



May 2024

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It was another successful year as the Kitimaat Open basketball tournament enjoyed its 17th run. This event runs annually, and is co-hosted by Haisla Nation and the District of Kitimat. In the Women's Division, it was Shae's Team versus Haisla in the finals, with Shae's Team clinching the win. In third was the team Nations. The Men's Division saw Chiefs Red vs. Chiefs Black with Black taking the win. Third place was The Bay.

Promoting local healthcare

The District of Kitimat is taking steps to improve local healthcare.

The Kitimat Healthcare Professionals Attraction and Retention Strategy has been adopted, with a number of key recommendations to boost the number of healthcare professionals in Kitimat. Kitimat Council has approved the first-year budget of the program, which is funded by LNG Canada.

Year one of this program includes the hiring of a dedicated Attraction and Retention Coordinator. Financial incentives for recruitment and training will be offered, along with housing and transportation allowances.

The District of Kitimat has, meanwhile, also approved a bursary for students in Kitimat schools who will be pursuing a career in healthcare. Two \$2,500 bursaries will be awarded between two successful, eligible students who also indicate a willingness to return to Kitimat for work once their schooling is completed.

The full Kitimat Healthcare Professionals Attraction and Retention Strategy document is available to view on the District of Kitimat's website at www.kitimat.ca/reports.

Notes from Council

Selections from our Council meeting summaries. Full summaries at www.kitimat.ca/summaries.

Underpass

Council received a presentation from staff on Active Transportation Options for a underpass at Haisla Boulevard between Ptarmigan Street and Nalabila Boulevard and a Cable Car subdivision Multi-Use pathway route.

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Cemetery

Council was provided an update on the Kitimat Cemetery Columbarium project. The next step for the Columbarium project is to develop a bylaw that sets out nameplate design and fee structures. Staff will bring a bylaw to a future meeting for Council consideration with a name plate style similar to the Smithers Cemetery and a fee structure that the District of Kitimat will recover 75% of the capital costs.

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Information about Council
www.kitimat.ca/council

Council Minutes & Agendas
www.kitimat.ca/agendas

Budget heading towards completion

The budget is moving towards adoption after recent budget deliberations. On April 15, Council set the 2024 flat tax rate at \$723, and set the 2024 property tax rate for consideration at 4%.

The Tax Rate Bylaw, Residential Flat Tax Rate Bylaw, and the Five-year Financial Plan bylaw were brought to Council for the first of three readings at the May 6, 2024 meeting. These bylaws will return for adoption at a May 13, 2024 Special meeting.

Information about the budget is online at www.kitimat.ca/budget.

Age-Friendly Community Engagement Workshops

Find out what's been happening in your community on the Age-Friendly front!

The workshops will include refreshments and door prizes!

Come out and share your ideas and vision for your senior years with us!

SAVE THE DATE

Workshop Dates

June 3rd @ the 50+ Centre- 10:00am to 12pm
June 4th @ the Riverlodge Activity Room- 6:30-8:30pm
June 6th will be an online virtual session- 1:00-3:00pm

For more information
Contact Nanci Warren 604-992-7446 or nwarren@kitimat.ca

Business bootcamp back in business

A series of workshops to support local business owners is returning in June.

Hosted with the Kitimat Chamber of Commerce, the Kitimat Business Bootcamp will be a series of workshops beginning June 5 and each session will tie into a topic of interest for businesses, inspired by the annual Business Walk.

The event will conclude with the Business Builders Competition, with a chance to win cash prizes to grow your business. For more information visit www.kitimat.ca/incentives or email edo@kitimat.ca.

Water main flushing program

The District of Kitimat began its annual water main flushing on April 15 and is expected to finish by June 24.

Although your water may experience brief discolouration it will continue to be safe.

If your water becomes discoloured:

- Run your taps until the water clears
- Avoid using hot water while the water is discoloured.

Upcoming Council dates

13 May	Special Meeting of Council
21 May	Regular Meeting of Council
27 May	Committee of the Whole
3 June	Regular Meeting of Council

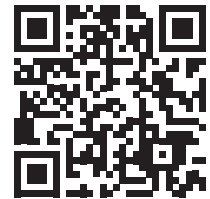
Dates may be subject to additions or changes

Council meetings are generally held at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Monday of the month. Email district@kitimat.ca to attend virtually or visit in-person at 606 Mountainview Square.

Meetings are livestreamed at www.kitimat.ca and on Facebook. Watch archived videos of past meetings on our website.

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Administration
250-632-8900

Tamitik Jubilee Sports Complex
250-632-8955

Riverlodge Recreation Centre
250-632-8970

Fire & Ambulance
250-632-8940
(non-emergency)

RCMP
250-632-7111
(non-emergency)

All Emergencies:
9-1-1

Local services

Humane Society
250-632-7373

Kitimat Library
250-632-8985

Kitimat Museum & Archives
250-632-8950

Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Centre
250-632-6294

Seniors' Centre
250-632-3405

Kitimat Youth Centre
250-632-8974

