MINUTES of REGULAR Meeting #2025-13 of the Council of the City of Whitehorse called for 5:30pm on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Kirk Cameron

Councillors Dan Boyd

Paolo Gallina Jenny Hamilton Eileen Melnychuk Anne Middler Lenore Morris

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Jeff O'Farrell

A/Director of Community Services Elizabeth Beecroft
Director of Corporate Services Valerie Braga
Director of Development Services Lindsay Schneider

Director of Operations Travis Whiting A/Director of People, Culture, and Technology Kevin Lyslo

Mayor Cameron called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER** 

**AGENDA** 

## <u>2025-13-01</u>

It was duly moved and seconded THAT the Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

**MINUTES** 

#### 2025-13-02

It was duly moved and seconded THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting dated June 9, 2025 and Special Council meeting dated June 19, 2025 be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Public Health and Safety Committee

A Committee member took a moment to offer condolences for the tragic loss of a community member that was hit and mortally wounded while cycling on the Alaska Highway in 2024, noting the memorial cycling event scheduled for the evening. The Committee member also used the time to call for the development of a safe connected cycling network to protect the many active commuters of the community.

New Business – Commemoration Ride and Call for Safety Delegates Stu Clark and Ron Veale, representing the Wildfire Awareness Society, presented on the wildfire risks posed by siding and soffits made of vinyl due to its low softening temperature, and urged Council to restrict vinyl soffits in the Zoning Bylaw or the Building and Plumbing Bylaw. The delegates provided additional information on using aluminum as an alternative material, including application logistics and costs.

Stu Clark and Ron Veale, Wildfire Awareness Society – Bylaw Amendments to Lower Wildfire Risks in the City

### **Corporate Services Committee**

### 2025-13-03

It was duly moved and seconded THAT Council accept the audited City of Whitehorse 2024 Financial Statements as presented, and THAT \$890,614 be transferred from the Water and Sewer Reserve to fund the Water and Sewer Fund deficit.

od Sewer Statements

Carried Unanimously

### 2025-13-04

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT travel expenses be approved for Mayor Cameron to travel to Yellowknife in July 2025, pending confirmation of details, to support intergovernmental engagement and shared learning on municipal priorities, including wildfire preparedness and intergovernmental collaboration.

Mayor's Travel Expense Authorization

Audited 2024 Financial

Carried Unanimously

### **City Planning Committee**

### <u>2025-13-05</u>

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2025-30, a bylaw to authorize the City of Whitehorse to acquire the title to Lot 130, Hillcrest Subdivision, Plan 30131 LTO, be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process.

Land Acquisition – Lot 130 Hillcrest Subdivision

Carried Unanimously

The Committee was presented with a summary of the Public Input Session held on May 12, 2025, for the Conditional Use Application for 122 Copper Road. No submissions were received, and the applicant has withdrawn their application. As such, the application has been dismissed.

Public Input Report – Conditional Use Application – 122 Copper Road – For Information Only

### **Development Services Committee**

There was no report from the Development Services Committee.

No Report

## **City Operations Committee**

A Committee member requested information on several topics regarding the Crestview subdivision, including traffic calming plans, a potential paved trail to connect the subdivision with the highway trail, and a spot missing pavement at the corner of Rainbow and Azure Road. Administration confirmed both the traffic calming for Crestview roads and the connector trail were identified for consideration in the Transportation Master Plan, and that the missing pavement issue would be investigated. Potential location and logistics for the connector trail were discussed, along with other ways to improve active transportation and winter maintenance for existing trails.

New Business – Traffic Calming and Active Transportation Infrastructure

Delegate Jenna Frerot raised concerns for the safety of active commuters in the Crestview neighbourhood, requesting the construction of a connector trail between Rainbow Road and the highway trail, and that traffic control measures be implemented to minimize risks from motorists.

Delegate Jenna Frerot – Safe Active Commuting and Traffic Control for Crestview

Delegate Alison George described the risks encountered by active commuters and other non-motorists in the Crestview neighbourhood and requested a connector trail be developed to improve safety. As requested by Committee members, the delegate provided additional information on where the desired trail could be developed.

Delegate Alison George – Safe Active Commuting from Crestview

Ben Craigen, Director of the Crestview Community
Association, presented recommendations to improve the safety
of active commuters in the Crestview Subdivision. The
recommendations include the development of a connector trail
or extending the sidewalk to provide access in and out of
Crestview, improving speed control on roadways, and fixing a
hazardous area of missing pavement.

Ben Craigen, Director, Crestview Community Association – Active Commuter Safety and Speed Control

Delegate Robyn Burns expressed difficulties and dangers encountered by cyclists in the Crestview neighbourhood, noting a lack of protective cycling infrastructure. As requested by Committee members, the delegate provided information on the current options for active commuting and areas of heightened concern.

Robyn Burns – Safe Cycling Infrastructure for Crestview

### **Community Services Committee**

A Committee member congratulated the Yukon University graduates of 2025, noting appreciation for the Yukon University and its contributions to the community.

New Business – Congratulations to Graduates

Mayor Kirk Cameron proclaimed June 21, 2025, to be National Indigenous Peoples' Day in the city of Whitehorse, a day to learn about and celebrate the unique heritage, traditions, and culture of Indigenous Peoples across Canada.

Proclamation – National Indigenous Peoples' Day (June 21, 2025)

#### **BYLAWS**

# 2025-13-06

It was duly moved and seconded THAT Bylaw 2025-30, a bylaw to authorize the City of Whitehorse to acquire the title to Lot 130, Hillcrest Subdivision, Plan 30131 LTO, be given First Reading.

Land Acquisition – Lot 130 Hillcrest Subdivision FIRST READING

Carried Unanimously

### **2025-13-07**

It was duly moved and seconded THAT Bylaw 2025-30 be given Second Reading.

Carried Unanimously

# **BYLAW 2025-30**

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Land Acquisition – Lot 130 Hillcrest Subdivision SECOND READING

### 2025-13-08

It was duly moved and seconded THAT Bylaw 2025-23 a bylaw to authorize a lease agreement with CHIPINN FISH & CHIPS INC. to provide concession services at Takhini Arena, be given Third Reading.

Carried Unanimously

# **BYLAW 2025-23**

Lease Agreement – Takhini Arena Concession Services THIRD READING

### 2025-13-09

It was duly moved and seconded THAT Bylaw 2025-25, a bylaw to amend the Traffic Bylaw regarding Neighbourhood Speed Limit Reductions, be given Third Reading.

# **BYLAW 2025-25**

Traffic Bylaw Amendment

- Neighbourhood Speed
Limit Reduction
THIRD READING

Carried Unanimously

### **2025-13-10**

It was duly moved and seconded THAT Bylaw 2025-26, a bylaw to authorize municipal charges and community services grants in the amount of \$273,557.84 for the year 2025, be given Third Reading.

Carried Unanimously

#### **BYLAW 2025-26**

Community Services and Municipal Charges Grants Bylaw THIRD READING There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

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Kirk Cameron, Mayor

**Corporate Services**