



## CITY OF PRINCE GEORGE

### Minutes of the Standing Committee on Public Safety

February 18, 2025

12:00 pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Room of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

*We respectfully acknowledge the unceded ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh,  
on whose land we live, work and play.*

**PRESENT:** Mayor Simon Yu <Chair>  
Councillor Trudy Klassen  
Councillor Ron Polillo  
John Zukowski

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor Susan Scott  
Superintendent Darin Rappel, OIC, RCMP  
Eoin Foley, Downtown Prince George  
Colleen Van Mook, Downtown Prince George  
Eric Depenau, Director of Administrative Services  
Shawn Smith, Manager of Risk and Procurement  
John Bennett, Health and Safety Advisor  
Leslie Kellett, Deputy Corporate Officer  
Catharine Sikobe, Legislative Services Assistant

#### A. COMMENCEMENT

The meeting of the Standing Committee on Public Safety was called to order at 12:09 p.m.

#### B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**Moved By** Councillor Polillo  
**Seconded By** J. Zukowski

*That the agenda for the February 18, 2025 Standing Committee on Public Safety meeting BE  
ADOPTED.*

**Carried Unanimously**

#### C. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

**C.1 Minutes of the Standing Committee on Public Safety Meeting held January 21, 2025**

**Moved By** Councillor Klassen  
**Seconded By** J. Zukowski

*That the minutes of the Standing Committee on Public Safety meeting held January 21, 2025 be adopted as read on this day and that such minutes as read set out all the business before the committee at that meeting and fully and properly record all of the resolutions passed by the committee at that meeting.*

**Carried Unanimously**

## **D. REPORTS**

### **D.1 Discussion on Vacant Buildings**

**Moved By** Councillor Polillo  
**Seconded By** Councillor Klassen

*That the Standing Committee on Public Safety DIRECTS Administration to return a report to the Committee outlining options to enhance beautification efforts regarding vacant buildings and property, including the possibility of allocating a percentage of proceeds from the Development Permit application process to support beautification projects.*

**Carried Unanimously**

**Moved By** J. Zukowski  
**Seconded By** Councillor Klassen

*That the Standing Committee on Public Safety DIRECTS Administration to return a report to the Committee outlining options to strengthen regulations for vacant buildings, including the potential requirement for installing monitored security alarm systems.*

**Carried Unanimously**

**Moved By** Councillor Polillo  
**Seconded By** J. Zukowski

*That the Standing Committee on Public Safety RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated January 9, 2025 from the Director of Administrative Services, titled “Discussion on Vacant Buildings”.*

**Carried Unanimously**

### **D.2 2025 Committee Work Plan**

**Moved By** Councillor Klassen  
**Seconded By** Mayor Yu

*That the Standing Committee on Public Safety AMENDS the 2025 Work Plan adding:*

- a) *Delegation presentations from:*
  - i. *St. Vincent de Paul Society;*
  - ii. *BC Housing; and*
  - iii. *Peer Assisted Care Team (PACT) Program;*

- b) Discussion regarding Committee outreach (e.g. survey) to community members for input on the Committee workplan; and
- c) Discussion regarding a one-year update Committee Report to Council and providing updates to the public.

**Carried Unanimously**

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved By** Councillor Polillo  
**Seconded By** J. Zukowski

*That there being no further business, the meeting of the Standing Committee on Public Safety, BE ADJOURNED.*

**Carried Unanimously**

The meeting adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

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Mayor Simon Yu, Chair

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