



Council Highlights

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PRESENTATION



Downtown Salmon Arm Bylaw Renewal

J. Broadwell, Manager of Downtown Salmon Arm presented on the proposed seven-year Business Improvement Area Bylaw renewal. The presentation outlined levy projections, downtown beautification priorities, tourism and marketing initiatives, placemaking projects, and continued support for downtown businesses and events.

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Elected Officials Compensation Review

Council received a presentation from Eckler Compensation Consulting regarding the Elected Officials Compensation Review. The review compared Salmon Arm's mayor and council compensation with similar municipalities across BC and included analysis of salaries, benefits, allowances, and governance practices.

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Zero Carbon Step Code

Council considered proposed amendments to Building Bylaw No. 4725 to introduce phased Zero Carbon Step Code requirements for future building permits. The proposed timeline included EL-2 by June 1, 2027, EL-3 by June 1, 2029, and EL-4 as required by the Province. Following discussion, Council deferred further consideration until after the Climate Resiliency Plan is presented to Council.

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Small Wheels on Sidewalks

A staff report regarding small wheels on sidewalks was presented to Council. The report reviewed provincial legislation, current municipal bylaws, and considerations related to e-scooters, skateboards, bicycles, and other small wheeled devices operating on sidewalks and shared pathways. Council discussions included pedestrian safety, accessibility, education, and future opportunities to review active transportation infrastructure and regulations.

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Shuswap Regional Airport Helipad Upgrade

A \$60,000 budget amendment was approved for rehabilitation work to the Shuswap Regional Airport helipad. Funding will come from the Airport Major Maintenance Reserve and will support upgrades required to maintain safe operating conditions and regulatory compliance at the facility.

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Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 4756

Council gave first, second, and third readings to Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 4756 for the property located at 700 30 Street NE. The bylaw supports purpose-built rental housing and includes requirements that the housing agreement remain in effect for a minimum of 15 years, along with registration of a Section 219 covenant restricting use of the property in accordance with the agreement.

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2025 Audited Financial Statements

Council approved the City of Salmon Arm's 2025 Audited Financial Statements. The presentation reviewed the City's financial position, annual operations, reserves, capital projects, and audit findings for the year ending December 31, 2025. The independent audit was completed by BDO Canada LLP.

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RECONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS



Fee for Services Amendment Bylaw No. 4758

Fee for Services Amendment Bylaw No. 4758 received final reading from Council. The amendment updates various municipal fees and charges tied to City services and permits to better reflect current operating and administrative costs. Regular updates to service fees help ensure a portion of service-related costs are recovered through user fees rather than being fully funded through general taxation, helping reduce pressure on property taxes over time.

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