



**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**June 28, 2021, 3:00 P.M.  
VIRTUAL MEETING**

PRESENT	J. Clayton	Mayor
	Y. Minhas	Councillor
	E. Friesen	Councillor
	K. O'Toole	Councillor
	W. Pilat	Councillor
	D. Bressey	Councillor
	C. Thiessen	Councillor
ALSO PRESENT	H. Galanti	City Manager
	S. Bourke	Corporate Services Director
	B. Glavin	Infrastructure & Economic Dev. Director
	A. Miller	Community Services Director
	C. Manuel	Protective & Social Services Director
	A. Karbashewski	City Clerk
	D. Whelton	Senior Planner
	E. Tobin	Development Officer II
	K. Brock	Development Officer II
	R. Tarant	Intergovernmental Relations Advisor

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

**2. NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**3. Moment of Remembrance**

Mayor Clayton requested a moment of silence in remembrance of all the recently found residential school children.

**4. PROCLAMATIONS**

**4.1 Canadian Multiculturalism Day**

Mayor Clayton declared June 27 to be Canadian Multiculturalism Day.

**5. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**5.1 City Council Meeting**

**MOVED** by C. Thiessen

Council adopt the minutes of the City Council meeting held Monday, June 14, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**6. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** by K. O'Toole

Council adopt the Agenda as presented.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**7. OPEN DELEGATIONS**

**8. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**8.1 Corporate Services Committee**

**MOVED** by Y. Minhas

Council adopt the minutes of the Corporate Services Committee meeting held Tuesday, June 22, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**8.1.1 Meeting Highlights**

Councillor Minhas provided Council with highlights from this meeting.

**8.2 Infrastructure & Economic Development Committee**

**MOVED** by D. Bressey

Council adopt the minutes of the Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee meeting held Tuesday, June 22, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**8.2.1 Meeting Highlights**

Councillor Bressey provided Council with highlights from this meeting.

**8.3 Community Services Committee**

**MOVED** by W. Pilat

Council adopt the minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held Tuesday, June 22, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**8.3.1 Grant Recommendation**

**MOVED** by W. Pilat

Council approve funding allocations in the following amounts:

- Arts Development Operational Funding to Grande Prairie Intercultural Association in the amount of \$5,000.00;
- Pursuit of Excellence Coach Funding to Travis Duncan in the amount of \$400.00;
- Pursuit of Excellence Coach Funding to Gerald Logan in the amount of \$250.00; and

- Pursuit of Excellence Athlete Development Funding to Grace Yakel in the amount of \$1,000.00.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

8.3.2 Meeting Highlights

Councillor Pilat provided Council with highlights from this meeting.

8.4 Protective & Social Services Committee

**MOVED by K. O'Toole**

Council adopt the minutes of the Protective and Social Services Committee meeting held Tuesday, June 22, 2021, as presented.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

8.4.1 Meeting Highlights

Councillor O'Toole provided Council with highlights from this meeting.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

9.1 Alberta Municipal Affairs

Mayor Clayton introduced correspondence received from Minister McIver regarding the City's request for financial assistance for costs incurred related to the rapid vaccination flow-through clinic at the Montrose Cultural Centre. The City took the initiative to offer this service to the region and did not seek a potential funding source prior to the clinic opening and is required to bear the costs associated without further funding support from the Province.

**MOVED by C. Thiessen**

Council direct Mayor Clayton to write a letter of response to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, copied to the Minister of Health and Opposition representatives, local MLA's, and the Premier of Alberta.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**10. DELEGATION BUSINESS**

**11. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**12. RECESS**

The meeting recessed from 3:40 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**13. SCHEDULED DELEGATIONS (6:00 PM)**

**14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## 15. PUBLIC HEARINGS

### 15.1 Land Use Bylaw Amendment C-1260-138

Mayor J. Clayton declared a conflict on this item for the reason of perceived bias.

#### 15.1.1 Call to Order

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:06 p.m.

#### 15.1.2 Introduction by Administration

D. Whelton, Senior Planner, presented Council with amendments to the Land Use Bylaw. The proposed DC-29 Site Specific Direct Control District would allow the City to develop Permanent Supported Housing and transitional housing on the site; and would also allow support services to be provided on the site.

#### 15.1.3 Presentations/ Submissions

T. Savard, resident, was present to speak in favour of the proposed amendments.

J. Napier, representative of Gaps In The Peace, was present to speak in favour of the proposed amendments.

J. Manning, representative of CABH, was present to speak in favour of the proposed amendments.

D. Cardinal, First Nations Elder, was present to speak in favour of the proposed amendments.

L. Teichroeb, resident, was present to speak in favour of the proposed amendments.

T. Heemskerk, resident, was present to speak in favour of the proposed amendments.

J. Gossen, representative of the Wapiti Community Dorm Society, was present to speak in favour of the proposed amendments.

S. Sargent, resident, was present to speak in opposition of the proposed amendments.

P. Peters, resident, was present to speak in opposition of the proposed amendments.

S. Pravitz, resident, was present to speak in opposition of the proposed amendments.

B. John, representative of Wild Rose Country Inn, was present to speak in opposition of the proposed amendments.

#### 15.1.4 Close Public Hearing

The Public Hearing adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Council recessed for a 5-minute break and resumed the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

#### 15.1.5 Business Arising from the Hearing

**MOVED** by C. Thiessen

Council give first reading to Bylaw C-1260-138, being an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw.

