



MINUTES OF DISTRICT OF KITIMAT  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

MEETING HELD AT MUNICIPAL HALL

270 CITY CENTRE, ON MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021 AT 7:22 P.M.

Present: Mayor

P. Germuth

Present: Councillors:  
(All Via WebEx)

E. Empinado, M. Feldhoff, L. Gibson  
R. Goffinet, T. Marleau, M. Zielinski

Present: Staff:

W. Waycheshen, CAO  
Via WebEx E. Anderson, Director of Corporate Administration  
Via WebEx A. Ramos-Espinoza, Director of Engineering  
Via WebEx A. Lucas, Director of Planning  
Via WebEx D. Rutsatz, Director of Finance  
Via WebEx M. Gould, Director of Leisure Services  
Via WebEx M. Dewar, Director of Economic Development and Communications  
Via WebEx T. Bossence, Fire Chief  
Via WebEx C. McCulley, Director of Operations  
Via WebEx K. Enders, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration  
Via WebEx J. Slivinski, Climate Change Specialist

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Public Input / Questions on Agenda Items**

**3. Media Inquiries - For Clarification Only**

**4. Call for New Business / Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved and seconded,

*“THAT the Committee of the Whole Agenda for April 12, 2021 be adopted as circulated.”*

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-064

**5. Development Permit Application, 100 Loganberry Avenue Kitimat Valley Housing Society, Care Home**

Councillor Empinado declared a conflict of interest as an employee of Northern Health and left the WebEx – 7:23 p.m.

Moved and seconded,

*“THAT Intensive and Multi-Family Residential Development Permit Application to construct a care home for patients with dementia and staff at PID 030-616-417 located on Loganberry Avenue, be received for consideration;*

*THAT the application be referred to the Advisory Planning Commission;*

*AND THAT public notice be issued and mailout to include the required property owners and tenants located within 90 metres of the subject property.”*

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-065

Development Permit Application, 100 Loganberry Avenue

Councillor Empinado returned to the WebEx – 7:41 p.m.

**6. Development Permit Application, 578 Mountainview Square**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the Downtown Revitalization Area Development Permit Application to construct a commercial building for the purpose of a nanobrewery at 578 Mountainview Square, be received for consideration;*

*THAT the application be referred to the Advisory Planning Commission and Downtown Design Panel;*

*AND THAT public notice be issued and mailout be extended to include the required property owners and tenants located within 90 metres of the subject property, plus all remaining properties in Mountainview Square."*

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-066

Development Permit Application, 578 Mountainview Square

**7. Third Party Signs - Kitimat Municipal Code**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT staff release a survey to the community for input in allowing third party signs within the District of Kitimat."*

Amendment:

*Moved and seconded,*

*"THAT the survey be forwarded to the Downtown Design Panel, Advisory Planning Commission, and Downtown Design Panel for comment."*

Amendment to Amendment:

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT staff collect standard demographic information in the third party signs survey."*

Amendment to Amendment Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-067

Third Party Signs

Amendment Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-068

Third Party Signs

Main Motion as Amended:

*"THAT staff release a survey to the community for input in allowing third party signs within the District of Kitimat.*

*THAT the survey be forwarded to the Traffic Committee, Advisory Planning Commission, and Downtown Design Panel for comment.*

*AND THAT staff collect standard demographic information in the third party signs survey."*

Motion: **Carried**

In Favour: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Empinado,  
Gibson, Goffinet, Marleau, Zielinski

Opposed: Councillor Feldhoff

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C21-069  
Third Party Signs

## **8. 2021 Budget Deliberations (Fourth Report)**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the My Mountain Coop, Shames Mountain grant in the amount of \$15,000 for the parking expansion plan be approved and funded from the grants to community organizations account."*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C21-070  
2021 Budget Deliberations

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the conditions, design guidelines, locations and season be relaxed for Public Land Policy C-27 for 2021 and fees be waived."*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C21-071  
2021 Budget Deliberations

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the property tax increase for all Classes be set at 3.25% for 2021."*

Motion: **Carried**

In Favour: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Feldhoff,  
Gibson, Goffinet, Marleau, Zielinski

Opposed: Councillor Empinado

Motion: C21-072  
2021 Budget Deliberations

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the Flat Tax rate for the 2021 year be set at \$668, equal to the 2020 Flat tax rate of \$649 plus a 3.0% adjustment for budget increases."*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C21-073  
2021 Budget Deliberations

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the 2021 budget in Appendix A, as amended, be used to prepare the Financial Plan bylaw for Council consideration."*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C21-074  
2021 Budget Deliberations

## **9. Community Energy and Emissions Plan**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT Council adopt the Community Energy and Emissions Plan with the original Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction targets:*

- a. Carbon-neutral by 2050;*
- b. 22% below 2007 GHG emissions levels by 2030."*

Motion: **Defeated**

In Favour: Councillor Gibson, Goffinet, Marleau

Opposed: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Empinado, Feldhoff, Zielinski

Motion: C21-075  
Community Energy and Emissions Plan

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT Council adopt the Community Energy and Emissions Plan with the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction targets:*

- a. 58% below 2007 GHG emission levels by 2050;*
- b. 20% below 2007 GHG emissions levels by 2030.*

*AND THAT the Community Energy and Emissions Plan attached to the 6 April staff report and its recommendations be adopted as presented."*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C21-076  
Community Energy and Emissions Plan

**10. Kitimat Valley Naturalists Delegation - Protected Wetland Goose Creek area; Kitimat Rod & Gun Association Delegation – Reforming Kitimat’s Local Laws During an Industrial Boom; Correspondence from Kitimat Economic Development Association regarding the Reforming Kitimat’s Local Laws presentation**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the Reforming Kitimat’s Laws During an Industrial Boom report be brought back for further Council discussion following Council completing the strategic priority meetings."*

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-077

Reforming Kitimat’s Local Laws During an Industrial Boom

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT staff provide to Council for their discussion a table of the recommendations and sub-recommendations as set out in the Reforming Kitimat’s Local Laws During an Industrial Boom report."*

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-078

Reforming Kitimat’s Local Laws During an Industrial Boom

Moved and seconded,

*"AND THAT the request from the Kitimat Valley Naturalists to establish a protected Wetland in the Goose Creek area be brought back for further discussion by Council with the Reforming Kitimat’s Local Laws During an Industrial Boom report."*

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: C21-079

Kitimat Valley Naturalists – Goose Creek Wetland

**11. Adjournment**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT this meeting adjourn."*

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

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Mayor

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Corporate Officer