

Minutes of the meeting of the Corporate Services Committee

Date February 3, 2025 2025-03

Location Council Chambers, City Hall

Councillor Dan Boyd - Chair

Mayor Kirk Cameron

Committee Councillor Paolo Gallina
Members Councillor Jenny Hamilton
Present Councillor Eileen Melnychuk

Councillor Anne Middler Councillor Lenore Morris

Jeff O'Farrell, City Manager

Krista Mroz, Director of Community Services Valerie Braga, Director of Corporate Services Landon Kulych, A/Director of People and Culture

Mike Gau, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, A/Director of Operations and Infrastructure

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Staff Present

Your Worship, there is no report from the Corporate Services Committee.



Minutes of the meeting of the City Planning Committee

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Mathieu Marois, Senior Planner, Planning Services Mélodie Simard, Manager, Planning Services Peter Duke, Manager, Land and Building

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Your Worship, the City Planning Committee respectfully submits the following report:

1. <u>Public Hearing Report – Zoning Amendment – Copper Ridge Master Plan</u> Area

The Committee was presented with a report of the Public Hearing held on January 13, 2025, regarding a proposed Zoning Amendment for the Copper Ridge Master Plan Area to ensure certainty and flexibility for future rezoning. Four written submissions were received, and three members of the public spoke at the Public Hearing. Administration responded to concerns raised on greenspace, drainage, density impacts, school designation and public consultation.

The Recommendation of the City Planning Committee is

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2024-52, a bylaw to amend the zoning of the Copper Ridge Development Area Land Use Master Plan site, from PS – Public Services, PS(x) – Public Services Modified, and PR – Parks and Recreation to FP – Future Planning, be brought forward at second and third reading under the bylaw process.

2. Public Hearing Report - Zoning Amendment - 1702 Centennial Street

The Committee was presented with a summary of the Public Hearing held on January 13, 2025, regarding a proposed Zoning Amendment at 1702 Centennial Street to allow for residential development. No written submissions were received, and no members of the public spoke at the hearing. Administration answered questions related to similar developments in the area, confirming they align with the intended land use, and clarified that no further public input will be accepted as the hearing has closed.

The Recommendation of the City Planning Committee is

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2024-57, a bylaw to amend the zoning of 1702 Centennial Street from CH – Highway Commercial to CM2x(I) – Mixed Use Commercial 2 to allow for residential development, be brought forward for second and third reading under the bylaw process.

3. Zoning Bylaw Rewrite Extension

A report was presented requesting Council authorization to send a letter to the Minister of Community Services to extend the deadline for the new Zoning Bylaw to December 27, 2025, so the review process can be fully completed. Administration answered questions about the Zoning Bylaw rewrite timeline and confirmed development can continue under the current bylaw with rezoning available if needed.

The Recommendation of the City Planning Committee is

THAT Council authorize the Mayor, on behalf of Council, to apply to the Minister for a nine month extension to adopt a zoning bylaw.

4. Lease Agreement – Rifle and Pistol Club

A proposal to enter a lease agreement with the Whitehorse Rifle and Pistol Club to continue the operation of the existing rifle and pistol range located on Grey Mountain Road was presented. The lease term would commence retroactively on July 1, 2023, and end on June 30, 2033, with an option to renew for another ten-year term. Administration answered questions related to the lease agreement terms, policy application, and potential adjustments to lease rates and duration.

The Recommendation of the City Planning Committee is

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2025-13, a bylaw to enter into a lease agreement with The Whitehorse Rifle & Pistol Club for a lease area comprised of Lot 1114, Quad 105 D/10, Plan 98-164, Whitehorse, Yukon, be brought forward for due consideration under the bylaw process.

5. Lease Agreement - Mae Bachur Animal Shelter

A proposal was presented to enter a lease agreement with Humane Society Yukon to continue the operation of the Mae Bachur Animal shelter in the Marwell Area. The lease term would commence retroactively on November 1, 2023, and end October 31, 2028. Administration answered questions related to the lease agreement term and potential future land use changes, and clarified on the language used in the agreement.

The Recommendation of the City Planning Committee is

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2025-14, a bylaw to enter into a lease agreement with Humane Society Yukon for a lease area comprised of Lot 152, Plan 100043840 LTO, City of Whitehorse, and Lot 80 and 81, Plan 25657 LTO, City of Whitehorse, be brought forward for due consideration under the bylaw process.



Minutes of the meeting of the

Development Services Committee

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Councillor Paolo Gallina - Chair

Mayor Kirk Cameron

Committee Councillor Dan Boyd

Members Councillor Jenny Hamilton
Present Councillor Eileen Melnychuk

Councillor Anne Middler Councillor Lenore Morris

Jeff O'Farrell, City Manager

Krista Mroz, Director of Community Services

Staff Valerie Braga, Director of Corporate Services
Present Landon Kulych, A/Director of People and Culture

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Your Worship, there is no report from the Development Services Committee.



