponsorships to community groups helps support Council's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan Principle "Quality of Life" and the goal "Build Pride Through Engagement".

IMPLEMENTATION:

Once Council resolutions are adopted, staff will notify the applicants and provide them with a copy of the final report form to be completed and returned to the City upon project/event completion.

COMMUNICATION:

The City will be acknowledged by the organizations as noted above. The City's contributions will be highlighted in the Council Highlights.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by



Ryan Reid, CPA
Accountant



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

CASTLEGAR

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO.:** 26-53
SUBMITTED BY: Manager of Financial Services **FILE NO.:** 1700-20
SUBJECT: 2025 Annual Report

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approve the release of the draft 2025 Annual Report to the public, including the 2025 Audited Financial Statements, for the year ended December 31, 2025,

AND FURTHER;

THAT the Annual Meeting, as required by the Community Charter, be set for the August 10, 2026, Regular Council Meeting.

PURPOSE:

A report to present and obtain Council's comments on the draft Annual Report and approval to release the draft 2025 Annual Report to the public and set a meeting date for public comments on the draft 2025 Annual Report.

This staff report is for review at the July 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting, and adoption at the July 13, 2026, Regular Council Meeting to set the Annual Meeting date for August 10, 2026.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The 2025 Annual Report provides the public with an account of the City of Castlegar's financial position and report on operations for the year ending December 31, 2025. Publication of an Annual Report is a legislated requirement for all municipalities and must contain:

1. Audited financial statements
2. Report on permissive tax exemptions
3. Report on municipal services and operations
4. Progress report on the performance of the municipality
5. Statement of objectives and measures for the current year and the next year
6. Other information Council considers advisable

The financial statements included in the 2025 Annual Report were approved by Council on May 19, 2026, and are prepared in accordance with section 167 of the *Community Charter* and *Canadian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles* as established by the *Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB)*. The statements are prepared by City staff and the amounts and notes shown on the statements have been audited by an independent third-party auditor.

The Annual Meeting is to be held to consider the annual report and to receive submissions and questions from the public prior to June 30 of each year, in accordance with section 99 of

the *Community Charter*. The Annual Meeting for 2025 is occurring on August 10, 2026, due to resourcing constraints in the Finance Department.

ALTERNATIVES:

That Council does not approve the release of the 2025 Annual Report. Staff does not recommend this as it could further delay the Annual Meeting.

IMPLICATIONS:

- (1) Social** Publishing the Annual Report provides the community with important information regarding the financial stability, municipal services, and livability of their community. The Annual Report is a critical tool to maintain public trust and accountability.
- (2) Environmental** The City produces limited print versions of the report and encourages electronic viewing of the report to decrease the use of paper.
- (3) Personnel** It is estimated that 60 hours of staff time was committed to the production of the 2025 Annual Report.
- (4) Financial** The City incurs approximately \$6,500 in graphic design costs and \$500 for printing costs.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

An Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements are required under sections 167 and 98 of the *Community Charter*. Section 99 of the *Community Charter* requires that the City hold an Annual Meeting to consider the Annual Report and receive submissions and questions from the public.

The Annual Report supports the 2023-2027 Strategic Plan Principle of Governance and Service Excellence and the goal of Responsible Stewards.

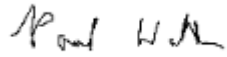
IMPLEMENTATION:

The Annual Meeting will be scheduled for August 10, 2026, as part of the Regular Council Meeting.

COMMUNICATION:

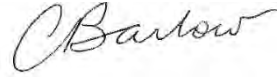
Public notification of the Annual Meeting date will be in the local newspaper on July 23, 2026, and July 30, 2026, in accordance with section 94.1 of the *Community Charter*, and added to our website's Events page. A Facebook post will also be made to advertise the Annual Meeting. The draft 2025 Annual Report will be available on the City's website and at City Hall for public inspection.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul Wallin, CPA, CGA
Manager of Financial Services

Approved by



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

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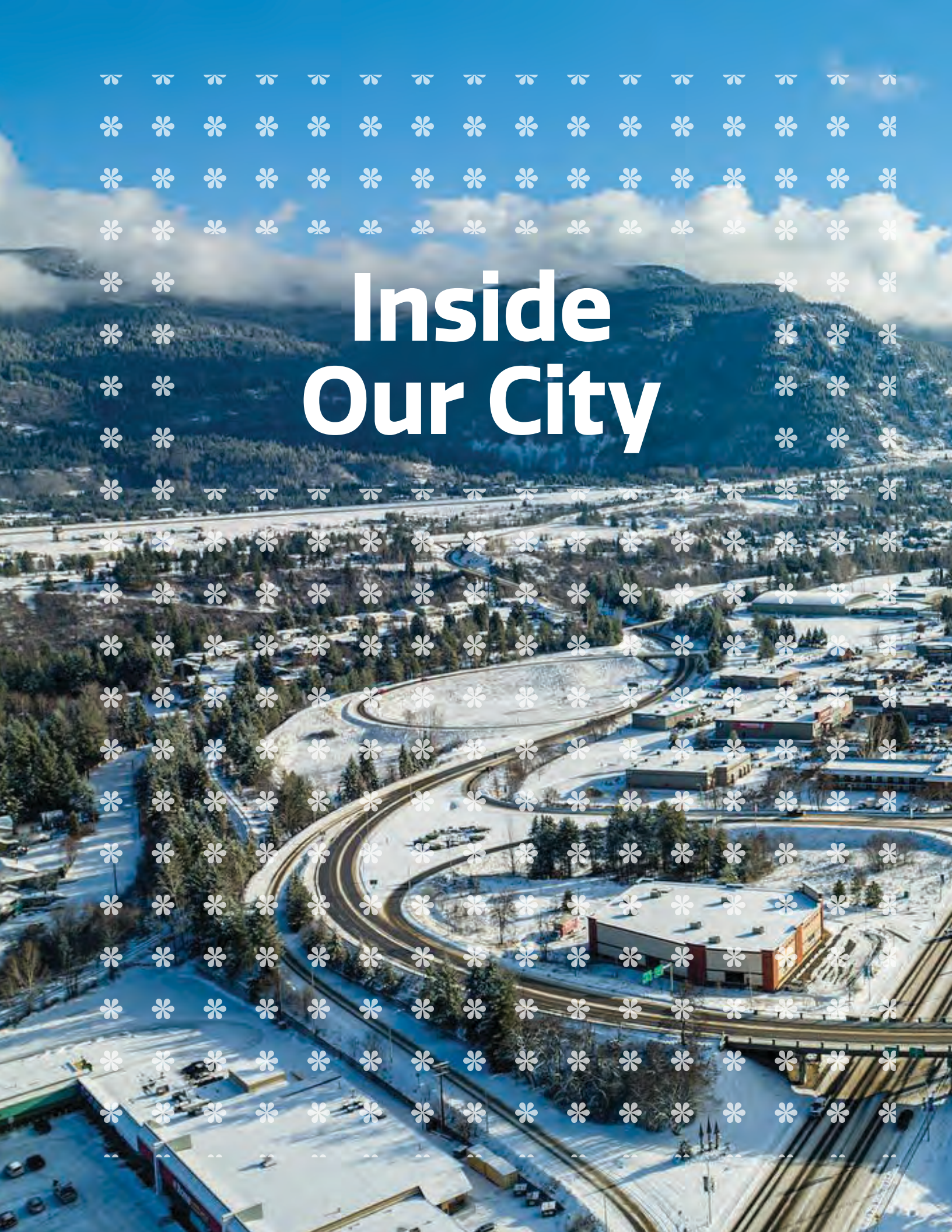
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Inside Our City





Who We Are

Two great rivers meet at a unique place in the Southern Interior of British Columbia where people have lived for millennia, and others have brought traditions from around the world.

Castlegar is a place where individuality, innovation, and learning are deeply valued. Rooted in multi-generational family connections and a strong sense of belonging, the city draws inspiration from the meeting of its two rivers. From this convergence flows a distinctive culture and creative spirit that makes the City of Castlegar an idyllic place to live, work, and grow.

We have a population of 13,700 in the City and area, and a trade area of 70,000. The economy is diversified and growing, focused on forestry (Mercer-Celgar Mill, Interfor, Kalesnikoff), energy (Columbia Power, FortisBC and BC Hydro), mining (Teck), and commercial services in the City. We are the service centre within British Columbia's West Kootenay Region.

Quality of life features backcountry adventure and an increasingly dynamic urban culture, including the very popular Millennium Park & Ponds and the annual Sculpturewalk event.

The City's desirability as an affordable business and lifestyle choice will continue to grow with anticipated investments in commercial development, housing, and technology and broadband service.

City Snapshot

LOCATION

City's elevation
450m



HOUSING



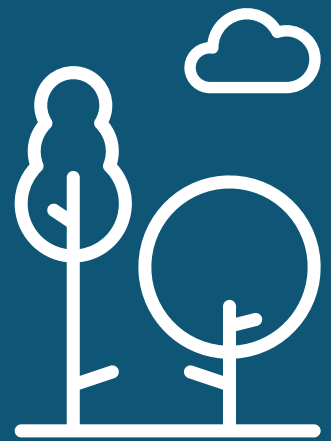
Average home value in 2025

\$526,529

↑1% from 2024

Number of single-family dwellings units

2,868



ECONOMY

Trade area of
70,000



TOURISM

Total visitors at Visitor Centre

8,625



DEMOGRAPHICS

City population

9,301





Council's Mission

Our mission is to provide open and responsive government and well-planned and delivered services to the citizens of Castlegar.

Community Vision

As a regional hub in the West Kootenay, Castlegar is a welcoming and diverse community where people of all ages and abilities can belong.

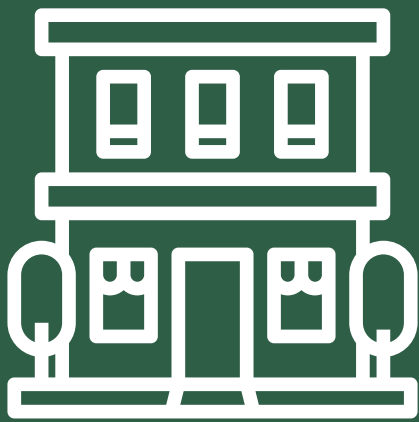
We are a community that respectfully honours our past while moving forward with a vision where everyone has a safe place to live, move, work, connect and feel supported. Surrounded by the mountains and rivers that connect us, we embrace the outdoors and our responsibility of looking after the land now and for future generations.

Excellence in energy action and conservation showcases our leadership in environmental stewardship. Our economic environment is adaptable to fluctuating market conditions and attracts creative entrepreneurship.

Living is affordable, housing forms are diverse, neighbourhoods are complete and inclusive, and the community is well serviced. We are a connection point that unites the region – a hub from which to explore life's adventure. Nature and technology are our enablers.

City Snapshot

DEVELOPMENT



2025 Construction value
\$34,763,440



PARKS

Number of parks
in the city

23



FINANCE

Total
grant revenue

\$1,378,941



DEVELOPMENT



Building permits
issued

100

DEVELOPMENT



Business
licences issued

744

The Planning Process

Strategic planning is an important process that identifies community-level priorities. The Annual Report outlines what was achieved in relation to our stated principles, objectives and strategies.

The strategic planning process creates an opportunity for the City to reflect on what is important to the community and use that information to develop a guiding document that helps set priorities, manage resources, and track progress and successes.

The Council Strategic Plan guides what work we do for the community and how we do it. It is a critical resource when developing operational plans to guide the day-to-day work we do.



Strategic Plan Principles

PRINCIPLE 1

Governance & Service Excellence

We make difficult decisions in the best long-term interest of the community. We manage assets and infrastructure with fiscal prudence, using business-minded and long-term perspectives. Our actions are guided by community-informed master plans, which provide clarity of what we do, when, and why.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- + Developed the City's first Organizational Plan, establishing a mission, vision, values, and pillars to guide culture, planning, and service delivery. The plan aligns with Council's Strategic Plan and includes a Organizational Action Plan.
- + Advanced the Liquid Waste Management Plan, completing technical work and engagement and preparing the Stage 1 report for Council consideration and provincial review.
- + Completed upgrades at the South Sewage Treatment Plant, including foaming mitigation, and progress on the North Train Renewal to strengthen reliability and regulatory compliance.
- + Received the Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding (DRIF) program grant for a \$400,000 Flood Plain Mapping and Climate Change Hazard Assessment project, which will update floodplain maps, assess climate-driven risks, and strengthen emergency preparedness.
- + Completed localized drainage improvements, addressing long-standing stormwater challenges and improving neighbourhood level resiliency.
- + Promoted community-wide registration for Voyent Alert! and City News, improving access to timely information about public safety, City initiatives, and Council decisions.
- + Awarded a new Information Technology Managed Services contract and began implementing enhanced IT support, improving system reliability, security, and organizational capacity.



PRINCIPLE 2

A Future with Affordable Homes for All

We are in a housing crisis. The City of Castlegar is committed to doing everything it can to ensure the mix of housing the community needs. The City has the courage to step outside of our traditional role and take action to make housing happen. We continually minimize and reduce barriers and bureaucracy to support development.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- + Advanced the 925 Columbia Avenue Housing Project, progressing design with BC Housing and Lu'ma Developments and supporting the transition into construction, including the contractor-led demolition of the Pioneer Arena.
- + Advanced redevelopment of 310 Columbia Avenue (former Eremenko Building) by funding the demolition and progressing planning and design work for future mixed-use housing.
- + Implemented the Accessory Dwelling Unit Program, making it easier for homeowners to add secondary units and expanding small-scale housing options.



PRINCIPLE 3

Quality of Life

Castlegar is a community that values an exceptional quality of life. With a small-town feel, we strive to be a place that people are proud to call home, conduct their business in, and have fun in. Our community embraces diversity, and values volunteerism and social service agencies. We celebrate a natural environment that offers world-class recreational opportunities.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- + Delivered a Council-approved \$250,000 paving program on Columbia Avenue, improving road quality, safety, and long-term asset management.
- + Finalized the Brandson Park Renewal design, informed by community engagement and preparing the project for construction in spring 2026.
- + Completed the Mosquito Field fence replacement, improving safety and usability for community recreation.
- + Delivered major community events, including Canada Day and Winter Wonderland.
- + Participated in community events such as the West Kootenay Trade Show, IRIS Seniors Expos, and Castlegar Community Connects Day.
- + Supported WildSafeBC community education, including Harvest Match and bin tagging, to help reduce wildlife attractants and encourage safe coexistence in neighbourhoods.
- + Supported community-led recreation projects, including a new outdoor basketball court at Millennium Park & Ponds, guidance on a potential disc golf course, and continued discussion on the Dog Park Society gazebo proposal.
- + Led the Eco-Link Feasibility Study, confirming technical feasibility for a bridge or gondola connection between Selkirk College and downtown and outlining next steps.
- + Supported installation of the new Sherbiko Hill retaining wall mural with Communities in Bloom, adding a vibrant public art feature along a key roadway.





PRINCIPLE 4

West Kootenay Regional Airport Excellence

West Kootenay Regional Airport is the gateway between the West Kootenay and the world. It is a catalyst for regional economic growth and opportunities. Focused on growing and improving services, West Kootenay Regional Airport will be the choice for air travel to the West Kootenay area. We are committed to improving reliability and moving beyond the reputation of CANCELGAR. We will carefully plan for growth and development and build strategic partnerships.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- + Awarded the architectural services contract for the Air Terminal Building Expansion, advancing a major multi-year project that will improve the travel experience by modernizing the terminal and expanding passenger capacity.
- + Promoted and supported Air Canada's flight disruption shuttle, helping passengers maintain travel continuity during weather related cancellations.
- + Strengthened the airport's financial position by updating agreements with passenger-service providers, including securing a new on-site car rental service and continuing café operations.

PRINCIPLE 5

Access to Healthcare

Castlegar residents have an inherent right to healthcare. The City is dedicated to stepping outside its traditional role to ensure all residents have access to the healthcare they need – now and in the future. The City is committed to advocating for healthcare in the community and addressing emerging issues.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- + Continued advancing the 925 Columbia Avenue Housing and Healthcare Project, supporting design development and partner coordination to bring new primary care and community health services to Castlegar.
- + Advocated for improved healthcare access, engaging provincial partners and service providers to address emerging local healthcare challenges.
- + Approved a Temporary Use Permit for BC Housing to operate a 20-bed permanent emergency shelter at 2245 6th Avenue, supporting vulnerable residents' access to essential services.
- + Awarded a new multi-year physician recruitment contract to the Castlegar & District Chamber of Commerce, continued advocacy for improved access to primary care, and participated in strategic planning through the Physician Recruitment Committee to guide recruitment efforts over the coming years.

PRINCIPLE 6

A Prosperous City

Our position as the centre of the West Kootenay creates opportunities for diverse economic growth that benefits Castlegar and the region. We are committed to creating an environment where all sizes of industry and businesses can be successful. We will carefully plan for growth and development and build strategic partnerships.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- + Welcomed the grand opening of Kalesnikoff's 100,000 sq. ft. mass-timber prefabrication and modular facility, a \$30 million investment that brings jobs to the region and strengthens Castlegar's role in sustainable, value-added manufacturing.
- + Advanced downtown revitalization by awarding the contract for demolition of the Eremenko Building at 310 Columbia Avenue, preparing the site for future residential and mixed-use development.
- + Experienced strong economic growth, with building permit values rising to \$33.8 million year-to-date nearly double from 2024 and significant increases in multi-family construction. 2025 saw new commercial developments, with five new restaurants opening, alongside steady business licensing activity.
- + Initiated a downtown parking study to proactively support future growth by aligning bylaws with the Community Plan and ensuring development is supported by appropriate parking management.





Message from the Mayor

This year showed what's possible when strategic priorities and community input shape real, meaningful progress.

As I reflect on 2025, I am reminded not only of the progress we have made this year but also of the steady work that has shaped this Council's time together. It has been a period defined by thoughtful decisions, strong partnerships, and a shared commitment to building a community that reflects the values of the people who call Castlegar home.

This past year marks continued momentum across key priorities. We have advanced infrastructure projects that strengthen reliability and resilience, from upgrades at the South Sewage Treatment Plant to improvements in drainage systems across the community. At the same time, we invested in the future by moving forward with climate preparedness initiatives and long-term planning that will help guide Castlegar for years to come.

Housing and healthcare have remained central to Council's work. We have continued advancing the 925 Columbia Avenue development, supporting design development and partner coordination to create new housing opportunities and future healthcare services in our community. We have also continued to reduce barriers and support a broader range of housing options, recognizing the importance of creating a community where people can live, work, and stay at every stage of life.

What stands out most to me is how this work has been carried forward with care, intention, and a long-term perspective. Every decision has been grounded in what will serve Castlegar not just today, but into the future. That work is made possible by dedicated City staff, a committed Council, and residents who continue to show up, share their perspectives, and help shape our direction.

This Annual Report reflects the result of those collective efforts. I invite you to explore it and see how we are continuing to build a resilient, inclusive, and connected Castlegar. It is through this shared effort that we are truly better together.

Thank you for your trust, your input, and your ongoing commitment to our community.

Regards,

Mayor Maria McFaddin





City Councillors

The City is governed by a Mayor and six Councillors, elected for a four-year term. The current Mayor and Council will serve until Fall 2026.



Councillor Darcy Bell

Darcy Bell was elected to Council in 2022. Councillor Bell is dedicated to supporting diversity, inclusion, and thoughtful planning for the benefit of his constituents, neighbours, and family, including his wife Amy, daughters, son-in-law, and extended family in the area. He values the opportunity to serve the community and contribute to decisions that support Castlegar's future.



Councillor Brian Bogle Deputy Mayor

Brian Bogle was elected to Council in 2021 after his retirement as Manager of Safeway. Councillor Bogle and his wife Cathy moved to Castlegar in 2005. They have a daughter and a son, two granddaughters and a grandson. Councillor Bogle has served on numerous council committees and was appointed Deputy Mayor in 2023. He also serves as the alternate RDCK Director and is the Castlegar representative on the WKBR Hospital District board.



Councillor Sandy Bojechko

Sandy Bojechko is a grandmother and has lived in the Castlegar area for more than 35 years. She is an active volunteer with the Castlegar Rebels and is the past president of the West Kootenay Labour Council. Sandy also helps organize the International Day of Mourning, reflecting her commitment to advocacy and worker safety. With a background as a paralegal and experience owning three businesses, she is dedicated to listening to and acting on behalf of her community.



Councillor Shirley Falstead

Shirley Falstead was elected in 2022 and brings experience in business ownership, economic development, tourism, and community leadership. She has owned and operated several businesses, including an organic farm, market garden, and Spruce River Research, an economic and community development consulting firm. Her background includes work as a national tourism judge, preparing Phase One Environmental Assessments, and delivering Economic Development Programs across Western Canada through Carleton University. Shirley is a Board Member of Rota Villa Senior Housing in Castlegar and a past Board Member of Heritage Credit Union.



Councillor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff

Sue has lived in Castlegar since 1988 and has been on council since 2011. She is married to Curtis and has 2 girls - Jordan & Sydney. Her passion for Castlegar, combined with years of experience and community involvement, continues to drive her commitment to serving the people of the city. In her spare time, she likes to garden, travel and cook!



Councillor Cheryl MacLeod

Cheryl MacLeod and her husband, Murray, have four children and six grandchildren. She is an active community volunteer, enjoying spending time in her community, helping to make it the best place to be. She enjoys gardening, baking, riding her bike, and spending time with family and friends. Councillor MacLeod recently retired from School District 20 after 34 years as a Child and Youth Care Worker.

Committees & Senior Staff

The City of Castlegar has five Committees of Council that serve as advisory bodies to Council, pursuant to the *Community Charter*. Members of Council are appointed annually by the Mayor and serve as liaisons to various community groups, organizations and societies.



Community Wellness and Social Services

- + Chair, Councillor Bell
- + Deputy Chair, Councillor Bojecho
- + Deputy Chair, Councillor Heaton-Sherstobitoff

Cultural and Civic Pride

- + Chair, Councillor Heaton-Sherstobitoff
- + Deputy Chair, Councillor Bogle
- + Deputy Chair, Councillor MacLeod

Finance & Corporate Services

- + Chair, Councillor Bogle
- + Deputy Chair, Councillor Falstead

Municipal Services

- + Chair, Councillor MacLeod
- + Deputy Chair, Councillor Bell

Stage IV Labour/ Management Committee

- + Chair, Mayor McFaddin
- + Member, Councillor MacLeod
- + Member, Councillor Bogle

Senior Staff

- + Director of Finance & Technology, Steffan Klassen
- + Director of Corporate Services, Bree Seabrook
- + Director of Municipal Services, Chris Hallam
- + Chief Administrative Officer, Chris Barlow
- + Director of Community Safety and Development, Meeri Durand





From the Chief Administrative Officer

2025 was a year of building on strong foundations and continuing to turn plans into measurable progress.

The City of Castlegar remains guided by clear and consistent planning. This year, the development of the City's first Organizational Plan strengthened how we align daily operations with Council's Strategic Plan. Alongside this, we continued advancing key master planning work, ensuring decisions are thoughtful, coordinated, and focused on both current needs and long-term sustainability.

While external pressures, such as rising costs and evolving regulations, continue to shape the municipal environment, we remain focused on responsible financial management and effective service delivery. Investments in infrastructure, technology, and planning were made with care, ensuring we maintain reliable services while preparing for future growth.

The City also continued to improve how we deliver services and communicate with residents. Enhancements to information technology systems and public communication tools have strengthened our ability to respond, share information, and support the community in a timely and efficient way.

Housing and healthcare remain critical priorities. We continued to support major projects and partnerships, while also advancing initiatives that reduce barriers and expand housing options. At the same time, we maintained strong advocacy efforts to improve residents' access to healthcare services.

I am proud to share some of the progress made in 2025:

- + Developed the City's first Organizational Plan to align service delivery with Council priorities.
- + Advanced the Liquid Waste Management Plan and completed key upgrades at the South Sewage Treatment Plant.
- + Completed citywide drainage improvements to address long-standing stormwater challenges.
- + Secured funding for Flood Plain Mapping and Climate Hazard Assessment to strengthen emergency preparedness.
- + Advanced the 925 Columbia Avenue housing and healthcare project.
- + Implemented the Accessory Dwelling Unit Program to support additional housing options.
- + Delivered road improvements, including paving on Columbia Avenue.
- + Finalized the Brandson Park Renewal design and prepared for construction.
- + Supported economic growth with new business development and increased building activity.
- + Advanced planning for the West Kootenay Regional Airport terminal expansion.

Our progress this year reflects the dedication and professionalism of City staff across all departments. Whether delivering essential services or advancing complex projects, their work ensures the City continues to operate effectively and adapt to change.

I would also like to thank Council for its leadership and Castlegar residents for their continued engagement and support.

I encourage you to review this Annual Report to learn more about how we are investing in the community we proudly serve.

Regards,

Chris Barlow

Chief Administrative Officer



Corporate Services

The City of Castlegar's Corporate Services Department oversees Human Resources, Legislative Services (including Bylaw Enforcement), Health and Safety, and Communications.

The department ensures the effective and efficient overall management of the City's administrative operations, supporting the organization and the community.

Corporate Services provides legislative and procedural support to Council and the Chief Administrative Officer, manages protocol and legal matters, coordinates records management, publishes official notices, administers local government and school district elections, and responds to requests under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Legislative Services prepares and distributes Council agendas and minutes, maintains bylaws, policies, and contracts, enforces bylaws, and ensures City processes align with legislative requirements and best practices.

Human Resources (HR) supports approximately 70+ employees through the full employment cycle from recruitment and retention initiatives, wellness and engagement, labour relations, collective agreement administration, performance management, employee recognition, job evaluations, employee compensation and benefits, and training and development.

Health and Safety develops and implements safe work procedures, coordinates safety training, conducts workplace inspections, manages return-to-work programs, and promotes employee wellness initiatives. The program also includes creating and maintaining specialized safety initiatives such as heat stress prevention, ergonomics programs, and hazard-specific response plans to ensure a safe and healthy workplace.

The department also manages the City's communications and engagement, delivering timely, accurate, and accessible information to residents and creating opportunities for meaningful public participation. This includes strategic communications planning, sharing important information, creating awareness of City initiatives and decision-making, strengthening the City's reputation, and developing engagement programs to ensure community-guided City decisions.

Key Stats



92

Reports reviewed



10

Bylaws adopted



784

Career opportunity email subscribers



100+

Council meeting hours



167

Facebook posts made



490

New followers gained

2025 Accomplishments

- + Reviewed and updated bylaws and policies to ensure compliance and relevance.
- + Developed a Hazardous Materials Program.
- + Developed a new Bullying & Harassment program and corresponding training for all staff.
- + Supported corporate initiatives and ensure compliance with policies, the Collective Agreement, and legislation.
- + Developed the City's first Organizational Plan, establishing a mission, vision, values, and pillars to guide culture, planning, and service delivery. The plan aligns with Council's Strategic Plan and includes a comprehensive Action Plan.
- + Expanded direct-to-resident communications by promoting City News email subscriptions and Voyent Alert! emergency notifications, helping more residents stay connected to important City updates.
- + Supported emergency preparedness communications through public education, emergency messaging templates, and promotion of castlegar.ca/emergency as the City's central source for emergency information.
- + Improved public awareness of City services and projects through timely updates on water restrictions, unidirectional flushing, infrastructure work, property taxes, and other municipal services.
- + Completed an organization-wide Administrative Services Scan to assess departmental administrative support needs.

2026 Priorities

- + Administer the local government election and Alternative Approval processes.
- + Implement Safety Management System software.
- + Begin a gap analysis of the City's regulatory occupational health & safety requirements.
- + Finalize and fully implement the City's Hazardous Materials Program.
- + Lead the collective bargaining process with CUPE 2262.
- + Plan and host the annual West Kootenay Boundary Rocky Mountain Local Government Joint Chapter Conference.
- + Complete the communications template project.
- + Support the development of clear, measurable work plans aligned with Council's strategic and financial priorities, standardize the process, and support reporting.
- + Implement and fund a Social, Wellness & Team Building Committee.
- + Deliver a Citizen Survey to gather resident feedback, establish baseline metrics, and better understand community priorities, satisfaction, and service needs.
- + Restructure administrative support across all departments based off recommendations from the 2025 Administrative Services Scan to identify administrative efficiency opportunities and support management & staff, with minimal budgetary impact.
- + Provide de-escalation training and communication workshops for all staff.
- + Implement and test an electronic timesheet program.

Development Services

Development Services guides Castlegar's growth and evolution, ensuring the community is connected, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable. The department oversees long-range planning, land-use regulation, business licensing, building inspection, and community development initiatives. This work is grounded in the City's Official Community Plan and delivered through collaboration with staff, agencies, community groups, and residents.

2025 Accomplishments

- + Completion of Phase 1 of Accessory Dwelling Unit Program to support infill housing objectives.
- + Dog Park Signage design completed and installed.
- + Completed Parking Assessment for Downtown and Uptown growth areas.
- + Expanded commercial and utility development on lands east of the Columbia River.
- + Provided ongoing support for non-market housing initiatives in partnership with BC Housing, Lu'ma Development, Castlegar Rota Villa Society & Castlegar Community Services.

2026 Priorities

- + Continue to work with community partners in the delivery of non-market housing and supportive housing in alignment with the City's Housing Needs Report and Housing Strategy.
- + Strive toward continuous improvement and efficiency in development approvals by undertaking review of the City's Building Bylaw and Business Licensing Bylaw.
- + Initiate a housing infill program by leveraging standardized designs, streamlined development approvals, and local and regional partnership for pre-manufactured housing options, and developer outreach and education in modern methods of construction.

Key Stats



744

Business licences issued



100

Building permits issued with a construction value of \$34.8 million



\$527k

Typical assessed value of a single-family home



23

Development approvals issued in alignment with the Community Plan



925 Columbia Avenue Housing Project

The City marked a significant milestone in addressing local housing needs with the groundbreaking of the 925 Columbia Avenue development. City Council, staff, project partners, and Indigenous leaders gathered to celebrate the start of construction on future non-market housing consisting of 78 new units.

This project reflects a strong partnership between the City, BC Housing, and Lu'ma Developments and represents an important step toward expanding housing options in the community. As housing demand continues to grow, projects like this play a critical role in creating inclusive and accessible places for people to live.

The advancement of this development into the construction phase demonstrates the City's ongoing commitment to supporting housing solutions that meet the needs of residents today and into the future.



Municipal Services

Municipal Services develops and maintains the City's infrastructure and municipal facilities.

Operational areas include roads, sewers, water, parks, fleet, facilities, and solid waste. Through the technical expertise and skill of more than thirty individuals, this team implements the City's policies, and bylaws. The department plans, designs, constructs and maintains all City-owned assets with effective coordination to enhance and maintain service delivery to the community in a cost-effective manner. In addition, the department provides professional services and advice to Council, the public, and the development/building industry on a broad range of items related to planning, building, capital construction, maintenance, and operations. The department provides policy and strategic advice to Council and the Chief Administrative Officer.

Key Stats



72

Permits issued for work on City lands



35

Acres of turf maintained



53

Fleet vehicles and heavy equipment units



13

New service install requests



23

Water leaks repaired

2025 Accomplishments

- + Advanced Stage 1 of the Liquid Waste Management Plan, including technical review, engagement, committee input, and Council approval for submission to the Province.
- + Completed wastewater system improvements at the South Sewage Treatment Plant (SSTP) and advanced planning for the North Train Renewal project.
- + Completed the North Well Condition Assessment and supplemental water system hydraulic modeling to support long-term utility planning.
- + Advanced the City's GIS program to improve infrastructure mapping, asset data, and operational decision-making.
- + Initiated and completed NG911 updates to the City's GIS data, making Castlegar compliant and ready for the future transition to Next Generation 911.
- + Delivered 2025 Pavement Rehabilitation Program.
- + Received a \$400,000 DRIF grant to complete floodplain mapping and a Climate Change Hazard Risk Assessment for key upland creek catchments through the City.
- + Demolished the Eremenko Building to support downtown revitalization and future redevelopment.
- + Replaced fencing, backstop, and pitching lane infrastructure at the Mosquito baseball field.
- + Completed cleaning, inventory, geolocation, and condition assessment of drainage culverts along Arrow Lakes Drive to support stormwater planning and future renewal.
- + Completed 5th Avenue railway crossing safety upgrades with CPKC, including new lights and alarm bells to improve crossing safety.
- + Finalized the design of Brandson Neighbourhood Park and preparing for construction in Spring 2026.
- + Completed hazardous materials surveys for City facilities to support safe facility management, future maintenance, and capital planning.

