



CITY OF WEST KELOWNA
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, April 14, 2026
COUNCIL CHAMBER
3731 OLD OKANAGAN HWY, WEST KELOWNA, BC

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Gord Milsom
Councillor Tasha Da Silva
Councillor Rick de Jong
Councillor Jason Friesen (entered the meeting at 1:32 p.m.)
Councillor Stephen Johnston (entered the meeting at 1:32 p.m.)
Councillor Garrett Millsap (entered the meeting at 1:35 p.m.)
Councillor Carol Zanon

Staff Present: Ron Bowles, Chief Administrative Officer
Mark Panneton, Director of Legislative & Legal Services/Corporate Officer
Rebecca Narinesingh, Deputy Corporate Officer
Jason Brolund, Fire Chief/General Manager of Protective Services
Karla Campbell, General Manager of Corporate Services
Brent Magnan, General Manager of Community Development
Patrick Pulak, General Manager of Operations
Lisa Siavashi, Financial Services Manager/Acting Chief Financial Officer
Greg Cowan, Senior Manager of Information Services
Rob Hillis, Senior Manager of Engineering & Capital Projects
Chris Oliver, Senior Planning Manager
Angele Clarke, Long Range Planning Manager
Erin Goodwin, Facilities & Recreation Manager
Mark Roberts, Parks Manager
Ashley Stewart, Communications Manager
Warren Everton, Project Executive Lead - ERP/HRIS
Eugene Harley, Business Systems Team Lead
Karen Goodridge-Nagle, Revenue Supervisor
Wayne Hindley, Fleet Supervisor

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Milsom called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m., acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional territory of the Syilx/Okanagan Peoples, stated that the meeting was open to the public, and informed that: all representations to Council form part of the public record; and the meeting was webcast live and archived on the City's website.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

No items.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillors Friesen and Johnston entered the meeting at 1:32 p.m.

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C099/26

THAT the April 14, 2026 regular Council agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY; Councillor Millsap absent at the vote.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 March 24, 2026 Special and Regular Council Minutes

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C100/26

THAT the March 24, 2026 special and regular Council minutes be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY; Councillor Millsap absent at the vote.

5. MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

5.1 Mayor and Councillors' Reports

Councillor Millsap entered the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Mayor Milsom informed of a recent advocacy trip to Victoria, on behalf of Council, to meet with provincial representatives that resulted in a commitment of additional RCMP resources for the Westside, along with discussions regarding affordable housing projects and increasing mental health services.

Mayor Milsom spoke relative to the seventh annual Urban Re-Leaf program currently underway, including that residents may purchase up to two trees at

cost, and that the program has supported the planting of nearly 1,500 trees since 2020.

Mayor Milsom encouraged residents to attend the Spring Art Exhibition taking place on April 19 at the Westbank Lions Community Centre. The free event showcases local artists with most of the artwork available for purchase.

On behalf of Council, Mayor Milsom, congratulated the Stewart Family of Quail's Gate on receiving the Canadian Wine Industry Award of Distinction.

6. PRESENTATIONS

No items.

7. DELEGATIONS

7.1 Powering the Future without Harming our Neighbourhoods

Tom Groat (on behalf of Shannon Lake Neighbourhood Association) provided a presentation regarding proposed power transmission line routing in West Kelowna and responded to Council's questions. Staff also responded to Council's questions.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No items.

9. DIVISION REPORTS

9.1 BC Hydro Transmission Project Public Feedback

Staff provided a brief overview and introduced Sally MacDonald (Stakeholder Engagement Advisor, Capital Projects, BC Hydro) and Jason Kim (Assistant Project Manager, BC Hydro). Sally MacDonald and Jason Kim provided a presentation and responded to Council's questions.

Mayor Milsom, with the consent of Council, declared a recess at 2:25 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 2:33 p.m. with all members of Council present.

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C101/26

THAT staff be directed to schedule and advertise a formal community meeting in May for the purpose of receiving public feedback regarding the BC Hydro Transmission project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Transportation Master Plan – Recommendation for Adoption

Staff and Lynn Machacek (HDR Inc.) provided a presentation and responded to Council's questions.

Councillor Millsap left the meeting at 3:06 p.m. and returned at 3:08 p.m.

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C102/26

THAT consideration of the Transportation Master Plan be deferred so that staff can incorporate Council's feedback from the April 14th, 2026 regular Council meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Milsom, with the consent of Council, declared a recess at 3:37 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 3:47 p.m. with all members of Council except Councillor Millsap present.

9.3 Sterile Insect Release Parcel Tax Bylaw No 0339, 2026

Councillor Millsap returned to the meeting at 3:48 p.m.

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C103/26

THAT "Sterile Insect Release Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 0339, 2026" be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.4 Solid Waste and Recycling Program Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 0340, 2026

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C104/26

THAT "Solid Waste and Recycling Program Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 0340, 2026" be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.5 Asquith Road Transfer Station Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 0341, 2026

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C105/26

THAT "Asquith Road Transfer Station Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 0341, 2026" be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.6 Green Bay Dredging Project - Phase 1 Local Area Service Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 0342, 2026

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C106/26

THAT "Green Bay Dredging Project - Phase 1 Local Area Service Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 0342, 2026" be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.7 Civic Addressing Bylaw No. 0333

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C107/26

THAT "Civic Addressing Bylaw No. 0333, 2026" be adopted;

AND THAT "City of West Kelowna Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 0093.59, 2026" be adopted;

AND FURTHER THAT "City of West Kelowna Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 0095.58, 2026" be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.8 Main City Software Platform (ERP-HRIS) Update No. 2

Staff provided a presentation and responded to Council's questions.

9.9 Recreation and Culture Fees and Charges Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 0028.87, 2026

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C108/26

THAT "City of West Kelowna Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 0028.87, 2026" be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.10 Cemetery Consequential Bylaw Amendments

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C109/26

THAT “City of West Kelowna Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment Bylaw No. 0093.55, 2026” be read a first, second and third time;

AND THAT “City of West Kelowna Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 0095.53, 2026” be read a first second and third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.11 Expenditure Approval Request – EV Charger Installation RFQ Award

Staff responded to Council's questions.

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C110/26

THAT the additional budget of \$87,200 for the EV Charger Installation (the "Project") be denied.

DEFEATED; Mayor Milsom and Councillors Da Silva, Friesen, and Zanon voted in the negative.

It was moved and seconded

Resolution No. C111/26

THAT the additional budget of \$87,200 for EV Charger Installation (the “Project”), be funded from the Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) grant funding;

AND THAT the 2026-2030 Financial Plan be amended accordingly;

AND THAT the Request for Quote (RFQ) for EV Charger Installation be awarded to Quantus Electric;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to execute the agreements and contracts associated with the Project.

CARRIED; Councillors de Jong, Johnston, and Millsap voted in the negative.

10. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION ITEMS

No items.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

No items.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

MAYOR

DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE & LEGAL SERVICES/
CORPORATE OFFICER