Minutes of the meeting of the City Operations Committee

Date February 3, 2025 2025-03

Location Council Chambers, City Hall

Councillor Eileen Melnychuk - Chair

Mayor Kirk Cameron

Committee Councillor Dan Boyd
Members Councillor Paolo Gallina
Present Councillor Jenny Hamilton

Councillor Anne Middler Councillor Lenore Morris

Jeff O'Farrell, City Manager

Krista Mroz, Director of Community Services

Staff Present Valerie Braga, Director of Corporate Services Landon Kulych, A/Director of People and Culture

Mike Gau, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, A/Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Your Worship, the City Operations Committee respectfully submits the following report:

1. New Business - Robert Service Way Closure

Council inquired about the Spring 2025 planning in respect to any Robert Service Way closures. Administration confirmed closures will be risk-based, not routine, with ongoing monitoring to maintain access. The importance of public communication was emphasized, and Administration noted that long-term stabilization is in early feasibility, requiring a multi-year approach and secured funding. It was confirmed that decisions are guided by expert risk assessments and that technical briefings are planned for Council.

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Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee

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Mike Gau, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, A/Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Richard Graham, Manager, Fleet and Transportation

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Your Worship, the Community Services Committee respectfully submits the following report:

1. Paved Trail Pilot Projects - Snow and Ice Control

A two-year pilot project for snow and ice control on the Hamilton Boulevard and Elijah Smith paved trails was presented. Administration answered questions on the Hamilton Boulevard trail pilot, confirming the priority one designation and ongoing engagement with user groups, and clarified that delaying the start to fall 2025, as suggested by delegates, is a feasible alternative. Committee discussion generally supported beginning ploughing on the Elijah Smith trail in February while delaying the Hamilton Boulevard trail until the fall. Administration affirmed that Council can direct timing changes be made via an amendment to the resolution.

The Recommendation of the Community Services Committee is

THAT Council direct Administration to proceed with the pilot projects to provide snow and ice control to the Hamilton Boulevard and Elijah Smith paved trails, until the spring of 2027.

2. <u>Keitha Clark, Yukon Anti-Poverty Coalition – Public Transit</u>

Delegate Keitha Clark, representing the Yukon Anti-Poverty Coalition spoke on the importance of free transit, arguing it is a government responsibility, not the non-government organizations. The delegate raised concerns over unclear pass distribution, funding gaps, and the proposed fare increase, and urged the City to expand pickup locations and work with the Yukon government to work out long-term solutions.

3. Jane Robinson-Boivin, Victoria Faulkner Women's Centre - Public Transit

Delegate Jane Robinson-Boivin of the Victoria Faulkner Women's Centre spoke to Council on the importance of extending transit hours for community safety, emphasizing its impact on women and gender-diverse individuals facing unsafe transportation options. The delegate highlighted examples of similar-sized cities with later transit service and called on the City to explore extending evening and early morning service to improve accessibility, economic opportunity, and public safety.

4. Robin Reid-Fraser, Climate Action Yukon – Public Transit

Delegate Robin Reid-Fraser of Climate Action Yukon spoke to Council on the importance of expanding and fare-free public transit, emphasizing its role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving accessibility, and enhancing city liveability. The delegate highlighted the financial and environmental costs of car dependency and urged the City to invest in the transit system as a key climate action measure.

5. Audrey Provan - Public Transit

Delegate Audrey Provan spoke to Council on the need for improved transit access for youth, emphasizing barriers created by service hours, and ridership costs. The delegate highlighted the impact transit has on students' ability to access school, work, and extracurricular activities and urged the City to make transit free, increase service frequency, extend hours, and consult youth in future transit planning.

6. <u>Forest Pearson, Whitehorse Urban Cycling Coalition, and Colin McCann, Klondike Snowmachine Association – Hamilton Boulevard Trail Winter Maintenance</u>

Delegates Forest Pearson of the Whitehorse Urban Cycling Coalition, and Colin McCann of the Klondike Snowmachine Association spoke on the Hamilton Boulevard trail pilot project, emphasizing the need for collaboration between the City, the Whitehorse Urban Cycling Coalition, and the Klondike Snowmobile Association. Both highlighted concerns about ploughing the trail down to pavement and proposed delaying the pilot until fall to preserve the current snow base for all users. The delegates also urged the City to establish a structured feedback process during the pilot to ensure ongoing adjustments and improvements based on user input.

7. New Business - Robert Service Way Transit Routes

As requested by a Committee member, Administration confirmed that in the event of a closure of Robert Service Way transit will be rerouted.



Minutes of the meeting of the

Public Health and Safety Committee

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Your Worship, there is no report from the Public Health and Safety Committee.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:29 P.M.

Kirk Cameron, Mayor

Corporate Services

