

Minutes of the meeting of the

Public Health and Safety Committee

Date May 5, 2025

Council Chambers, City Hall

Councillor Anne Middler - Chair

Mayor Kirk Cameron

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

Location

Staff

Councillor Jenny Hamilton Councillor Eileen Melnychuk Councillor Lenore Morris

Jeff O'Farrell, City Manager

Krista Mroz, Director of Community Services Valerie Braga, Director of Corporate Services

Present Lindsay Schneider, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, Director of Operations and Infrastructure, and Fire Chief

2025-09

Landon Kulych, Director of People and Culture

Your Worship, the Public Health and Safety Committee respectfully submits the following report:

1. Wildfire Seasonal Briefing – For Information Only

Administration, joined by Keith Fickling, Yukon Wildland Fire Management's Regional Protection Manager for the Southern Lakes Region, provided a verbal briefing to Council on the upcoming wildfire season. The update included precipitation levels, seasonal outlooks, completed and upcoming collaborative prevention and preparation efforts, and the protocols for urgent communication and evacuation. In response to Committee questions, further information was provided on the Mary Lake fire break, ongoing efforts to plant fire-resistant trees, peak wildfire risk periods, intergovernmental coordination, fuel load concerns and wind conditions, and the status of FireSmart initiatives within home ignition zones.

2. New Business - Speed Limits and Jake Brakes

As requested by Committee members, Administration confirmed that the Yukon Government regulates the speed limit and signage along the Alaska Highway and commercial vehicle operations in the Yukon. To improve community safety and reduce noise disturbances, Committee members commented that it may be beneficial to consult with the Yukon Government on restricting jake brake usage within city limits and reducing highway speeds near residential areas like Crestview.

3. <u>Delegate Roger Rondeau - Crestview Speed Limits and Jake Brakes</u>

Delegate Roger Rondeau presented concerns to Council over the speed limit on the Alaska Highway through Crestview and the allowance of jake brakes within City limits. The delegate noted that the current speed limit on the highway near Crestview poses several safety risks and that both high speed and jake brake usage have resulted in excessive noise levels that disturb residents and visitors.



Minutes of the meeting of the

Corporate Services Committee

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Councillor Paolo Gallina
Councillor Jenny Hamilton

Members 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

Staff Present

Lindsay Schneider, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Landon Kulych, Director of People and Culture

Richard Graham, Manager, Fleet and Transportation Maintenance

Jason Bradshaw, Manager, Transit Services

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

1. Budget Amendment – 2025 Transit Buses

A budget amendment was presented to increase Appendix B of the 2025-2028 Capital Expenditure Program for the increased cost of five transit buses required to advance the Transportation Master Plan and maintain current transit schedules. The increase is to cover prices that have raised above projected escalation rates and would be funded by the Transit Equipment Reserve, with the original amount still covered by the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. Administration responded to questions on the costs and specifications of the buses, and on the delivery timeline.

The Recommendation of the Corporate Services Committee is

THAT Council amend the 2025-2028 Capital Expenditure Program by increasing the 2025 Appendix B project 320c00722 Transit Buses in the amount of \$495,000, funded by the Transit Equipment Reserve.



Minutes of the meeting of the City Planning Committee

Date May 5, 2025 2025-09

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Councillor Lenore Morris - Chair

Mayor Kirk Cameron

Committee Councillor Dan Boyd Members Councillor Paolo Gallina

Present Councillor Jenny Hamilton
Councillor Eileen Melnychuk

Councillor Anne Middler

Jeff O'Farrell, City Manager

Krista Mroz, Director of Community Services
Staff Valerie Braga, Director of Corporate Services

Present Lindsay Schneider, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Landon Kulych, Director of People and Culture

Mélodie Simard, Manager, Planning and Sustainability Services Jacob Newkirk, Subdivision and Lands Coordinator, Land and

Development Services

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

1. Public Hearing Report – Zoning Amendment – 92340 Alaska Highway Lot Expansion

The Committee was presented with a summary of the Public Hearing held on April 14, 2025, regarding a proposed Zoning Amendment for a lot expansion at 92340 Alaska Highway. One written submission was received, and no one spoke at the Public Hearing. The report responded to concerns raised on protection of nesting migratory birds during the site clearing, noting that the applicant proposed to complete the clearing outside of breeding season.

