

MINUTES of REGULAR Meeting #2025-17 of the Council of the City of Whitehorse
called for 5:30pm on Monday, September 8, 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
Director of Community Services Krista Mroz
A/Director of Corporate Services Brittany Dixon
Director of Development Services Lindsay Schneider
Director of Operations Travis Whiting
A/Director of People, Culture, and Technology David Fulgham

*Indicates electronic participation.

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

CALL TO ORDER

AGENDA

2025-17-01

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

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Kirk Cameron proclaimed September 9 to be Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Awareness Day in the city of Whitehorse, a day dedicated to raising awareness and providing information, understanding and support to reduce the incidence of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder.

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum
Disorder Awareness Day
(September 9)

Mayor Kirk Cameron proclaimed September 10 to be World Suicide Prevention Day in the city of Whitehorse, a day to focus on reducing the stigma surrounding mental health and to change the narrative from one of silence to openness.

World Suicide Prevention Day
(September 10)

MINUTES

2025-17-02

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting dated
August 25, 2025, be adopted as presented.
Carried Unanimously

DELEGATE SUBMISSIONS

Delegate Peggy Land resident, Team Leader of “For Their Future Yukon”, and affiliate of National Climate Organization “For Our Kids”, spoke in support of the 2025-2030 Climate Action Plan Adoption. The delegate commended Council and Administration for the Plan. The Delegate suggested further research and reporting on industry emissions to support a reduction of greenhouse gases in the City of Whitehorse.

Peggy Land – 2025 – 2030
Climate Action Plan Adoption

Delegate Robin Reid-Fraser spoke in support of the 2025-2030 Climate Action Plan Adoption. The delegate urged Council to approve the plan, allowing the City of Whitehorse to mitigate and adapt to an already changing climate.

Robin Reid-Fraser – 2025 –
2030 Climate Action Plan
Adoption

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Health and Safety Committee

There was no report from the Public Health and Safety Committee.

No Report

Corporate Services Committee

2025-17-03

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Council authorize amendments totaling \$394,992 to
reduce the 2025 – 2028 Capital Expenditure Program.
Carried Unanimously

2nd Quarter Capital Budget
Variance Reporting

Administration presented the 2nd quarter operating budget variance and answered questions regarding the implications of staff vacancies, the treatment of salaries through the budget cycle, and transfers to reserves. Administration clarified that vacancies are anticipated through the budget process to avoid additional tax burden and that the current figures are consistent with typical year-to-date results.

2nd Quarter Operating Budget
Variance Report – For
Information Only

2025-17-04

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT Council direct that Bylaw 2025-35, a bylaw to amend the Fees and Charges Bylaw in accordance with the third quarter review, be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process; and

Fees and Charges
Amendment – 3rd Quarter

THAT the 2025 Operating Budget and the 2026 and 2027 Provisional Operating Budgets be adjusted upon adoption of Bylaw 2025-35, to reflect a decrease in revenues and expenses of \$401,374 respectively for 2025, and an increase in revenues of \$1,500 for 2026 and 2027, offset by transfers to the General Reserve.

Carried Unanimously

City Planning Committee

Delegates Michael Muller, Amy McClintock, and Lisa Wiklund representing the Yukon Energy Corporation presented an update on the Whitehorse Power Centres Project, outlining projected demand growth and the need for new thermal generators by Winter 2027–28. The work was described as being broken into north and south sites, along with a proposed substation at Long Lake Road, with 13 candidate locations identified to be narrowed through criteria related to environment, noise, air quality, and system capacity, together with public and stakeholder engagement. The delegates addressed the Yukon Energy Corporation's understanding of City processes for leasing and rezoning, addressed questions about noise, air quality, and fuel choice, and confirmed that the south site is expected to proceed first due to existing system capacity, with northern upgrades to follow.

Delegates Michael Muller,
Vice President of Health,
Safety, Planning &
Environment, Amy
McClintock, Manager of
Resource Planning & Lisa
Wiklund Manager of
Community Relations –
Yukon Energy Corporation –
Whitehorse Power Centres
Project

Committee members continued discussion on the Whitehorse Power Centres Project. In response to questions, Administration confirmed that 11 sites within City boundaries are subject to master plan requirements unless waivers are granted, with the file proceeding to the Development Review Committee. Administration further explained that rezoning and OCP amendments will follow standard application processes but will be able to run concurrently.

New Business – Yukon
Energy Corporation–
Whitehorse Power Centres
Project

Development Services Committee

2025-17-05

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT Council adopt the Climate Action Plan as a guiding document which will coordinate the city-wide response to the Climate emergency through tangible actions that enhance the City's resilience to the effects of climate change.

2025-2030 Climate Action
Plan Adoption

Carried Unanimously

City Operations Committee

There was no report from the City Operations Committee

No report

Community Services Committee

There was no report from the Community Services Committee.

No report

BYLAWS

2025-17-06

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT Bylaw 2025-35, a bylaw to amend Fees and Charges for the 3rd quarter, be given first Reading.

BYLAW 2025-35

Fees and Charges Bylaw
Amendment – 3rd Quarter
FIRST READING

Carried Unanimously

2025-17-07

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT bylaw 2025-35, a bylaw to amend Fees and Charges for the 3rd quarter, be given second reading.

BYLAW 2025-35

Fees and Charges Bylaw
Amendment – 3rd Quarter
SECOND READING

Carried Unanimously

2025-17-08

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT Bylaw 2025-34, a bylaw to extend the Joint Use Agreement to December 31, 2025 be given Third Reading.

BYLAW 2025-34

Joint Use Agreement
Extension
THIRD READING

Carried Unanimously

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m. **ADJOURNMENT**



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Kirk Cameron, Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be initials "MS", written over a horizontal line.

Corporate Services

Adopted by Resolution at Meeting #2025-18