

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 AT 7:30 P.M.**

Mayor C. Leclerc presided. Councillors present were S. Bujtas, L. Christiansen, J. Cordeiro, B. Downie, J. McCallum-Miller, and E. Ramsay. Also in attendance were H. Avison, Chief Administrative Officer, D. Block, Director of Development Services, K. Lautens, Communications Advisor, A. Thompson, Clerk, and A. Poole, Executive Assistant.

**MOVE TO IN-CAMERA
SPECIAL COUNCIL:**

**Meeting Called to Order at
7:15 p.m. – Move to In-
Camera Special Council**

(No. 384)

MOVED/SECONDED to move In-Camera and close the meeting to the public pursuant to Division 3, Section 90 (2) (b) of the Community Charter (to discuss matters relating to negotiations between the municipality and the provincial government).

Carried Unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING:

Mayor Leclerc acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional unceded homelands and territory of the Tsimshian First Nation. She also advised that Council agendas and minutes are available for viewing on the City's home page at www.terrace.ca. The past minutes have been archived.

ADDENDUM:

There was no Addendum.

DELEGATIONS & GUESTS:

There were no Delegations & Guests.

MINUTES:

**Regular Council Minutes,
August 26, 2019**

(No. 386)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Regular Council Minutes of August 26, 2019 be adopted as read on this day and that such Minutes as read set out all the business before Council that day and fully and properly record all of the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM
THE MINUTES (OLD
BUSINESS):**

There was no Old Business.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no Correspondence.

**CONVENE INTO
COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE:**

(No. 387)

**Committee of the Whole
Development Services
Component**
➤ **September 9, 2019**

MOVED/SECONDED that the September 9, 2019 Regular Council Meeting convene into Committee of the Whole.

Carried Unanimously.

The following item was discussed at the September 9, 2019 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole:

**1. APPLICATION FOR NEW STOREFRONT CANNABIS
RETAIL SALES LICENSE – BATH & DHILLON (101-
4435 LAKELSE AVENUE)**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Committee of the Whole
Development Services
Component**
➤ **September 9, 2019**

(No. 388)

It was recommended that the Committee now rise and report.

MOVED/SECONDED that the September 9, 2019 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole verbal report be adopted with the following recommendation:

**1. APPLICATION FOR NEW STOREFRONT CANNABIS
RETAIL SALES LICENSE – BATH & DHILLON (101-
4435 LAKELSE AVENUE)**

It was recommended that Council pass the following resolution:

Be it resolved that:

1. *The City of Terrace Council does not recommend the approval of the license for the following reasons:*
 - a) *There were several written responses and statements received from adjacent property owners, residents and tenants, including a petition with one-hundred (100) signatures from patrons of the adjacent business and residents of the community;*
 - b) *The proposed location for this use is not considered to be compatible with adjacent land uses including a mix of higher-density residential developments; and*
 - c) *The approval of a license for a non-medical cannabis retail store at the subject location may negatively impact the use and enjoyment of the surrounding community.*

2. *A public notice of hearing was sent out to the owners of all properties within 100 metres of the subject property and a notice was placed in the local newspaper. The notices gave the date, time, and location of the public input hearing to give the public an opportunity to voice their opinions. The hearing was held at the Council meeting on August 12, 2019.*

One (1) written response was received from a member of the public citing concerns regarding the location of the proposed non-medical cannabis retail store in relation to the Ksan damp shelter (Turning Points Housing Connections) and Twin River Estates (Seniors Residential Complex).

One (1) written response was also received from the business owner in the adjacent unit of the commercial building citing concerns with compliance to provincial regulations and the nature of the proposed business. Concerns were raised as cannabis sales are directed towards individuals who are 19+, whereas the adjacent business (Comic Encounters) captures a wider audience, including minors.

A review of the revised floor plan as submitted by the applicant confirmed the proposal includes adding a second entrance and private vestibule at the front of building, alleviating concerns regarding a shared vestibule. The applicant will also be required to cover all windows and doors with a non-transparent film to ensure non-medical cannabis, cannabis accessories, and transactions involving those products are not visible from outside the store.

3. *A second public input hearing was held at the Council meeting on August 26, 2019, as the community of Twin River Estates (3232 Apsley Street) was missed in the original mail out notification. Notices were mailed to the residents of Twin River Estates indicating the date and time of the additional public input hearing.*

One (1) petition was submitted voicing opposition to approving a non-medical cannabis retail licence at the subject location. The petition included an overall total of 100 signatures and of those, sixty-six (66) individuals indicated they were Terrace residents, thirty-three (33) individuals listed they

were from other municipalities and one (1) individual did not list an address.

In addition to the petition, three (3) members of the public spoke at the hearing, noting concerns regarding:

- the R.C.M.P.'s capacity to handle an increase of intoxicated individuals as a result of cannabis sales;
- the recent increase in crime, violence, and vagrancy in the area;
- the proximity of the cannabis store in relation to residential areas and the extreme weather shelter; and
- the potential negative impact of a non-medical cannabis retail store on local youth (both visiting the adjacent commercial retailers and living in the area).

Carried.

Councillor J. McCallum-Miller wished to be recorded as opposed.