The Recommendation of the City Planning Committee is

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2025-19, a bylaw to amend the zoning of a 0.81 ha parcel of Commissioner's land from FP – Future Planning to ISx – Service Industrial (modified), be brought forward for second and third reading under the bylaw process.

2. Subdivision Approval – Whistle Bend Phase 12 & 13

A subdivision approval that was originally approved on February 27, 2023, and expired on February 27, 2025, was presented to renew 16.2 ha of vacant Yukon land as Whistle Bend Phases 12 and 13. The proposed layout and design has not changed in the new application, providing a total of 22 lots and a minimum of 271 units between both Phases. As requested by Committee members, Administration provided additional information on the firehall proposed for Lot H of Phase 13 and the greenspace dedication in the area.

The Recommendation of the City Planning Committee is

THAT Council approve the subdivision of approximately 16.2 ha of land for the creation of new residential, commercial, and public service lots, lanes, roads, greenbelts, walkways, and public utility lots, for the areas known as Whistle Bend Phases 12 and 13, as shown on the proposed subdivision sketches, with the following condition:

"THAT the current development agreement, executed on March 6, 2023, be amended to state that all right, title, and interest in Proposed Lot H be transferred to the City, for nominal value, at the earliest opportunity to facilitate the construction of a City firehall."

3. Conditional Use Application – 122 Copper Road – For Information Only

A Conditional Use application to allow a 2-storey office building at 122 Copper Road was presented. The applicant requires approval to develop office space on the ground floor and on over half the floor area of the entire building which are listed as conditional uses in the CIM zone. The proposed development is not expected to have any negative impact on the surrounding area and would meet all other relevant regulations. A Public Input Session to hear any potential concerns from the community has been scheduled on May 12, 2025.



Minutes of the meeting of the

Development Services Committee

Date May 5, 2025 2025-09

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Councillor Paolo Gallina - Chair

Mayor Kirk Cameron

Committee Councillor Dan Boyd

Staff.

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

Present Lindsay Schneider, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Landon Kulych, Director of People and Culture

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

1. <u>Building and Plumbing Bylaw Amendment – Section 86</u>

As directed by the Motion adopted on March 24, 2025, Administration presented proposed amendments to the Building and Plumbing Bylaw to remove redundant requirements that are adopted by the Yukon Building Standards Act, and to clarify where underfloor insulation is not required.

The Recommendation of the Development Services Committee is

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2025-24, a bylaw to amend the Building and Plumbing Bylaw be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process.

2. <u>Delegate Marcus Harden, President, Gladiator Metals – Whitehorse Copper Project Update</u>

Delegate Marcus Harden, President of Gladiator Metals, presented an operational update to Council on current and upcoming projects, and listed the company's achievements and its efforts to improve community engagement. As requested, the delegate provided additional information on mining classifications and procedures, and Gladiator Metals' previous projects, employee team, and communication with the First Nations Governments.



Minutes of the meeting of the City Operations Committee

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Mayor Kirk Cameron

Committee

Councillor Dan Boyd

Members Present Councillor Paolo Gallina 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

Lindsay Schneider, Director of Development Services
Travis Whiting, Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Landon Kulych, Director of People and Culture

Your Worship, there is no report from the City Operations Committee.



Minutes of the meeting of the Community Services Committee

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Lindsay Schneider, Director of Development Services

Travis Whiting, Director of Operations and Infrastructure

Landon Kulych, Director of People and Culture Keri Rutherford, Manager, Recreation Services

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

1. Spring Recreation Grant Allocations

As outlined in the Recreation Grant Policy, the Committee was presented with the 2025 Spring Recreation Grant allocations as recommended by the Recreation Grant Task Force. Administration provided additional information on eligibility criteria, support provided to applicants by the Task Force, and on factors that might influence the total operational support requested.

The Recommendation of the Community Services Committee is

THAT Council approve the allocation of \$187,035.05 for Recreation Grants as recommended by the Recreation Grant Task Force.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Kirk Cameron, Mayor

Corporate Services