

### **AGENDA**

Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase to be held at the Community Hall at 547 Shuswap Avenue, and via Zoom on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

In response to a request from Gambling Support BC, Mayor Crowe has proclaimed *March 20-26, 2022 as Gambling Awareness Week* in the Village of Chase.

In repsonse to a request from the BC Epilepsy Society, Mayor Crowe has proclaimed *March 26, 2022 as Purple Day* in the Village of Chase to increase the knowledge and undersatnding of epilepsy.

### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution:

"THAT the February 22, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented."

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held February 8, 2022 Pages 1-7 Resolution:

"THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of February 8, 2022, be adopted as presented."

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Zoning Amendment Bylaw 912-2022 – 909 Foothills Road (Zoning Amendment Bylaw 912-2022 was given first and second readings at Council's February 8, 2022 Regular meeting.)

Refer to Separate Agenda for Public Hearing

### 5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

This opportunity is for members of the gallery to provide input on items on this Agenda

### 6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 Chase RCMP Report

Barry Kennedy, Chase Detachment Seargent will report on the detachment's activities

6.2 Robyn Cyr, Executive Director, The Adams River Salmon Society

Ms. Cyr in attendance to discuss how the Village of Chase might collaborate with TARSS in the 2022 Salute to the Sockeye Festival

### 7. REPORTS

a) Mayor and Council Reports

### 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Grant in Aid Application for the Shuswap Skating Club

Pages 8-16

Recommendation:

"That Council approve \$5,000 to the Shuswap Skating Club for start up program costs."

8.2 Support Letter from Chase's Inclusion in RNIP – Vernon Program

Pages 17-21

Memo from the CAO

Letter from Arjun Kadaleevanam, General Manager, Goel Solutions

Recommendation:

"THAT the letter form Mr. Kadaleevanam, General Manager, Goel Solutions, for Chase to be included in the expanded boundary of the Vernon-North Okanagan RNIP area be received and forwarded to Mr. Ward Mercer at the Vernon-North Okanagan RNIP office."

### 9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 <u>City of Victoria support for Legal Challenge Against Quebec's Bill-21</u> Pages 22-25 Recommendation:

"THAT the letter and resolution from the City of Victoria authorizing funds to support the legal challenge against the discrimination of freedom of religion in Quebec's Bill 21 – An Act respecting the laicity of the State be received as information."

9.2 <u>Private Member's Bill C-229 – An Act to Amend the Criminal Code</u> Pages 26-27 Banning Symbols of Hate – Peter Julian, MP New Westminster-Burnaby Recommendation:

"THAT Private Member's Bill C-229 Banning Symbols of Hate be endorsed."

9.3 <u>Letter from BC Association of Farmers' Markets</u>

Page 28

Request for letter to Minister Adrian Dix for strengthen support for ongoing funding for the Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program.

Recommendation:

"THAT a letter be sent to the Minister of Health Adrian Dix to provide feedback and support for ongoing funding for the Famers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program."

9.4 Reconciliation Forum – Community to Community Meetings

Pages 29-30

Memorandum from the CAO

Recommendation:

"THAT Mayor Crowe approach each Chief of the local First Nations communities to discuss individual dinner meetings between the First Nations leadership and the Village of Chase leadership, and then work with Administration to arrange for these meetings to take place over the next few months; AND,

THAT Administration apply for funding for each forum through the UBCM C2C Forum Program."

### 10. NOTICE OF MOTION

### 11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON MUNICIPAL MATTERS

This opportunity is for members of the gallery to provide input on any municipal matter.

### 12. IN CAMERA

"THAT Council recess to an In Camera meeting pursuant to Section 90 (1) (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality."

### 13. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

### 14. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution:

"THAT the February 22, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned."



Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase to be held at the Community Hall at 547 Shuswap Avenue, and via Zoom on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor Rod Crowe

Councillor Fred Torbohm Councillor Alison (Ali) Lauzon

Councillor Ali Maki (attended virtually)

REGRETS:

Councillor Steve Scott

In Attendance:

Joni Heinrich, Chief Administrative Officer

Sean O'Flaherty, Director of Corporate Operations

Joanne Molnar, Chief Financial Officer

Brian Lauzon, Fire Chief

Public Participants:

4 (3 in person, 1 virtually)

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crowe called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm

### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Torbohm Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the February 8, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

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### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held January 17, 2022

Moved by Councillor Lauzon Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

"THAT the minutes of the Special meeting of January 17, 2022, be adopted as presented."

#2022/02/08 002

3.2 Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held January 25, 2022

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

"THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of January 25, 2022, be adopted as presented."