2026 Priorities

- + Seek approval from the Province to advance to Stage 2 of the Liquid Waste Management Plan.
- + Initiate the Parks Master Plan and the Transportation Master Plan to support long-term planning and asset management.
- + Continue development of the City's GIS program, including publicly launching GIS and completing NG911 data improvements.
- + Finalize SCADA upgrades and establish a multi-year service agreement to support reliable utility communications and monitoring.
- + Deliver the 2026 Pavement Renewal Program.
- + Advance the SSTP North Train Renewal project and biosolids management improvements to support wastewater system reliability and regulatory compliance.
- + Complete the Floodplain Mapping and Climate Change Hazard Risk Assessment project to improve understanding of flood risk and climate-related infrastructure impacts.
- + Complete the Eremenko Building demolition project and support future planning for the downtown site.
- + Continue implementation of the Fleet Replacement Plan to support safe, reliable, and cost-effective service delivery.
- + Re-open the Basran Building and complete priority building improvements to support City operations.
- + Replace the SSTP Geotube system with a temporary biosolids management solution while advancing planning for a long-term solution.
- + Prove out the North Well as an emergency backup water supply for the City's drinking water system.
- + Advance drainage improvements, including the Library Drainage Project, Southridge culvert repair, and Park Lane drainage improvements.



Protective Services

Castlegar Fire Department operates out of a centrally located fire station at 2161 6th Avenue that was built in 1999 and a satellite station located at the West Kootenay Regional Airport. The department consists of a Fire Chief, one Deputy Fire Chief, two Assistant Fire Chiefs and 29 Paid-On-Call Officers and Firefighters.

This group of dedicated personnel represents the diversity of the community and works every day of the year to ensure the service provides high-quality fire protection and life safety to meet the needs of the community. Our values are diversity, respect, trust, equality, and teamwork. Our team members are our most valuable assets, and we strive for excellence.

Key Stats



1,027
Service calls



2
New junior fire fighters



43rd
Annual Toy Drive donated to Food Bank



21
Years in Community Safety Net fire prevention program



\$500
Bursary awarded to Stanley Humphries student

2025 Accomplishments

- + Completed Phase 2 wildfire mitigation and prescription work at Millennium Park & Ponds with Selkirk College.
- + FireSmart program delivery to City staff, supported by a new Wildfire Mitigation Specialist and Climate Readiness Coordinator.
- + Launch a self-compliance inspection program for low-risk businesses and develop a hazard classification system.
- + Implemented Fire Services and Emergency Management Review recommendations, including recruitment, flexible training, a tiered Paid-On-Call compensation model and restructured the department organizational chart to include 1 Fire Chief, 1 Deputy Fire Chief and 2 Assistant Fire Chiefs.
- + Continuing to deliver further emergency and wildfire training in partnership with provincial agencies.
- + Completed training programs, including Live Fire training in Kamloops, Rescue Canada Ropes course, and First Responder Instructor certification.
- + Hosted S-231 Engine Boss and SPP-115 Structure Protection courses with BC Wildfire Service.

2026 Priorities

- + Update the Fire Services Bylaw to reflect the *Fire Safety Act*.
- + Deliver advanced officer training programs for the departments paid-on-call officers.
- + Deliver advanced training program for new paid-oncall fire fighters, including Hazmat Awareness, Hazmat Operations, and First Responder Level 3 with scope upgrade.
- + Implementing new Fire Department Records Management System.
- + Host Wildfire Mitigation Specialist course.
- + Expanding the self-compliance inspection program for low-risk businesses and develop a hazard classification system.
- + Training on new pumper tender engine expected delivery third quarter 2026.
- + Implementation of updating the departments' Standard Operating Guidelines and Procedures.
- + City to begin providing FireSmart Assessments.



West Kootenay Regional Airport

The West Kootenay Regional Airport is owned and operated by the City of Castlegar.

The Airport provides vital air travel services to the entire West Kootenay region and is a key driver of regional economic development. The airport supports commercial air travel, general aviation, medevac services, and wildfire response through the Southeast Fire Centre. Focused on improving reliability, enhancing passenger experience, and planning for growth, the West Kootenay Regional Airport is the region's connection to the world.

Key Stats



95%

Winter reliability when factoring in the Air Canada bus service



2025

Airport Terminal Expansion Design initiated



30,130

Total passengers

2025 Accomplishments

- + Appointed a new Airport Manager, with continued focus on strengthening airport operations and advancing initiatives for long term sustainability, and positioning the West Kootenay Regional Airport for future growth.
- + Achieved significant milestone in the YCG Required Navigation Performance (RNP) Project with support from Transport Canada committing the necessary resources to support the review of the RNP Application, advancing efforts to improve reliability and accessibility during challenging weather conditions.
- + Continued advancement of the Air Terminal Building Expansion project, with the development of the initial architectural design phase, laying the foundation for future development.
- + Continued support of the Air Canada flight disruption shuttle, helping passengers maintain travel continuity and reducing the impact of weather related challenges.

2026 Priorities

- + Continue strengthening the airports operational and financial sustainability through stakeholder engagement and the pursuit of opportunities that support long term growth and regional connectivity.
- + Further advance the YCG RNP project through Transport Canada's approval process, working with regulatory and industry partners to improve service and reliability.
- + Progress the Air Terminal Building Expansion project through detailed design, and project planning activities to support upcoming construction to enhance passenger experience.
- + Strengthen partnerships with airlines, government agencies and regional stakeholders to support infrastructure investments, economic development and expanded air service opportunities.

Finance & Technology

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The Finance and Technology Department provides financial expertise, risk management, technology systems, and guidance to support all City operations. In addition to leading process improvements, it sets and maintains best financial and security practices, policies and standards. This department's core services include: accounting services, budgeting, long-range financial planning, revenue services, procurement & risk management, network security, asset management, and business software development.

2025 Accomplishments

- + Finalized and executed new service agreements for community groups to provide clarity, accountability, and alignment with Council's strategic funding priorities.
- + Initiated payroll timesheet project software design phase.
- + Awarded a new Information Technology Managed Services contract and began implementing enhanced IT support, improving system reliability, security, and organizational capacity.
- + Trained a portion of the staff on budgeting software Qwestica.
- + Completed ground up staff driven budgeting with intention to improve financial literacy, accountability & transparency throughout the organization.

2026 Priorities

- + Complete the transition to SharePoint as part of the Records Information Management system.
- + Complete the build and implement the payroll timesheet software.
- + Streamline the accounts payable process by implementing automation tools, improving efficiency, accuracy, and turnaround times.
- + Review and update the stormwater funding model to create a sustainable long-term approach for maintaining infrastructure and meeting asset renewal needs.
- + Develop a Tax Class Distribution policy to ensure a fair, transparent, and well-researched allocation of property tax revenues across all property classes.
- + Introduce updated financial processes (Accounts Receivable, Budget Variance, Reporting, Credit Card & Coding Standardization) that establish clear standards for usage, monitoring, and accountability to strengthen financial controls.

Key Stats



96

Computers maintained



17

Servers



19

Smart phones and tablets maintained



85

Office phones maintained



17

Printers maintained



13,375

Utility bills



3,278

Active utility tax accounts



4,000

Property Tax notices



Eremenko Building Demolition

The Eremenko Building at 310 Columbia Avenue was originally constructed in 1948, with an addition to the west (1224 3rd Street) later added in 1968. In 2025, the City demolished the buildings in order to facilitate redevelopment of the lot.



Community Events

The City continued to deliver signature community celebrations that bring residents together and strengthen civic pride. Council-led events, including Canada Day and Winter Wonderland, are supported by the Cultural and Civic Pride Committee and made possible through strong partnerships with community volunteers, local organizations, and sponsors.

In 2025, both events drew strong attendance and participation, offering residents and visitors opportunities to connect, celebrate, and share experiences. From family-friendly activities and live entertainment to seasonal attractions, these events continue to reflect the spirit of Castlegar and the people who make it special.



From the Director of Finance & Technology

I am pleased to present the City of Castlegar's 2025 Annual Report. This report provides a comprehensive overview of the City's strategic goals and objectives, as well as the City's financial performance and condition, reflecting our ongoing commitment to transparency, accountability, and sound financial management. The annual report is intended to help you understand how your tax dollars are being utilized to maintain and improve our community.

As we look back on 2025, this was a year defined by steady progress and thoughtful financial stewardship for the City of Castlegar. Our community continued to grow and evolve, and with that growth came new opportunities to strengthen the services and infrastructure that residents rely on every day.

Here are some of the highlights of this year's financial performance:

- + \$3.7 million dollars of capital investment.
- + Land sales of \$5.2 million dollars.
- + \$3.8 million dollar annual surplus.
- + Reserve balance increase of \$7.9 million dollars.

Throughout the year, we remained focused on ensuring that public resources were managed responsibly and transparently, while supporting the projects and initiatives that help make Castlegar a vibrant and resilient place to live. The City ending the year with a surplus of \$3.8 million reflects both careful planning and the collective efforts of staff, Council, and community partners. The City's total revenue increased by 0.8% over the previous year. This growth was primarily driven by land sales and investment revenues due to a moderate interest rate environment. At the same time, we continued to deliver essential services—from protective services and transportation to recreation and utilities—while keeping expenses aligned with expectations.

Our capital program advanced key priorities, even as some multi-year projects progressed more slowly. Investing in infrastructure not only improves the quality of life for residents but also positions the City for future growth and improved service levels. Our debt management strategy focuses on minimizing debt levels while balancing the need for investing in critical infrastructure. The City only incurs debt to fund one-time capital expenditures and not for ongoing operations. This year, the City's debt levels increased by \$1.2 million dollars over last year to end the year at \$13.9 million.

Behind the numbers is a story of stability and intention. The City benefited from the sale of several capital assets, which helped bolster our reserves which are essential for managing risks, responding to emergencies and helping fund future major capital projects such as the replacement of sewer infrastructure. The City's reserve balances totaled \$28.9 million at the end of 2025, which is an increase of \$7.9 million over last year.

The audited financial statements included in the annual report have been prepared in compliance with Section 167 of the Community Charter, and in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. The preparation of the financial statements is the responsibility of Council and management. The City's management is also responsible for maintaining a system of internal controls for the safeguarding of assets and to provide reasonable assurance that reliable information is produced to allow the City to make sound decisions.

The City once again received an unmodified audit opinion from Doane Grant Thornton LLP, affirming the accuracy and fairness of our financial reporting. This independent validation underscores our commitment to accountability and good governance. Our goal remains the same: to support a thriving community today while preparing responsibly for the needs of tomorrow. I am proud of the progress we have made together and look forward to the opportunities ahead as we continue building a strong and connected Castlegar.

I want to express my gratitude to the residents for their continued support and trust. We believe that an informed and engaged community is crucial for effective governance. Throughout the year, we have made concerted efforts to communicate our financial activities and decisions to the residents through public meetings, our website, and media channels. Your feedback and participation are invaluable, and we encourage you to continue to be involved in the City's financial planning and decision making process. Our City's financial success is a collaborative achievement made possible by the collaboration between Mayor and Council, City staff, and the community.

Regards,

Steffan Klassen, CPA, CA

Director of Finance & Technology





Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2025




The City of Castlegar
Management Report
For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

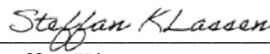
Management is responsible for the preparation of the accompanying financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting principles disclosed in Note 1 and include amounts that are based on estimates and judgments. Management believes that the financial statements fairly present the City of Castlegar’s financial position and results of operations. The integrity of the information presented in the financial statements, including estimates and judgments relating to matters not concluded by fiscal year-end, is the responsibility of management. The financial statements have been approved by Council.

Management has established and maintained appropriate systems of internal control including policies and procedures, which are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the City of Castlegar’s assets are safeguarded and that reliable financial records are maintained to form a proper basis for preparation of the financial statements.

The independent external auditors, Doane Grant Thornton LLP, have been appointed by Council to express an opinion as to whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the City of Castlegar’s financial position, results of operations, and changes in net financial assets in conformity with the accounting principles disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements. The report of Doane Grant Thornton LLP follows and outlines the scope of their examination and their opinion on the financial statements.



Chris Barlow
Chief Administrative Officer



Steffan Klassen
Director of Finance and IT

Doane Grant Thornton

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Mayor and Council of
City of Castlegar

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of City of Castlegar (the "City"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2025, and the statements of operations, change in net financial assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of City of Castlegar as at December 31, 2025, and its results of operations, its changes in its net financial assets, and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the City in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Matters

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. Schedules 1 – 3 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such supplemental information has not been subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the City's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the City or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the City's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

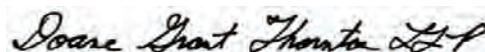
As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the City's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the City to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Emphasis of Matter – Restated Comparative Information

We draw attention to Note 23 of the financial statements, which explains that certain comparative information presented for the year ended December 31, 2024 has been restated. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



Castlegar, Canada
May 19, 2026

Chartered Professional Accountants

CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2025

	2025	note 23 2024 Restated
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and investment deposits, note 1	\$ 27,815,746	\$ 21,385,443
Taxes and accounts receivable, note 2, note 23	8,310,836	9,227,012
Deposit - municipal finance authority, note 3	378,919	110,902
	<u>36,505,501</u>	<u>30,723,357</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities, note 5	5,431,396	4,658,286
Deferred revenue, note 6	3,703,458	3,397,159
Holdbacks, refundable, and other deposits	736,793	966,692
Equipment financing loans, note 7	2,617,953	2,976,032
Reserve - municipal finance authority, note 3	378,919	110,902
Long term debt, note 7	13,904,813	12,741,178
Asset retirement obligations, note 21	504,769	1,321,156
	<u>27,278,101</u>	<u>26,171,405</u>
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	<u>9,227,400</u>	<u>4,551,952</u>
NON FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Tangible capital assets, note 13	88,518,328	89,653,337
Land held for resale	228,177	-
Inventory of supplies	124,073	124,073
Prepaid expenses	318,736	282,319
	<u>89,189,314</u>	<u>90,059,729</u>
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, note 9	<u>\$ 98,416,714</u>	<u>\$ 94,611,681</u>

Contingencies, note 4
 Contracts and Commitments, note 17
 Segmented Information, note 18
 Contractual Rights, note 20
 Prior Period Adjustment, note 23

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part to these financial statements



CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Statement of Operations

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Budget	Actual	note 23
	2025	2025	Actual
	note 19		2024
			Restated
REVENUES			
Taxation, note 10	\$ 13,537,579	\$ 13,793,145	\$ 12,890,855
Government transfers, note 16	3,031,402	1,378,941	5,442,735
Fees and service charges, note 10	7,725,781	7,633,949	7,044,300
Community works funding	-	443,073	443,073
Developer contributions	-	757,410	2,094,807
Other revenue	2,085,594	1,002,561	1,383,464
Gain on sale of tangible capital assets	-	5,054,599	64,634
Interest and other investment income	181,684	774,257	1,229,975
	26,562,040	30,837,935	30,593,843
EXPENSES, note 15			
General government	4,176,822	4,145,944	3,860,525
Environmental development	1,403,070	619,952	674,852
Transportation and civic works	3,962,531	3,072,939	4,085,150
Waste disposal and recycling	1,290,159	1,383,201	1,170,033
Protection	3,628,743	4,843,331	4,467,776
Public health and welfare	238,404	182,827	179,795
Recreation and culture	1,830,714	2,360,237	1,871,201
Water system	1,661,504	1,528,861	1,431,719
Sewer system	1,454,177	1,851,356	1,383,152
Storm system	206,655	244,184	196,728
Airport	1,712,432	1,513,437	1,670,707
Interest on long term debt and agreements payable	3,000	554,818	604,981
Amortization	3,862,000	4,711,795	4,521,652
Accretion, note 21	-	20,020	-
	25,430,211	27,032,902	26,118,271
Annual surplus	1,131,829	3,805,033	4,475,572
Accumulated surplus, beginning of year	94,611,681	94,611,681	90,136,109
Accumulated surplus, end of year, note 9	\$ 95,743,510	\$ 98,416,714	\$ 94,611,681

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part to these financial statements

CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Budget 2025 note 19	Actual 2025	note 23 Actual 2024 Restated
Annual surplus	\$ 1,131,829	\$ 3,805,033	\$ 4,475,572
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(16,072,099)	(3,705,878)	(11,063,476)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	3,862,000	4,711,795	4,521,652
Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets	-	5,183,691	234,514
(Gain) on disposition of tangible capital assets	-	(5,054,599)	(64,634)
Change in land held for resale	-	(228,177)	-
Change in prepaid expense	-	(36,417)	(69,215)
Increase (Decrease) in Net Financial Assets	(11,078,270)	4,675,448	(1,965,587)
Net Financial Assets, beginning of year previously reported	4,551,952	4,551,952	6,517,539
Prior Period Adjustment (note 23)	-	-	2,192,258
Net Financial Assets, beginning of year - restated	4,551,952	4,551,952	8,709,797
Net Financial Assets, end of year	\$ (6,526,318)	\$ 9,227,400	\$ 4,551,952

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part to these financial statements

CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	note 23	
	2025	2024
		Restated
Cash provided by (used for) :		
Operating Activities		
Annual surplus	\$ 3,805,033	\$ 4,475,572
Change in non cash items:		
Amortization	4,711,795	4,521,652
Accretion	20,020	-
(Decrease) in ARO liability	(438,580)	-
(Gain) on disposition of tangible capital assets	(5,054,599)	(64,634)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses	(36,417)	(69,215)
Change in financial assets and liabilities:		
Decrease (increase) in taxes and accounts receivable	916,176	(4,395,601)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	773,110	1,458,949
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	306,299	156,389
Increase (decrease) in holdbacks, refundable and other deposits	(229,899)	246,743
Increase (decrease) in land held for resale	(228,177)	-
Increase (decrease) in asset retirement obligations	(397,827)	-
	4,146,933	6,329,855
Investing Activities		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets and work in progress	(3,705,878)	(11,063,476)
Proceeds from sale of tangible capital assets	5,183,691	234,514
	1,477,813	(10,828,962)
Financing activities		
Proceeds from temporary borrowing	1,380,000	5,000,000
Repayment of temporary borrowing	(6,200,000)	(5,000,000)
Proceeds from long-term borrowing	6,200,000	1,000,000
Repayment of long-term borrowing	(216,365)	(210,674)
Proceeds from equipment financing	-	3,054,018
Repayment of equipment financing	(358,078)	(77,986)
	805,557	3,765,358
Increase (decrease) in cash	6,430,303	(733,749)
Cash and investment deposits, beginning of year	21,385,443	22,119,192
Cash and investment deposits, end of year	\$ 27,815,746	\$ 21,385,443

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part to these financial statements

CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Nature of Operations

The Corporation of the City of Castlegar (the "City") is incorporated by Letters Patent under the laws of British Columbia and its principal activities include the provision of local government services to residents of the incorporated area. These include administrative, protective, infrastructure, environmental, planning, building, recreational, waterworks, sanitary sewer and storm services.

Significant Accounting Policies

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies of the City:

a) Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the City of Castlegar are the responsibility of, and prepared by, management in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards (PSAS). The financial statements include the result of operations for all functions.

b) Investment deposits are recorded at cost.

c) Inventories are recorded at the lower of cost, determined on a first in, first out basis, or replacement cost.

d) Tangible capital assets

Purchased or constructed tangible capital assets are recorded at cost in the period they are put into use. The cost of a tangible capital asset includes the purchase price and other acquisition costs such as installation costs, design and engineering fees, legal fees, survey costs, site preparation costs, freight charges, transportation, insurance costs, and duties. Contributed tangible capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of the contribution. Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Asset	Rate
Buildings	10 - 70 years
Roads and road features	15 - 50 years
Water	10 - 60 years
Storm sewers	40 - 50 years
Parks and recreation	5 - 25 years
Traffic control and lighting including airport hazard beacons	15 years
Vehicles and equipment	6 - 25 years
Sanitary sewers	5 - 50 years
Fibre optics cable	20 years
Furniture and office equipment	10 years
Technology and computer equipment	5 - 10 years
Other	5 - 40 years

Tangible capital assets includes capital work-in-progress which are recorded at cost. The cost will be amortized when the capital asset is put into use.

Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to expense. Betterments which extend the estimated life of an asset and enhance the service potential of capital assets are capitalized.

When a tangible capital asset no longer contributes to the City's ability to provide services, its carrying amount is written down to its residual value with no reversals of such write downs in subsequent periods.

The City holds and maintains a collection of nineteen sculptures as works of art. Works of art, artifacts, cultural and historical assets are not recorded as assets in the financial statements.

e) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses as well as disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities in the financial statements. Actual results may differ from these estimated amounts. Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates include the determination of the estimated useful life of tangible capital assets, asset retirement obligations, and accrued liabilities included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

f) Financial Instruments

All financial instruments are recorded at their cost or amortized cost except for portfolio investments in equity instruments quoted in an active market and derivatives which are recorded at their fair value with unrealized remeasurement gains and losses recorded in the statement of remeasurement gains and losses (if applicable). Once realized, remeasurement gains and losses are transferred to the statement of operations. Changes in the fair value on restricted assets are recognized as a liability until the criterion attached to the restrictions has been met, upon which the gain or loss is recognized in the statement of operations.

Transaction costs related to financial instruments measured at cost or amortized cost are added to the carrying value of the financial instrument. Transaction costs related to financial instruments recorded at their fair values are expensed as incurred.

Financial liabilities (or part of a financial liability) are removed from the statement of financial position when, and only when, they are discharged, cancelled or expire.

The City's financial instruments consist of cash and investment deposits; taxes and accounts receivable; accounts payable and accrued liabilities; holdbacks, refundable, and other deposits; long term debt; and asset retirement obligations.

g) Expenses

Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable based upon receipt of goods or services and/or the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

h) Budget Figures

The budget figures are from the Annual Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw adopted by May 15 of each year. Subsequent amendments to the Five Year Financial Plan may have been made by Council to reflect budgetary changes as required by Council.

i) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

j) Revenue recognition

Unrestricted grants and contributions are recognized as revenue in the year received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Restricted grants or contributions received under funding agreements which relate to a subsequent period are recognized as revenue in the period in which the resources are used for the purpose or purposes specified. Funding received before this criterion has been met, is reported as deferred revenue on the statement of financial position until the period in which the specified purpose or related expense is incurred.

Taxation revenue is recognized as revenue in the year it is levied. Fees and service charges and other revenue are recognized when the services are rendered.

Community works funding is recognized when received or receivable.

Interest and other investment income is recorded on the accrual basis and recognized when earned.

Transactions where goods or services are provided for consideration include performance obligations to a specific payor. Revenue from these transactions is recognized as the performance obligations are satisfied. Transactions without performance obligations are recognized when the revenue is received or receivable.

CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

k) Government transfers

Government transfers, which include legislative grants, are recognized in the financial statements in the period in which events giving rise to the transfers occur, providing the transfers are authorized, any eligibility criteria have been met, and reasonable estimates of the amount can be made.

l) Contaminated sites

Accrued liabilities for the costs to remediate a contaminated site are recognized when an environmental standard exists, contamination exceeds the standard, the City has responsibility for remediation, future economic benefits will be given up and a reasonable estimate can be made.

Management has assessed its potential liabilities including, sites that are no longer in productive use and sites which the City accepts responsibility. There are no such sites that had contamination in excess of an environmental standard which required remediation at this time, therefore no liability was recognized as at December 31, 2025.

m) Asset Retirement Obligation

A liability is recognized when, as at the financial reporting date:

- (a) there is a legal obligation to incur retirement costs in relation to a tangible capital asset;
- (b) the past transaction or event giving rise to the liability has occurred;
- (c) it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up; and
- (d) a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

The liability for the removal of asbestos and other hazardous material in several of the buildings owned by the City has been initially recognized using the modified retroactive method. The liability has been measured using a discount rate equal to MFA's long term lending rate. The resulting costs have been capitalized into the carrying amount of tangible capital assets and are being amortized on the same basis as the related tangible capital asset. Assumptions used in the calculations are reviewed annually.

1 Cash and Investment Deposits

Cash and investment deposits are held in Canadian Chartered Bank current bank accounts earning interest at a rate of prime minus 1.75% and in a short-term Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) money market fund. Included in cash and investment deposits is \$2,953,133 (2024 - \$2,771,883) held for statutory reserves.

The Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation (CDIC) insures each of the Canadian Chartered Bank current accounts up to \$100,000. The aggregate funds held in one account may exceed the CDIC insured limit from time to time and funds held by the institution may not be covered by CDIC insurance. The MFA money market funds are not insured. Management does not anticipate any material effect on the financial position of the City as a result of this concentration.

2 Taxes and Accounts Receivable

	2025	2024 Restated
Taxes, current	\$ 946,066	\$ 441,418
Taxes, arrears	181,300	224,885
Province of British Columbia	103,371	(7,583)
Federal Government	215,143	263,374
Other Receivables	6,864,956	8,304,918
	<u>\$ 8,310,836</u>	<u>\$ 9,227,012</u>

3 Deposit and Reserve - Municipal Finance Authority

The City issues its debt instruments through the MFA. As a condition of these borrowings, a portion of the debenture proceeds are withheld by the MFA as a debt reserve fund. The City also executes demand notes in connection with each debenture whereby the City may be required to loan certain amounts to the MFA. The details of the cash deposits and demand notes at year end are as follows:

	2025	2024
Demand notes	\$ 240,157	\$ 69,387
Cash deposits	138,762	41,515
	<u>\$ 378,919</u>	<u>\$ 110,902</u>

CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

4 Contingencies

- a) Regional District debt is, under the provisions of the *Local Government Act* and the *Community Charter*, a direct joint and several liability of the District and each City within the District, including the City of Castlegar.
- b) The nature of the City's activities is such that there is litigation pending or in progress at any time. The City cannot predict, with any certainty, the outcome of such litigation. Management is of the opinion, based upon information presently available, that it is unlikely that any liability will exist, to the extent not provided through insurance.
- c) The City is a subscribed member of the Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia (the "MIABC"), which was created for the purpose of establishing and administering a reciprocal insurance exchange within the meaning of Division 3 of the Financial Institutions Act of British Columbia. The main purpose of the MIABC is to pool the risks of liability so as to lessen the impact upon any subscriber and purchase additional insurance as necessary. Under the Reciprocal Insurance Exchange Agreement. The City is assessed a liability premium and can choose one of ten liability deductible options, subject to a minimum deductible based on population. The City is assessed property premium based on Total Insured Values (TIV), and can select the primary and specific peril-based deductibles, subject to its unique property risk profile. The obligation of the City with respect to the MIABC and/or contracts and obligations entered into by the MIABC on behalf of its subscribers in connection with the Exchange are in every case several, not joint and several. The City irrevocably and unconditionally undertakes and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the other subscribers against losses and costs which the other subscriber may suffer.

5 Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

	2025	2024
Province of British Columbia	\$ 600,140	\$ 63,094
Regional and other levels of government	(126,168)	31,880
Other payables and trade payables	-	3,506,152
Wages, vacation, sick and banked liabilities	1,079,184	1,057,160
	<u>\$ 1,553,156</u>	<u>\$ 4,658,286</u>

6 Deferred Revenue

a)

	2025	2024
Development cost charges, note 11	\$ 2,248,695	\$ 2,160,618
Prepaid taxes	1,052,453	1,004,183
Prepaid utility rates	48,126	78,884
Other	354,184	153,474
	<u>\$ 3,703,458</u>	<u>\$ 3,397,159</u>

b) Restricted flows

In "Other" Deferred Revenue is certain government transfers with certain restrictions that have not been realized in fiscal 2025. Deferred Revenues will be recognized in the year that the approved project is undertaken. The following provides a summary of funds received that are included in "Other" Deferred Revenue on the Statement of Financial Position.

	December 31, 2024	Externally restricted inflows	Revenue earned	December 31, 2025
Emergency Social Services	\$ -	\$ 17,942	\$ -	\$ 17,942
Flood Plain Management	-	194,060	-	194,060
Transportation Master Plan	-	25,000	-	25,000
FireSmart Community	-	48,008	-	48,008
Next Generation 911	22,500	-	(22,500)	-
Local Government Housing Initiative	121,202	-	(121,202)	-
Developer Contributions	-	62,202	-	62,202
Various small grants	9,772	2,000	(4,800)	6,972
	<u>\$ 153,474</u>	<u>\$ 349,212</u>	<u>(148,502)</u>	<u>\$ 354,184</u>

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7 Equipment Financing Loans, Long-Term Debt and Temporary Borrowing

a) Equipment Financing Loans

Equipment financing loans are demand loans payable to the MFA in monthly installments with an interest rate based on the Canadian Dealer Offered Rate, which at December 31, 2025 was 2.81%. They are repayable in blended monthly principal and interest payments and are approved under section 175 of the Community Charter. The following equipment loans are outstanding:

	2025	2024
Monthly installments of \$2,769, maturing in 2029	\$ 104,828	\$ 133,984
Monthly installments of \$2,621, maturing in 2029	107,461	134,782
Monthly installments of \$8,936, maturing in 2029	367,501	460,625
Monthly installments of \$11,952, maturing in 2029	521,443	645,018
Monthly installments of \$11,453, maturing in 2029	1,516,720	1,601,623
	<u>\$ 2,617,953</u>	<u>\$ 2,976,032</u>

b) Long-Term Debt and Temporary Borrowing

The City issues debt instruments through the MFA, pursuant to loan security issuing bylaws under the authority of section 179 of the Local Government Act, to finance certain capital expenditures. Debenture debt principal is disclosed net of sinking fund balances managed by the MFA. Interest on long-term debt is charged on the original issue amount of the loan throughout the term of the loan.

The City has temporary borrowing through the MFA. Temporary borrowing financing agreements provide cash flow for ongoing projects, with a maximum term of five years during which the regular principal payments are not required. These loans must either be repaid or converted to long-term borrowing through a debenture issue at maturity, with interest at a variable rate calculated daily and payable monthly. The interest rate as at December 31, 2025 was 2.85% (2024 - 4.05%).

	2025	2024
Temporary borrowing repayable to MFA, to be converted to long-term debt in the spring of 2027	\$ 1,380,000	-
Temporary borrowing repayable to MFA, converted to long-term debt in 2025	-	6,200,000
Debenture debt repayable to the MFA through semi annual payments of \$247,147 in June (principal & interest) and \$128,030 in December (interest only). The existing debenture matures in the year 2055 and annual interest payable is \$256,060	6,200,000	-
Debenture debt repayable to the MFA through semi annual payments of \$41,790 in April (principal & interest) and \$9,648 in October (interest only). The existing debenture matures in the year 2041 and annual interest payable is \$19,297	667,728	702,089
Debenture debt repayable to the MFA through semi annual payments of \$40,267 in April (principal & interest) and \$13,608 in October (interest only). The existing debenture matures in the year 2042 and annual interest payable is \$27,216	734,931	767,720
Debenture debt repayable to the MFA through semi annual payments of \$124,884 in April (principal & interest) and \$40,782 in October (interest only). The existing debenture matures in the year 2044 and annual interest payable is \$81,564	2,522,294	2,619,791
Debenture debt repayable to the MFA through semi annual payments of \$67,658 in April (principal & interest) and \$19,280 in October (interest only). The existing debenture matures in the year 2046 and annual interest payable is \$38,560	1,399,860	1,451,578
Non-interest bearing grant repayable to Columbia Basin Trust through annual payments of \$40,000 beginning in October 2026. The repayable grant matures in the year 2050	1,000,000	1,000,000
	<u>\$ 13,904,813</u>	<u>\$ 12,741,178</u>

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7 Equipment Financing Loans, Long-Term Debt and Temporary Borrowing (continued)

c) Future Payments

Future minimum principal payments on the equipment financing loans, long-term debt and temporary borrowing for the next five years and thereafter, including actuarial adjustments, are due as follows:

	Principal
2026	\$ 728,847
2027	775,708
2028	787,578
2029	703,178
2030	489,252
2031 and subsequent	8,191,847
	<u>11,676,410</u>
Actuarial Addition*	4,846,356
	<u>\$ 16,522,766</u>

* Actuarial Addition represent interest earned on sinking funds held by the Municipal Finance Authority. Such interest is used to reduce the principal amount of outstanding debt as it is earned.