**Committee of the Whole
Finance, Personnel & Admin
Component**

➤ **August 29, 2019**

MOVED/SECONDED that the Finance, Personnel & Administration Component of the August 29, 2019 Committee of the Whole report be adopted with the following recommendation:

(No. 389)

1. 2020 – 2023 PERMISSIVE TAX EXEMPTIONS

It was recommended that staff prepare the 2020 - 2023 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw with the following exemptions:

Canadian Red Cross – 645999 BC Ltd. Lease	124-4720 Lazelle	Health Equipment Loan Program
Governing Council of the Salvation Army	3236 Kalum Street	Thrift Shop
Governing Council of the Salvation Army – 645999 BC Ltd. Lease	3227-3229 Sparks Street	Sunday Service/Youth Group/Prayer Meetings

<i>Kermode Friendship Society</i>	<i>4714 Park Avenue</i>	<i>New Building – Childcare/ Preschool/ Programs/ Services; Excluding Daycare Portion</i>
<i>Kermode Friendship Society</i>	<i>3313 Kalum Street</i>	<i>Friendship Centre/ Childcare/ Programs; Excluding Daycare Portion</i>
<i>Ksan House Society</i>	<i>4444 Lakelse Avenue</i>	<i>Extreme Weather Shelter Portion Only</i>
<i>Ksan House Society</i>	<i>2812 Hall Street</i>	<i>Emergency Shelter/ Recovery Beds/ Transitional Units</i>
<i>Ksan House Society</i>	<i>4838 Lazelle Avenue</i>	<i>Transition House/ Emergency Women’s Shelter/ Support Programs</i>
<i>My Recreational Mountain Co-op</i>	<i>101-4805 Highway 16 W</i>	<i>Office</i>
<i>Terrace District Community Services</i>	<i>2806 Eby Street</i>	<i>Respite Facility</i>
<i>Terrace District Community Services</i>	<i>4530 Lakelse Avenue</i>	<i>Choices Program Location</i>
<i>Terrace Cerebral Palsy Association</i>	<i>510 Eby</i>	<i>Child Development Centre/ Daycare; Excluding Daycare Portion</i>
<i>Terrace Child Development Centre</i>	<i>4665 Park Avenue</i>	<i>Child Development Centre</i>
<i>Terrace Curling Association</i>	<i>3210 School Street</i>	<i>Curling Club</i>

Terrace Elks Lodge	2822 Tetrault Street	Elks Hall
Terrace Little Theatre Society	3625 Kalum Street	Theatre
Women's Auxiliary Hospital	4544 Lazelle Avenue to	Thrift Shop
Royal Canadian Legion Pacific #13 (Terrace Branch)	4425 Legion Avenue	Legion; 50% Exemption

And that the following exemptions be denied:

- Terrace & District Community Services – 4650 Davis Avenue, group home;
- Terrace & District Community Services – 4832 Loen Avenue, group home;
- Terrace & District Community Services – 4823 Graham Avenue, group home;
- Terrace & District Community Services – 4904 Medeek Avenue, group home; and
- Terrace & District Community Services – 4903 Medeek Avenue, group home.

Carried Unanimously.

Committee of the Whole
➤ **September 4, 2019**

(No. 390)

MOVED/SECONDED that the September 4, 2019 Committee of the Whole report be adopted with the following recommendation:

1. KITIMAT LNG PROJECT UPDATE

There were no recommendations.

Carried Unanimously.

Committee of the Whole
➤ **September 5, 2019**

(No. 391)

MOVED/SECONDED that the September 5, 2019 Committee of the Whole report be adopted with the following recommendation:

1. TERRACE NISGA'A LOCAL

There were no recommendations.

Carried Unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
(FOR INFORMATION ONLY):

**Committee of the Whole
Development Services
Component**

➤ **August 26, 2019**

(No. 392)

MOVED/SECONDED that the August 26, 2019 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole report be received for information.

Carried Unanimously

SPECIAL REPORTS:

**August 26, 2019 Public Input
Hearing Report (For
Information Only)**

(No. 393)

MOVED/SECONDED that the August 26, 2019 Public Input Hearing Report be received for information only.

Carried Unanimously.

BYLAWS:

**Subdivision & Development
Level of Service Amendment
Bylaw, Project No. ADP-02-
1919**

(Adoption)

(No. 394)

MOVED/SECONDED that Subdivision & Development Level of Service Amendment Bylaw, Project No. ADP-02-1919 be read by title only and adopted.

Carried Unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS FROM
COUNCIL:**

**Regional District of Kitimat-
Stikine Report**

There was no report on the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine.

**REPORTS ON COUNCIL
ACTIVITIES:**

Councillor Ramsay

Councillor Ramsay reported on International FASD Awareness Day and the upcoming Grand Opening of the New Upper Skeena Recreation Centre.

Councillor Downie

Councillor Downie reported on the Public Homelessness Forum.

Councillor Bujtas

Councillor Bujtas reported on the Public Homelessness Forum and the Housing Announcement by Minister Melanie Mark.

Councillor Christiansen

Councillor Christiansen reported on the Public Homelessness Forum.

Mayor Leclerc

Mayor Leclerc reported on the Tourism Roundtable with Minister Lisa Beare.

Councillor McCallum-Miller

Councillor McCallum-Miller reported on the Public Homelessness Forum and the upcoming Grand Opening of the New Upper Skeena Recreation Centre.

REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA:

**In-Camera Special Meeting
of Council, September 9,
2019**

Resolution No. 367

**Dave Gordon, Terrace
Downtown Improvement
Area Society – George Little
Stump Carving**

MOVED/SECONDED that the TDIA be authorized to carve the maple tree stump at the corner of Lakelse and Emerson into a shape of their choosing and be required to move it at the City's request.

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS
FROM THE MEDIA &
AUDIENCE:**

There was one question from the Media and no questions from the Audience.

ADJOURNMENT

(No. 395)

MOVED/SECONDED that the September 9, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council be now adjourned and that Council move to In-Camera to the public pursuant to Division 3, Section 90(2) (b) of the Community Charter to discuss matters relating to negotiations between the municipality and the provincial government.

Carried Unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor

Clerk