#2022/02/08 003

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

### 5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

None

### 6. DELEGATIONS

- 6.1 <u>Multi-Family Development at 116 MacPherson Street</u>
  Don Cavers, owner of Chase Equipment Ltd, has applied to develop 116
  MacPherson Street.
  - Michael Shapcott, President of South Shuswap Housing Society spoke to Council noting that he is working with Mr. Cavers on a two-phased 31 Unit Affordable Housing Intiative in Chase
  - Mr. Shapcott noted that affordable housing is in high demand; we have contacted CMHC about the possiblity of a partnership and are in talks with the National Housing Strategy
  - Mr. Shapcott provided a written submission, and was reminded that written submissions provided in advance of Council meetings is helpful for Council
  - There has been preliminary and conditional approval for the building permit for this project but recently 3 conditions were added by the DCO in letter dated January 22, 2022, which would increase costs to a point of not qualifying as an affordable project, threatening the viability of the project
  - Additional conditions pertain to curbs, gutters, road improvements and lighting along Hillside and McPherson

Mayor Crowe thanked Mr. Shapcott and Mr. Cavers, and noted that Council does not typically debate or make recommendations on delegations at the Council meetings at which they appear. It is anticipated that additional information will be coming forward from Administration.

### 7. REPORTS

a) Mayor and Council Reports

### Mayor Crowe

- January 27 Attended a TNRD Board of Directors in camera meeting
- January 27 Spoke with Chase resident Bernie Parent in response to his email regarding his concerns around the large increase in BC Assessment Authority property value assessments and what that would mean regarding the tax rates for the Village
- January 31 Attended a virtual meeting with CAO Heinrich, Rhonda Eden and Doctor Graham Dodd of the Division of Family Practice regarding emergency planning
- February 2 Attended a meeting with Interior Health and Mayors regarding service reductions to some communities. There are no planned reductions in service at our health center in Chase
- February 3 Attended a TNRD Board of Directors meeting in Kamloops

### Councillor Lauzon

- February 3 Met with members of the Chase Lions Club regarding the Winterfest Events on February 19 from 10am 2pm. Would members of the Council and/or Village Administration like to put in a team to partake in the "Smoosh" race or other activities? Councillor Lauzon will email CAO Heinrich with the details.
- February 4 attended Lakes Division Emergency Management Meeting; next one will take place on March 4, hosted by the Village with an invite to community groups.

### Councillor Scott No Report

Councillor Maki

- January 28 spoke with CAO Heinrich regarding the Select Committee for the PNP-EIRP's Roles & Responsibilities and other areas that the committee can be of assistance to Administration
- February 1 chaired the first Select Committee of Council for the PNP-EIRP
  Program in which Agenda included member introduction, overview of the program,
  and roles and responsibilities of members. Two sub-committees were introduced –
  Welcome Package Sub-Committee and Community Profile Sub-Committee. The
  Committee is working on identifying gaps and ways to engage the community to
  identify gaps and ensure success of the program.
- February 4 spoke with CAO Heinrich regarding Amit Goel and the PNP-EIRP Program's business sectors. The next meeting is scheduled for March 15.

### Councillor Torbohm

- February 2 SD #73 Meeting re: input in varying Mission Statements
- Reviewed agenda
- Emails and interact with community members
- Spoke to Bernie Parent re: impact of property assessments on tax rates
- Meet with staff

### b) Staff Reports

### Fire Services Report by Fire Chief Brian Lauzon

- January 7 Fire calls, 3 False Alarms, 2 BCAS Assist, 1 gas leak, 1 multi-vehicle fire, 8 first responder calls
- Nature of multi-vehicle fire required assistance from Adams Lake Fire Department, Little Shuswap Fire Department, and Pritchard Fire Department. 38 cars and 3 storage buildings were lost in the fire, however, having the 3 assisting fire departments greatly aided with containment.
- 36 campfire burning permits are active, 0 open burning permits are active
- 18 members 4 juniors, 15 with exterior operations, 2 members have NFPA 1001

Reports from the CAO, CFO, CO were included in the agenda package.

Moved by Councillor Torbohm Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the reports from Council members and staff be received for information."

CARRIED

#2022/02/08 004

Moved by Mayor Crowe Seconded by Councillor Maki

"THAT Council send a letter of gratitude to all attending Fire Departments who assisted with the fire at Adrenaline Auto Recycler on Alymer Road on January 21, CARRIED #2022/02/08\_005

### 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 SILGA Call for Resolutions for 2022 Convention

At Council's January 11, 2022 meeting several topics were discussed:

- Wildfire risk reduction by reducing fuels outside of the boundaries and around the perimeter of communities – other authorities are responsible including BC Wildfire Service, other Crown authorities, Regional Districts
- Highway Rescue funding needs to be enhanced and should be paid for through ICBC
- First Responders program should be fully funded through BC Emergency Health Services
- School Districts should be required to keep at least two school buses in small communities during the 'off season' to facilitate evacuation of vulnerable individuals

Moved by Councillor Torbohm Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT Council submit the following resolutions to SILGA:

- THAT BC Wildfire Service take action to reduce fuels around the perimeter of communities in BC;
- THAT Highway Rescue funding be increased to cover more of the costs for this service and that funding come directly from ICBC;
- 3. THAT the BC Emergency Health Services be required to increase funding for the First Responders programs in communities in BC; and
- 4. THAT School Districts providing buses for transporting students be required to keep at least two school buses in small communities during the 'off season' to facilitate evacuation of vulnerable individuals. CARRIED #2022/02/08\_006

### 8.2 Zoning Amendment Bylaw for 909 Foothills Road

Moved by Councillor Torbohm Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 912-2022 be read a first time."

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Moved by Councillor Lauzon Seconded by Councillor Maki

"THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 912-2022 be read a second time."

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Moved by Mayor Crowe Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 912-2022 be submitted to a Public Hearing."

CARRIED
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### 8.3 2021 Grant-in-Aid - Post Event Summaries

The Village's Grant in Aid Policy states in part, "Award recipients in the amounts of \$500 or more will be required to submit a post event summary of how the grant-in-aid was utilized within 60 days of the event including revenues and expenses, attendance at event and a statement of value achieved by the event – failure to provide information to Council as to how a grant was utilized will affect the recipient's eligibility for a grant in the following year."

2021 Grants-in-Aid recipients were:

- · Chase and Area Young Learners Society \$2,000
- The Adams River Salmon Society \$2000
- Chase & District Museum and Archives \$4107
- Team Chase \$254
- Working Together Pow Wow \$250

Moved by Councillor Torbohm Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the post event summaries from Chase and Area Young Learners Society, the Adams River Salmon Society and the Chase & District Museum and Archives be received for information."

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### 9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 <u>Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Green Infrastructure</u>

**Environmental Quality** 

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

"THAT Council approves the submission of a grant application to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Green Infrastructure – Environmental Quality to fund 73% of the headworks improvements at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, and the Village to fund 27% of the project equaling \$226,044, AND,

THAT the Village of Chase will provide overall grant management for the project, and cost overruns." CARRIED #2022/02/08\_011

### 9.2 2022 Grant in Aid Applications

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT Council approve the equivalent of a maximum of \$1,420 of Community Hall rental fees to the Chase and Area Young Learners "Out of the Smoke" program and ensure scheduling coordination with other facility users; and that the Village of Chase provide a maximum of \$2,500 funding for labour, supplies and additional facilities rentals not provided for under other funding sources; AND,

THAT Council approve \$5,000 to the Shuswap Skating Club for start up program costs; AND,

THAT Council, in accordance with the Grant-in-Aid Policy, not approve the grant in aid application from the Royal Canadian Legion for the "Washroom Upgrade Project".

Moved by Councillor Maki Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the motion be amended for Council to defer the decision on the Skating Club request for a grant pending additional information from the Club."

CARRIED #2022/02/08 012

The vote was called on the main motion as amended and it was

CARRIED #2022/02/08 013

9.3 Letter from Paul Matheson regarding purchase of Village property

Moved by Councillor Torbohm Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT Council accept the request from Paul Matheson, and direct
Administration to begin the process of their acquisition of Village owned
property to legalize their improvements."

CARRIED

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9.4 Appointment of Deputy Corporate Officer

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT Lynn Eileen be appointed as the Deputy Corporate Officer for the Village of Chase effective February 14, 2022."

CARRIED

#2022/02/08 015

9.5 Letter from Dave Smith regarding Participaction Microgrant

Horseshoe Pitches Willson Park

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

"THAT the Village of Chase support the Horseshoe Pitch volunteers for an application to Participaction for a Microgrant to upgrade the Horseshoe Pitches in Willson Park; AND,

THAT if the group is successful in accessing the funds, that the Village of Chase Public Works department provide some assistance/advice on the works to be done by the volunteers."