8 Reserve Funds

	2025	2024
		Restated
<u>Statutory reserves, note 9</u>		
Regional Infrastructure	611,508	603,850
Property Tax Sale	-	(3,612)
Equipment Replacement	1,058,454	1,309,193
Parkland Acquisition	460,141	389,721
Community Works Fund	1,045,108	672,322
Land Sale	5,469,337	388,069
Growing Communities Fund	2,506,459	-
	<u>11,151,007</u>	<u>3,359,543</u>
<u>Operating reserves, note 9</u>		
General fund	8,271,409	9,155,652
Water fund	5,697,538	5,268,692
Sewer fund	519,738	866,045
Storm fund	2,485,277	2,246,927
Airport fund	784,178	707,902
	<u>17,758,141</u>	<u>18,245,218</u>
	<u>\$ 28,909,147</u>	<u>\$ 21,604,761</u>

Statutory reserves funds represent amounts that are restricted by the Community Charter and associated Municipal Bylaws. The funds are set aside for the specific purpose stipulated and can only be used for this purpose.

Operating reserves represent amounts that are set aside for anticipated future expenditures. The funds are not governed by bylaw and are not restricted.

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9 Accumulated surplus

	2025	2024 Restated
Equity in tangible capital assets	\$ 71,490,793	\$ 72,614,971
Statutory reserve funds, note 8	11,151,007	3,359,542
Operating reserve funds, note 8	17,758,141	18,245,218
Cemetery trust funds	479,032	463,417
Current funds	(2,462,259)	(71,467)
	\$ 98,416,714	\$ 94,611,681

Equity in tangible capital assets represents the net book value of total tangible capital assets, plus work in progress, less long term debt obligations assumed to acquire tangible capital assets and asset retirement obligations.

10 Taxation and Fees and Services Revenues

Taxation and fees and services revenues comprise the following amounts raised:

	2025		2024	
Collection for City purposes:				
General	\$ 12,260,738	39%	\$ 11,376,540	38%
Parcel Tax	535,200	2%	537,150	2%
Grants in lieu of taxes	997,207	3%	977,165	3%
	13,793,145	44%	12,890,855	43%
Waste disposal fees	1,038,076	3%	970,742	3%
Other fees and service charges	870,136	3%	704,352	2%
Water utility fees	2,566,427	8%	2,352,333	8%
Sewer utility fees	2,078,555	7%	1,826,953	6%
Airport fees	1,080,755	3%	1,189,920	4%
	7,633,949	23%	7,044,300	24%
Total for City purposes	\$ 21,427,094	67%	\$ 19,935,155	67%

The City is required to collect taxes on behalf of and transfer to the following government agencies:

Province of BC - School taxes				
Residential	\$ 2,940,562	9%	\$ 2,770,661	9%
Non-residential	2,624,926	8%	2,409,620	8%
	5,565,488	18%	5,180,281	17%
Regional District of Central Kootenay	3,904,215	12%	4,041,964	14%
Regional Hospital Districts	486,434	2%	452,676	2%
B.C. Assessment Authority	175,241	1%	161,947	1%
Municipal Finance Authority	623	0%	578	0%
	4,566,513	15%	4,657,164	16%
Total for Other Governments	10,132,001	33%	9,837,445	33%
Total Taxation	\$ 31,559,095	100%	\$ 29,772,600	100%

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11 Development Cost Charges

The City collects development cost charges in accordance with the Local Government Act and the City's Development Cost Charge Bylaw. These funds must be used for specific purposes as stipulated by the Local Government Act and the Municipal Development Cost Charges Bylaw.

	Total	Road	Water	Sewer	Drainage	Open Space
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 2,160,618	\$ 1,100,417	\$ 320,399	\$ 647,251	\$ 63,208	\$ 29,343
Interest earned	51,656	26,308	7,660	15,474	1,511	702
Contributions	36,422	20,343	5,226	10,024	44	785
Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance, end of year	\$ 2,248,695	\$ 1,147,068	\$ 333,285	\$ 672,749	\$ 64,763	\$ 30,830

12 Pension Liability

The City of Castlegar and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan (a jointly trustee pension plan). The board of trustees, representing plan members and employers, is responsible for administering the plan, including investment of assets and administration of benefits. The plan is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Basic pension benefits are based on a formula. As at December 31, 2025, the plan has about 273,000 active members and approximately 133,000 retired members. Active members include approximately 47,000 contributors from local governments.

Every three years, an actuarial valuation is performed to assess the financial position of the plan and adequacy of plan funding. The actuary determines an appropriate combined employer and member contribution rate to fund the plan. The actuary's calculated contribution rate is based on the entry age normal cost method, which produces the long-term rate of member and employer contributions sufficient to provide benefits for average future entrants to the plan. This rate may be adjusted for the amortization of any actuarial funding surplus and will be adjusted for the amortization of any unfunded actuarial liability.

The most recent actuarial valuation for the Municipal Pension Plan as at December 31, 2024, indicated a \$2,675 million funding surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The next valuation will be as at December 31, 2027.

The City of Castlegar paid \$598,452 (2024 - \$545,045) for employer contributions to the plan in fiscal 2025.

Employers participating in the plan record their pension expense as the amount of employer contributions made during the fiscal year (defined contribution pension plan accounting). This is because the plan records accrued liabilities and accrued assets for the plan in aggregate, resulting in no consistent and reliable basis for allocating the obligation, assets and cost to individual employers participating in the plan.

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Note 13: Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets - As at December 31, 2025

	Land	Equipment / Furniture / Vehicles		Engineering Structures				Other Tangible Capital Assets	Work in Progress	2025 Total	2024 Total
		Buildings		Water	Sewer	Roads	Drainage				
Opening Balance	\$ 14,576,694	\$ 18,733,292	\$ 16,484,753	\$ 33,334,028	\$ 28,510,232	\$ 52,623,112	\$ 9,711,671	\$ 8,841,040	\$ 1,708,762	\$ 184,523,584	\$ 171,810,760
Add: Additions	-	72,817	772,860	172,870	124,786	694,674	33,614	133,572	1,700,685	\$ 3,705,878	12,956,409
Less: Disposals	-	643,886	566,407	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,210,293	243,585
Closing Balance	14,576,694	18,162,223	16,691,206	33,506,898	28,635,018	53,317,786	9,745,285	8,974,612	3,409,447	187,019,169	184,523,584
ACCUMULATED AMORTIZATION											
Opening Balance	-	12,126,590	11,335,851	19,018,725	17,596,854	23,880,436	6,057,754	4,854,037	-	94,870,247	90,422,300
Add: Amortization	-	729,371	906,952	760,150	582,623	1,158,709	124,994	448,996	-	4,711,795	4,521,652
Less: Acc. Amortization on Disposals	-	643,886	437,315	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,081,201	73,705
Closing Balance	-	12,212,075	11,805,488	19,778,875	18,179,477	25,039,145	6,182,748	5,303,033	-	98,500,841	94,870,247
Net Book Value for year ended December 31, 2025	\$ 14,576,694	\$ 5,950,148	\$ 4,885,718	\$ 13,728,023	\$ 10,455,541	\$ 28,278,641	\$ 3,562,537	\$ 3,671,579	\$ 3,409,447	\$ 88,518,328	
Net Book Value year ended December 31, 2024	\$ 14,576,694	\$ 6,606,702	\$ 5,148,902	\$ 14,315,303	\$ 10,913,378	\$ 28,742,676	\$ 3,653,917	\$ 3,987,003	\$ 1,708,762	\$ 89,653,337	\$ 89,653,337

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14 Cemetery Trust

The City operates the cemetery and maintains a cemetery perpetual care fund in accordance with the *Cremation, Internment and Funeral Services Act*. The trust fund assets and liabilities are not included in the consolidated financial statements. At December 31, 2025, the balance held in trust was \$479,032 (2024 - \$463,416)

15 Expenses by Object

	2025	2024
Salary, wages and taxable employee benefits	\$ 9,266,920	\$ 8,537,655
Materials, goods, utilities, services, contracts	12,479,349	12,453,983
Accretion	20,020	-
Amortization	4,711,795	4,521,652
Interest on long term debt and agreements payable	554,818	604,981
Total Expenses	\$ 27,032,902	\$ 26,118,271

16 Government Transfers

The City received and recorded as revenue the following transfers:

	2025	2024 Restated
Provincial Unconditional Transfers		
Small Community Grant	\$ 441,000	\$ 493,100
Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program	-	281,527
Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Grant	72,000	71,000
	<u>513,000</u>	<u>845,627</u>
Provincial Conditional Transfers		
Airports Capital Assistance Program	\$ -	\$ 3,852,327
Canada Community-Building Fund	-	90,781
Local Government Housing Initiative	121,202	67,952
FireSmart	57,310	47,374
UBCM - ADU Program	-	45,000
Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding	-	40,000
Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program	-	39,633
Canada Day Fund	-	4,000
Flood Mapping	165,868	-
Health Care Grant	25,000	-
Next Generation 911	43,314	-
Emergency Social Services	8,964	-
	<u>421,657</u>	<u>4,187,067</u>
Federal Conditional Transfers		
Municipal Asset Management Program	\$ -	\$ 11,880
Airports Terminal Expansion- Strategic Priorities Fund	117,300	-
	<u>117,300</u>	<u>11,880</u>
Regional and Other External Conditional Transfers		
Other Conditional Transfers	\$ 326,984	\$ 398,161
Total Government Transfers Revenue	\$ 1,378,941	\$ 5,442,735

17 Contracts and Commitments

a) Contractual Obligations

In October 2021, the City of Castlegar and Dexterra Integrated Facilities Management entered into a five year agreement to operate and maintain the West Kootenay Regional Airport. The terms of the contract require that Dexterra Integrated Facilities Management provide all labour, materials, superintendence and other services necessary to provide operations and maintenance services at the Airport.

In August 2023, the City of Castlegar and Waste Management of Canada Corporation entered into a five year agreement to provide residential curbside and disposal services for solid waste.

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17 Contracts and Commitments (continued)

Minimum payments required under the contract with Dexterra Integrated Facilities Management and Waste Management are as follows:

Year	Dexterra	Waste Management
	Amount	Amount
2026	583,962	944,841
2027	-	982,632
2028	-	1,021,915

b) Capital Projects

The City has purchase and service contracts related to current capital projects, valued at \$2,709,809, plus taxes.

18 Segmented Information

The City of Castlegar is a diversified municipal government institution that provides a wide range of services to its citizens such as police, fire, water, sewer and roads maintenance. Distinguishable functional segments have been separately disclosed in the segmented information. The nature of the segments and the activities they encompass are as follows:

General Government Services:

This item is related to the revenues and expenses that relate to the operations of the Municipality itself and cannot be directly attributed to specific segments.

Protection Services:

Protection Services is comprised of police services, fire protection, municipal emergency programming, building inspection and animal control. The police services department is responsible for ensuring the safety of the lives and property of citizens, preserving the peace and good order, preventing crimes from occurring, detecting offenders, and enforcing the law. Police services are contracted, under a Municipal Police Service Agreement with the Province of British Columbia, to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The Fire Department is responsible for providing fire suppression services, fire prevention programs, training and education. The members of the fire department consist of a Fire Chief, a Deputy Fire Chief and a number of volunteer fire fighters. Building inspection ensures an acceptable quality of building construction and maintenance of properties through enforcement of construction codes, building standards, and by-laws for the protection of occupants.

Transportation and Civic Works:

The Department of Transportation and Civic Works is responsible for the delivery of municipal public works services relating to the development and maintenance of roadway systems, the maintenance and development of parks and open space, street lighting, and storm sewer systems.

Waste Disposal and Recycling:

Waste disposal and recycling consists of providing waste disposal services to citizens.

Public Health and Welfare:

Public Health and Welfare consists of the operation, maintenance, and development of a public cemetery and community health care initiatives.

Environmental Development Services:

The Environmental Development Services Department provides a diverse bundle of services such as city planning, urban development for business interests, environmental concerns, and downtown planning. It facilitates economic development by providing services for the approval of all land development plans, and the application and enforcement of zoning by-laws. It processes building permits and business licenses, develops the City's geographic information systems and provides by-law enforcement services.

Recreation and Cultural Services:

The municipality owns facilities which house The Castlegar and District Heritage Museum, The Kootenay Gallery of Arts, The Doukhobor Discovery Centre and The Castlegar and District Public Library. The City also provides funding to these organizations. The Recreation and Cultural Services also provides maintenance of City parks.

Water, Sewer and Storm:

The Water Service provides the City's drinking water. The Sewer Service processes and cleans sewage. The Storm Services provides storm water drainage.

Airport:

The City owns and operates the West Kootenay Regional Airport. Operation and maintenance of the Airport is contracted to a third party (note 17).

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Note 18: Schedule of Segment Disclosure - For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	General Government Services	Protection Services	Transportation and Civic Works	Waste Disposal and Recycling	Public Health and Welfare	Environmental Development Services	Recreation and Cultural Services	Water, Sewer & Storm	Airport	2025 Total
Taxation	\$ 1,263,709	\$ 4,767,211	\$ 4,824,174	\$ 86,860	\$ 128,004	\$ 353,668	\$ 2,369,519	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,793,145
Government grants	373,984	109,588	-	-	-	146,202	466,000	165,868	117,300	1,378,941
Community works funding	443,073	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	443,073
Fees and charges	225,044	32,841	2,778	1,295,777	43,053	308,719	-	4,644,983	1,080,755	7,633,949
Other revenue	6,725,468	77,332	-	-	11,770	-	-	-	-	6,814,570
Interest, actuarial, other income	724,087	-	-	-	-	-	-	46,558	3,612	774,257
	9,755,365	4,986,972	4,826,952	1,382,637	182,827	808,589	2,835,519	4,857,409	1,201,667	30,837,935
Salaries and benefits	2,794,575	1,809,119	1,835,301	28,566	93,618	259,240	682,305	1,586,862	177,333	9,266,930
Goods and services	1,351,369	3,034,212	1,237,638	1,354,635	89,208	360,712	1,677,932	2,037,539	1,336,104	12,479,349
Interest and other charges	555,593	(775)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	554,818
Accretion	20,020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,020
Amortization	696,533	144,415	1,754,013	-	-	-	475,282	1,467,587	173,965	4,711,795
	5,418,090	4,986,971	4,826,952	1,383,201	182,827	619,952	2,835,519	5,091,988	1,687,402	27,032,902
Annual Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 4,337,275	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (565)	\$ -	\$ 188,637	\$ -	\$ (234,579)	\$ (485,736)	\$ 3,805,033

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19 Budget

The Financial Plan (Budget) By-Law adopted by Council on April 7th, 2025 was not prepared on a basis consistent with that used to report actual results (Public Sector Accounting Standards). The budget was prepared on a modified accrual basis while Public Sector Accounting Standards now require a full accrual basis. The budget figures anticipated use of surpluses accumulated in previous years to reduce current year expenditures in excess of current year revenues to \$nil. In addition, the budget expensed all tangible capital expenditures rather than including amortization expense. As a result the budget figures presented in the statements of operations and change in net financial assets (debt) represent the Financial Plan adopted by Council on April 7th, 2025 with adjustments as follows:

	2025
Financial Plan (budget) Bylaw surplus for the year	\$ -
Budgeted Transfers	(3,560,197)
Amortization	(3,862,000)
Debt Proceeds	(7,518,073)
Capital expenditures	16,072,099
Budgeted surplus per statement of operations	\$ 1,131,829

20 Contractual Rights

The City has leased multiple properties to third parties with the following terms:

Lease Expiry Date	Minimum Annual Lease Payment
November 30, 2027	\$ 44,396
February 28, 2030	43,138
January 1, 2074	42,916
August 31, 2028	31,500
November 30, 2026	9,000
September 30, 2026	4,380
July 31, 2028	4,045

21 Asset Retirement Obligations

Legal liabilities exist for the removal and disposal of asbestos and other environmentally hazardous materials within some City owned buildings that will undergo major renovations or demolition in the future. The obligation has been measured at a discount rate of 4.13% (2024 - 4.45%), MFA's long term lending rate. These costs have been capitalized as part of the assets' carrying value and are amortized over the assets' estimated useful lives.

During the year, the City completed remediation activities on city owned buildings. Actual remediation costs were less than the related asset retirement obligations. As a result, general government expenses were reduced by the excess retirements obligations in prior years.

	2025	2024
Opening balance	\$ 1,321,156	\$ 1,321,156
Adjustment to present value (accretion)	20,020	-
Current year abatement	(397,827)	-
Annual liability adjustment	(438,580)	-
Asset Retirement Obligations, closing balance	\$ 504,769	\$ 1,321,156

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21 Asset Retirement Obligations (continued)

The liability is estimated using a present value technique that discount the expected future expenditures. The discount rate used was based on the average Municipal Finance Authority's long term borrowing rate of 4.13% (2024 - 4.45%). The total undiscounted expenditures and the time period over which they are expected to be incurred is as follows:

2026 - 2030	\$	186,929
2031 - 2040		412,774
2041 and beyond		273,332
Asset Retirement Obligations, undiscounted	\$	873,036

22 Financial Instruments

a) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the City if a debtor fails to discharge their obligation (e.g., pay the accounts receivable owing to the City). The City is exposed to this risk arising from its cash, investments, grants receivable and accounts receivable. The City holds its cash accounts with a federally regulated chartered bank who is insured by the Canadian Deposit Insurance Corporation. In the event of default, the City's cash accounts are insured up to \$100,000 (2024 - \$100,000).

Accounts receivable is primarily due from government, corporations and individuals. The City mitigates credit risk by regular submission of reporting requirements for grant installments to be paid within six months to a year of the grant approval. Property tax receivable risk is mitigated by regular notification to the residents of outstanding amounts and ultimately tax sale for recovery, if necessary. If an accounts receivable is held for a long period of time, an impairment allowance is setup to offset the receivable. There were no changes in exposures to credit risk during the period. The amounts outstanding at year end were as follows:

	2025	2024 Restated
Due from other governments (current)	\$ 318,514	\$ 255,791
Taxes receivable (current)	1,127,366	666,303
Other receivables (current)	6,864,956	8,304,918
Total	\$ 8,310,836	\$ 9,227,012

b) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the City will not be able to meet all cash outflow obligations as they come due. The City mitigates this risk by monitoring cash activities and expected outflows through extensive budgeting and maintaining investments that may be converted to cash in the near-term if unexpected cash outflows arise. The following table sets out the expected maturities, representing undiscounted cash-flows of its financial liabilities:

	Within 1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
Accounts payable	\$ 1,553,156	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,553,156
Debt	728,847	775,708	1,490,756	8,681,099	11,676,410
Total	\$ 2,282,003	\$ 775,708	\$ 1,490,756	\$ 8,681,099	\$ 13,229,566

There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the exposure to risk or policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. The City operates within the constraints of the investment guidelines in section 183 of the Community Charter, which puts limits on the types of investments the City may invest in. The Section permits the City's funds to be invested in securities of the Municipal Finance Authority; specified pool investments; securities issued by the Government of Canada, a Canadian province, municipality, or regional district; improvements guaranteed by a chartered bank; and deposits in savings institutions or non-equity membership shares of a credit union.

CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

22 Financial Instruments (continued)

d) Currency risk

During the year, the City became exposed to currency risk when it entered into transactions in United States Dollar (USD). Management monitors exchange rates and the markets and may make use of derivative contracts if it expects the exchange rates to fluctuate significantly.

e) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the potential for financial loss caused by fluctuations in the fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments because of changes in market interest rates. The City is exposed to this risk through its interest-bearing investments and debt. There have been no significant changes from the previous year in the exposure to risk or policies, procedures and methods used to measure the risk.

f) Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial statement will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from currency risk or interest rate risk). The City is not exposed to other price risk as the City does not have any investments or equity instruments.

23 Prior Period Adjustment

During the 2025 year end, management identified that government transfers revenue related to the Airports Capital Assistance Program contribution agreements originally executed in 2023 was not appropriately recognized by the City during the year ended December 31, 2024 even though the transfers were authorized and the eligibility criteria had been met.

In addition, project costs incurred in 2024 were temporarily financed through internal reserves in advance of long-term funding being received. The related impact on accumulated surplus, including transfers within surplus, was not reflected in the 2024 figures.

As a result, the financial information presented for the year ended December 31, 2024 has been restated as follows:

	as originally stated	adjustment	as restated
Statement of Financial Position			
Taxes and accounts receivable	\$ 7,034,754	\$ 2,192,258	\$ 9,227,012
Accumulated surplus, end of year	92,419,423	2,192,258	94,611,681
Statement of Operations			
Government transfers	\$ 3,250,477	\$ 2,192,258	\$ 5,442,735
Annual surplus	2,283,314	2,192,258	4,475,572
Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets			
Annual Surplus	\$ 2,283,314	\$ 2,192,258	\$ 4,475,572
Statement of Cash Flows			
Annual Surplus	\$ 2,283,314	\$ 2,192,258	\$ 4,475,572
Increase in taxes and accounts receivable	(2,203,343)	(2,192,258)	(4,395,601)

24 Comparative Figures

Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in the current year presentation.

CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Consolidated Schedule Surplus and Reserves

Unaudited

As at December 31, 2025

	Balances, Beginning of Year	Contributions from Operations	Withdrawals for Capital Purposes	Withdrawals for Operating Purposes	Interest Earnings	Balances, End of Year
OPERATING FUND RESERVES						
OPERATING RESERVES						
General Operating Reserve	295,706	842,749	(114,761)	-	25,156	1,048,850
Water Operating Reserve	162,866	-	-	-	-	162,866
Financial Stabilization Reserve	247,765	-	-	(117,078)	11,061	141,748
Winter Reserve	298,873	83,228	-	-	13,343	395,444
RCMP Reserve	608,903	-	-	(445,146)	27,183	190,940
Election Reserve	35,518	15,000	-	-	1,585	52,103
Staff Overhead	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,649,631</u>	<u>940,977</u>	<u>(114,761)</u>	<u>(562,224)</u>	<u>78,328</u>	<u>1,991,951</u>
NON STATUTORY RESERVES						
Climate Action Reserve	538,326	30,000	-	-	24,033	592,359
Host Agreement Reserve	697,760	498,045	-	(488,159)	31,151	738,797
Regional Playing Fields Reserve	448,845	75,000	(26,586)	-	20,039	517,298
	<u>1,684,931</u>	<u>603,045</u>	<u>(26,586)</u>	<u>(488,159)</u>	<u>75,223</u>	<u>1,848,454</u>
TOTAL OPERATING RESERVES	<u>3,334,562</u>	<u>1,544,022</u>	<u>(141,347)</u>	<u>(1,050,383)</u>	<u>153,551</u>	<u>3,840,405</u>
CAPITAL REPLACEMENT RESERVES						
Infrastructure Renewal Reserve	469,445	50,000	(219,909)	-	20,958	320,494
Roads Reserves	974,660	1,070,478	(839,537)	-	43,512	1,249,113
Facilities Reserves	253,891	89,635	(43,128)	-	11,335	311,732
Parks Reserves	175,752	67,226	(13,451)	-	7,846	237,373
General Capital Reserve	1,176,475	924,981	-	-	52,522	2,153,978
Community Enhancement Reserve	32,868	25,000	(3,525)	-	-	54,343
Information Technology Reserve	176,318	100,000	(181,063)	-	7,871	103,126
Economic Development Reserve	163,710	-	-	-	-	163,710
Airport Capital Reserve	(5,831)	991,960	(217,964)	-	16,014	784,178
Water Capital Reserve	5,268,692	550,106	(414,269)	-	130,144	5,534,672
Sewer Capital Reserve	866,045	320,615	(433,961)	(254,354)	21,393	519,738
Storm Capital Reserve	2,246,927	336,195	(108,269)	(45,079)	55,502	2,485,277
	<u>11,798,952</u>	<u>4,526,195</u>	<u>(2,475,076)</u>	<u>(299,433)</u>	<u>367,098</u>	<u>13,917,736</u>
STATUTORY RESERVES						
Parkland Acquisition Reserve	389,722	53,020	-	-	17,399	460,141
Land Sale Reserve	388,069	5,069,560	-	-	11,708	5,469,337
Vehicle and Equipment Reserve	1,309,193	708,516	(991,082)	-	31,827	1,058,454
Community Works (Gas Tax)	672,322	443,073	(103,461)	-	33,173	1,045,108
Future Regional Infrastructure	603,850	-	(19,301)	-	26,958	611,508
Property Tax Sale Reserve	(3,612)	-	-	3,612	-	-
Growing Communities Reserve	2,560,835	-	(168,700)	-	114,324	2,506,459
	<u>5,920,379</u>	<u>6,274,169</u>	<u>(1,282,543)</u>	<u>3,612</u>	<u>235,389</u>	<u>11,151,007</u>
TOTAL RESERVES	<u>21,053,893</u>	<u>12,344,387</u>	<u>(3,898,966)</u>	<u>(1,346,204)</u>	<u>756,038</u>	<u>28,909,147</u>

CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Growing Communities Fund Grant

Schedule 2

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Actual 2025	Actual 2024
Opening Balance	\$ 2,560,835	\$ 3,219,875
Grant funding received	-	-
Interest earned	114,324	163,785
Airport Required Navigational Performance License	(168,700)	(206,441)
South Sewage Treatment Plant Geotube System	-	(616,385)
Closing Balance	2,506,459	2,560,835
Balance Carried Forward	\$ 2,506,459	\$ 2,560,835

CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Local Government Housing Initiatives Grant

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

	Actual 2025	Actual 2024
Opening Balance	\$ 121,202	\$ -
Grant funding received	-	189,154
Zoning Bylaw	-	(59,252)
Parking Supply & Demand Study	(31,300)	(8,700)
Water & Sewer Model Update	(89,902)	-
Closing Balance	-	121,202
Balance Carried Forward (Deferred Revenue)	\$ -	\$ 121,202

CITY OF CASTLEGAR
Cemetery Trust Funds

Schedule 4

For the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Cemetery Care Fund	Actual 2025	Actual 2024
Opening Balance	\$ 449,271	\$ 422,741
Transfers in	-	7,010
Interest earned	15,005	19,520
Withdrawals	-	-
Closing Balance	464,275	449,271

Cemetery Replacement Trust	Actual 2025	Actual 2024
Opening Balance	\$ 14,146	\$ 18,906
Transfers in	-	7,245
Interest earned	611	200
Withdrawals	-	(12,205)
Closing Balance	14,757	14,146
Balance Carried Forward	\$ 479,032	\$ 463,417

Permissive Tax Exemptions Granted for 2025

Total tax levy exemption for Castlegar and other authorities (unaudited)

ORGANIZATION	Total Exemption	Municipal Portion of Exemption
Places of Public Worship		
St Peter Lutheran Church of Castlegar	964	420
Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay	1,154	503
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada	1,628	710
Trustee's of the Congregation of Castlegar-Kinnaird Pastoral Charge	1,767	771
Living Waters Faith Fellowship	1,132	494
Trustees of the Congregation of Kinnaird Church of God	1,161	506
Trustees for the Castlegar South Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses	1,190	519
Castlegar Baptist Church	956	417
Calvary Baptist Church in Castlegar/Kinnaird Park Community Church	2,679	1,169
	\$12,631	\$5,509
Community Housing Organizations		
Castlegar Villa Society	3,026	1,206
Habitat for Humanity Southeast BC	6,686	2,664
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	528	210
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	3,569	1,422
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	3,207	1,278
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	832	331
Castlegar & District Community Services Society	10,173	5,343
Kootenay Society for Community Living	8,981	4,717
Kootenay Society for Community Living	3,149	1,255
Kootenay Society for Community Living	2,803	1,117
Kootenay Society for Community Living	3,846	1,532
Kootenay Society for Community Living	3,605	1,436
Kootenay Society for Community Living	3,141	1,251
Woodland Park Housing Co-Operative	12,313	4,905
	\$65,859	\$28,667
Recreation and Not for Profit		
Portuguese Social Centre Society	1,001	437
Royal Canadian Legion	2,145	459
Association of West Kootenay Rock Climbers	568	226
Fortis BC Energy Inc. - Terasen BTW Park	13,258	6,963
	\$16,972	\$8,085

ORGANIZATION	Total Exemption	Municipal Portion of Exemption
Community Service Organizations		
Kootenay Family Place	1,067	425
Kootenay Family Place	296	156
Kootenay Family Place	9,179	4,821
British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	22,605	11,873
Castlegar & District Hospital Auxiliary	10,672	5,605
Circle of Indigenous Nations Society	2,373	1,035
Blueberry Creek Community School Council	27,303	14,341
Blueberry Creek Community School Council	942	375
Freedom Quest Youth Services Society	8,511	4,470
	\$ 82,948	\$ 43,101
Regional Health Board		
Interior Health Authority	8,014	4,209
Interior Health Authority	18,989	9,974
	\$ 27,003	\$ 14,183
Cultural Organizations		
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	3,415	1,794
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	1,185	623
Castlegar and District Heritage Society	3,204	1,398
Kootenay Doukhobor Historical Society (Doukhobor Village)	25,406	13,344
Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society	6,017	3,160
Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce	31,080	16,324
	\$ 70,307	\$ 36,643
City Water Supply/Partnership Agreement		
Zellstoff Celgar Ltd.	6,240	4,688
	\$ 6,240	\$ 4,688
Corporation Vetted for Non-Profit Status		
CTN Labor Holding Ltd - Kinnaird Hall	8,609	4,522
	\$ 8,609	\$ 4,522
Total Permissive Tax Exemptions for 2025	\$ 290,569	\$ 145,398







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REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO.:** 26-60
SUBMITTED BY: Chief Administrative Officer **FILE NO.:** 1765-20
SUBJECT: Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project – Funding of Project Development Costs (Growing Communities Fund)

RECOMMENDATIONS (to be considered individually):

- 1. THAT Council approve \$36,750 of additional Stage 2 Negotiated Request for Proposals (NRFP) honorarium funding required to invite a third qualified proponent to be funded from the Growing Communities Fund Reserve.***
 - 2. THAT Council approve \$13,230 of funding for a public engagement program for the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project to be funded from the Growing Communities Fund Reserve.***
 - 3. THAT Council approve \$66,150 of funding for the geotechnical assessment required to support the next phase of the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project.***
 - 4. THAT staff be authorized to work with the Regional District of Central Kootenay and Electoral Area J to confirm final cost-sharing amounts for the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project and bring forward any required amendments to the City's 2026-2030 financial plan.***
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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to utilize the Growing Communities Fund Reserve to fund the City's share of project development costs identified by the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) necessary to continue advancement of the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project.

This report is for consideration at the July 13, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting, and adoption at the July 13, 2026 Regular Meeting to expedite the response prior to the next RDCK Board Meeting.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

At the July 7, 2026 meeting of the Castlegar & District Recreation Commission, the RDCK considered a series of staff reports related to advancing the Arena and Walking Track Project. These reports identified three immediate funding requirements necessary to maintain the project schedule and support informed procurement and design:

1. Stage 2 NRFP Honorarium Funding

The RDCK is proceeding with a two-stage procurement process, with the project currently entering the Negotiated Request for Proposals (Stage 2). RDCK Staff have recommended

increasing the honorarium budget from \$100,000 to up to \$150,000 in order to invite three qualified proponents instead of two. This approach improves procurement resilience, reduces the risk of receiving only one or no compliant proposals, and strengthens competitive tension and value-for-money evaluation. The additional \$50,000 would be shared by the City of Castlegar and Electoral Area J and is only payable if a third proponent submits a compliant proposal.

2. Public Engagement Program Funding

The RDCK wants to also do a fulsome public engagement program for the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project of up to \$45,000. This would be funded through the reallocation of \$12,000 from the existing advertising budget in Service S222 (Castlegar & District Community Complex – Castlegar and Areas I & J), \$15,000 from Service S100 – General Administration from anticipated 2026 surplus, and the remaining \$18,000 (shared) from the City of Castlegar and Electoral Area J.

3. Geotechnical Assessment Funding

A geotechnical assessment is now required earlier than originally planned, as proponents require site-specific information to prepare accurate design-build proposals. Preliminary estimates indicate approximately \$90,000 will be required for this work. As no new service has yet been established for the project, there is no dedicated funding source, and the RDCK has recommended that the City and Electoral Area J provide funding from their respective resources. Both items represent one-time project development costs required to advance the project to the next stage and maintain alignment with the current timeline.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Council could choose not to approve funding at this time. This option is not recommended as delays in confirming funding could impact procurement timelines, technical studies, and the overall project schedule.
2. Council could choose to fund from an alternate City source. Council could direct staff to utilize another funding source; however, this is not recommended as the Growing Communities Fund Reserve is specifically intended to support community infrastructure initiatives and one-time project investments.

IMPLICATIONS:

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|--------------------------|--|
| (1) Social | Advancing the project supports long-term recreation, health, and community well-being objectives for Castlegar and surrounding areas. Early-stage investment supports informed decision-making prior to any future referendum. |
| (2) Environmental | No direct environmental implications are associated with this funding decision. The geotechnical assessment will provide important site data that may inform environmental considerations in later project phases. |
| (3) Personnel | No significant staffing impacts are anticipated. Existing staff resources will be used to coordinate funding arrangements and support RDCK project advancement. |

(4) Financial

Based on assessment values, RDCK staff recommended a cost-sharing allocation of 73.5% to the City and 26.5% to Area J.

Estimated costs identified in the RDCK reports include:

-Up to \$50,000 (shared) in additional NRFP honorarium funding. (City of Castlegar portion approximately \$36,750).

-Approximately \$45,000 (shared) for the public engagement program. (City of Castlegar portion approximately \$13,230).

-Approximately \$90,000 (shared) for geotechnical assessment work. (City of Castlegar portion approximately \$61,150).

It is recommended that the City's contribution be funded from the Growing Communities Fund Reserve. Should the project proceed and ultimately be financed through long-term borrowing, Council could consider incorporating these upfront contributions into the borrowing and reimbursing the reserve accordingly.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The use of the Growing Communities Fund Reserve aligns with the intent of the program to support infrastructure-related investments and project readiness initiatives. Any required financial plan amendments will be brought forward in accordance with municipal financial policy and the Community Charter.

Funding the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track Project directly supports Council's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan and the goal of Enhancing the Recreation Complex.

IMPLEMENTATION:

If approved, staff will:

- Confirm cost-sharing arrangements with the RDCK and Electoral Area J.
- Allocate funding from the Growing Communities Fund Reserve.
- Bring forward any required financial plan amendment.
- Advise the RDCK of funding confirmation to support continued project advancement.

COMMUNICATION:

Council's decision will be communicated to the RDCK and Electoral Area J. The public communication regarding the Arena and Walking Track Project will continue to be led through the RDCK engagement and communications process.

Respectfully submitted,



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

CASTLEGAR

Report to Council

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO:** 26-55
SUBMITTED BY: Assistant Manager - Maintenance **FILE NO:** 1220-40
SUBJECT: Request for Quotation 2026-13 – Utility Truck – Recommendation for Award

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-13 – Utility Truck, to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$215,899.00 plus applicable taxes.

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-13 - Utility Truck, to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$215,899.00 plus applicable taxes.

This report is for consideration at the July 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting and adoption at the July 13, 2026, Regular Council Meeting to initiate the purchase and ensure delivery in a timely manner.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

In 2025, the City hired an external consultant to assess the state of the City's organizational health by interviewing staff and identifying projects and initiatives that contribute to the City's mission of delivering best-in-class service. One of the main initiatives identified by staff was to invest in replacement and upgrades of the City's aging vehicle and equipment fleet. Replacing the City's fleet at the appropriate lifecycle point is also in alignment with asset management best practices as it helps optimize total cost of ownership and limits the financial risk of major unexpected failures.

The City requires a reliable water & sewer utility truck as part of its fleet to efficiently and effectively deliver routine and emergency water and sewer services to the community in a safe manner. Staff identified replacement of the City's existing water & sewer utility truck as a priority in the 2026 Capital Budget as the current truck is 16 years old and beyond its useful service life of 10-12 years.

The proposed water & sewer utility truck for purchase is a heavy-duty truck equipped with a utility service body for carrying tools, equipment and materials as well as a 20-foot body-mounted crane for lifting and moving heavy components.

A Request for Quotation (RFQ) was posted on BC Bid on May 7, 2026, and closed on June 4, 2026. The City received three (3) submissions from A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. (A.M. Ford), Metro

Motors Ltd. and Commercial Truck Equipment Co. All three submissions met the requirements of the City’s specifications with A.M. Ford’s quotation being the lowest overall cost:

Proponent	Quotation Value
A.M. Ford Sales Ltd.	\$215,899.00
Commercial Truck Equipment Co.	\$218,617.00
Metro Motors Ltd.	\$219,352.00

A.M. Ford is a Ford dealership based in Trail, BC that has been serving customers in the West Kootenay region since 1984. They are known for serving communities throughout Trail, Castlegar, Rossland, Fruitvale, and the surrounding area. Staff are recommending awarding the purchase of the water & sewer utility truck to A.M. Ford in the amount of \$215,899.00 plus applicable taxes.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Council could direct staff to award the RFQ to one of the other bidders. Staff do not recommend this alternative as A.M. Ford’s quotation met the City’s requirements at the lowest overall cost.
2. Council could choose to not award the RFQ to any of the bidders. Staff do not recommend this alternative as the current water & sewer utility truck has reached the end of its useful service life, is increasingly unreliable, and has exceeded its optimal total cost of ownership.

IMPLICATIONS:

- (1) Social** Replacing this vehicle supports continued delivery of reliable services that residents depend on. Improved response times and service reliability contribute to positive public perception and community well-being.
- (2) Environmental** Newer vehicles typically meet more current emissions standards and operate more efficiently than aging equipment. This can result in reduced fuel consumption, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and decreased environmental impact.
- (3) Personnel** Approximately 20 hours of staff time is required to prepare the RFQ, review the quotations, execute the purchase and insure the vehicle.

Updated equipment improves operator safety, comfort, and efficiency. Reliable vehicles reduce downtime and frustration for staff, allowing them to complete tasks more effectively.
- (4) Financial** \$280,000 was approved in the 2026-2030 Five-Year Financial Plan for the purchase of a water & sewer utility truck in 2026.

The City’s existing water & sewer utility truck will be disposed of and proceeds from the sale will be transferred to the City’s Fleet and Equipment Reserve.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

This purchase supports Council's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan principle of Governance and Service Excellence and the goals of Responsible Stewards, Efficient and Effective and Maintenance.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Staff will work with A.M. Ford to finalize and execute the purchase of the water & sewer utility truck, get insurance for the vehicle and integrate the unit into the City's fleet. Staff will also coordinate any required operator training to ensure safe and effective use of the replacement vehicle.

The estimated time of delivery is expected to be the 4th quarter of 2026.

COMMUNICATION:

N/A

Respectfully submitted,



Ryan Ricalton
Assistant Manager - Maintenance

Approved by:



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

CASTLEGAR

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO:** 26-56
SUBMITTED BY: Assistant Manager - Maintenance **FILE NO:** 1220-40
SUBJECT: Request for Quotation 2026-11 – Service Truck 1 - Recommendation for Award

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-11 – Service Truck 1, to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$123,942.00 plus applicable taxes.

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-11 - Service Truck 1, to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$123,942.00 plus applicable taxes.

This report is for consideration at the July 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting and adoption at the July 13, 2026, Regular Council Meeting to initiate the purchase and ensure delivery in a timely manner.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

In 2025, the City hired an external consultant to assess the state of the City's organizational health by interviewing staff and identifying projects and initiatives that contribute to the City's mission of delivering best-in-class service. One of the main initiatives identified by staff was to invest in replacement and upgrades of the City's vehicle and equipment fleet. Replacing the City's fleet at the appropriate lifecycle point is also in alignment with asset management best practices as it helps optimize total cost of ownership and limits the financial risk of major unexpected failures.

The City requires a reliable fleet service truck as part of its fleet to ensure timely response to vehicle and equipment maintenance and operational requirements, including emergency situations. Staff identified replacement of the City's fleet service truck as a priority in the 2026 Capital Budget as the City's previous fleet service truck was removed from service and disposed of in 2025 as it was no longer cost effective to repair. Since its disposal, fleet staff have been temporarily utilizing a former Fire Department vehicle to support field service work. While this has allowed essential work to continue, the temporary vehicle is not equipped with the specialized features required for fleet maintenance activities, including dedicated tool storage compartments and a deck-mounted crane. As a result, staff have experienced operational inefficiencies and limitations in performing maintenance and repair work.

The replacement fleet service truck will restore the department's ability to safely and efficiently perform field maintenance and repairs, while helping minimize downtime of City vehicles and

equipment. The proposed fleet service truck is a ¾-ton truck, outfitted with tool storage compartments, and rear deck-mounted crane allowing staff to safely lift, transport and service heavy equipment and components in the field.

A Request for Quotation (RFQ) was posted on BC Bid on May 7, 2026, and closed on June 4, 2026. The City received three (3) submissions from A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. (A.M. Ford), Metro Motors Ltd. and Chilliwack Ford. All three submissions met the requirements of the City’s specifications with A.M Ford’s quotation being the lowest overall cost:

Proponent	Quotation Value
A.M. Ford Sales Ltd.	\$123,942.00
Metro Motors Ltd.	\$127,190.50
Chilliwack Ford	\$127,800.00

A.M. Ford is a Ford dealership based in Trail, BC that has been serving customers in the West Kootenay region since 1984. They are known for serving communities throughout Trail, Castlegar, Rossland, Fruitvale, and the surrounding area. Staff are recommending awarding the purchase of the fleet service truck to A.M. Ford in the amount of \$123,942.00 plus applicable taxes.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Council could direct staff to award the RFQ to one of the other bidders. Staff do not recommend this alternative as A.M. Ford’s quotation met the City’s requirements at the lowest overall cost.
2. Council could choose to not award the RFQ to any of the bidders. Staff do not recommend this alternative as the current fleet service truck is a temporary vehicle that is not equipped with the specialized features required for fleet maintenance activities resulting in operational inefficiencies and limitations in performing maintenance and repair work.

IMPLICATIONS:

- (1) Social** Replacing this vehicle supports continued delivery of reliable services that residents depend on. Improved response times and service reliability contribute to positive public perception and community well-being.
- (2) Environmental** Newer vehicles typically meet more current emissions standards and operate more efficiently than aging equipment. This can result in reduced fuel consumption, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and decreased environmental impact.
- (3) Personnel** Approximately 20 hours of staff time is required to prepare the RFQ, review the quotations, execute the purchase and insure the vehicle.

Updated equipment improves operator safety, comfort, and efficiency. Reliable vehicles reduce downtime and frustration for staff, allowing them to complete tasks more effectively.

(4) Financial

\$280,000 was approved in the 2026-2030 Five-Year Financial Plan for the purchase of a fleet service truck in 2026.

The City's existing temporary fleet service truck will be disposed of and the proceeds from the sale will be transferred to the City's Fleet and Equipment Reserve.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

This purchase supports Council's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan principle of Governance and Service Excellence and the goals of Responsible Stewards, Efficient and Effective and Maintenance.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Staff will work with A.M. Ford to finalize and execute the purchase of the fleet service truck, get insurance for the vehicle and integrate the unit into the City's fleet. Staff will also coordinate any required operator training to ensure safe and effective use of the replacement vehicle.

The estimated time of delivery is expected to be the 4th quarter of 2026.

COMMUNICATION:

N/A

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Ricalton

Ryan Ricalton
Assistant Manager - Maintenance

Approved by:

Chris Barlow

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

CASTLEGAR

REPORT TO COUNCIL

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2026 **REPORT NO:** 26-57
SUBMITTED BY: Assistant Manager - Maintenance **FILE NO:** 1220-40
SUBJECT: Request for Quotation 2026-12 - Service Truck 2 – Recommendation for Award

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-12 – Service Truck 2, to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$101,811.00 plus applicable taxes.

AND FURTHER;

That Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to recommend that Council authorize staff to award Request for Quotation 2026-12 - Service Truck 2, to A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. in the amount of \$101,811.00 plus applicable taxes.

This report is for consideration at the July 13, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting and adoption at the July 13, 2026, Regular Council Meeting to initiate the purchase and ensure delivery in a timely manner.

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

In 2025, the City hired an external consultant to assess the state of the City's organizational health by interviewing staff and identifying projects and initiatives that contribute to the City's mission of delivering best-in-class service. One of the main initiatives identified by staff was to invest in replacement and upgrades of the City's vehicle and equipment fleet. Replacing the City's fleet at the appropriate lifecycle point is also in alignment with asset management best practices as it helps optimize total cost of ownership and limits the financial risk of major unexpected failures.

The City requires a reliable carpentry service truck as part of its fleet to ensure timely response to facility and carpentry related maintenance and operational requirements, including emergency situations. Staff identified replacement of the City's existing carpentry service truck as a priority in the 2026 Capital Budget as the current truck is 18 years old and beyond its useful service life of 10-12 years.

The proposed carpentry service truck for purchase is a 1-ton truck equipped with a utility service body that provides secure storage for tools and equipment, while also allowing staff to transport materials needed for maintenance and repair work.

A Request for Quotation (RFQ) was posted on BC Bid on May 7, 2026, and closed on June 4, 2026. The City received four (4) submissions from A.M. Ford Sales Ltd. (A.M. Ford), Metro Motors

Ltd., Chilliwack Ford and Commercial Truck Equipment Co. All four submissions met the requirements of the City’s specifications with A.M Ford’s quotation being the lowest overall cost.

Proponent	Quotation Value
A.M. Ford Sales Ltd.	\$101,811.00
Metro Motors Ltd.	\$107,632.50
Chilliwack Ford	\$110,800.00
Commercial Truck Equipment Co.	\$122,133.50

A.M. Ford is a Ford dealership based in Trail, BC that has been serving customers in the West Kootenay region since 1984. They are known for serving communities throughout Trail, Castlegar, Rossland, Fruitvale, and the surrounding area. Staff are recommending awarding the purchase of the fleet service truck to A.M. Ford in the amount of \$101,811.00 plus applicable taxes.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Council could direct staff to award the RFQ to one of the other bidders. Staff do not recommend this alternative as A.M. Ford’s quotation met the City’s requirements at the lowest overall cost.
2. Council could choose to not award the RFQ to any of the bidders. Staff do not recommend this alternative as the current carpentry service truck has reached the end of its useful service life, is increasingly unreliable, and has exceeded its optimal total cost of ownership.

IMPLICATIONS:

- (1) Social** Replacing this vehicle supports continued delivery of reliable services that residents depend on. Improved response times and service reliability contribute to positive public perception and community well-being.
- (2) Environmental** Newer vehicles typically meet more current emissions standards and operate more efficiently than aging equipment. This can result in reduced fuel consumption, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and decreased environmental impact.
- (3) Personnel** Approximately 20 hours of staff time is required to prepare the RFQ, review the quotations, execute the purchase and insure the vehicle.

Updated equipment improves operator safety, comfort, and efficiency. Reliable vehicles reduce downtime and frustration for staff, allowing them to complete tasks more effectively.
- (4) Financial** \$225,000 was approved in the 2026-2030 Five-Year Financial Plan for the purchase of a carpentry service truck in 2026.

The City’s existing carpentry service truck will be disposed of and proceeds from the sale will be transferred to the City’s Fleet and Equipment Reserve.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

This purchase supports Council's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan principle of Governance and Service Excellence and the goals of Responsible Stewards, Efficient and Effective and Maintenance.

IMPLEMENTATION:

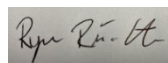
Staff will work with A.M. Ford to finalize and execute the purchase of the carpentry service truck, get insurance for the vehicle and integrate the unit into the City's fleet. Staff will also coordinate any required operator training to ensure safe and effective use of the replacement vehicle

The estimated time of delivery is expected to be the 4th quarter of 2026.

COMMUNICATION:

N/A

Respectfully submitted,



Ryan Ricalton
Assistant Manager - Maintenance

Approved by:



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

From: [coc mailer](#)
To: [Castlegar City of](#)
Subject: New submission from Apply to Appear Before City Council
Date: May 6, 2026 9:03:35 AM

Contact Details

Name

Myron Nichol

Email

[REDACTED]

Phone

[REDACTED]

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

Ron Anderson

On Behalf of

Castlegar Curling Club

Delegation Details

1st Meeting Choice Date

Council Meeting - June 1, 2026

2nd Meeting Choice Date

Council Meeting - June 15, 2026

Purpose of Delegation

Requesting action by Council

Subject to be Presented

The redevelopment plans for the "Pioneer Arena" property have not taken into consideration the fact that the initial development of the property in the 1950s included parking for the Curling Club and that this has not changed in spite of the fact the Ice Arena has now been demolished. For more than 2 years the Curling Club has been meeting with City Administration and the Mayor to present our needs and to try and reach an agreement on how this issue can be resolved to the satisfaction of both parties, and unfortunately through this process we do not feel that our needs and interests are being considered. We would like an opportunity to voice our concerns with Council on this matter in an effort to protect the interests of the Curling Club and those that value its place in our community as the redevelopment plans for this property are still being formulated.

Delegation Presentation Guidelines & Procedures

- Yes

Regular Meeting Minutes of Council June 15, 2026

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 – arrived at 3:22pm
Councillor Brian Bogle
Councillor Sandy Bojetchko
Councillor Shirley Falstead – via Zoom
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
Nick Ahlefeld, Fire Chief
Jennifer Chamberlain, Executive Assistant
Danny Clarke, Airport Manager
Meeri Durand, Director of Community Safety & Development
Aaron Geck, Assistant Manager – Utilities
Alex Hadfield, Manager of Human Resources
Deanna Hooper, Manager of Civic Works
Tony Mackie, Deputy Fire Chief
Peter Maria, Sea to Sky IT
Ryan Niddery, Acting Director of Municipal Services
Anne Simonen, Project Manager
Monty Taylor, RCMP Sergeant
Nikki Zimmerman, Legislative Services Assistant

Other Public and Media

1 CALL TO ORDER: Mayor McFaddin called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2 ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

R157-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT the agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of June 15, 2026 be adopted.

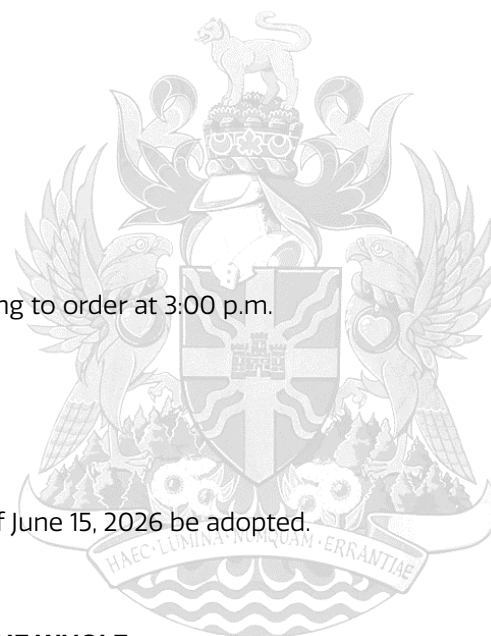
CARRIED.

3 RESOLUTION TO RESOLVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

R158-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED: THAT Council now resolve itself into Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED.

4 DELEGATION: Nil



5 COMMUNITY WELLNESS, SAFETY & DEVELOPMENT (Councillor Bojecho assumed the Chair)

(a) COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE

- Nil

(b) FIRE DEPARTMENT VERBAL UPDATE

- 15 calls in the last three days
- Written and practical crew training and testing
- New Records Management Program
- Practice with crews – firefighter survival skills

(c) Emergency Services Monthly Report – May 2026

COW075-26

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve to receive for information:

- Emergency Services Monthly Report – May 2026

CARRIED.

(d) RCMP DETACHMENT VERBAL UPDATE

- 14 of 17 officers
- New member coming from the Lower Mainland
- Attendance at Sunfest, Grad parades and Air Cadets events
- Motorcycle convoy between communities
- Member attendance at FIFA
- Body-worn cameras

(e) WEST KOOTENAY REGIONAL AIRPORT VERBAL UPDATE

- 12 of 14 flights operate, two flights cancelled due to local weather
- Loads are good this time of year, some days at full capacity
- Routes for West Kootenay Regional Airport flights

(f) COMMUNITY SAFETY AND DEVELOPMENT VERBAL UPDATE

- Nil

(g) Building Permit and Business Licence Reports – May 2026

COW076-26

RECOMMENDATION: Council consider and resolve to receive for information:

- Building Permit Report – May 2026
- Business Licence Report – May 2026

CARRIED.

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

(a) COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON VERBAL UPDATE

- Sunfest parade, fireworks and park events
- Castlegar & District Heritage Society Open House on June 6, 2026
- Castlegar & District Heritage Society monthly meeting tomorrow night at Zuckerberg Island
- Castlegar & District Hospital Foundation AGM and Regular Meeting last week
- Castlegar Together meeting last Thursday
- Canada Day event planning – games, layout, volunteers, and free bus service



7 FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES (Councillor Bogle, Chair)

(a) Finance and Corporate Services Community Liaison Verbal Update

- Nil

(b) Corporate Services Verbal Update

- Current postings and recruitment
- New Parks Technician – Irrigation is Mitch Chickloski
- Term positions

(c) Finance Department Verbal Update

- Nil

(d) 2025 Statement of Financial Information (Report No. 26-49)

Report from the Director of Finance & Technology to seek Council's approval of the 2025 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) prior to submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and to make the document available for public inspection.

COW077-26

Moved, and
RECOMMENDED:

THAT Council approve the 2025 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.

8 MUNICIPAL SERVICES (Councillor MacLeod, Chair)

(a) Municipal Services Department Verbal Update

- Aaron Geck, Assistant Manager – Utilities and Anne Simonen, Project Manager presented an update on the South Sewage Treatment Plant (SSTP) Biosolids Project. Highlights include:
 - Short-term biosolids with Fournier
 - Fournier press operation
 - Biosolids produced
 - Odour improvement
 - Working with the RDCK on disposal
 - Long-term biosolids solution study update
 - Next steps and concepts

(b) Recommendation for Award of RFP 2026-10 – Construction Management for the West Kootenay Regional Airport Air Terminal Building Expansion (Report No. 26-48)

Report from the Project Manager to seek Council approval of the award of Request for Proposals RFP 2026-10 – Construction Management for the West Kootenay Regional Airport Air Terminal Building Expansion to PCL Constructors Westcoast Inc. for pre-construction services.



COW078-26

Moved, and
RECOMMENDED:

THAT Council approve the award of Request for Proposals RFP 2026-10 – Construction Management for the West Kootenay Regional Airport Air Terminal Building Expansion to PCL Constructors Westcoast Inc. for pre-construction services in the amount of \$60,000 plus applicable taxes,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

CARRIED.

9 QUESTION PERIOD:

- Nil

10 RESOLUTION TO RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

R159-26

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.

R160-26

Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

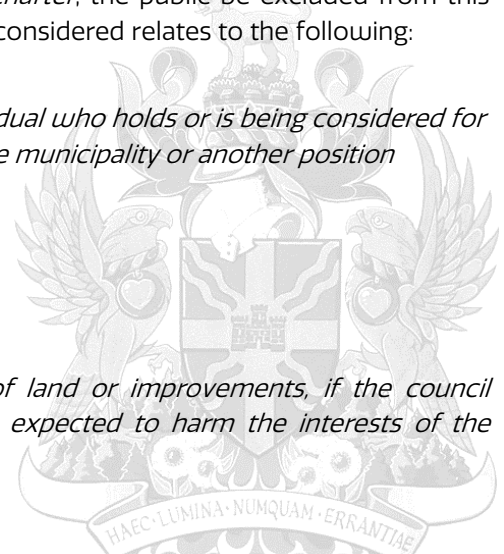
THAT pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter*, the public be excluded from this portion of the meeting as the subject matter being considered relates to the following:

- ***Community Charter Section 90(1)(A)***
Personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality.
- ***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].

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 3:59 p.m.

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

Members Present	Mayor Maria McFaddin Councillor Darcy Bell Councillor Brian Bogle Councillor Sandy Bojechko Councillor Shirley Falstead – v 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 Jennifer Chamberlain, Executive Assistant Ryan Niddery, Acting Director of Municipal Services

13 DELEGATION: Nil

14 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

R161-23 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT the following Minutes be adopted as presented:

- Regular Meeting Minutes – June 1, 2026

CARRIED.

15 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

The following resolutions were recommended at the June 1, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting and are presented for consideration of adoption by Council:

R162-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council proceed with appointment of the Director of Community Safety & Development as the City's Emergency Program Director,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council proceed with appointment of the Climate Readiness Coordinator as the City's Emergency Program Coordinator.

CARRIED.



R163-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council appoint the Chair or delegate of the Community Wellness, Safety & Development Council Committee to the City's Emergency Management Policy Group.

CARRIED.

The following resolutions were recommended at the June 15, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting and are presented for consideration of adoption by Council:

R164-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council approve the 2025 Statement of Financial Information for submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, as amended to reflect an update to Council member Cherryl MacLeod's expenses from \$4,976 to \$4,414.

AND FURTHER;

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

CARRIED.

R165-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council approve the award of Request for Proposals RFP 2026-10 – Construction Management for the West Kootenay Regional Airport Air Terminal Building Expansion to PCL Constructors Westcoast Inc. for pre-construction services in the amount of \$60,000 plus applicable taxes,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council direct staff to execute the necessary documents.

CARRIED.

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

17 CORRESPONDENCE:

R166-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council provide a letter of support to the Kootenay Climbing Association for their CUBE 2.0 – Build Communities Strong Fund grant application,

AND FURTHER;

THAT Council note their support in providing a secondary letter of support to Kootenay Climbing Association when more information can be provided.

CARRIED.



R167-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council approve the request from Theresa Bolton on behalf of Fragile X Research Foundation of Canada to illuminate the Kinnaird Overpass lights in pink on July 22, 2026, in recognition of World Fragile X Day.

CARRIED

18 REPORTS OTHER:

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

- Timeline of November for Referendum and potential build in Spring 2027. More information in July

19 MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Attended Sunfest – thank you for everyone's volunteerism
- Heritage Society Museum Open House and note of their online survey for services
- Attended the 2026 Miss Castlegar Pageant. Miss Castlegar 2026 is Young Kim and Miss Castlegar Princess 2026 is Taliya Lundquist
- Air Cadets ceremony
- Mercer Celgar tour and stakeholder meeting
- Economic Development meeting

20 NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nil

21 BYLAWS FOR CONSIDERATION:

Emergency Management Organization Bylaw 1441 – Adoption (Report No. 26-44)

A Bylaw to establish an Emergency Management Organization for the City of Castlegar.

R168-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Emergency Management Organization Bylaw 1441 be adopted.

CARRIED.

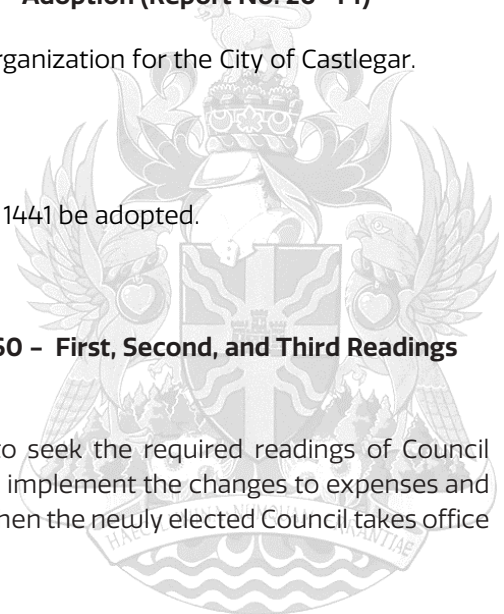
Council Expense Allowance Amendment Bylaw 1460 – First, Second, and Third Readings (Report No. 26-45)

Report from the Manager of Legislative Services to seek the required readings of Council Expense Allowance Amendment Bylaw 1460 and to implement the changes to expenses and remuneration paid to Mayor and Council effective when the newly elected Council takes office November 2, 2026.

R169-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council Expense Allowance Amendment Bylaw 1460 be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED.



Council Indemnity Amendment Bylaw 1461 – First, Second, and Third Readings (Report No. 26-45)

Report from the Manager of Legislative Services to seek the required readings of Council Indemnity Amendment Bylaw 1461 and to implement the changes to expenses and remuneration paid to Mayor and Council effective when the newly elected Council takes office November 2, 2026.

R170-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED:

THAT Council Indemnity Amendment Bylaw 1461 be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED.

22 NEXT MEETING(S):

July 13, 2026 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:

R171-26 Moved and seconded, and
RESOLVED: THAT the Regular meeting be adjourned.

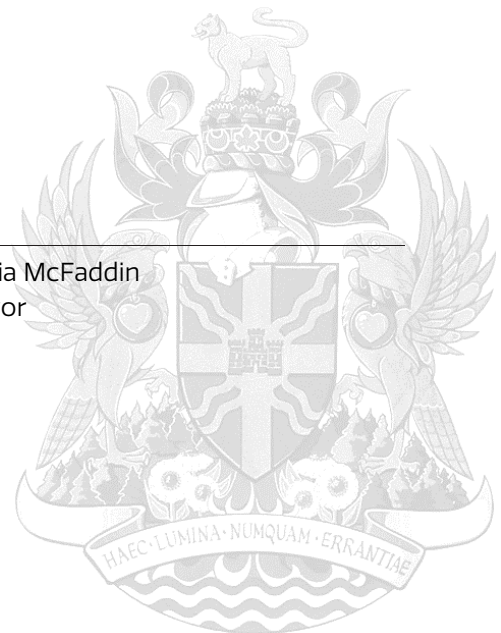
CARRIED.

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 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 **fifth** meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in 2026 was held on Thursday May 21, 2026 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	
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 A. McLaren-Caux	Village of Nakusp	In-Person
Director K. Page	City of Nelson	In-Person
Director L. Casley	Village of New Denver	
Director D. Lockwood	Village of Salmo	In-Person
Director T. Gordon	Village of Silverton	In-Person
Director J. Lunn	Village of Slocan	In-Person

STAFF PRESENT

S. Horn	Chief Administrative Officer
M. Morrison	Corporate Officer/Manager of Corporate Administration
A. Lund	Deputy Corporate Officer
A. Wilson	Acting General Manager of Development & Community Sustainability Services
D. Seguin	General Manager of Fire and Emergency Management Services
S. Sudan	General Manager of Development & Community Sustainability Services
T. Davison	General Manager of Community Services
U. Wolf	General Manager of Environmental Services
Y. Malloff	General Manager of Finance, Information Technology and Economic Development
A. Hamilton	Acting Resource Recovery Manager – Projects and Programs
AJ Evenson	Senior Project Manager
C. Gaynor	Regional Parks Manager
C. Stanley	Regional Manager Operations & Asset Management

E. Stout	Building and Bylaw Manager
K. Calder	Regional Manager of Recreation & Client Services
N. Wight	Planning Manager
N. Hannon	Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Senior Advisor
C. Hogan	Project Manager
C. Scott	Planner
D. Elliott	Communications Coordinator
J. Lay	RDCK FireSmart Coordinator
M. St Louis	Grants Coordinator
P. Marshall Smith	Sustainability Planner
S. Johnson	Planner

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

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Meeting ID: 955 7334 5491

Meeting Password: 142530

In-Person Location:

Nelson Office - Boardroom
202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC

2. CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

This meeting is being recorded in accordance with the RDCK's Recording Meetings policy and will be posted on the RDCK website.

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

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

206/26

The agenda for the May 21, 2026 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted with the following:

- inclusion of Item 9.2.5 letter from Ministry of Transportation and Transit regarding Inland Ferry Services;
- inclusion of Item 9.2.6 UBCM's response to 2025 Resolutions; and
- the addition of the addendum

before circulation.

Carried**2.3 Adoption of the Minutes****Correction to the Board Meeting - April 16, 2026 minutes****RES 175/26**

The Area H North Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2026 not 2027.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

207/26

The minutes from the April 16, 2026 Regular Open Board meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried**2.4 Introductions**

The CAO introduced the following staff:

- Amy Wilson, Acting General Manager of Development and Community Sustainability, replacing Sangita Sudan who is retiring;
- Alayne Hamilton, Acting Resource Recovery Manager - Projects and Programs, filling in for Amy Wilson;
- Aimee Kootnikoff, Acting Resource Recovery Manager - Operations, filling in for Amy Wilson;
- Corey Jakobsze, Emergency Support Services Coordinator;
- Marie-Ange Fournier-Beck, GIS Analyst; and
- Luke Magnall, Utility Technician, replacing Dave Sharun.

3. COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS**3.1 With Recommendations****3.1.1 Directors Remuneration Select Committee: minutes March 30, 2026**

The Board Report from Yev Malloff, General Manager Finance, IT and Procurement, providing the Board with an update on the process followed by the Directors Remuneration Select Committee over its four meetings, has been received for information.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

208/26

That the Board approve RDCK Directors meal allowance and incidental expense rates be tied to the BC Provincial Employee Group II rates and round to the nearest dollar for administration ease, effective January 1, 2027.

Carried

Moved and seconded
MOTION ONLY

That the Board approve Directors attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Conference be restricted to two times per term, effective January 1, 2027.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION

209/26

That the foregoing motion being:

That the Board approve Directors attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Conference be restricted to two times per term, effective January 1, 2027;

be amended to replace "be restricted to two times per term" with "be restricted to ten directors per year", thus reading:

*That the Board approve Directors attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Conference **be restricted to ten directors per year**, effective January 1, 2027;*

Defeated

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

MAIN MOTION

210/26

That the Board approve Directors attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Conference be restricted to two times per term, effective January 1, 2027.

Defeated

**DIRECTOR
PRESENT**

Director Davidoff joined the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Moved and seconded,
MOTION ONLY

That the Board approve the first three Board Workshops that a director attends per year will be considered a part of Directors regular duties, and not draw additional stipend, and related expenses be paid as per Board policy.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION

211/26

The foregoing motion being:

That the Board approve the first three Board Workshops that a director attends per year will be considered a part of Directors regular duties, and not draw additional stipend, and related expenses be paid as per Board policy;

be amended by replacing "three" with "six", thus reading:

*That the Board approve the first **six** Board Workshops that a director attends per year will be considered a part of Directors regular duties, and not draw additional stipend, and related expenses be paid as per Board policy.*

Carried

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

MAIN MOTION

212/26

That the Board approve the first six Board Workshops that a director attends per year will be considered a part of Directors regular duties, and not draw additional stipend, and related expenses be paid as per Board policy.

Carried

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

213/26

That the Board approve the Director carpooling mileage expenses for conferences equal to total airfares and related expenses of the number of people travelling together.

Carried

Moved and seconded,

MOTION ONLY

That the Board approve that if a director is absent from a Board meeting, that the Alternate Director Board meeting rate will be deducted from the director's monthly stipend.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION

214/26

That the foregoing motion being:

That the Board approve that if a director is absent from a Board meeting, that the Alternate Director Board meeting rate will be deducted from the director's monthly stipend;

be amended to include "3 or more" before "Board meetings" and "for the 3rd and subsequent meetings" after the word "stipend", thus reading:

*That the Board approve that if a director is absent from **3 or more** Board meetings per calendar year, that the Alternate Director Board meeting rate will be deducted from the director's monthly stipend **for the 3rd and subsequent meetings.***

Carried

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

MAIN MOTION

215/26

That the Board approve that if a director is absent from 3 or more Board meetings per calendar year, that the Alternate Director Board meeting rate will be deducted from the director's monthly stipend for the 3rd and subsequent meetings.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
MOTION ONLY

That the Board approve Mileage-Based Reimbursement for Rural Directors traveling over the 50 km/roundtrip threshold, be based on a uniform cap for mileage of \$3,000/year, with a black out period of 45 days prior to the election through to the Inaugural Board Meeting.

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION

216/26

That the foregoing motion being:

That the Board approve Mileage-Based Reimbursement for Rural Directors traveling over the 50 km/roundtrip threshold, be based on a uniform cap for mileage of \$3,000/year, with a black out period of 45 days prior to the election through to the Inaugural Board Meeting;

be amended by removing "Rural", thus reading:

That the Board approve Mileage-Based Reimbursement for Directors traveling over the 50 km/roundtrip threshold, be based on a uniform cap for mileage of \$3,000/year, with a black out period of 45 days prior to the election through to the Inaugural Board Meeting.

Defeated

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

MAIN MOTION

217/26

That the Board approve Mileage-Based Reimbursement for Rural Directors traveling over the 50 km/roundtrip threshold, be based on a uniform cap for mileage of \$3,000/year, with a black out period of 45 days prior to the election through to the Inaugural Board Meeting.

Carried

**RECESSED/
 RECONVENED**

The Board meeting recessed for a break at 10:35 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

**DIRECTOR
 ABSENT**

Director Casley left the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

3.1.2 North Kootenay Lake Services Committee: minutes April 13, 2026

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

218/26

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into an Operational and Maintenance Agreement with the Village of Kaslo for the Operation and Maintenance of the McDonald Creek Water Service for the period of five (5) years beginning on May 1, 2026, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

Director Vandenberghe recorded opposed.

3.1.3 Electoral Area A Recreation Commission No. 9: minutes April 27, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

219/26

That the Board approve the payment of the following grants from the Recreation Commission No. 9 – Area A Service No. S232 2026 budget:

Boswell Memorial Hall Society - Washing Sink	\$1,393.05
East Shore Trail and Bike Association	\$8,400
Boswell Memorial Hall Society - Insurance	\$4,140
Crawford Bay & District Hall & Park Association	\$2,253
Crawford Bay School PAC	\$1,030.50
East Shore Circle of Friends Society	\$584.50
Gray Creek Hall Society	\$3,000
Riondel Golf Club Society	\$1,353.85

Carried

3.1.4 Portion of Area E - Procter/Harrop/Balfour/Queens Bay Recreation Commission No. 10: minutes April 27, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

220/26

That the foregoing motion being:

That the Board contact the Balfour Senior Citizens Association via Director Graham to review the Recreation Commission No.10 grant application process and requirements.

Be amended thus reading:

That the Board send a letter to the Balfour Senior Citizens Association outlining the requirements for the Recreation Commission No. 10 grant application process and offering a meeting with Director Graham for further clarification.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

221/26

That the Board approve the payment of the following grants from the Recreation Commission No. 10 – Portion of Area E – Procter/Harrop/Balfour/Queens Bay Service No. S279 2026 budget:

Balfour Senior Citizens Association Branch #120	\$500
Balfour Senior Citizens Association Branch #120	\$910
Procter Community Society	\$500
Balfour Senior Citizens Association Branch #120	\$933.96
Balfour Recreation Commission	\$1,000

Carried

3.1.5 Castlegar and District Community Complex Recreation Commission: minutes May 5, 2026

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

222/26

That the Board approve the Pass Creek Fall Fair to proceed in 2026 at Pass Creek Regional Park; AND FURTHER, that the Board approve the RDCK entering into an Event Site License Agreement with the Pass Creek Exhibition Society for the Pass Creek Fall Fair for the period of the (10) days, September 18, 2026 - September 27, 2026, and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Carried

3.1.6 Creston Valley Services Committee: minutes May 7, 2026

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

223/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S224 Recreation Facility – Creston and Areas B and C and Area A, to Increase Grants Specified by \$5,000, Increase Transfer from Reserves by \$45,000 and Increase Capital Expenditures by \$50,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

224/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S201 Regional Parks – Creston and Areas B and C, to Decrease Contribution to Reserves by \$60,000, Increase Transfer from Reserves by \$40,000 and Increase Capital Expenditures by \$100,000.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

225/26

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a three-year agreement with Creston New Horizons Seniors Society for non-exclusive use of the Rotacrest Hall commencing on June 1, 2026 and ending on May 31, 2029 and that the Board Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized the execute the agreement.

Carried

3.1.7 Area H, New Denver and Silverton Recreation Commission No. 6: minutes May 7, 2026

Staff have received direction to schedule the November 3, 2026 Recreation Commission meeting on October 1, 2026.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

226/26

That the Board approve the payment of the following grants from the Recreation Commission No. 6 -New Denver, Silverton & Area Service No. S229 2026 budget:

Slocan Lake Art Council	\$1,028
Haven for Ecology	\$1,000
Harvest Share and Bear Aware	\$1,000
North Slocan Trails Society	\$1,500

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

227/26

That the Board open the Recreation Commission No. 6 -New Denver, Silverton & Area Service No. S229 Fall Grant intake on August 1st, 2026 and close it on September 14, 2026; AND FURTHER, that the Board direct staff to submit an ad in the Valley Voice before the August 7th, 2026 deadline, to appear in the August 13 publication, and that staff are to prepare the grant applications for the Commission by September 18, 2026.

Carried**3.2 Membership/Appointments**

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

228/26

That the Board appoint the individuals to the following RDCK Commissions & Committees:

Area H North Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2026:

Johnathan Buttle
David McCulloch

Area H, New Denver, Silverton Recreation Commission No. 6 for a term to end December 31, 2027:

Don Broughton (Silverton Council)

Area D Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission:

And further, the Board send a letter to outgoing member Ken Hart thanking him for his service to the Area D Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission.

Carried**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

4.1 The letter dated April 16, 2026 from Sergeant Derek Pitt, RCMP, seeking the RDCK's funding support Marine Patrols on Kootenay Lake.

4.2 The letter dated May 4, 2026 from Gary Diers, Mt. Willet Wilderness Forever, seeking a letter of support from the RDCK for the inclusion of the Argenta-Johnsons Landing Face in the Purcell Wilderness Conservancy Provincial Park and to advocate.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

229/26

That the letter dated May 4, 2026 from Gary Diers, Mt. Willet Wilderness Forever, seeking a letter of support from the RDCK for the inclusion of the Argenta-Johnsons Landing Face in the Purcell Wilderness Conservancy Provincial Park and to advocate **BE REFERRED** to the June 18, 2026 Board meeting.

Carried**5. BYLAWS**

5.1 Bylaw 3081: The Corporation of the Village of Slocan - Slocan Mill Site Property Security Issuing

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 230/26 That The Corporation of the Village of Slocan - Slocan Mill Site Property Security Issuing be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.
- Carried**
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
- 231/26 That The Corporation of the Village of Slocan - Slocan Mill Site Property Security Issuing be ADOPTED and the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the same.
- Carried**
- 5.2 Bylaw 3067: Elector Areas A, B, and C Dangerous and Aggressive Dog Control Service Establishment - EMAIL VOTE**
- The Chair's declaration regarding the email vote dated May 5, 2026 for Elector Areas A, B, and C Dangerous and Aggressive Dog Control Service Establishment Bylaw No. 3067, 2026 Elector Response Forms, has been received.
- The information regarding the email vote prepared by Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer, dated May 1, 2026, has been received.
- 6. NEW BUSINESS**
- 6.1 Community Services**
- 6.1.1 Contract Award: Facility Condition Assessments**
- The Board Report from Carolyn Hogan, Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Facility Condition Assessment project, has been received.
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
- 232/26 That the Board award the Facility Condition Assessment project to ASI-Asset Strategy Inc.; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$120,270.00 + GST, AND FURTHER, that the costs for the project be paid from Contracted Services associated with Service A122 Asset Management.
- Carried**
- 6.1.2 Financial Plan Amendment: Regional Parks – Nelson and Salmo and Areas E, F, and G Service S202**
- The Board Report from Craig Stanley, Regional Manager - Operations and Asset Management, seeking Board approval to amend the financial plan for Nelson and Salmo and Areas E, F, and G Service S202, has been received.
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:
- 233/26 That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Service S202 Regional Parks –Nelson and Salmo and Areas E, F, and G to Increase Grants Revenue Specified by \$50,000 and Increase Capital Expenditures by \$50,000.
- Carried**
- Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

234/26 That the Board direct Staff to amend the existing Consulting Services Agreement with SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc., Contract Number: 2024_229_ENV_SRK_CONSULTING to expand the scope of dam assessment services to include Rosebud Lake, with the total additional authorization not to exceed \$100,000.

Carried

6.1.3 2026-2028 Regional Park Enhancement Program

The Board Report from Trisha Davison, General Manager of Community Services, seeking Board authorize staff to submit to Columbia Basin Trust the Year 1 Projects List for the Regional District of Central Kootenay Regional Park Enhancement Program 2026-2028, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

235/26 That the Board authorize staff to submit to Columbia Basin Trust the Year 1 Projects List as presented at the May 21, 2026 Open Board Meeting for the Regional District of Central Kootenay Regional Park Enhancement Program 2026-2028, Columbia Basin Trust Project #: 22,602.

Carried

6.2 Environmental Services

6.2.1 Contract Award: Burton Water Main Replacement Project

The Board Report from Carolyn Hogan, Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Burton Water Main Replacement Project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

236/26 That the Board award the Burton Water Main Replacement project to Milestone Equipment Contracting Inc.; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$174,103.00 + GST, AND FURTHER, that the costs for the project be paid from both reserves and proceeds from borrowing under Water Utility – Burton Service S252; AND FURTHER that the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay authorizes up to \$150,000 to be borrowed under Section 403 of the Local Government Act, from the Municipal Finance Authority for the purpose of constructing a replacement water main and that the loan be repaid within 2 years, with no rights of renewal.

Carried

6.2.2 Contract Award: Edgewood, Burton and Rosebery Transfer Stations - Civil Work

The Board Report from AJ Evenson, Senior Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Edgewood, Burton and Rosebery Transfer Stations - Civil Work, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

237/26 That the Board direct staff to award the contract for the Edgewood, Burton and Rosebery Transfer Stations – Civil Work to Arrow Lakes Aggregates Ltd; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$110,629.50 plus GST; AND FURTHER, that the funds be drawn from Refuse Disposal – West Subregion Service S188.

Carried**6.2.3 Contract Award: Erickson Water System - Residential Meter Contract Package 3**

The Board Report from AJ Evenson, Senior Project Manager, seeking the Board approve the award for the Erickson Water System – Residential Meter Contract Package 3, has been received.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

238/26

That the Board direct staff to award the contract for the Erickson Water System – Residential Meter Contract Package 3 – Contract Award to Valhalla Hydrovac Ltd; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$349,848.42 plus GST; AND FURTHER, that the funds be paid from Service S250 Water Utility – Area B & C (Erickson).

Carried**6.2.4 Contract Award: Fauquier Water Main Replacement Project**

The Board Report from Carolyn Hogan, Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the Fauquier Water Main Replacement Project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

239/26

That the Board award the Fauquier Water Main Replacement project to Milestone Equipment Contracting Inc; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$204,038.00 + GST, AND FURTHER, that the costs for the project be paid from reserves associated with Water Utility – Fauquier Service S254.

Carried**6.2.5 Contract Award: West Robson Water Main Replacement Project**

The Board Report from Carolyn Hogan, Project Manager, seeking Board approval to award the West Robson Water Main Replacement Project, has been received.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

240/26

That the Board award the West Robson Water Main Replacement project to Copcan Holdings Ltd.; and that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$99,795.00 + GST, AND FURTHER, that the costs for the project be paid from reserves associated with Water Utility – West Robson Service S256.

Carried**6.2.6 Financial Plan Amendment: Erickson Water Service - Water Main Replacement**

The Board Report from Alex Divlakovski, Water Operations Manager, seeking Board approval to amend the 2026 Financial Plan for Erickson Water Service - Water Main Replacement, has been received.

Moved and seconded,

And Resolved:

241/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan for Water Utility – Area B/C (Erickson) Service S250 to INCREASE Capital Expenses by

\$70,000, INCREASE Transfer from Reserves by \$75,000, and INCREASE Transfer to Other Services by \$5,000.

Carried

6.2.7 MFA Borrowing Authorization: Resource Recovery Fleet Vehicle

The Board Report from Amy Wilson, Resource Recovery Manager, seeking Board approval to authorize MFA borrowing for a Resource Recovery fleet vehicle, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

242/26

That the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay authorizes up to \$65,000 to be borrowed under Section 403 of the Local Government Act, from the Municipal Finance Authority for the purpose of a fleet unit for Service A102 Resource Recovery and THAT the loan be repaid within five years, with no rights of renewal.

Carried

6.3 Administration & Finance

6.3.1 Policy 100-01-22: Project Prioritization Matrix

The Board Report from Stuart Horn, Chief Administrative Officer, providing the Board with the draft Project Prioritization Matrix, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

243/26

That the draft RDCK Prioritization Matrix Policy No. 100-01-22 be received and that Directors provide feedback on the draft policy to staff prior to June 1st, 2026, AND FURTHER, that staff be directed to bring an update to the draft policy to the June 18, 2026 Open Board Meeting.

Carried

6.3.2 Delegated Authority Bylaw

The Board Report from Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer, seeking Board direction to prepare a draft Delegated Authority Bylaw, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

244/26

That the Board direct staff to prepare a draft Delegated Authority Bylaw and seek legal review prior to Board consideration.

Carried

6.3.3 2026 ReDi Grant

The Board Report from Monique St Louis, Grants Coordinator, seeking Board approval of the 2026 ReDi Grant funds, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

245/26

That the ReDi funding proposals listed in Attachment A of the 2026 ReDi Grants Board report dated May 1, 2026 be approved, and that the funds be disbursed

from Service X101 – Columbia Basin Trust Grants allocated to each area as listed below:

2026 All Area ReDi Recommendations			
Area	Organization	Project Title	Recommendation
Area A	Canyon Community Association	Revitalization of Existing Features	\$163.00
Area A	Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy	Seeds of Science	\$217.00
Area A	Community Arts Council of Creston	Connections Through Art	\$138.00
Area A	Community Arts Council of Creston	Living History: Our Land, Our Place, Our Stories The Kootenay History Symposium:	\$129.00
Area A	Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association	Danger trees at the Crawford Bay Community Park	\$783.00
Area A	Creston and District Historical and Museum Society	FireSmart Roof Upgrades – Carr Building	\$494.00
Area A	Creston Community Auditorium Society	KRSS Theatre Subsidy Program	\$292.00
Area A	Creston Community Seed Bank Society	Inventory and Process Automation/Database Creation	\$183.00
Area A	Creston Community Seed Bank Society	Seed Bank Modernization and Digitization	\$200.00
Area A	Creston Feral Friends Society	CFFS 2026 TNR	\$338.00
Area A	Creston Pet Adoption and Welfare Society	Spay and Neuter & Vaccination Grant	\$758.00
Area A	Creston Valley Blossom Festival Association	86th Annual Creston Valley Blossom Festival (2027)	\$1,138.00
Area A	Creston Valley Cycling Association	Wynndel Mountain Bike Trail Network Expansion	\$1,417.00
Area A	Creston Valley Fall Fair Association	108th Creston Valley Fall Fair	\$1,246.00
Area A	Creston Valley Figure Skating Club	Ice Breakers - Welcoming New Skaters to the Ice	\$221.00
Area A	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Community Equipment Sharing Program	\$192.00
Area A	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Harvest Share - Ladder Replacement and Storage Improvements	\$208.00
Area A	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Marketing & Promotion Market Bags	\$100.00
Area A	Creston Valley Pride Society	Pride in the Valley	\$67.00
Area A	Creston Valley Search & Rescue	Operational Readiness Enhancement	\$1,233.00
Area A	Creston Valley Shrine Club #35	Transportation Fund	\$271.00
Area A	Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship	Therapeutic Riding Program	\$200.00
Area A	Creston Valley Youth Soccer Association	Empowering Local Leaders – Creston FC Coach Education Initiative	\$167.00
Area A	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$233.00
Area A	Fields Forward Society	Growing for Community	\$542.00
Area A	Fields Forward Society	Onsite Retail Expansion	\$167.00
Area A	Fields Forward Society	Taste of Creston	\$233.00
Area A	Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society	2026 Harrop Wetlands Restoration, Citizen Science Monitoring & Kootenay Lake Summit Project	\$175.00

Area A	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$83.00
Area A	Kaslo Search and Rescue	KSAR Emergency Response Readiness	\$458.00
Area A	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$242.00
Area A	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$138.00
Area A	Kootenay Holds Climbing and Wellness Society	Climbing and Wellness Centre in Creston	\$267.00
Area A	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$92.00
Area A	Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation	KLH Cardiology Stress Test Equipment	\$296.00
Area A	Kootenay Mycological Society	Kootenay Mushroom Festival	\$58.00
Area A	Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society	Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP)	\$367.00
Area A	Nelson & District Hospice Society	Grief Programming and Remote Area Outreach	\$150.00
Area A	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$450.00
Area A	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$33.00
Area A	Northern BC Friends of Children Society	East Kootenay Family Support Project	\$167.00
Area A	Rotary Club of Creston Valley	Centennial Park Baseball Field Renovation/Upgrade Project	\$263.00
Area A	School District 8 Kootenay Lake	School District 8 Annual Youth Pow Wow-SD8 Aboriginal Education department	\$300.00
Area A	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$169.00
Area A	South Kootenay Lake ArtConnect Society	Electrical upgrade to Harrison Memorial Community Cultural Centre	\$1,823.00
Area A	South Kootenay Lake ArtConnect Society	Water access installation, Phase 2 & 3	\$666.00
Area A	Starbelly Jam Society	Starbelly Jam Music Festival	\$1,617.00
Area A	The Canadian Red Cross Society	Free Equipment Loans for RDCK Seniors	\$157.00
Area A	The Nelson History Theatre Society	Storytelling in Schools	\$58.00
Area A	Valley Community Services Society	Community Counselling Program	\$567.00
Area A	West Creston Community Hall Society	Upgrade Hall lighting	\$217.00
Area A	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Mount Lavina: Improvements to a radio repeater	\$98.00
Area A	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Pilot Point Repeater Site - Recurring remote access costs	\$97.00
Area A	Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch	15th Annual Creston Valley Bird Festival - Promotion and Advertising	\$254.00
Area A	Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch	Creston Valley Community Stewardship Initiative	\$333.00
Area A	Wynndel Community Centre	Redevelopment Concept & Planning Study	\$4,917.00
Area A	Crawford Bay Parent Advisory Council (PAC)	Crawford Bay School Hot Lunch Program	\$4,158.00
Area A	South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society	East Shore Seniors Emergency Ride Home	\$1,127.00
Area A	South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society	New Van for East Shore Youth and Seniors- ES Transp Soc- NEW Van????	\$1,600.00
Area A	South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society	Crawford Bay Sunday Market	\$1,066.00

Area A	Eastshore Circle of Friends Society	Patio Awning, Dolly and Lighting	\$640.00
Area A	Kaslo infoNet Society	Riondel Community Centre - Emergency Phone and WiFi	\$733.00
Area A Total			\$35,166.00
Area B	Canyon Community Association	Revitalization of Existing Features	\$1,003.00
Area B	Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy	Seeds of Science	\$850.00
Area B	Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network	Wild Voices for Kids RDCK	\$500.00
Area B	Community Arts Council of Creston	Connections Through Art	\$700.00
Area B	Community Arts Council of Creston	Living History: Our Land, Our Place, Our Stories The Kootenay History Symposium:	\$1,000.00
Area B	Cops for Kids Charitable Foundation	Funding 2026	\$500.00
Area B	Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association	Danger trees at the Crawford Bay Community Park	\$600.00
Area B	Creston and District Historical and Museum Society	FireSmart Roof Upgrades – Carr Building	\$1,500.00
Area B	Creston Community Auditorium Society	KRSS Theatre Subsidy Program	\$1,000.00
Area B	Creston Community Seed Bank Society	Inventory and Process Automation/Database Creation	\$1,000.00
Area B	Creston Community Seed Bank Society	Seed Bank Modernization and Digitization	\$1,000.00
Area B	Creston Feral Friends Society	CFFS 2026 TNR	\$500.00
Area B	Creston Pet Adoption and Welfare Society	Spay and Neuter & Vaccination Grant	\$5,000.00
Area B	Creston Quilts 4 Kids	Creston Quilts 4 Kids	\$700.00
Area B	Creston Valley Blossom Festival Association	86th Annual Creston Valley Blossom Festival (2027)	\$5,500.00
Area B	Creston Valley Cycling Association	Wynndel Mountain Bike Trail Network Expansion	\$3,500.00
Area B	Creston Valley Fall Fair Association	108th Creston Valley Fall Fair	\$5,500.00
Area B	Creston Valley Figure Skating Club	Ice Breakers - Welcoming New Skaters to the Ice	\$1,000.00
Area B	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Community Equipment Sharing Program	\$2,000.00
Area B	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Harvest Share - Ladder Replacement and Storage Improvements	\$1,000.00
Area B	Creston Valley Libation Producers Society	Hop to Vine Hustle	\$500.00
Area B	Creston Valley Pride Society	Pride in the Valley	\$100.00
Area B	Creston Valley Search & Rescue	Operational Readiness Enhancement	\$2,000.00
Area B	Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship	Therapeutic Riding Program	\$5,000.00
Area B	Creston Valley Youth Soccer Association	Empowering Local Leaders – Creston FC Coach Education Initiative	\$800.00
Area B	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$2,500.00
Area B	Fields Forward Society	Growing for Community	\$2,500.00
Area B	Fields Forward Society	Taste of Creston	\$1,000.00
Area B	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$600.00
Area B	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$500.00

Area B	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$500.00
Area B	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$750.00
Area B	Kootenay Holds Climbing and Wellness Society	Climbing and Wellness Centre in Creston	\$500.00
Area B	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$200.00
Area B	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$100.00
Area B	Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society	Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP)	\$3,000.00
Area B	Northern BC Friends of Children Society	East Kootenay Family Support Project	\$1,000.00
Area B	Rotary Club of Creston Valley	Centennial Park Baseball Field Renovation/Upgrade Project	\$3,500.00
Area B	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$500.00
Area B	South Kootenay Lake ArtConnect Society	Electrical upgrade to Harrison Memorial Community Cultural Centre	\$500.00
Area B	South Kootenay Lake ArtConnect Society	Water access installation, Phase 2 & 3	\$200.00
Area B	SQx Danza	Hurricane	\$250.00
Area B	The Canadian Red Cross Society	Free Equipment Loans for RDCK Seniors	\$315.00
Area B	Trails for Creston Valley Society	Tools for Trail Maintenance & Training	\$1,500.00
Area B	Valley Community Services Society	Community Counselling Program	\$3,000.00
Area B	West Creston Community Hall Society	Upgrade Hall lighting	\$1,290.00
Area B	West Kootenay Recreational Dirt Bike and ATV Society	Tree Hugger trail rehabilitation	\$500.00
Area B	Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch	15th Annual Creston Valley Bird Festival - Promotion and Advertising	\$800.00
Area B	Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch	Creston Valley Community Stewardship Initiative	\$3,000.00
Area B	Yahk - Kingsgate Recreation Society	Infrastructure - Deck and water tank	\$1,500.00
Area B	Yahk/Kingsgate Community Garden Club	Y/K Community Garden	\$2,500.00
Area B Total			\$75,258.00
Area C	Creston Community Auditorium Society	KRSS Theatre Subsidy Program	\$1,000.00
Area C	Creston Community Seed Bank Society	Seed Bank Modernization and Digitization	\$400.00
Area C	Creston Quilts 4 Kids	Creston Quilts 4 Kids	\$700.00
Area C	Creston Valley Blossom Festival Association	86th Annual Creston Valley Blossom Festival (2027)	\$6,000.00
Area C	Creston Valley Fall Fair Association	108th Creston Valley Fall Fair	\$7,808.00
Area C	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Harvest Share - Ladder Replacement and Storage Improvements	\$500.00
Area C	Creston Valley Search & Rescue	Operational Readiness Enhancement	\$2,000.00
Area C	Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship	Therapeutic Riding Program	\$1,300.00
Area C	Creston Valley Youth Soccer Association	Empowering Local Leaders – Creston FC Coach Education Initiative	\$800.00

Area C	Rotary Club of Creston Valley	Centennial Park Baseball Field Renovation/Upgrade Project	\$2,000.00
Area C	West Creston Community Hall Society	Excavate and Gravel Drive and Park Area	\$4,000.00
Area C	West Creston Community Hall Society	Upgrade Hall lighting	\$10,000.00
Area C Total			\$36,508.00
Area D/Kaslo	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$475.00
Area D/Kaslo	Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society	2026 Harrop Wetlands Restoration, Citizen Science Monitoring & Kootenay Lake Summit Project	\$375.00
Area D/Kaslo	Intercultural Kootenays Society	Stronger Together: Deepning Belonging	\$250.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo and District Community Forest Society	Winter in the Forest Festival	\$1,750.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Community Acupuncture Society	Barrier-free community acupuncture clinics	\$2,612.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Community Services Society	Family Centre Guest Speaker Series	\$1,600.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Community Services Society	Food Cupboard	\$3,100.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Community Services Society	Kaslo Saturday Market	\$2,500.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Community Services Society	Youth Art and Culture (YAC)	\$1,700.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Concert Society	Performer fees	\$850.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Curling Club	Curling End to End Graphic Sheet Liners	\$1,600.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Search and Rescue	KSAR Emergency Response Readiness	\$3,100.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$450.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$1,900.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$200.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$550.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$4,900.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation	KLH Cardiology Stress Test Equipment	\$500.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Lake Independent School Society	Periwinkle Children's Centre Fence Repair and Replacement	\$2,100.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Mycological Society	Kootenay Mushroom Festival	\$900.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$1,500.00
Area D/Kaslo	Langham Cultural Society	Indigenous Traditional Arts Project	\$1,500.00
Area D/Kaslo	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Freezer Meals for Community Members and for Senior and Mobility Challenged	\$1,600.00
Area D/Kaslo	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Kids to Camp 2026	\$2,300.00
Area D/Kaslo	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Swimming @ Glayco 2026	\$800.00
Area D/Kaslo	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$1,500.00
Area D/Kaslo	North Kootenay Lake Arts & Heritage Council	Art in the Market	\$1,050.00

Area D/Kaslo	School District 8 Kootenay Lake	School District 8 Annual Youth Pow Wow-SD8 Aboriginal Education department	\$350.00
Area D/Kaslo	The Canadian Red Cross Society	Free Equipment Loans for RDCK Seniors	\$500.00
Area D/Kaslo	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	West Kootenay Driver Program 2026	\$350.00
Area D/Kaslo	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Invigorate Local Restorative Justice Program	\$200.00
Area D/Kaslo	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Install Backup Power Generator to the Mount Lavina Radio Repeater Site	\$2,000.00
Area D/Kaslo	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Mount Lavina: Improvements to a radio repeater	\$200.00
Area D/Kaslo	West Kootenay Family Wellness Society	Childcare Storage Container	\$250.00
Area D/Kaslo	West Kootenay Fibreshed Society	Place-Based Textile Camps for Rural Youth	\$350.00
Area D/Kaslo	West Kootenay Football Club	2026 Unity Cup	\$200.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Outdoor Recreation and Trails Society	Kaslo Disc Golf Club Upgrades	\$1,500.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo Outdoor Recreation and Trails Society	KORTS 2026 Summer Trail Crew Support	\$2,650.00
Area D/Kaslo	Kaslo and Area Youth Council	Kaslo Pride Celebration 2027	\$1,200.00
Area D/Kaslo	Wildwood Discovery Society	Kaslo Wild Ultra	\$1,250.00
Area D/Kaslo	Wildwood Discovery Society	Summer Program	\$1,800.00
Area D/Kaslo	Wildwood Discovery Society	Wildwood Discovery Christmas Play	\$1,100.00
Area D/Kaslo	J.B. Fletcher Restoration Society	Building the Path Forward	\$1,450.00
Area D/Kaslo	The Kaslo Shakespeare Festival	PERICLES	\$1,000.00
Area D/Kaslo Total			\$58,012.00
Area D/Lardeau	Argenta Community Association	Annual Christmas Dinner	\$356.00
Area D/Lardeau	Argenta Community Association	Argenta Fall Faire	\$2,563.00
Area D/Lardeau	Community Arts Council of Creston	Living History: Our Land, Our Place, Our Stories The Kootenay History Symposium:	\$13.00
Area D/Lardeau	Crop for a Cure	Crop for a Cure Support 2026/27	\$1,750.00
Area D/Lardeau	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$409.00
Area D/Lardeau	Intercultural Kootenays Society	Stronger Together: Deepning Belonging	\$19.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo and District Community Forest Society	Winter in the Forest Festival	\$439.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Community Acupuncture Society	Barrier-free community acupuncture clinics	\$2,594.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Community Services Society	Family Centre Guest Speaker Series	\$2,403.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Community Services Society	Food Cupboard	\$7,750.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Community Services Society	Kaslo Saturday Market	\$1,400.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Community Services Society	Parent And Child Time – Meadow Creek	\$5,563.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Community Services Society	Youth Art and Culture (YAC)	\$3,219.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Concert Society	Performer fees	\$444.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Curling Club	Curling End to End Graphic Sheet Liners	\$469.00

Area D/Lardeau	Kaslo Search and Rescue	KSAR Emergency Response Readiness	\$3,619.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$375.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$469.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$529.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$774.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$125.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Lake Independent School Society	Periwinkle Children's Centre Fence Repair and Replacement	\$597.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Mycological Society	Kootenay Mushroom Festival	\$163.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$813.00
Area D/Lardeau	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$38.00
Area D/Lardeau	Langham Cultural Society	Indigenous Traditional Arts Project	\$913.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Energy Efficiency Upgrades	\$2,494.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Freezer Meals for Community Members and for Senior and Mobility Challenged	\$4,672.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Kids to Camp 2026	\$3,172.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Market Coordinator	\$1,344.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Programming @ LVCC 26/27	\$2,281.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Community Club	Swimming @ Glayco 2026	\$1,234.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society	Community Emergency Infrastructure & Preparedness	\$4,263.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society	LINKS 2026 Newsletter	\$4,938.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society	The "Letting Go" Project	\$1,941.00
Area D/Lardeau	Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society	Water Resource Mapping for Wildfire Suppression	\$3,594.00
Area D/Lardeau	Living Lakes Canada Society	Fire Suppression Water Mapping Update	\$3,156.00
Area D/Lardeau	Living Lakes Canada Society	North Kootenay Lake Water Monitoring	\$3,301.00
Area D/Lardeau	Nakusp Ski Club Association	Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area Rental Equipment Replacement	\$188.00
Area D/Lardeau	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$827.00
Area D/Lardeau	Nelson Civic Theatre Society	Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry	\$31.00
Area D/Lardeau	Nelson Fine Art Centre Society	Oxygen Art Centre Artist Residency Project 2026-2027	\$6.00
Area D/Lardeau	North Kootenay Lake Arts & Heritage Council	Art in the Market	\$650.00
Area D/Lardeau	School District 8 Kootenay Lake	School District 8 Annual Youth Pow Wow-SD8 Aboriginal Education department	\$38.00
Area D/Lardeau	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Install Backup Power Generator to the Mount Lavina Radio Repeater Site	\$2,354.00
Area D/Lardeau	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Mount Lavina: Improvements to a radio repeater	\$469.00
Area D/Lardeau	Johnsons Landing Community Association	Culture Camp- One Drum	\$1,829.00

Area D/Lardeau	Argenta Workshop Society	Argenta Community Workshop	\$4,208.00
Area D/Lardeau Total			\$84,796.00
Area E	561 Osprey Sponsoring Committee	Youth First Aid Certification & Outreach Pilot	\$350.00
Area E	Balfour and District Business and Historic Association	H-Vac upgrade Balfour Chapel and Performance Centre	\$3,000.00
Area E	Balfour and District Business and Historic Association	MV Anscomb Wheelhouse Interpreter	\$2,135.00
Area E	Balfour and District Business and Historic Association	Wheelhouse Accessibility & Visibility	\$775.00
Area E	Balfour Recreation Commission	Balfour Daze 2026	\$3,215.00
Area E	Balfour Recreation Commission	Fitness Centre Equipment Upgrade	\$2,245.00
Area E	Bee Awareness Society	Bee Awareness Education Program	\$525.00
Area E	Black Productions	Mean Girls: The Musical	\$100.00
Area E	Blewett Elementary Parent Advisory Council (BPAC)	Blewett Elementary National Anthem Sign	\$215.00
Area E	Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society	Communities Pulling Together	\$675.00
Area E	Community Arts Council of Creston	Living History: Our Land, Our Place, Our Stories The Kootenay History Symposium:	\$125.00
Area E	Corporation of the City of Nelson	Nelson Farmer's Market Program - Special Events	\$260.00
Area E	Crescent Valley Community Hall Society	Main Hall Interior Room Upgrade	\$50.00
Area E	Creston Valley Shrine Club #35	Transportation Fund	\$45.00
Area E	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$550.00
Area E	Elephant Mountain Literary Society	Elephant Mountain Lit Fest 2026	\$125.00
Area E	Elk Root Conservation Farm Society	ERC Community Food Box Program	\$160.00
Area E	Freshwater Fisheries Society of B.C.	Central Kootenay FFSBC Outreach Programs 2026-27	\$565.00
Area E	Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society	2026 Harrop Wetlands Restoration, Citizen Science Monitoring & Kootenay Lake Summit Project	\$905.00
Area E	Friends of the Nelson Municipal Library	Library Outreach in RDCK Area E	\$700.00
Area E	Harrop School House Society	Harrop Schoolhouse Childcare Centre	\$3,875.00
Area E	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$325.00
Area E	Hume Elementary Parent Advisory Council	Hume Elementary Nature Playscape Enhancement Project	\$195.00
Area E	Intercultural Kootenays Society	Stronger Together: Deepning Belonging	\$325.00
Area E	Kaslo Curling Club	Curling End to End Graphic Sheet Liners	\$320.00
Area E	Kaslo Search and Rescue	KSAR Emergency Response Readiness	\$1,500.00
Area E	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$950.00
Area E	Kootenay Brain Injury Association	SOAR Group Program	\$510.00
Area E	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$350.00

Area E	Kootenay Circus Arts Association	Discover Circus - West Kootenay Accessible Circus Initiative	\$325.00
Area E	Kootenay Circus Arts Association	Boundless Arts & Events - Opening the Doors: Community Access to the Circus Hub	\$260.00
Area E	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$2,500.00
Area E	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$325.00
Area E	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$330.00
Area E	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival Association	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival	\$75.00
Area E	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$210.00
Area E	Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation	KLH Cardiology Stress Test Equipment	\$1,410.00
Area E	Kootenay Musical Theatre Society	From Kootenay Wild to the World	\$110.00
Area E	Kootenay Mycological Society	Kootenay Mushroom Festival	\$100.00
Area E	Kootenay Native Plant Society	Native Pollinator Habitat Restoration Project	\$620.00
Area E	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$400.00
Area E	Kootenay School of the Arts Society	Re:Create Kootenay Arts Festival	\$115.00
Area E	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$765.00
Area E	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$85.00
Area E	Living Lakes Canada Society	Cottonwood Creek Aquatic Habitat Restoration	\$750.00
Area E	Massif Music Festival Society	Massif Music 2026	\$115.00
Area E	Nelson & District Arts Council	ArtWalk 2026	\$350.00
Area E	Nelson & District Arts Council	Rural Artist Support Weekend	\$100.00
Area E	Nelson & District Hospice Society	Grief Programming and Remote Area Outreach	\$750.00
Area E	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$510.00
Area E	Nelson and District Museum, Archives, Art Gallery and Historical Society	Free Family Programming at the Nelson Museum	\$250.00
Area E	Nelson Civic Theatre Society	Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry	\$950.00
Area E	Nelson Cycling Club Society	Nelson Cycling Club Trail Program	\$1,165.00
Area E	Nelson Fine Art Centre Society	Oxygen Art Centre Artist Residency Project 2026-2027	\$450.00
Area E	Nelson Izu-shi Friendship Society	Reflecting/Looking Ahead: Sister Cities	\$120.00
Area E	Nelson Leafs Hockey Society	Infrastructure Expansion to Recycling Capacity	\$370.00
Area E	Nelson Nordic Ski Club	East Busk Cardiac Hill Trail Reroute Project	\$510.00
Area E	Nelson Search and Rescue Society	Rope Rescue Training Platform	\$300.00
Area E	Nelson Soccer Association	Nelson Celebrates the World: FIFA World Cup 2026	\$725.00
Area E	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$85.00
Area E	Polka Dot Dragon Arts Society	Lantern Festival	\$140.00
Area E	Polka Dot Dragon Arts Society	Remember the Dead	\$175.00

Area E	Procter Community Society	Stage Performance Lights	\$2,340.00
Area E	Queens Bay Residents Association	\$100 Training and Recertification (\$100A)	\$1,940.00
Area E	School District 8 Kootenay Lake	School District 8 Annual Youth Pow Wow-SD8 Aboriginal Education department	\$450.00
Area E	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$640.00
Area E	Selkirk Concert Society	Selkirk Pro-Musica Concert Series 2026-27	\$145.00
Area E	SQx Danza	Hurricane	\$50.00
Area E	Symphony of the Kootenays Association	Voyage Beyond Stars	\$140.00
Area E	Taghum Footbridge Society	Reclaim Taghum Bridge - Phase 2	\$1,850.00
Area E	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$650.00
Area E	The Capitol Theatre Restoration Society	Sinixt Canoe Journey - Nelson Stop	\$140.00
Area E	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	West Kootenay Driver Program 2026	\$115.00
Area E	The Harrop and District Community Centre	Accessibility improvement	\$3,300.00
Area E	The Kootenay Swim Club	Equipment for Swim Meets and Training	\$100.00
Area E	The Nelson History Theatre Society	Storytelling in Schools	\$80.00
Area E	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Install Backup Power Generator to the Mount Lavina Radio Repeater Site	\$215.00
Area E	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Mount Lavina: Improvements to a radio repeater	\$270.00
Area E	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Pilot Point Repeater Site - Recurring remote access costs	\$83.00
Area E	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Slocan Ridge Radio Repeater Enhanced Solar Charge Controller Improvements	\$170.00
Area E	West Kootenay Family Wellness Society	Childcare Storage Container	\$1,750.00
Area E	West Kootenay Fibreshed Society	Materials for Common Threads	\$315.00
Area E	West Kootenay Fibreshed Society	Place-Based Textile Camps for Rural Youth	\$125.00
Area E	West Kootenay Pony Club	West Kootenay Pony Club	\$800.00
Area E	West Kootenay Sno Goers Assn	Warming Shelter Sustainability & Fire Reduction Upgrades	\$615.00
Area E	WH2O Racers Society	Race Course Equipment Enhancement	\$850.00
Area E Total			\$57,648.00
Area F	561 Osprey Sponsoring Committee	Youth First Aid Certification & Outreach Pilot	\$750.00
Area F	Balfour Recreation Commission	Balfour Daze 2026	\$1,000.00
Area F	Balfour Recreation Commission	Fitness Centre Equipment Upgrade	\$500.00
Area F	Black Productions	Mean Girls: The Musical	\$500.00
Area F	Blewett Elementary Parent Advisory Council (BPAC)	Blewett Elementary National Anthem Sign	\$80.00
Area F	Castlegar Nordic Ski Club	Paulson Nordic Cabin Revitalization	\$500.00
Area F	Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society	Communities Pulling Together	\$2,500.00

Area F	Community Arts Council of Creston	Living History: Our Land, Our Place, Our Stories The Kootenay History Symposium:	\$500.00
Area F	Corporation of the City of Nelson	Nelson Farmer's Market Program - Special Events	\$250.00
Area F	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$500.00
Area F	Elephant Mountain Literary Society	Elephant Mountain Lit Fest 2026	\$500.00
Area F	Elk Root Conservation Farm Society	ERC Community Food Box Program	\$500.00
Area F	Friends of Kootenay Lake Stewardship Society	2026 Harrop Wetlands Restoration, Citizen Science Monitoring & Kootenay Lake Summit Project	\$1,000.00
Area F	Friends of the Nelson Municipal Library	Digital Learning at the Library	\$750.00
Area F	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$900.00
Area F	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$3,500.00
Area F	Kootenay Brain Injury Association	SOAR Group Program	\$1,000.00
Area F	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$800.00
Area F	Kootenay Circus Arts Association	Boundless Arts & Events - Opening the Doors: Community Access to the Circus Hub	\$1,000.00
Area F	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$3,000.00
Area F	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$750.00
Area F	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$1,000.00
Area F	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival Association	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival	\$500.00
Area F	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$200.00
Area F	Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation	KLH Cardiology Stress Test Equipment	\$2,500.00
Area F	Kootenay Musical Theatre Society	From Kootenay Wild to the World	\$500.00
Area F	Kootenay Mycological Society	Kootenay Mushroom Festival	\$200.00
Area F	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$1,169.00
Area F	Kootenay School of the Arts Society	Re:Create Kootenay Arts Festival	\$250.00
Area F	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$2,000.00
Area F	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Pharatree Kids Zone at the Kootenay Wellness Festival	\$100.00
Area F	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$700.00
Area F	Massif Music Festival Society	Massif Music 2026	\$500.00
Area F	Nelson & District Arts Council	ArtWalk 2026	\$1,000.00
Area F	Nelson & District Arts Council	Rural Artist Support Weekend	\$500.00
Area F	Nelson & District Hospice Society	Grief Programming and Remote Area Outreach	\$1,000.00
Area F	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$900.00
Area F	Nelson and District Museum, Archives, Art Gallery and Historical Society	Free Family Programming at the Nelson Museum	\$500.00
Area F	Nelson Civic Theatre Society	Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry	\$1,300.00

Area F	Nelson Cycling Club Society	Nelson Cycling Club Trail Program	\$3,000.00
Area F	Nelson Fine Art Centre Society	Oxygen Art Centre Artist Residency Project 2026-2027	\$50.00
Area F	Nelson Izu-shi Friendship Society	Reflecting/Looking Ahead: Sister Cities	\$500.00
Area F	Nelson Leafs Hockey Society	Infrastructure Expansion to Recycling Capacity	\$500.00
Area F	Nelson Nordic Ski Club	East Busk Cardiac Hill Trail Reroute Project	\$1,000.00
Area F	Nelson Search and Rescue Society	Rope Rescue Training Platform	\$500.00
Area F	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$200.00
Area F	Nelson Tennis Club	Year-Round Water Supply	\$1,600.00
Area F	Polka Dot Dragon Arts Society	Lantern Festival	\$500.00
Area F	Polka Dot Dragon Arts Society	Remember the Dead	\$500.00
Area F	Procter Community Society	Stage Performance Lights	\$500.00
Area F	School District 8 Kootenay Lake	School District 8 Annual Youth Pow Wow-SD8 Aboriginal Education department	\$1,000.00
Area F	Selkirk Concert Society	Selkirk Pro-Musica Concert Series 2026-27	\$750.00
Area F	SQx Danza	Hurricane	\$1,000.00
Area F	Symphony of the Kootenays Association	Voyage Beyond Stars	\$500.00
Area F	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$500.00
Area F	The Capitol Theatre Restoration Society	Sinixt Canoe Journey - Nelson Stop	\$250.00
Area F	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	West Kootenay Driver Program 2026	\$500.00
Area F	The Kootenay Swim Club	Equipment for Swim Meets and Training	\$800.00
Area F	The Nelson History Theatre Society	Storytelling in Schools	\$150.00
Area F	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Install Backup Power Generator to the Mount Lavina Radio Repeater Site	\$3,500.00
Area F	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Slocan Ridge Radio Repeater Enhanced Solar Charge Controller Improvements	\$500.00
Area F	West Kootenay Family Wellness Society	Childcare Storage Container	\$2,000.00
Area F	West Kootenay Pony Club	West Kootenay Pony Club	\$1,350.00
Area F	West Kootenay Sno Goers Assn	Warming Shelter Sustainability & Fire Reduction Upgrades	\$1,250.00
Area F Total			\$58,499.00
Area G/Salmo	Bee Awareness Society	Bee Awareness Education Program	\$327.25
Area G/Salmo	Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society	Communities Pulling Together	\$167.37
Area G/Salmo	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$500.00
Area G/Salmo	Friends of the Salmo Public Library	Market Tent / pop-up awning	\$225.00
Area G/Salmo	Good Stuff Foundation	Adopt a family for the Holidays 2026	\$247.31
Area G/Salmo	Heart & Soul Martial Arts Society	Community Fitness and Self-Defense Seminars	\$127.40

Area G/Salmo	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$287.28
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$407.20
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Brain Injury Association	SOAR Group Program	\$207.35
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$1,966.03
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$39.97
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival Association	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival	\$79.94
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation	KLH Cardiology Stress Test Equipment	\$207.35
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$1,286.54
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Planeteers Recycling Society	Bucks for Butts	\$100.00
Area G/Salmo	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$367.23
Area G/Salmo	Lhasa Developments Ltd	Build for the Future Attainable Housing-Survey	\$527.10
Area G/Salmo	Lhasa Developments Ltd	Build for the Future Attainable Housing-website	\$607.04
Area G/Salmo	Massif Music Festival Society	Massif Music 2026	\$167.37
Area G/Salmo	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$287.29
Area G/Salmo	Nelson Leafs Hockey Society	Infrastructure Expansion to Recycling Capacity	\$39.97
Area G/Salmo	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$79.94
Area G/Salmo	Queen City Burlesque Expo	Queen City Burlesque Expo	\$567.07
Area G/Salmo	Rooted in Nature Stewardship Society	Youth Farm & Land Stewardship Pilot Program – 2026	\$2,565.58
Area G/Salmo	Royal Canadian Legion Salmo & District #217	100 Year's of Service Celebration	\$2,965.28
Area G/Salmo	Royal Canadian Legion Salmo & District #217	Ladies Auxiliary - Refrigerator and Kitchen Equipment Purchase	\$2,765.43
Area G/Salmo	Salmo and Area Supportive Housing Society	Intercom	\$686.99
Area G/Salmo	Salmo and District Healthcare Auxiliary Society	Thrift Store enhancements	\$2,565.58
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Barre Fitness	Rental Subsidy	\$1,326.51
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Climbing Society	Air and Route Upgrades	\$3,364.97
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Community Resource Society	Food Bank Garden Upgrade	\$1,646.27
Area G/Salmo	Salmo District Arts Council	Live music and performance	\$1,286.53
Area G/Salmo	Salmo District Golf Club	Salmo Golf Club irrigation repair and upgrade	\$4,843.87
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Secondary School PAC	Gazebo	\$287.29
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Secondary School PAC	Purchase of gym mats	\$1,526.35
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Senior Citizens' Housing Society	Tenant socialization	\$1,126.65
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Ski Club	Rental Equipment Phase 2	\$2,405.69
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Snow Ghosts	2026-2027 Affordability and Program Enhancement	\$447.16
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Square Society	Roof Replacement & Repairs	\$2,965.28
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Valley Curling and Rink Association	Building Upgrades	\$2,605.55
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Valley Farmers Market Society	2026 Farmers Market Season	\$1,766.18
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Valley Trail society	2026 Trail Maintenance	\$3,285.04

Area G/Salmo	Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Society	Gymnasium Floor Scrubber	\$2,445.67
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Society	Salmo Brazilian Jiu Jitsu	\$1,686.24
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Society	Salmo Snowboard Club	\$1,006.75
Area G/Salmo	Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Society	Salmo Valley Youth and Community Theater Program	\$1,966.03
Area G/Salmo	Sly Violet	Salmo's Got Talent!	\$600.00
Area G/Salmo	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$1,175.00
Area G/Salmo	The Canadian Red Cross Society	Free Equipment Loans for RDCK Seniors	\$207.34
Area G/Salmo	The Rossland Gold Fever Follies Society	Follies Show, Mentorship, "Shut-Ins" Special	\$247.31
Area G/Salmo	Trails for Creston Valley Society	Foot Bridges and Culvert	\$127.41
Area G/Salmo	True Country 4H Club	True Country 4H Club-Start Up	\$647.02
Area G/Salmo	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Invigorate Local Restorative Justice Program	\$39.97
Area G/Salmo	West Kootenay BMX	Maintenance and improvements	\$1,446.42
Area G/Salmo	West Kootenay Football Club	2026 Unity Cup	\$207.35
Area G/Salmo	West Kootenay Recreational Dirt Bike and ATV Society	Tree Hugger trail rehabilitation	\$367.23
Area G/Salmo	Ymir Arts and Museum Society	Ymir Schoolhouse emergency lighting	\$4,044.47
Area G/Salmo	Ymir Community Association	Storage Room Renovation	\$3,884.59
Area G/Salmo Total			\$69,350.00
Area H	561 Osprey Sponsoring Committee	Youth First Aid Certification & Outreach Pilot	\$100.00
Area H	Appledale Daycare Society	Acquire new chairs and sheets	\$700.00
Area H	Bee Awareness Society	Bee Awareness Education Program	\$900.00
Area H	Castlegar Nordic Ski Club	Paulson Nordic Cabin Revitalization	\$300.00
Area H	Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network	Wild Voices for Kids RDCK	\$200.00
Area H	Crescent Valley Community Hall Society	Main Hall Interior Room Upgrade	\$2,500.00
Area H	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$200.00
Area H	Elk Root Conservation Farm Society	ERC Community Food Box Program	\$300.00
Area H	Fireweed Hub Society	Fireweed Hub Weekly Elders Events	\$1,500.00
Area H	Friends of the Nelson Municipal Library	Digital Learning at the Library	\$300.00
Area H	Goat Mountain Kids Society	Outdoor Sensory Regulation Space	\$150.00
Area H	Harvest Share & Bear Aware Society	Harvest Share & Bear Aware	\$450.00
Area H	Healthy Community Society of the North Slokan Valley	Food Program- Share, Teach, Grow 2026-27	\$400.00
Area H	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$400.00
Area H	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$200.00
Area H	Kootenay Brain Injury Association	Rural & Remote Brain Injury Outreach Pilot	\$200.00
Area H	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$800.00

Area H	Kootenay Circus Arts Association	Discover Circus - West Kootenay Accessible Circus Initiative	\$500.00
Area H	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$500.00
Area H	Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation	KLH Cardiology Stress Test Equipment	\$200.00
Area H	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$700.00
Area H	Kootenay Planeteers Recycling Society	Bucks for Butts	\$150.00
Area H	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Pharatree Kids Zone at the Kootenay Wellness Festival	\$200.00
Area H	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$350.00
Area H	Krestova Doukhobor Community Society	Krestova Community Ice Rink	\$1,000.00
Area H	Nelson & District Hospice Society	Grief Programming and Remote Area Outreach	\$450.00
Area H	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$500.00
Area H	Nelson and District Museum, Archives, Art Gallery and Historical Society	Free Family Programming at the Nelson Museum	\$150.00
Area H	Nelson Civic Theatre Society	Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry	\$200.00
Area H	Nelson Leafs Hockey Society	Infrastructure Expansion to Recycling Capacity	\$200.00
Area H	Nelson Soccer Association	Nelson Celebrates the World: FIFA World Cup 2026	\$100.00
Area H	New Denver and Area Youth Centre Society	Youth Building Skills Together	\$350.00
Area H	New Denver Hospice Society	Volunteers Make a Community Stronger	\$1,300.00
Area H	North Slokan Trails Society	Ranch Ridge Trail Network: Phase 1	\$2,000.00
Area H	Pharatree Learning Centre	Pharatree Learning Library Resource Improvements	\$200.00
Area H	Red Mountain Road and Enterprise Creek Emergency Preparedness Society	Community Preparedness Training Initiative	\$4,000.00
Area H	Sandon Historical Society	Sandon Museum Fire Exit Rebuild	\$1,100.00
Area H	Silverton Community Club	2026 Slokan Valley Veterans Project	\$400.00
Area H	Slokan Integral Forestry Cooperative	SIFCo Resiliency Centre Emergency Upgrades	\$1,000.00
Area H	Slokan Lake Arts Council (Society)	Music in the Park (MITP)	\$2,000.00
Area H	Slokan Lake Early Learning Society	Branching Out: The 50th Anniversary Strategic Launch	\$200.00
Area H	Slokan Park Community Hall Society	Bathroom Pipes Retrofit	\$1,000.00
Area H	Slokan Solutions Society	FibreFeelia 2026	\$300.00
Area H	Slokan Solutions Society	ND bear smart working group. Electric Fencing/Fruit Tree Replacement Cost-Share	\$600.00
Area H	Slokan Solutions Society	North Slokan Community Library	\$200.00
Area H	Slokan Solutions Society	Purchase Library Books and Reading Chair for Lucerne Elementary Secondary School	\$400.00
Area H	Slokan Solutions Society	Slokan Saturday Market	\$2,500.00
Area H	Slokan Solutions Society	The Art of Safe Keeping	\$250.00
Area H	Slokan Solutions Society	Valhalla Community Choir	\$400.00
Area H	Slokan Valley Community Band	Stands and Folders	\$300.00
Area H	Slokan Valley Housing Society	Slokan Valley Seniors' Outreach	\$3,000.00

Area H	Slocan Valley Threads Guild	Firesmart Mitigation Project	\$900.00
Area H	Slocan Valley Watershed & Forest Protection Society	Watershed and Forest Protection	\$6,000.00
Area H	SQx Danza	Hurricane	\$300.00
Area H	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$250.00
Area H	The Canadian Red Cross Society	Free Equipment Loans for RDCK Seniors	\$250.00
Area H	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	West Kootenay Driver Program 2026	\$800.00
Area H	The North Valley Mountain Film Festival Committee	The North Valley Mountain Film Festival	\$300.00
Area H	The Rossland Gold Fever Follies Society	Follies Show, Mentorship, "Shut-Ins" Special	\$150.00
Area H	The Slocan Community Library Society	Acquire books and puzzles for different age groups and interests.	\$900.00
Area H	The Slocan River Streamkeepers	Slocan River Community Water Monitoring 2026	\$2,500.00
Area H	Treehugger Retreats and Events Society	HARMONY 2027	\$100.00
Area H	Treehugger Retreats and Events Society	Winter Carnival 2027	\$100.00
Area H	True Country 4H Club	True Country 4H Club-Start Up	\$900.00
Area H	Valley Gems Community Theatre Society	A Country Road Theatre and Performance Lab	\$500.00
Area H	Valley View Golf Club	Course Improvements and Upkeep	\$2,000.00
Area H	Village of Slocan	Slocan Valley Legion Hall - Stage & Electrical Upgrades	\$1,500.00
Area H	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Early Years Communication & Coordination Project	\$1,500.00
Area H	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Seniors Driver Support Program	\$2,000.00
Area H	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Seniors Emergency Response Support	\$2,000.00
Area H	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	TAPS Sustainability & Enhancement Project	\$2,000.00
Area H	West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club	Slocan Ridge Radio Repeater Enhanced Solar Charge Controller Improvements	\$150.00
Area H	West Kootenay Fibreshed Society	Place-Based Textile Camps for Rural Youth	\$500.00
Area H	West Kootenay Football Club	2026 Unity Cup	\$750.00
Area H	West Kootenay Pony Club	West Kootenay Pony Club	\$1,000.00
Area H	West Kootenay Recreational Dirt Bike and ATV Society	Tree Hugger trail rehabilitation	\$450.00
Area H	Winlaw Hall Association	Revitalization & Enhancement of Winlaw Hall	\$5,000.00
Area H Total			\$69,100.00
Area I	Bee Awareness Society	Bee Awareness Education Program	\$500.00
Area I	Blueberry Creek Community School Council	Blueberry Creek Community School Gym safety upgrades and renovation.	\$500.00
Area I	Blueberry Creek Community School Council	TGIF youth program, Healthy Dinners for children and youth.	\$250.00
Area I	Castlegar and District Curling Club	Viewing Lounge Air Conditioning	\$750.00
Area I	Castlegar and District Heritage Society	Reviving the Museum Ground Floor	\$500.00

Area I	Castlegar and Friends Dog Park Society	Dog Park Gazebo and Connecting Path, and Kiosk Notice Board	\$500.00
Area I	Castlegar Garden Club	Castlegar Garden Club Garden Tour	\$100.00
Area I	Castlegar Golf Club	Facility Upgrades	\$750.00
Area I	Castlegar Nordic Ski Club	Paulson Nordic Cabin Revitalization	\$750.00
Area I	Castlegar Parks and Trails Society	Everest's Memorial Bike Trail	\$500.00
Area I	Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network	Wild Voices for Kids RDCK	\$500.00
Area I	Corporation of the City of Nelson	Nelson Farmer's Market Program - Special Events	\$250.00
Area I	Crescent Valley Community Hall Society	Main Hall Interior Room Upgrade	\$500.00
Area I	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$500.00
Area I	Elk Root Conservation Farm Society	ERC Community Food Box Program	\$250.00
Area I	Good Stuff Foundation	Adopt a family for the Holidays 2026	\$500.00
Area I	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$750.00
Area I	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$1,500.00
Area I	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$500.00
Area I	Kootenay Columbia Learning Centre Parent Advisory Council	Grad 2026 Memorabilia Project	\$750.00
Area I	Kootenay Doukhobor Historical Society	Doukhobor Discovery Centre Exhibition Enhancement	\$500.00
Area I	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$2,000.00
Area I	Kootenay Family Place	Stories and Senses	\$400.00
Area I	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$500.00
Area I	Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society	Program Developer - Pilot	\$933.20
Area I	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$200.00
Area I	Kootenay Musical Theatre Society	From Kootenay Wild to the World	\$250.00
Area I	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$750.00
Area I	Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society	Pass Creek Park Disc Golf	\$500.00
Area I	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Pharatree Kids Zone at the Kootenay Wellness Festival	\$150.00
Area I	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$500.00
Area I	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$750.00
Area I	Nelson and District Museum, Archives, Art Gallery and Historical Society	Free Family Programming at the Nelson Museum	\$250.00
Area I	Nelson Civic Theatre Society	Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry	\$500.00
Area I	Nelson Nordic Ski Club	East Busk Cardiac Hill Trail Reroute Project	\$100.00
Area I	Nelson Soccer Association	Nelson Celebrates the World: FIFA World Cup 2026	\$500.00
Area I	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$100.00
Area I	Pass Creek Neighbourhood Association	Pass Creek Community Activities 2026–2027	\$6,000.00

Area I	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$1,000.00
Area I	Shoreacres Hall Society	Children's Toy Exchange Site and Storage	\$6,000.00
Area I	SQx Danza	Hurricane	\$1,000.00
Area I	Tarrys and District Community Hall Society	Tarrys Hall Electrical upgrade	\$5,892.80
Area I	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$1,000.00
Area I	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	West Kootenay Driver Program 2026	\$1,000.00
Area I	The Classic Foundation	The Christmas Classic	\$750.00
Area I	The Kootenay Swim Club	Equipment for Swim Meets and Training	\$400.00
Area I	The Rossland Gold Fever Follies Society	Follies Show, Mentorship, "Shut-Ins" Special	\$350.00
Area I	The Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ	Verigin Memorial Park Tour Guides/Groundskeepers	\$5,000.00
Area I	True Country 4H Club	True Country 4H Club-Start Up	\$500.00
Area I	Valley View Golf Club	Course Improvements and Upkeep	\$250.00
Area I	West Kootenay Sno Goers Assn	Warming Shelter Sustainability & Fire Reduction Upgrades	\$750.00
Area I Total			\$49,876.00
Area J	BC Association of Community Response Networks	CASTLEGAR IRIS PROGRAM	\$8,000.00
Area J	Blueberry Creek Community School Council	Blueberry Creek Community School Gym safety upgrades and renovation.	\$3,000.00
Area J	Blueberry Creek Community School Council	TGIF youth program, Healthy Dinners for children and youth.	\$1,250.00
Area J	Castlegar and District Curling Club	Viewing Lounge Air Conditioning	\$1,000.00
Area J	Castlegar and District Heritage Society	Reviving the Museum Ground Floor	\$500.00
Area J	Castlegar and Friends Dog Park Society	Dog Park Gazebo and Connecting Path, and Kiosk Notice Board	\$500.00
Area J	Castlegar Golf Club	Facility Upgrades	\$500.00
Area J	Castlegar Junior 4H Club	Member Accessibility & Community Outreach Infrastructure	\$2,000.00
Area J	Castlegar Nordic Ski Club	Paulson Nordic Cabin Revitalization	\$2,500.00
Area J	Castlegar Sculpturewalk Society	Castlegar Sculpturewalk 2026	\$20,000.00
Area J	Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society	Communities Pulling Together	\$5,004.00
Area J	Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network	Wild Voices for Kids RDCK	\$400.00
Area J	Deer Park Recreation Society	Battery enclosures for the Deer Park fire hall solar system	\$3,955.00
Area J	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$4,500.00
Area J	Good Stuff Foundation	Adopt a family for the Holidays 2026	\$2,000.00
Area J	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$900.00
Area J	Intercultural Kootenays Society	Stronger Together: Deepning Belonging	\$1,000.00

Area J	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$10,000.00
Area J	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$6,000.00
Area J	Kootenay Columbia Learning Centre Parent Advisory Council	Grad 2026 Memorabilia Project	\$1,500.00
Area J	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$1,000.00
Area J	Kootenay Family Place	Stories and Senses	\$670.00
Area J	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$2,000.00
Area J	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$1,000.00
Area J	Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society	Program Developer - Pilot	\$4,000.00
Area J	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$1,440.00
Area J	Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society	Pass Creek Park Disc Golf	\$3,000.00
Area J	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$500.00
Area J	Ootischenia Community Society	Signage and event information board	\$1,000.00
Area J	Pass Creek Regional Exhibition Society	Pass Creek Fall Fair	\$10,000.00
Area J	Robson Community Memorial Church	RCMC Siding/Insulation Project CBT 2025/26	\$9,000.00
Area J	Robson Recreation Society	Electrical Upgrades and Air Conditioning	\$10,000.00
Area J	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$2,000.00
Area J	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$2,000.00
Area J	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	West Kootenay Driver Program 2026	\$3,500.00
Area J	The Kootenay Swim Club	Equipment for Swim Meets and Training	\$400.00
Area J	The Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ	Verigin Memorial Park Tour Guides/Groundskeepers	\$2,500.00
Area J	True Country 4H Club	True Country 4H Club-Start Up	\$2,000.00
Area J	West Kootenay Timberwolves Lacrosse Society	Timberwolves Senior Lacrosse Expansion	\$700.00
Area J Total			\$131,219.00
Area K Arrow Park	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Medical Van Program	\$500.00
Area K Arrow Park	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Nakusp and Area Food Bank	\$1,000.00
Area K Arrow Park	Arrow Lakes District Arts Council Society	Arts and Cultural Events	\$250.00
Area K Arrow Park	Arrow Park Community Association	Community Maintenance	\$4,000.00
Area K Arrow Park	British Columbia Sailing Association	Mobile Sailing Program in Nakusp 2026	\$808.00
Area K Arrow Park	Burton Community Association	Nature School Camps	\$1,500.00
Area K Arrow Park	Burton Community Learning Centre	Find Your Fun Community Recreation	\$500.00
Area K Arrow Park	Nakusp Ski Club Association	Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area Rental Equipment Replacement	\$500.00
Area K Arrow Park	Protecting Animal Life Society (P.A.L.S.)	P.A.L.S. Animal Rescue Program	\$1,000.00

Area K Arrow Park Total			\$10,058.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow and Slokan Lakes Community Services	Medical Van Program	\$8,000.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow and Slokan Lakes Community Services	Nakusp and Area Food Bank	\$29,000.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow Lakes Caribou Society	Central Selkirk Caribou Herd Recovery Activities	\$30,000.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow Lakes Cross Country Ski Club	Removal of Overhanging Tree Branches at Wensley Creek	\$3,500.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow Lakes District Arts Council Society	Arts and Cultural Events	\$3,281.64
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow Lakes District Arts Council Society	Lighting and Sound Equipment Upgrades	\$4,999.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow Lakes Environment Stewardship Society	Pollinator Patches : A Community Pollinator Habitat Program	\$1,900.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Arrow Lakes Historical Society	Increasing our digital capacity	\$3,856.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$4,000.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$3,065.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Nakusp & District Museum Society	Programs and Technology	\$4,886.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Nakusp Centennial Golf Club	Kitchen Upgrades	\$4,999.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Nakusp Secondary School	Graduates Banquet and Ceremony	\$1,500.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Nakusp Ski Club Association	Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area Rental Equipment Replacement	\$25,609.86
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Nakusp Volunteer Fire Brigade	Rural Emergency Connectivity for Road Rescue Operations	\$6,808.50
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$3,715.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Protecting Animal Life Society (P.A.L.S.)	P.A.L.S. Animal Rescue Program	\$16,000.00
Area KBayview/Nakusp	Rotary Club of Nakusp Society	Peace Literacy	\$2,050.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	Royal Canadian Legion Branch #20 Nakusp	Kitchen Upgrades and Storage Room	\$26,800.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp	West Kootenay Football Club	2026 Unity Cup	\$1,365.00
Area K Bayview/Nakusp Total			\$185,335.00

Area K Burton	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Medical Van Program	\$500.00
Area K Burton	Burton Community Association	Burton Rejuvenation (Campground, McCormack park, cemetery Lands)	\$3,236.00
Area K Burton	Burton Community Association	Chairs	\$3,704.82
Area K Burton	Burton Community Association	Nature School Camps	\$909.18
Area K Burton	Burton Community Association	Soil Enhancement of Community Garden	\$2,000.00
Area K Burton	Burton Community Learning Centre	Find Your Fun Community Recreation	\$1,200.00
Area K Burton	Burton Elementary School PAC	COMMUNITY GARDEN SOIL AMENDMENTS AND TOOLS/SUPPLIES	\$1,500.00
Area K Burton	Burton volunteer Fire Brigade	Equipment Purchase	\$6,600.00
Area K Burton Total			\$19,650.00
Area K Edgewood	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Fauqueir Childrens Summer Camp/Playgroup&Family Programs	\$1,500.00
Area K Edgewood	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Medical Van Program	\$500.00
Area K Edgewood	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Nakusp and Area Food Bank	\$2,000.00
Area K Edgewood	Burton Community Association	Nature School Camps	\$1,900.00
Area K Edgewood	Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network	Wild Voices for Kids RDCK	\$300.00
Area K Edgewood	Edgewood Community Park Board Society	Reconfigure the Washrooms	\$7,368.00
Area K Edgewood	Edgewood Volunteer Fire Dept Society	Firefighter Training and Seminar Expenses	\$5,000.00
Area K Edgewood	Inonoaklin Recreation Commission	Community Ball Park fencing.	\$8,000.00
Area K Edgewood	Lower Arrow Lakes Conservation Association	RESILIENT ROOFING/SIDING MODEL MINTO DISPLAY	\$8,000.00
Area K Edgewood	Nakusp Ski Club Association	Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area Rental Equipment Replacement	\$500.00
Area K Edgewood	Protecting Animal Life Society (P.A.L.S.)	P.A.L.S. Animal Rescue Program	\$5,000.00
Area K Edgewood Total			\$40,068.00
Area K Fauquier	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Fauqueir Childrens Summer Camp/Playgroup&Family Programs	\$3,250.00
Area K Fauquier	Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services	Medical Van Program	\$500.00
Area K Fauquier	Burton Community Association	Nature School Camps	\$1,700.00
Area K Fauquier	Fauquier & District Golf Club	Golf Greens Equipment for Revitalization	\$4,996.00
Area K Fauquier	Fauquier CARE Society	CARES Community Connection Series	\$3,000.00
Area K Fauquier	Fauquier Communication Centre Society	Up grade Library collections: children-adult.	\$1,550.00
Area K Fauquier	Fauquier Community Club	Fauquier Community Fitness	\$4,620.00
Area K Fauquier	Fauquier Community Club	Hot Water Tank	\$2,310.00
Area K Fauquier	Fauquier Community Club	Pavilion Bench Stain	\$769.00

Area K Fauquier	Fauquier Community Club	Pavilion Picnic Tables	\$5,495.00
Area K Fauquier	Protecting Animal Life Society (P.A.L.S.)	P.A.L.S. Animal Rescue Program	\$120.00
Area K Fauquier Total			\$28,310.00
Castlegar	BC Association of Community Response Networks	CASTLEGAR IRIS PROGRAM	\$11,548.43
Castlegar	Blueberry Creek Community School Council	Blueberry Creek Community School Gym safety upgrades and renovation.	\$3,310.70
Castlegar	Blueberry Creek Community School Council	TGIF youth program, Healthy Dinners for children and youth.	\$1,414.30
Castlegar	Blueberry Creek Improvement Society	Blueberry Creek Park Improvement	\$1,216.00
Castlegar	Castlegar and District Curling Club	Viewing Lounge Air Conditioning	\$1,857.10
Castlegar	Castlegar and District Heritage Society	Reviving the Museum Ground Floor	\$8,236.30
Castlegar	Castlegar and Friends Dog Park Society	Dog Park Gazebo and Connecting Path, and Kiosk Notice Board	\$1,714.30
Castlegar	Castlegar Aquanauts Swim Club	Pre Summer Competitive Program	\$950.00
Castlegar	Castlegar Garden Club	Castlegar Garden Club Garden Tour	\$471.40
Castlegar	Castlegar Golf Club	Facility Upgrades	\$1,142.90
Castlegar	Castlegar Nordic Ski Club	Paulson Nordic Cabin Revitalization	\$1,028.60
Castlegar	Castlegar Sculpturewalk Society	Castlegar Sculpturewalk 2026	\$8,714.30
Castlegar	Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network	Wild Voices for Kids RDCK	\$1,371.40
Castlegar	Cops for Kids Charitable Foundation	Funding 2026	\$428.60
Castlegar	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$857.10
Castlegar	Elk Root Conservation Farm Society	ERC Community Food Box Program	\$1,563.70
Castlegar	Good Stuff Foundation	Adopt a family for the Holidays 2026	\$3,571.40
Castlegar	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$400.00
Castlegar	Intercultural Kootenays Society	Stronger Together: Deepning Belonging	\$571.40
Castlegar	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$1,785.70
Castlegar	Kootenay Columbia Learning Centre Parent Advisory Council	Grad 2026 Memorabilia Project	\$821.40
Castlegar	Kootenay Doukhobor Historical Society	Doukhobor Discovery Centre Exhibition Enhancement	\$928.60
Castlegar	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$1,714.30
Castlegar	Kootenay Family Place	Stories and Senses	\$1,671.40
Castlegar	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$728.60
Castlegar	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$600.00
Castlegar	Kootenay Food Strategy Society	Castlegardens Growing Together Initiative	\$3,500.00
Castlegar	Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science Society	Program Developer - Pilot	\$1,821.40
Castlegar	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$641.00

Castlegar	Kootenay Rockies Disc Golf Society	Pass Creek Park Disc Golf	\$1,024.16
Castlegar	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$1,607.10
Castlegar	Kootenay South Youth Soccer Association	Field Lining Improvement Project	\$1,100.00
Castlegar	Lhasa Developments Ltd	Build for the Future Attainable Housing-website	\$299.90
Castlegar	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$157.10
Castlegar	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$2,429.00
Castlegar	Take a Hike Youth Mental Health Foundation	Take a Hike West Kootenays Program	\$1,142.90
Castlegar	The Air Cadet League of Canada, 581 Castlegar Sponsoring Committee	Castlegar Cadet Hall Ceiling and Floor Completion	\$7,246.06
Castlegar	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$1,528.60
Castlegar	The Canadian Red Cross Society	Free Equipment Loans for RDCK Seniors	\$500.00
Castlegar	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	Community Connect Day 2026	\$5,427.38
Castlegar	The Castlegar and District Community Services Society	West Kootenay Driver Program 2026	\$6,355.19
Castlegar	The Castlegar Festivals Society	Castlegar Sunfest 2026	\$11,968.98
Castlegar	The Classic Foundation	The Christmas Classic	\$928.60
Castlegar	The Kootenay Swim Club	Equipment for Swim Meets and Training	\$535.70
Castlegar	The Rossland Gold Fever Follies Society	Follies Show, Mentorship, "Shut-Ins" Special	\$760.70
Castlegar	The Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ	Verigin Memorial Park Tour Guides/Groundskeepers	\$750.00
Castlegar	True Country 4H Club	True Country 4H Club-Start Up	\$1,275.30
Castlegar	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Ingorate Local Restorative Justice Program	\$1,604.50
Castlegar	West Kootenay Timberwolves Lacrosse Society	Timberwolves Senior Lacrosse Expansion	\$1,303.60
Castlegar	Wildsight - Kimberly/Cranbrook Branch	Learning from the Living World - Environmental Education for K-12 Students	\$1,320.90
Castlegar Total			\$113,846.00
Creston	Canyon Community Association	Revitalization of Existing Features	\$767.86
Creston	Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy	Seeds of Science	\$989.29
Creston	Community Arts Council of Creston	Connections Through Art	\$453.57
Creston	Community Arts Council of Creston	Living History: Our Land, Our Place, Our Stories The Kootenay History Symposium:	\$953.57
Creston	Cops for Kids Charitable Foundation	Funding 2026	\$732.86
Creston	Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association	Danger trees at the Crawford Bay Community Park	\$89.29
Creston	Creston and District Historical and Museum Society	FireSmart Roof Upgrades – Carr Building	\$1,553.57
Creston	Creston Community Seed Bank Society	Inventory and Process Automation/Database Creation	\$725.00
Creston	Creston Community Seed Bank Society	Seed Bank Modernization and Digitization	\$771.43
Creston	Creston Feral Friends Society	CFFS 2026 TNR	\$1,510.71
Creston	Creston Pet Adoption and Welfare Society	Spay and Neuter & Vaccination Grant	\$5,203.57

Creston	Creston Quilts 4 Kids	Creston Quilts 4 Kids	\$496.43
Creston	Creston Valley Blossom Festival Association	86th Annual Creston Valley Blossom Festival (2027)	\$7,547.14
Creston	Creston Valley Cycling Association	Wynndel Mountain Bike Trail Network Expansion	\$4,785.71
Creston	Creston Valley Fall Fair Association	108th Creston Valley Fall Fair	\$7,675.00
Creston	Creston Valley Figure Skating Club	Ice Breakers - Welcoming New Skaters to the Ice	\$1,175.00
Creston	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Community Equipment Sharing Program	\$1,767.86
Creston	Creston Valley Food Action Coalition	Harvest Share - Ladder Replacement and Storage Improvements	\$1,375.00
Creston	Creston Valley Libation Producers Society	Hop to Vine Hustle	\$1,725.00
Creston	Creston Valley Pride Society	Pride in the Valley	\$732.14
Creston	Creston Valley Search & Rescue	Operational Readiness Enhancement	\$2,146.43
Creston	Creston Valley Shrine Club #35	Transportation Fund	\$289.29
Creston	Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship	Therapeutic Riding Program	\$2,960.71
Creston	Creston Valley Youth Soccer Association	Empowering Local Leaders – Creston FC Coach Education Initiative	\$1,103.57
Creston	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$425.00
Creston	Fields Forward Society	Growing for Community	\$1,932.86
Creston	Fields Forward Society	Onsite Retail Expansion	\$2,089.29
Creston	Fields Forward Society	Taste of Creston	\$2,332.14
Creston	Freshwater Fisheries Society of B.C.	Central Kootenay FFSBC Outreach Programs 2026-27	\$1,646.43
Creston	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$403.57
Creston	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$639.29
Creston	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$775.71
Creston	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$753.57
Creston	Kootenay Holds Climbing and Wellness Society	Climbing and Wellness Centre in Creston	\$632.14
Creston	Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society	Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP)	\$2,282.86
Creston	Nelson Civic Theatre Society	Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry	\$396.43
Creston	Northern BC Friends of Children Society	East Kootenay Family Support Project	\$893.57
Creston	Rotary Club of Creston Valley	Centennial Park Baseball Field Renovation/Upgrade Project	\$2,889.29
Creston	School District 8 Kootenay Lake	School District 8 Annual Youth Pow Wow-SD8 Aboriginal Education department	\$560.71
Creston	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$864.29
Creston	South Kootenay Lake ArtConnect Society	Electrical upgrade to Harrison Memorial Community Cultural Centre	\$128.57
Creston	SQx Danza	Hurricane	\$389.29
Creston	Starbelly Jam Society	Starbelly Jam Music Festival	\$439.29
Creston	The Canadian Red Cross Society	Free Equipment Loans for RDCK Seniors	\$1,011.43

Creston	Valley Community Services Society	Community Counselling Program	\$2,660.71
Creston	West Creston Community Hall Society	Upgrade Hall lighting	\$632.14
Creston	West Kootenay Recreational Dirt Bike and ATV Society	Tree Hugger trail rehabilitation	\$267.86
Creston	Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch	15th Annual Creston Valley Bird Festival - Promotion and Advertising	\$957.14
Creston	Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch	Creston Valley Community Stewardship Initiative	\$1,767.86
Creston	Empoweredlives Inc Kootenay Women in Business	Kootenay Women in Business Emotional Health Initiative	\$1,553.57
Creston Total			\$76,855.00
Nelson	561 Osprey Sponsoring Committee	Youth First Aid Certification & Outreach Pilot	\$2,750.00
Nelson	Corporation of the City of Nelson	NDYC Music Room Upgrade	\$3,540.00
Nelson	Corporation of the City of Nelson	Nelson Farmer's Market Program - Special Events	\$4,999.00
Nelson	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$3,000.00
Nelson	Elephant Mountain Literary Society	Elephant Mountain Lit Fest 2026	\$3,500.00
Nelson	Elk Root Conservation Farm Society	ERC Community Food Box Program	\$5,000.00
Nelson	First Baptist Church of Nelson, British Columbia	Cornerstone Children's Centre Kitchen Renovation	\$2,500.00
Nelson	Freshwater Fisheries Society of B.C.	Central Kootenay FFSBC Outreach Programs 2026-27	\$3,000.00
Nelson	Friends of the Nelson Municipal Library	Digital Learning at the Library	\$5,500.00
Nelson	Intercultural Kootenays Society	Stronger Together: Deepning Belonging	\$2,821.50
Nelson	Kootenay Carshare Cooperative	Kootenay Rideshare Enhancement Pilot	\$2,000.00
Nelson	Kootenay Circus Arts Association	Discover Circus - West Kootenay Accessible Circus Initiative	\$3,500.00
Nelson	Kootenay Circus Arts Association	Boundless Arts & Events - Opening the Doors: Community Access to the Circus Hub	\$1,500.00
Nelson	Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association	Strengthening Regional Emergency Response Capacity	\$3,500.00
Nelson	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$3,000.00
Nelson	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival Association	Kootenay International Burlesque Festival	\$1,000.00
Nelson	Kootenay Lake Historical Society	Conservation and Visitor-Safety : Restoration of Three Key Heritage Assets at the SS Moyie Site in Kaslo	\$200.00
Nelson	Kootenay Native Plant Society	Native Pollinator Habitat Restoration Project	\$7,033.00
Nelson	Kootenay School of the Arts Society	Re:Create Kootenay Arts Festival	\$2,000.00
Nelson	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$5,000.00
Nelson	Living Lakes Canada Society	Cottonwood Creek Aquatic Habitat Restoration	\$7,500.00
Nelson	Massif Music Festival Society	Massif Music 2026	\$3,500.00
Nelson	Nelson & District Arts Council	ArtWalk 2026	\$3,000.00
Nelson	Nelson & District Arts Council	Rural Artist Support Weekend	\$945.00

Nelson	Nelson and Area Community Transportation Group	Implementing Nelson Cycling Education Startegy	\$3,500.00
Nelson	Nelson and District Chamber of Commerce	Downtown Nelson Business Health and Data Base	\$4,000.00
Nelson	Nelson and District Museum, Archives, Art Gallery and Historical Society	Free Family Programming at the Nelson Museum	\$1,000.00
Nelson	Nelson Baseball Association	Queen Elizabeth Park Batting Cage Lights	\$4,500.00
Nelson	Nelson Cycling Club Society	Nelson Cycling Club Trail Program	\$4,500.00
Nelson	Nelson Fine Art Centre Society	Oxygen Art Centre Artist Residency Project 2026-2027	\$2,500.00
Nelson	Nelson Izu-shi Friendship Society	Reflecting/Looking Ahead: Sister Cities	\$5,000.00
Nelson	Nelson Nordic Ski Club	East Busk Cardiac Hill Trail Reroute Project	\$5,000.00
Nelson	Nelson Search and Rescue Society	Rope Rescue Training Platform	\$985.00
Nelson	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$2,400.00
Nelson	Nelson Youth Action Network	Nelson Youth Tech Club	\$4,500.00
Nelson	Polka Dot Dragon Arts Society	Lantern Festival	\$1,500.00
Nelson	Polka Dot Dragon Arts Society	Remember the Dead	\$1,250.00
Nelson	Procter Community Society	Stage Performance Lights	\$150.00
Nelson	Repair Café Nelson	Repair Cafe Nelson 2026 Events	\$2,080.00
Nelson	School District 8 Kootenay Lake	School District 8 Annual Youth Pow Wow-SD8 Aboriginal Education department	\$1,000.00
Nelson	Selkirk Concert Society	Selkirk Pro-Musica Concert Series 2026-27	\$2,000.00
Nelson	SQx Danza	Hurricane	\$1,000.00
Nelson	Symphony of the Kootenays Association	Voyage Beyond Stars	\$500.00
Nelson	Tapatia Collective	Day of the Dead: A cross-cultural celebration	\$2,000.00
Nelson	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$2,000.00
Nelson	The Capitol Theatre Restoration Society	Sinixt Canoe Journey - Nelson Stop	\$3,000.00
Nelson	The Kootenay Swim Club	Equipment for Swim Meets and Training	\$3,500.00
Nelson	The Nelson District Rod & Gun Club	Replace furnace and HVAC systems	\$2,500.00
Nelson	The Nelson History Theatre Society	Storytelling in Schools	\$500.00
Nelson	The Sapphire Sessions	The Sapphire Sessions Artist Honorariums	\$1,200.00
Nelson	Valley Gems Community Theatre Society	A Country Road Theatre and Performance Lab	\$125.00
Nelson	Wildsight - Kimberly/Cranbrook Branch	Learning from the Living World - Environmental Education for K-12 Students	\$5,000.00
Nelson Total			\$147,478.50
New Denver	Bee Awareness Society	Bee Awareness Education Program	\$500.00
New Denver	Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network	Wild Voices for Kids RDCK	\$250.00
New Denver	Fireweed Hub Society	Fireweed Hub Weekly Elders Events	\$2,488.00
New Denver	Goat Mountain Kids Society	Outdoor Sensory Regulation Space	\$1,000.00

New Denver	Harvest Share & Bear Aware Society	Harvest Share & Bear Aware	\$1,500.00
New Denver	Healthy Community Society of the North Slokan Valley	Food Program- Share, Teach, Grow 2026-27	\$3,000.00
New Denver	Hidden Garden Gallery Society	The Hidden Garden Gallery 2026 Season	\$900.00
New Denver	Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital and Health Foundation Society	Mental Health Matters Campaign	\$300.00
New Denver	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$400.00
New Denver	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$250.00
New Denver	Kootenay Outdoor Recreation Enterprise Society	ReHUB Mobile Repair Tour 2026	\$300.00
New Denver	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$1,000.00
New Denver	Nakusp Ski Club Association	Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area Rental Equipment Replacement	\$500.00
New Denver	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$2,000.00
New Denver	New Denver and Area Housing Society	New Denver Area Home-Share	\$1,000.00
New Denver	New Denver and Area Youth Centre Society	Youth Building Skills Together	\$1,500.00
New Denver	New Denver Hospice Society	Volunteers Make a Community Stronger	\$1,500.00
New Denver	North Slokan Trails Society	Ranch Ridge Trail Network: Phase 1	\$2,000.00
New Denver	Protecting Animal Life Society (P.A.L.S.)	P.A.L.S. Animal Rescue Program	\$500.00
New Denver	Red Mountain Road and Enterprise Creek Emergency Preparedness Society	Community Preparedness Training Initiative	\$1,000.00
New Denver	Sandon Historical Society	Sandon Museum Fire Exit Rebuild	\$1,000.00
New Denver	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$500.00
New Denver	Silverton Community Club	2026 Slokan Valley Veterans Project	\$500.00
New Denver	Slokan Integral Forestry Cooperative	SIFCo Resiliency Centre Emergency Upgrades	\$300.00
New Denver	Slokan Lake Arts Council (Society)	Music in the Park (MITP)	\$2,250.00
New Denver	Slokan Lake Early Learning Society	Branching Out: The 50th Anniversary Strategic Launch	\$1,000.00
New Denver	Slokan Solutions Society	FibreFeelia 2026	\$500.00
New Denver	Slokan Solutions Society	ND bear smart working group. Electric Fencing/Fruit Tree Replacement Cost-Share	\$500.00
New Denver	Slokan Solutions Society	North Slokan Community Library	\$1,200.00
New Denver	Slokan Solutions Society	Purchase Library Books and Reading Chair for Lucerne Elementary Secondary School	\$500.00
New Denver	Slokan Solutions Society	The Art of Safe Keeping	\$200.00
New Denver	Slokan Solutions Society	Valhalla Community Choir	\$1,000.00
New Denver	The North Valley Mountain Film Festival Committee	The North Valley Mountain Film Festival	\$750.00
New Denver	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Invigorate Local Restorative Justice Program	\$500.00
New Denver	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Seniors Emergency Response Support	\$500.00
New Denver	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	TAPS Sustainability & Enhancement Project	\$1,500.00
New Denver Total			\$34,588.00

Silverton	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$500.00
Silverton	Fireweed Hub Society	Fireweed Hub Weekly Elders Events	\$2,500.00
Silverton	Goat Mountain Kids Society	Outdoor Sensory Regulation Space	\$1,000.00
Silverton	Harvest Share & Bear Aware Society	Harvest Share & Bear Aware	\$2,200.00
Silverton	Healthy Community Society of the North Slokan Valley	Food Program- Share, Teach, Grow 2026-27	\$3,500.00
Silverton	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$1,500.00
Silverton	Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Sustainable infrastructure for on-going community events	\$100.00
Silverton	Nakusp Ski Club Association	Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area Rental Equipment Replacement	\$500.00
Silverton	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$934.00
Silverton	New Denver and Area Housing Society	New Denver Area Home-Share	\$1,400.00
Silverton	New Denver and Area Youth Centre Society	Youth Building Skills Together	\$2,000.00
Silverton	New Denver Hospice Society	Volunteers Make a Community Stronger	\$1,000.00
Silverton	North Slokan Trails Society	Ranch Ridge Trail Network: Phase 1	\$2,000.00
Silverton	Protecting Animal Life Society (P.A.L.S.)	P.A.L.S. Animal Rescue Program	\$1,000.00
Silverton	Red Mountain Road and Enterprise Creek Emergency Preparedness Society	Community Preparedness Training Initiative	\$1,500.00
Silverton	Sandon Historical Society	Sandon Museum Fire Exit Rebuild	\$750.00
Silverton	Selkirk College Foundation	Field Learning Access Van	\$500.00
Silverton	Silverton Community Club	2026 Slokan Valley Veterans Project	\$500.00
Silverton	Silverton Community Club	Outdoor mining equipment signage with QR code	\$500.00
Silverton	Slokan Integral Forestry Cooperative	SIFCo Resiliency Centre Emergency Upgrades	\$200.00
Silverton	Slokan Lake Arts Council (Society)	Music in the Park (MITP)	\$1,500.00
Silverton	Slokan Lake Early Learning Society	Branching Out: The 50th Anniversary Strategic Launch	\$1,500.00
Silverton	Slokan Solutions Society	FibreFeelia 2026	\$500.00
Silverton	Slokan Solutions Society	ND bear smart working group. Electric Fencing/Fruit Tree Replacement Cost-Share	\$380.00
Silverton	Slokan Solutions Society	North Slokan Community Library	\$1,000.00
Silverton	Slokan Solutions Society	Purchase Library Books and Reading Chair for Lucerne Elementary Secondary School	\$500.00
Silverton	Slokan Solutions Society	The Art of Safe Keeping	\$350.00
Silverton	Slokan Solutions Society	Valhalla Community Choir	\$600.00
Silverton	The North Valley Mountain Film Festival Committee	The North Valley Mountain Film Festival	\$1,000.00
Silverton	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Seniors Driver Support Program	\$450.00
Silverton	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Seniors Emergency Response Support	\$1,500.00
Silverton	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	TAPS Sustainability & Enhancement Project	\$1,000.00
Silverton Total			\$34,364.00

Slocan	ANKORS-AIDS Network Kootenay Outreach and Support Society	Peer Wellness and Outreach Project	\$1,500.00
Slocan	Diverse Family Roots Society	Supporting Families with Diverse Needs	\$150.00
Slocan	Harvest Share & Bear Aware Society	Harvest Share & Bear Aware	\$300.00
Slocan	Horse Association of Central Kootenay	Youth Polish Shine & Show and Horse Activities 2026	\$300.00
Slocan	Kootenay Food Council	Communicating Regional Food Systems	\$200.00
Slocan	Kootenay Food Council	Growing Community Food Procurement Systems	\$500.00
Slocan	Kootenay Organic Growers Society	West Kootenay Farm Share	\$480.00
Slocan	Kootenay Social Support Society	West Kootenay Nav-CARE	\$750.00
Slocan	Nakusp Ski Club Association	Summit Lake Ski and Snowboard Area Rental Equipment Replacement	\$50.00
Slocan	Nelson & District Hospice Society	West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	\$500.00
Slocan	Nelson Team Consent Society	Street Team	\$200.00
Slocan	New Denver Hospice Society	Volunteers Make a Community Stronger	\$500.00
Slocan	Silverton Community Club	2026 Slocan Valley Veterans Project	\$750.00
Slocan	Slocan Integral Forestry Cooperative	SIFCo Resiliency Centre Emergency Upgrades	\$200.00
Slocan	Slocan Solutions Society	FibreFeelia 2026	\$300.00
Slocan	Slocan Solutions Society	Slocan Saturday Market	\$2,000.00
Slocan	Slocan Solutions Society	The Art of Safe Keeping	\$120.00
Slocan	Slocan Solutions Society	Valhalla Community Choir	\$200.00
Slocan	Slocan Valley Community Band	Stands and Folders	\$1,000.00
Slocan	Slocan Valley Historical Society	Slocan's History Walk Updated	\$4,500.00
Slocan	The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	West Kootenay - (Spay/Neuter/Identification Program)	\$500.00
Slocan	The Slocan Community Library Society	Acquire books and puzzles for different age groups and interests.	\$3,000.00
Slocan	The Slocan River Streamkeepers	Slocan River Community Water Monitoring 2026	\$500.00
Slocan	Treehugger Retreats and Events Society	HARMONY 2027	\$500.00
Slocan	Treehugger Retreats and Events Society	Winter Carnival 2027	\$500.00
Slocan	Valley View Golf Club	Course Improvements and Upkeep	\$500.00
Slocan	Village of Slocan	Slocan Valley Legion Hall - Stage & Electrical Upgrades	\$5,000.00
Slocan	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Early Years Communication & Coordination Project	\$2,200.00
Slocan	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Invigorate Local Restorative Justice Program	\$1,000.00
Slocan	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Seniors Driver Support Program	\$1,500.00
Slocan	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	Seniors Emergency Response Support	\$1,500.00
Slocan	W.E. Graham Community Service Society	TAPS Sustainability & Enhancement Project	\$3,000.00
Slocan	West Kootenay Football Club	2026 Unity Cup	\$281.00
Slocan Total			\$34,481.00

Grand Total			\$1,450,465.50
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Carried

6.3.4 Financial Plan Amendment: Goat River Residents Association - Dike Infrastructure

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

246/26

That the Board approve an amendment to the 2026 Financial Plan to Increase Grants Expense by \$43,142 and Decrease Accumulated Operating Surplus by \$43,142, AND FURTHER, that the Board approve the payment of \$43,142 to the Goat River Residents Association for the purposes of dike infrastructure maintenance from Service S164 Diking – Areas B and C.