**CARRIED (6 to 0)**

Bylaw C-1260-138 was read for the first time.

**MOVED by C. Thiessen**

Council give second reading to Bylaw C-1260-138.

For: (5): Y. Minhas, E. Friesen, K. O'Toole, D. Bressey, and C. Thiessen

Opposed: (1): W. Pilat

**CARRIED (5 to 1)**

Bylaw C-1260-138 was read for the second time.

**MOVED by C. Thiessen**

Council have third reading of Bylaw C-1260-138 at this meeting.

**CARRIED (6 to 0)**

**MOVED by C. Thiessen**

Council give third reading to Bylaw C-1260-138, being an amendment to the Land Use Bylaw.

For: (5): Y. Minhas, E. Friesen, K. O'Toole, D. Bressey, and C. Thiessen

Opposed: (1): W. Pilat

**CARRIED (5 to 1)**

Bylaw C-1260-138 was read for the third time and finally passed.

## **16. REPORTS**

### **16.1 Development Permit PL210231 - Change of Use to Permanent Supported Housing with On-site Supports and Services at 12102 100 Street**

Mayor J. Clayton declared a conflict on this item for the reason of perceived bias.

E. Tobin, Development Officer II, presented Council with Development Permit PL210231, for a change of use to Permanent Supported Housing with conditions. The applicant is proposing to provide on-site supports and services for residents, including physical and mental health, and addictions management services.

C. Manuel, Protective & Social Services Director, was present as a representative of the applicant to speak on behalf of the development permit application and answer questions of Council.

Council recessed for a 5-minute break until 10:14 p.m.

**MOVED by D. Bressey**

Council postpone approval of Development Permit PL210231 to a future Council meeting, until a landscaping design plan including the addition of an outdoor amenity space, fencing and appropriate lighting, can be presented to Council.

**CARRIED (6 to 0)**

16.2 Development Permit PL210234 - 12 Storey Mixed Use Apartment Building at 10125 100 Avenue

K. Brock, Development Officer II, presented Council with Development Permit PL210234. The proposed development application is for a 12 Story Mixed-Use Apartment building that would have 160 residential units, as well as two rooftop outdoor amenity areas, an indoor meeting area, a gym, underground parking containing 154 stalls and commercial/office space on the main floor.

**MOVED by D. Bressey**

Council approve Development Permit PL210234, subject to the conditions noted in Appendix #5 - Development Permit PL210234.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

16.3 AUMA Resolution - Property Assessment Averaging

R. Tarant, Intergovernmental Relations Advisor, presented Council with the Property Assessment Averaging resolution for review. The proposed resolution would ask the AUMA to advocate for amendments to the MGA that would give municipalities the ability to average property assessments over several years for the purpose of calculating the tax rate.

**MOVED by K. O'Toole**

Council endorse the AUMA Property Assessment Averaging Resolution submission.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

16.4 AUMA Resolution - Regional Centre Funding

R. Tarant, Intergovernmental Relations Advisor, presented Council with the Regional Centre Funding resolution for review. The proposed resolution would ask AUMA members to advocate for a dedicated funding stream for municipalities who serve as regional service centers.

**MOVED by K. O'Toole**

Council endorse the AUMA Regional Centre Funding Resolution submission.

**CARRIED (7 to 0)**

**17. DELEGATION BUSINESS**

**18. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Councillor O'Toole highlighted the Community Futures Youth Lemonade Stand event and a boxing event coming in September to Evergreen Park.

Councillor Minhas attended a meeting with Grande Prairie Regional College and Alberta Health Services.

Councillor Bressey provided an update on the Regional Recreation Committee and the decision for the City to host the coordinator position this term. A FOIP request was undertaken to get the numbers of post-secondary funding allotted which indicated a 14.2% decrease in funding to the Grande Prairie Regional College.

Councillor Friesen attended a Municipal Policing Advisory Committee where Councillor Bressey was elected Chair of the Committee. She noted that it is very impressive to see the commitment of our Enforcement Services and RCMP to support this Committee. National Indigenous Peoples Day events were very well attended. Kudos to Mayor Kate Potter for hosting the meeting with GPRC and AHS. Thank you to the Sexsmith Farmers Market for the swag bag.

Councillor Pilat attended the Grande Prairie Storm board meeting. The opening prospects and main camps will be held in August, with the home opening September 25/26 and 5 exhibition games anticipated prior. The season schedule should be out soon. He attended an Airport Commission meeting where it was announced that a new airline will be providing services through Grande Prairie with direct flights to Vancouver and Toronto. The Airport has done well finding places to save money this year.

Councillor Thiessen noted that Nitehawk has their Annual General Meeting coming up and invited all members of Council to attend. He acknowledged the moment of silence held at the beginning of the meeting to recognize the travesty of the lost children at the residential schools in Alberta and is hoping for more action from higher levels of government.

Mayor Clayton attended the Regional Recreation Committee meeting, brought greetings to the Angel Investing Forum, attended the GP Regional Tourism Association AGM last week, and brought greetings to the Residential School garden naming at Veterans Memorial Gardens. She highlighted the bridge maintenance occurring in Muskoseepi Park to 13 bridges along the trails. Various city facilities are now open for drop-in to seek relief during the heat wave and find shelter out of the sun and heat.

## **19. ADJOURNMENT**

The Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 11:04 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk