



## Regular Council Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2026, 1:00 p.m.  
City of Penticton, Council Chambers  
171 Main Street, Penticton, B.C.

Council Present: Mayor Bloomfield  
Councillor Watt  
Councillor Graham  
Councillor Gilbert  
Councillor Reynen  
Councillor Stewart

Council Absent: Councillor Miller

Staff Present: Anthony Haddad, City Manager  
Angie Collison, Corporate Officer  
Kristen Dixon, General Manager of Infrastructure  
Kelsey Johnson, General Manager of Community Services  
Julie Czeck, General Manager of Public Safety and Partnerships  
Cheryl Hardisty, Manager of Intergovernmental Relations  
Paula McKinnon, Deputy Corporate Officer  
Courtney Jones, Manager of Financial Planning  
Audrey Tanguay, Manager of Planning & Licensing

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### 1. Call Regular Council Meeting to Order

The Mayor called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

### 2. Introduction of Late Items

### 3. Adoption of Agenda

**67/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council Adopt the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting held on March 17, 2026 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### 4. Recess to Committee of the Whole

68/2026 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council Recess to a Committee of the Whole meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

##### 4.1 Call Committee of the Whole to Order

The Mayor called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

##### 4.2 Adoption of Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the agenda for the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on March 17, 2026.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

##### 4.3 Delegations

###### 4.3.1 Opening of Neighbourhood Small Grants, Food Security Summit Recap & Municipal Grants Program Update

Kim English, Community Foundation of the South Okanagan, provided Council with a presentation about the Neighbourhood Small Grants (NSG) Program which is now open to all residents of Penticton until April 17, 2026.

Kevin Ronaghan, Community Foundation of the South Okanagan, provided Council with a summary of CFSOS's recent food security summit as well as an overview of the 2026 Municipal grant program delivery outcomes.

###### 4.3.2 Solid Waste Management Plan - Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

Allen Fillion, Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen, and Lauren Quan, Tetra Tech, provided Council with an update on the Solid Waste Management Plan. Following engagement, will request that Council provide a letter of support for the Solid Waste Management Plan to be included in the RDOS' submission to the Ministry of Environment and Parks.

##### 4.4 Adjourn to Regular Meeting of Council

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adjourn the March 17, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5. Reconvene the Regular Council Meeting**

Council Reconvened the Regular Council Meeting at 1:41 p.m.

**6. Adoption of Minutes**

6.1 Minutes of the March 3, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

**68/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of March 3, 2026 as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7. Consent Agenda**

**69/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council approve the Consent Agenda:

1. February 24, 2026 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes;
2. February 27, 2026 Accessibility Committee Meeting Minutes; and
3. March 3, 2026 Public Hearing Minutes.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**8. Staff Reports**

8.1 Request for Proposal: License to Use Area Located at 185 Lakeshore Drive West

**70/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council direct staff to refer the proposed five-year renewal of the License to Use Agreement with Bishop's Snow and Marine Ltd. (operating as Pier Water Sports) to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for their review and recommendation regarding the use of approximately 0.55 acres of Rotary Park foreshore and the associated building for the operation of water-based leisure activities at market rate, plus CPI.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

8.2 Esplanade Renewal Plan: Phase 2 Public Engagement Results

**71/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receive into the record the report dated March 17, 2026, titled “Esplanade Renewal Plan: Phase 2 Public Engagement Results”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to include the following next steps into the draft Esplanade Renewal Plan in response to Phase 2 public engagement results:

- Begin engineering design work towards creating a formal trail connection between the Esplanade and KVR trail;
- Initiate the process to enable the development of a new building to support community and commercial uses (i.e. restaurant/retail/community meeting space), replacing the Yacht Club offices and current clubhouse/Rusty Anchor restaurant;
- Investigate relocation options for the Penticton Tennis Club to provide improved facilities and focus the current area on non-motorized watercraft related uses, trailhead amenities, and enabling more public access to the area;
- Designate the eastern natural beach as a “non-motorized watercraft beach” to support compatible uses in that location over the plan horizon, including the removal of the former yacht and tennis club building.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Bloomfield declared a conflict of interest due to the owner being a previous client and left the meeting at 2:07 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Gilbert assumed the role of Chair.

### 8.3 Official Community Plan Amendment Application

Re: 434 Lakeshore Drive West

**72/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council, following the Community Engagement for OCP Amendments Procedure, direct staff to commence public engagement for a proposed Official Community Plan Amendment to change the future land use designation on 434 Lakeshore Drive W from ‘Low Density Residential’ to ‘High Density Residential’ in support of future high density residential development.

Conflict (1): Mayor Bloomfield

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Bloomfield returned to the meeting at 2:13 p.m. and resumed the role of Chair.

## 9. Public Question Period

**10. Recess to a Closed Council Meeting:**

**73/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council recess to a Closed Council Meeting pursuant to the provisions of the *Community Charter* as follows: *Section 90 (1)*

*(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public; and Section 90 (2)*

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

*(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 UNANIMOUSLY**

The meeting recessed to a Closed Meeting at 2:24 p.m.

**11. Reconvene the Regular Council Meeting following the Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m.**

The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 6:08 p.m.

**12. Bylaws and Permits**

12.1 Business License Bylaw No. 2026-01, Municipal Ticketing Information Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-02, Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-03, Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-04, and Inter-Community Business Licence Bylaw No. 2026-05

Delegations/Submissions: Frank Conci, thoughts included in submitted letter, opportunity to reconsider bylaw fees changes for short term rentals, revert back to original business license level.

**74/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt "Business License Bylaw No. 2026-01";

AND THAT Council adopt "Municipal Ticketing Information Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-02";

AND THAT Council adopt Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-03";

AND THAT Council give second and third reading to "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-04";

AND THAT Council adopt Inter-Community Business License Bylaw No. 2026-05".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.2 Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-07 and Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-08

Re: Pro-Active Planning Additional Updates

**75/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-07";

AND THAT Council adopt "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-08".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.3 Tenant Protection Bylaw No. 2026-12, Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-13 and Development Procedures and Delegation Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-14

**76/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt "Tenant Protection Bylaw No. 2026-12";

AND THAT Council adopt "Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-13";

AND THAT Council adopt "Development Procedures and Delegation Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-14".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.4 Firehalls Replacement and Upgrades Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2026-15

**77/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt "Firehalls Replacement and Upgrades Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2026-15".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

12.5 Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-16 and Development Variance Permit PL2025-10059

Re: 251 Comox Street, 1013 Westminster Avenue West, 997 Westminster Avenue West and 998 Burnaby Avenue

**78/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adopt "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2026-16";

AND THAT Council approve "Development Variance Permit PL2025-10059".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**13. Notice of Motion**

13.1 Notice of Motion introduced by Councillor Stewart for consideration:

**79/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council send a letter to the Province of British Columbia requesting that municipalities are exempt from the 7% provincial sales tax on professional services.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**14. Business Arising**

**15. Public Question Period**

**16. Council Round Table**

**17. Adjournment**

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

**80/2026** It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council adjourn the March 17, 2026 Regular meeting of Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Angie Collison, Corporate Officer

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Julius Bloomfield, Mayor