Carried

6.4 Fire and Emergency Services

6.4.1 Municipal Services Agreement: Village of Nakusp FireSmart

The Board Report from Jessie Lay, FireSmart Program Coordinator, seeking Board approval to enter into an agreement with the Village of Nakusp to deliver the FireSmart Programming, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

247/26

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Municipal Services Agreement with the Village of Nakusp from May 21, 2026 to March 31, 2027, to deliver FireSmart programming within the Village of Nakusp; AND that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents; AND FURTHER, that any costs and revenue associated with the delivery of services will be reflected in A101 Emergency Consolidated Services.

Carried

6.4.2 Municipal Services Agreement: Village of Salmo FireSmart

The Board Report from Jessie Lay, FireSmart Program Coordinator, seeking Board approval to enter into an agreement with the Village of Salmo to deliver the FireSmart Programming, has been received.

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

248/26

That the Board approve the RDCK enter into a Municipal Services Agreement with the Village of Salmo from May 21, 2026 to March 31, 2027, to deliver FireSmart programming within the Village of Salmo; AND that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents; AND FURTHER, that any costs and revenue associated with the delivery of services will be reflected in A101 Emergency Consolidated Services.

Carried

ORDER OF AGENDA CHANGED

The Order of Business was changed to address public time, with Item 10 Public Time considered at this time.

10. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public and members of the media at 11:45 a.m.

A member of the public addressed the prioritization of the Organization Matrix.

**ORDER OF AGENDA
 RESUMED**

Item 6.4.3 was considered at this time.

6.4.3 Policy 800-01-03 - Temporary Access into Evacuation Order Areas

The Board Report from Nora Hannon, Acting Emergency Program Manager, providing the Board with a draft Policy 800-01-03 - Temporary Access into Evacuation Order Areas, has been received for information.

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

249/26

That the draft Temporary Access into Evacuation Order Areas Policy No. 800-01-03 be received and that Directors provide feedback on the draft policy to staff prior to June 1st, 2026, AND FURTHER, that staff be directed to bring an update to the draft policy to the June 18, 2026 Open Board Meeting.

Carried

6.4.4 For Information: Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding Duhamel Creek

The Board Report from Nora Hannon, Acting Emergency Program Manager, providing the Board an update on the June 2025 Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding expression of interest submitted by the RDCK for Duhamel Creek, has been received for information.

6.5 Grants

6.5.1 Discretionary

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

250/26

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

AREA A

Creston Valley Den Society	Daily Drop-In Program and Outreach Services	\$1,000
East Shore Kootenay Lake Community Health Society	Community Health Fair	\$1,200

AREA B

Canyon Community Association	Canada Day Pancake Breakfast	\$1,000
Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce	301 Suite Coworking Space	\$10,000
Creston Valley Den Society	Daily Drop-In Program and Outreach Services	\$1,000
Rykerts Irrigation District	Water Meters	\$5,000
Yahk-Kingsgate Recreation Society	Information / Fundraiser Event	\$500
Yahk-Kingsgate Volunteer Fire Department-RDCK	20th Anniversary Celebration	\$1,500

AREA C

Creston Valley Den Society	Daily Drop-In Program and Outreach Services	\$500
West Creston Community Hall Society	Area C and West Creston Bursary	\$1,500

AREA E

Kootenay Lake Waterfront Property Owners Society	Waterfront Owner's Guidebook	\$950
West Kootenay Back Country Wilderness Watch Society	Area E cleanup	\$492.70
West Kootenay Back Country Wilderness Watch Society	Cleanup above Balfour Dump	\$212.17

AREA F

Friends of Pulpit Rock Society	Sroule Creek Footbridge Replacement	\$35,000
Nelson Road Kings Car Club	Car Show	\$1,500
Taghum Community Society	KidsCAN camp	\$1,300

AREA G

The Salmo Square Society	Salmo Square Building Roof	\$10,000
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AREA H

Kootenay Wellness Foundation	Kootenay Wellness Festival	\$1,000
Village of Slocan	Slocan's 125th Birthday Celebration	\$1,000

AREA I

Can Jam Link Up Festival	Can Jam Link Up Festival 2026	\$500
Kootenay Columbia Educational Heritage Society	SHSS 75th. Anniversary	\$150
The Just Bee Cause Society	Mr Nobody Against Putin Film Screening	\$250

AREA J

Castlegar Rotary Club	2026 Diamond Dinner	\$1,000
Kootenay Columbia Educational Heritage Society	SHSS 75th. Anniversary	\$150
The Just Bee Cause Society	Mr Nobody Against Putin Film Screening	\$500

AREA K

Burton Community Association	Cemetery Improvement's and Maintenance	\$900
Mt Ingersoll Community Association	Emergency Landslide Road Project	\$2,000

Carried

6.5.2 Community Development

Moved and seconded,
 And Resolved:

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

AREA A

Diverse Family Roots	Riondel R3SET 2026	\$500
Kootenay Mountain Biking Ltd	Everyone Rides Grades 4 & 5 Education	\$500

AREA B

Creston Valley Cycling Association	Wynndel Mountain Bike Trail Network	\$2,500
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AREA D

Kaslo & Area Chamber of Commerce	Kaslo Year-Round Tourism Development Project	\$2,500
Kootenay Social Support Society	WK Nav-CARE volunteer training	\$1,000
Lardeau Valley Historical Society	Museum Roof Replacement	\$5,000

AREA E

Kootenay Lake Waterfront Property Owners Society	Waterfront Owner's Guidebook	\$3,800
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AREA F

RDCK North Shore Fire Department	Community Event and Education	\$7,000
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AREA G

Renascence Arts and Sustainability Society	15th Annual Tiny Lights Festival-Infrastructure and Transportation	\$5,000
Salmo Climbing Society	Phase 3 - Improve Accessibility	\$4,900
Salmo Emergency Support Services Team	Salmo Valley and Area G Team Support Fund	\$2,350
World Health Outreach Association	Dental Discovery Box	\$300

AREA H

North Slokan Trails Society	Ranch Ridge Trail Build	\$5,000
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AREA I

Glade Community Hall	Operational Cost Offset 2025	\$2,000
Glade Recreation Commission	33rd Annual Glade Fishing Derby	\$2,000
Pass Creek Community Hall Society	Operational Cost Offset 2025	\$2,000
Tarrys and District Community Hall Society	Operational Cost Offset 2025	\$2,000
The Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ	Doukhobor Cultural Programs	\$4,500
The Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ	1000 Voices for Peace	\$1,500

AREA J

Can Jam Link Up Festival	Can Jam Link Up Festival 2026	\$2,500
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AREA K

Arrow Lakes Caribou Society	ALCS Habitat Restoration Engagement	\$3,000
Burton Elementary School	Cultural and Celebration field trip	\$500
<u>SALMO</u>		
World Health Outreach Association	Dental Discovery Box	\$300

Carried**6.6 Chair/CAO Reports**

Chair Watson provided an overview regarding the new process identified in 2025 from Emergency and Disaster Management Act for State of Local Emergencies. The Executive Committee had an extensive discussion on RDCK workshops and will be looking at it further after the 2026 General Election. The June Board agenda will have the 2026 UBCM Board requests and Directors will need to submit their requests to staff.

CAO Horn had no items.

**RECESS/
RECONVENED**

The Board meeting recessed at 12:00 p.m. for lunch and reconvened at 1:01 p.m.

**DIRECTOR
PRESENT**

Director Casley joined the meeting at 1:01 p.m.

7. RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

252/26

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 12670 Hephher Road, Electoral Area A, and legally described as LOT A, PLAN EPP44483, DISTRICT LOT 5027, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT MANUFACTURED HOME REG. # 57051.; 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:

253/26

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 3533 Dean Road, Electoral Area B, and legally described as LOT 1, PLAN NEP6126, DISTRICT LOT 5617, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT EXCEPT PLAN 13694, & DL 9953, MANUFACTURED HOME REG. # 52640; 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:

- 254/26 That the Board APPROVE the issuance of the Development Variance Permit to Roderick E. Goertzen and Lorena C. Goertzen for the property located at 301 36th Avenue South, Electoral Area B, and legally described as LOT 1, DISTRICT LOT 812, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 10845 (PID: 012-856-088) to vary Section 23.5 of Electoral Area 'B' Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2316, 2013 to authorize the maximum depth of the Farm Residential Footprint to be 120 metres from the Front Lot Line.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 255/26 That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Development Variance Permit V2606F to Mark and Robert Wasylshyn for the property located at 4012 Fumot Place, Electoral Area F, and legally described as STRATA LOT 6, DISTRICT LOT 7071, KOOTENAY DISTRICT STRATA PLAN EPS2257, TOGETHER WITH AN INTEREST IN THE COMMON PROPERTY IN PROPORTION TO THE UNIT ENTITLEMENT OF THE STRATA LOT AS SHOWN ON FORM V (PID: 030-279-119) to vary Section 605.5 of RDCK Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 in order to permit a 1.5 metre setback from the front lot line whereas the bylaw requires a 4.5 metre setback from the front lot line.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 256/26 That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Development Variance Permit V2605I to Shane Aker for the property located at 2250 Glade Road, Electoral Area I, and legally described as LOT B, DISTRICT LOT 302A, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN EPP81680 (PID: 030-492-891) to vary Section 605.1 of RDCK Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 in order to permit a 1.3 metre setback from the side lot line whereas the bylaw requires a 2.5 metre setback from the side lot line and also to vary Section 2701.4 of RDCK Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004 in order to permit farm residential footprint depth of 90m whereas the bylaw requires a farm residential footprint depth of 60m.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 257/26 That Electoral Area B Comprehensive Land Use Amendment Bylaw No. 3079, 2026 being a bylaw to amend Electoral Area B Comprehensive Land Use Bylaw No. 2316, 2013 is hereby given FIRST and SECOND reading by content and referred to a public hearing.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

- 258/26 That in accordance with Regional District of Central Kootenay Planning Procedures and Fees Bylaw No. 2457, 2015, Electoral Area B Director Roger Tierney is hereby delegated the authority to chair the Public Hearing on behalf of the Regional District Board.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

259/26 That the Regional Board recommends support of the application proposed by Natasha McCreight (LCRB Job #142736 and RDCK File No. R2606J) for a Rural Licensee Retail Store (RLRS) licence at an existing general store (Scotties Marina) located at 5220Broadwater Road, Electoral Area J, (LOT A, DISTRICT LOT 4599, KOOTENAY DISTRICTPLAN NEP22963, PID: 023-387-378);

And that the Regional Board comments are as follows:

- I. The proposed store is located on a fee simple lot that is designated Commercial(C) in the Area J Official Community Plan and zoned Tourist Commercial (C3) in RDCK Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004;
- II. The Board requests that MoTT Commercial Access Permit (2026-02144) is issued prior the RLRS Licence being issued in order to address any potential traffic and safety issues;
- III. That the retail sale of unopened liquor products/containers be restricted to 7:00am to 11:00pm;
- IV. No significant impact on the community is anticipated if the application is approved;
- V. The Board provided opportunity for residents to submit their views on the licence application. Public notice indicating that the RDCK would accept written comments on the application until April 27, 2026 was published in the Castlegar News on April 9, 2026 and posted on the notice board at the main entrance to the RDCK head office in Nelson on March 30, 2026. The referral package was also posted on the RDCK's website on March 26, 2026. Further, a notification sign was posted on the subject property on March 20, 2026 until the Board considered the application on May 21, 2026;
- VI. The views of the residents were considered by the Board at its May 21, 2026 Regular Board meeting or delivered as late items if correspondence was received after the agenda was published;

AND FURTHER, that the Regional Board direct staff to forward the above recommendation to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB).

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

260/26 That the Board direct staff to undertake early and ongoing consultation, pursuant to Sections 475 and 476 of the Local Government Act, with respect to Amendment Bylaws No. 3025, 2026 being bylaw to amend Regional District of Central Kootenay Electoral Area G Land Use Bylaw No. 2452, 2018 as described in the Committee Report "Development Permit Area Compliance and Enforcement", dated April 15, 2026.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

261/26 That the Board direct staff to undertake consultation with respect to the Committee Report "Development Permit Area Compliance and Enforcement", dated April 15, 2026, in conjunction with the Electoral Area H North Official Community Plan (OCP) review.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

262/26 That the Board direct staff to undertake consultation with respect to the Committee Report “Development Permit Area Compliance and Enforcement”, dated April 15, 2026, in conjunction with the Electoral Area A Official Community Plan (OCP) review.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

263/26 That the Board direct staff to undertake the Area D Community Planning project as described in the Area D Community Planning – Project Charter date May 1, 2026.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

264/26 That the Board direct staff to undertake the RDCK Sub Region West Official Community Plan project in accordance with the Project Charter and endorse the Engagement Framework as described in the report titled “RDCK Sub Region West Official Community Plan Project Charter and Engagement Framework” dated May 20, 2026.

Carried

8. DIRECTORS' MOTIONS

8.1 Director Hewat: Board Workshop Stipend and Expenses

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

265/26 That the Board approve stipend and expenses to attend the Floodplain Management Bylaw & Risk Tolerance Policy Board Workshop on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 and that it be paid from General Administration Service S100.

Carried

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

266/26 That the Board approve stipend and expenses to attend the Parks, Trails & Water Access Strategy Working Group Workshop on Tuesday, May 5, 2026 and that it be paid from General Administration Service S100.

Carried

9. CONSENT AGENDA

9.1 For Information: Committees & Commissions

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

9.1.1 Nelson, Salmo, Areas E, F and G Regional Parks Commission: minutes April 8, 2026

9.1.2 Area I Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes April 15, 2026
Staff received directions for the Development Variance Permit Application.

9.1.3 Salmo and Area Services Committee: minutes April 20, 2026

9.1.4 Area D Advisory Planning and Heritage Commission: minutes April 21, 2026

- 9.1.5 **Rural Mobility Community Advisory Committee: Discussion Notes April 28, 2026**
- 9.1.6 **Riondel Commission: minutes May 5, 2026**
- 9.1.7 **Salmo and Area G Recreation Commission No. 7: minutes May 11, 2026**
- 9.2 **For Information: Communication**
 - 9.2.1 **The letter dated April 28, 2026 from Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer and Josie Osborne , Minister of Health , providing information regarding the BC's decriminalization pilot and the results.**
 - 9.2.2 **The letter dated May 8, 2026 from Ross Siemens, City of Abbotsford, to the Ministry of Finance regarding the Provincial Sales Tax Expansion.**
 - 9.2.3 **The email dated May 12, 2026 from Cori Ramsay, UBCM, providing the Provincial efforts to renew the Heritage Conservation Act.**
 - 9.2.4 **RDCK's letter of concern dated April 28, 2026 regarding the Emergency and Disaster Management Act Funding.**

Board Meeting: February 19, 2026
RES 84/26

That the Board send a letter of concern to the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs, Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, MLA Morrisette, MLA Anderson; Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments (AKBLG), and Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) regarding the lack of funding for delegated authorities under Emergency and Disaster Management Act (EDMA); AND FURTHER, that the Board share the letter with the municipal partners in interest of their alignment.
 - 9.2.5 **The letter dated April 29, 2026 from Minister Mike Farnworth, Ministry of Transportation and Transit, regarding Inland Ferry Services.**

Board Meeting - February 19, 2026
RES 106/26

That the Board write a letter of follow up to Mike Farnworth, Minister of Transportation and Transit, to clarify the Ministry's response regarding the legal status of inland ferries.
 - 9.2.6 **The letter dated May 11, 2026 from Cori Ramsay, UBCM, providing the provincial response to the 2025 UBCM resolutions.**
- 9.3 **For Information: Accounts Payable**

The Accounts Payable Summary for April 2026 in the amount of \$2,926,151 has been received for information.
- 9.4 **For Information: Directors' Reports**

Each Director will be given the opportunity to provide a brief summary of the work they have been doing within their communities.

 - 9.4.1 **Director Tierney: Letter of Support - Creston Legion Roof and Energy Upgrade Project**
 - 9.4.2 **Director Watson: Letter of Support - Kootenay Social Support Society**
 - 9.4.3 **Director Hewat: April to May Activities**

9.4.4 Director McLaren-Caux: April to May Activities

11. CLOSED

11.1 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:

267/26

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:

- (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;
- (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);

(2)A part of a council meeting must be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to one or more of the following:

(b)the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations

(i)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,

(iii)between the municipality and a first nation or a prescribed Indigenous entity, or between a first nation or a prescribed Indigenous entity and a third party;

Carried

11.2 Recess of Open Meeting

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

268/26

The Open meeting be recessed at 1:32 p.m. in order to conduct the Closed Board meeting and reconvened at 3:22 p.m.

Carried

12. MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED MEETING

No items.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded,
And Resolved:

269/26

That the meeting adjourn at 3:22 p.m.

Carried

Originally signed by

Aimee Watson, RDCK Board Chair

Originally signed by

Angela Lund, Deputy Corporate Officer

From: [REDACTED]
To: [mayor_distribution_group](#)
Subject: Letter of support for Castlegar Nordic Ski Club
Date: July 3, 2026 2:19:44 PM
Attachments: [REDACTED]

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Good afternoon,

The Castlegar Nordic Ski Club is once again applying for grant funding for the maintenance of safe, public ski trails at the Paulson Cross-country Rec site through the Community Gaming Grant.

This funding is one of our organization's major revenue streams and enables our organization to carry out so much of our work:

- to support full and part time seasonal employees,
- to maintain public facilities such as cabins, trails and parking,
- to offering accessible family-based physical recreation programs for youth, adults and seniors,
- to provide a high standard of safety, accessibility and quality of trails for public users,
- and for our organization to progress and grow as an important draw for winter recreation tourism in Castlegar and the surrounding region.

We'd like to request that the City of Castlegar please discuss this request at the next City Council Meeting on July 12, 2026, to approve providing us with a Letter of Support for our application, which is due by August 31, 2026.

Attached is a previous LOS which was provided by the City of Castlegar for this grant which may be referenced in drafting a new one.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this request.

Sincerely,

Simon Cretien
CNSC, General Manager



Advisory Planning Commission Repeal Bylaw

Bylaw 1463

A Bylaw to repeal the Advisory Planning Commission

WHEREAS changes in legislation have reduced the number of applications that require public consultation;

AND WHEREAS Council has delegated its powers to approve certain applications to staff for consideration;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed to be desirable to rescind the Advisory Planning Commission for the City of Castlegar due to a lack of matters for the commission to advise upon;

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

REPEAL

Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw 499 and all amendments to are hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME this day of

READ A SECOND TIME this day of

READ A THIRD TIME this day of

ADOPTED this day of

Mayor

Director of Corporate Services



Board of Variance Bylaw
Bylaw 1464
Effective Upon Adoption

CASTLEGAR

Board of Variance Bylaw

Bylaw 1464

A Bylaw to establish a Board of Variance and establish a procedure for appeals.

WHEREAS pursuant to the *Local Government Act* a municipality that has enacted a zoning bylaw is required to establish a Board of Variance;

AND WHEREAS Section 539 (3) of the Local Government Act requires that a bylaw establishing a board of variance must set out the procedures to be followed by the Board of Variance;

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

PART 1 – INTERPRETATION

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as "*Board of Variance Bylaw 1464*".
- 1.2 Words or phrases defined in the British Columbia *Community Charter, Interpretation Act*, or *Local Government Act* or any successor legislation, shall have the same meaning when used in this Bylaw unless otherwise defined in this Bylaw.
- 1.3 The headings contained in this Bylaw are for convenience only and are not to be construed as defining or in any way limiting the scope or the intent of the provisions of this Bylaw.
- 1.4 If any provision or part of this Bylaw is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or inoperative, in whole or in part, or inoperative in particular circumstances, the illegal or inoperative portion shall be severed from the Bylaw and the balance of the Bylaw, or its application in any circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

PART 2– DEFINITIONS

Applicant means the Owner in relation to an Application pursuant to this Bylaw.

Application means written submission by an Applicant seeking a decision of the Board of Variance.

Board of Variance or Board means an independent body appointed under the *Local Government Act* that hears appeals for relaxation of certain land use regulations and requirements where there is undue hardship and the variance is minor.

Bylaw Administrator means an officer or employee of the City responsible for planning and building, or an officer or employee of the City designated to act on their behalf.

City means the City of Castlegar.

Council means the Council of the City of Castlegar.

Covenant means a covenant registered on the land under section 219 of the *Land Title Act* or section 24A of the *Land Registry Act*, or any successor legislation.

Fees means the specific costs and associated charges levied by the City for various services and applications under this Bylaw.

Heritage Property means a property:

- a) for which an authorization for alterations is required,
- b) for which a heritage revitalization agreement is in place, or
- c) that is a protected heritage property or features an identified heritage value or characteristic.

Non-Conforming Use refers to an existing use of land or buildings that are lawfully used at the time a new land use regulation bylaw is adopted and may be continued as a non-conforming use in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act*.

Owner means the registered owner of a property, or holder or occupier of land including tenants.

Permit refers to the various authorizations that municipalities can issue under the Local Government Act that pertain to the use of land and can include a Development Permit, Development Permit with Variance, Development Variance Permit or Temporary Use Permit.

Phased Development Agreement means an agreement between a municipality and a landowner that identifies terms and conditions such as zoning, servicing and amenities, that apply to a multi-phase development project in accordance with the *Local Government Act*.

Qualified Professional means a professional, such as a BC Land Surveyor, Professional Engineer, Professional Geoscientist, Architect, Landscape Architect, Certified Arborist, or other professional licensed to practice in B.C. with relevant expertise and in good standing, as determined by the Bylaw Administrator.

Terms of Reference (TOR) defines the roles, responsibilities and schedule of the Board of Variance and provides a basis for making decisions at a hearing.

PART 3 – SCOPE

- 3.1 This Bylaw should be considered in conjunction with the City's most recent Board of Variance Terms of Reference.
- 3.2 This Bylaw applies to an Application to the Board of Variance for a relaxation of:
 - a) zoning regulations regarding siting, size and dimensions of buildings;
 - b) siting of a manufactured home in a manufactured home park;
 - c) structural alteration, addition, or reconstruction of a non-conforming use;
 - d) relaxation of subdivision servicing requirements;
 - e) relaxation of tree protection requirements, as applicable; and
 - f) any other applicable provisions of the *Local Government Act* or successor legislation.
- 3.3 This Bylaw does not apply to an Application that would conflict with:

- a) a covenant;
 - b) a permit;
 - c) a phased development agreement;
 - d) a floodplain specification; or
 - e) would apply to a Heritage Property.
- 3.4 An Application may be considered by the Board of Variance where the Applicant alleges compliance would cause them undue hardship and in the opinion of the Board the request does not:
- a) constitute a major variance;
 - b) result in inappropriate development;
 - c) adversely affect the natural environment;
 - d) substantially affect the use and enjoyment of neighbouring properties;
 - e) vary permitted uses and densities;
 - f) defeat the intent of the varied bylaw; or
 - g) vary residential rental tenure.

PART 4 – APPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The following is required for all Applications made pursuant to this Bylaw:
- a) An Application must be submitted to the City on the prescribed application form approved by the Bylaw Administrator and must include the application fee, payable to the City, as set out in Schedule A of this Bylaw.
 - b) An Application must be signed by all Owner(s) of the applicable lands;
 - c) An Application made under this Bylaw will include any plans and technical information that the Applicant or Board of Variance considers necessary, including, but not limited to:
 - i. a letter describing the request and explaining why compliance with the bylaw would cause undue hardship;
 - ii. building plans;
 - iii. a site plan;
 - iv. a technical report prepared by a Qualified Professional, where applicable; and
 - v. any other information the Applicant intends to present to the Board.
- 4.2 Upon receipt of a complete Application, the Bylaw Administrator will confirm acceptance in writing to the Applicant and provide the date, time, location, and means of participation for the hearing.
- 4.3 Incomplete applications shall be managed in accordance with the City's Development Approval Procedures Bylaw as amended or replaced from time to time.

PART 5 – NOTIFICATION

- 5.1 Notification of Application must be completed for all Applications to the Board of Variance.
- 5.2 Written Notification will be mailed or otherwise delivered to the Applicant, Board members, and Owners located within 100-metres of the subject property or properties at least 10-days prior to the hearing.
- 5.3 Except where the Board is receiving legal advice per section 90 of the *Community Charter*, all hearings must be open to the public and may be held electronically in accordance with the City's Council Procedures Bylaw as amended or replaced from time to time.

PART 6 – SITE VISITS

- 6.1 The Board of Variance may schedule a site visit prior to a hearing where a decision may be made on a given Application.
- 6.2 Board members considering the Application must attend the site together, and attendance must be no less than a quorum.
- 6.3 The Board shall refrain from discussing the merits of the Application or receiving representation from the Applicant or Owners specified under Part 5, outside of a hearing.

PART 7 – DECISIONS

- 7.1 A hearing will be held at the next scheduled meeting for which quorum can be achieved after written notification has been given.
- 7.2 After a hearing where the Board of Variance considers representations from the Applicant and any Owner notified under Part 5 of this Bylaw, the Board may order a minor variance or exemption from undue hardship in accordance with Part 3 of this Bylaw.
- 7.3 The Board may decide to approve or deny the Application, provide an alternative decision, request more information in accordance with Part 4 of this Bylaw, or defer to a later hearing.
- 7.4 If the Board defers the decision, the Chair will state the time, date, place and means of participation for where the decision will be made and if additional information is requested. If the Board does not provide details for when the decision will be made, further written notification will be given.
- 7.5 Where an Applicant has made Application to reconstruct a non-conforming use, the Board of Variance may determine the amount of damage and set aside any determination made by a building inspector. Such decisions of the Board can be appealed by the Applicant to the Supreme Court.

- 7.6 A decision of the Board is final and expires:
 - a) if construction is not completed within the time specified in the order, or
 - b) if construction is not substantially started within two (2) years after the order was made, or longer, if specified.
- 7.7 All Board of Variance decisions must be recorded and made available to the public during regular office hours.
- 7.8 Where it is determined that an Application does not conform to Part 3 of this Bylaw, the Applicant may apply for a development approval in accordance with the City's Development Approval Procedures and Fees Bylaw, as amended or replaced from time to time.

PART 8 – ESTABLISHMENT

- 8.1 Council shall appoint a Board of Variance or elect to participate in a joint Board of Variance by resolution.
- 8.2 Where Council appoints a Board, it shall consist of a minimum of three (3) members in accordance with the *Local Government Act*, or five (5) members at the discretion of Council, for a term of four (4) years concurrent with the term of Council.
 - a) a member of the Board shall serve a maximum of one (1) term unless re-appointed by acclaim or until a replacement is appointed.
 - b) Council may remove a member from the Board at any time.
 - c) Council may appoint a successor to finish the remainder of the term of a member that resigns, is removed, or is otherwise unable to complete the term of appointment, in accordance with the *Local Government Act*.

PART 9 – REPEAL

- 9.1 Board of Variance Bylaw 739 and all amendments to are hereby repealed.

PART 10 – READINGS

READ A FIRST TIME this

READ A SECOND TIME this

READ A THIRD TIME this

ADOPTED this day of

Mayor

Director of Corporate Services

SCHEDULE A – FEES

	FEES AND CHARGES
Application Fee	\$ 500
<p>Fees and charges are refundable under the following circumstances:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Application fees shall be refunded 50% of the application fee if the application is withdrawn before a Board of Variance hearing.2. Applications that are withdrawn or lapse prior to notification shall be refunded for the full amount of the application fee but charged a \$100 administrative fee.3. No refund shall be provided following a Board of Variance hearing.4. No refund shall be provided if the Board determines than an application is outside its scope.	

Bylaw 1460

A Bylaw to provide for amendments to Council Expenses allowances for the Mayor and Councillors

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 8 of the *Community Charter*, c. 26, a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person of full capacity, including the broad corporate authority to manage its internal administration and financial affairs;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest that Council Expense Bylaw 661 be amended;

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

AMENDMENTS

Council Expense Allowance Bylaw 661 is hereby amended by:

1. Updating the existing wording in section 4 to read:
"All Council Members are entitled to a once per term (4 years) grant of \$1,500, supported by receipt, for Council related expenses. Funds shall be provided to each member of Council to support the purchase of Council-related expenses incurred in fulfilling Council duties, including, but not limited to, technology upgrades or equipment and required apparel. All purchases shall be supported by receipts."
2. Removed section D – Telephone calls from Schedule A.
3. Revised section F – Lost Wage Compensation in Schedule A to read:
"Council members may claim up to \$300 per day, to a maximum of 5 days per year, for lost wage compensation, to attend workshop, conference, or similar event, when the Council member has lost wages or leave from their regular employment. A statement from their employer/business is required in the amount claimed for the lost wage compensation"
4. Adding a new section D – Mayor Monthly Car Allowance to Schedule A stating:
"The Mayor shall receive a monthly car allowance in the amount of \$400 to offset the costs of using a personal vehicle on municipal business."

CITATION

This bylaw may be cited as the "Council Expense Allowance Amendment Bylaw 1460".

This bylaw shall come into full force and effect on November 2, 2026, the date of the inaugural meeting held after the Local Government General Election.

READ A FIRST TIME this 15th day of June 2026
READ A SECOND TIME this 15th day of June 2026
READ A THIRD TIME this 15th day of June 2026
ADOPTED this day of

Mayor

Director of Corporate Services

Council Indemnity Amendment Bylaw

Bylaw 1461

A Bylaw to amend Council Indemnity Bylaw 835.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 8 of the *Community Charter*, a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person of full capacity, including the broad corporate authority to manage its internal administration and financial affairs;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to amend Council Indemnity Bylaw 835, a bylaw to provide that an annual indemnity be paid to the Mayor and Councillors;

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

AMENDMENTS

Council Indemnity Bylaw 835 is hereby amended by:

1. Effective January 2027 and each year thereafter, the annual indemnities for the Mayor and Councillors shall be increased by an amount equal to the percentage increase of the BC Consumer Price Index for the twelve-month period ending November 1 of the previous year.

This bylaw may be cited as the "Council Indemnity Amendment Bylaw 1461"

This bylaw shall come into full force and effect on November 2, 2026, the date of the inaugural meeting held after the Local Government General Election.

READ A FIRST TIME this 15th day of June 2026

READ A SECOND TIME this 15th day of June 2026

READ A THIRD TIME this 15th day of June 2026

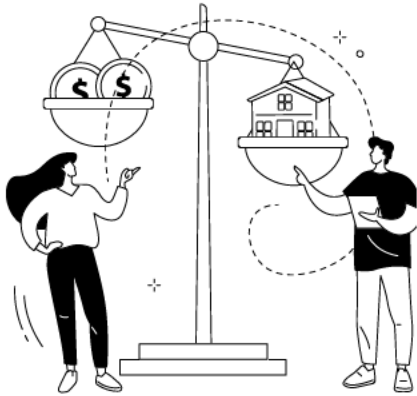
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Mayor

Director of Corporate Services

Our Principles

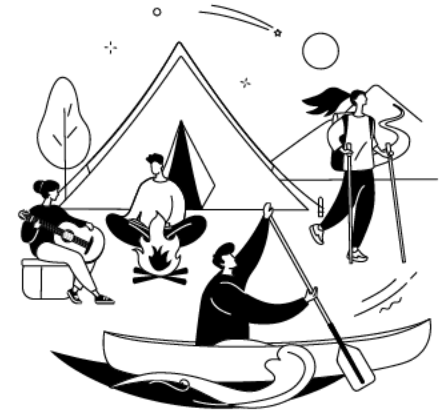
These principles shape both short and long-term planning and decision making and they help set the direction the City of Castlegar takes during a Council's four-year term.



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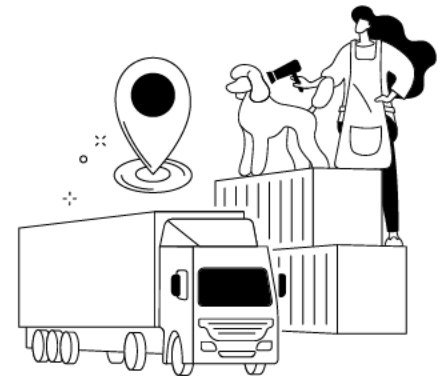
3 QUALITY OF LIFE



4 WEST KOOTENAY REGIONAL AIRPORT EXCELLENCE



5 ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE



6 A PROSPEROUS CITY