CARRIED
#2022/02/08 016

9.6 Letter from Zilly Palamar regarding Village water and Grants-in-Aid

Moved by Councillor Torbohm Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the letter from Zilly Palamar regarding the cost of water and grants-inaid to various organizations in Chase be received." CARRIED #2022/02/08\_017

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9.7 Village of Cumberland letter regarding Private Members Bill C-216
Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Maki
"THAT Council provides letters to Prime Minister Trudeau and the Federal
Minister of Health Carolyn Bennett in support of Private Members Bill C-216,
Health Based Approach to the Substance Use Act; AND

THAT the Village of Cumberland be copied on those letters." CARRIED #2022/02/08\_018

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

11. IN CAMERA

None

12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Councillor Torbohm
"THAT the February 8, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned."

CARRIED
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The meeting concluded at 5:00 p.m.	
Rod Crowe, Mayor	Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer

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# GRANT IN AID APPLICATION

PLEASE READ	APPLICATION	PROCESS	DOCUMENT	BEFORE	PRECEEDING
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TYPE OF GRANT REQUESTED FINANCIAL AID GRANT

### **Contact Information**

Full Legal Organization Name	Shuswap Skating club	
Street Address	220 Shepherd Road	
City	Chase	Prov BC
Postal Code	V0E1M0	
Organization Website	www.shuswapskatingo	club.com
Organization President / Executive Director	Tamara de Jager	
Title	President	
Phone Number	7789210160	E-Mail tnsdejager@gmail.com
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Contact Person (if different)		
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# Organization Information

Not for pr		● Yes ○ No	Year Established	2021	
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Total Organization Bu	ıdget	\$10,000.00	Total	# of Board Members	5
Total # of	Staff	2	Total # of `	Volunteers	10
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Population Served (200 characters or less, describe who will be served) We have progams from ages 3 years of age up - majority of the age groups is minor ages, 5-15 years of age

## Proposal Request

Program / Project Name Shuswap Skating Club

Total Program Budget \$10,000.00

Requested Grant Amount \$5,000.00

Percent of Total Budget 50%

(percentage of grant to actual complete budget, eg. \$1,000 grant would be 10% of a \$10,000 event

Type of Request Start Up

Grant Period From 12/30/2021 Grant Period 12/30/2021

Multi-Year Event? • Yes

O No

Description	of	Project	or	Event
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We are a brand new skating club in the Shuswap and are using Chase Arena to run our program. Due to covid the paperwork through Skate Canada took months to be approved and we lost any opportunity to apply for grants to help the cost of ice time, equipment, coaching clinics, badges, program support and so on. We want to provide another winter activity to residents in the Shuswap area where they have fun, learn a lot of new things, have a safe environment around where parents know that their children are safe.

Please don't hesitate to provide additional supporting documents that will provide further explanation of the event or organization.

### Geographic Area Served

Please estimate the anticipated economic impact of the event or organization. (eg. spending, social impact, or environmental, hotel rooms, visitors & general tourism)

Priority funding areas of grant makers ndicate how your request fits within Council's strategic plan[s]) The ice time is the biggest cost for a club starting out and not having enough skaters this is the biggest issue and why we are relying on grants and fundraising

lost recent grants received from	m the Village:	
Amount (1)	\$0.00 Date (1)	
Amount (2)	\$0.00 Date (2)	
Current Fundraising Initiatives:		
Please explain how your event or organization will be self sufficient in the future:	season so we believe that word of mouth and local adve	rtising is

Please provide a detailed budget for your event/operating year and also your organization's most recent Certified Financial Statements.

interested

Applicants carrying budgetary surpluses must clearly explain their intended use of these funds. If a deficit exists, the applicant must demonstrate that a realistic deficit reduction/elimination plan is in place.

Declaration (Two Authorized Signatures Required)

- 1) On behalf of and with authority of the Organization, I certify that the information given on this grant application and attachments is true, correct and complete in every respect and if the Organization is awarded the grant, agrees to abide by the established grant terms and conditions.
- 2) The information provided in this grant application is subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The Village cannot guarantee that any of the information provided by you will be treated as confidential if a request for access is made under the Act.
- 3) Neither the Village of Chase nor any Member of Council, individually or collectively, is in any way responsible for any deficits or cost over-runs in relation to any event or initiative.

Print Name of Board Chair or President Signature:	Tamara De Jager	
Date: Print Name of Person completing the application: Signature:	12/30/2021 Tamara De Jager	
Date:	12/30/2021	

### To the Village of Chase

This is our first budget for the Shuswap Skating Club as we opened our club in October 2021.

### **Budget 2021/22**

### **Yearly Cost**

Ice fees	3480
Mezzaine Fees	1140
Coaching clinics	300
Coaching Fees	1800
Admin/Stationary	500
Advertising	500
Website Maintenance	500

### Once off Cost

### Equipment

Edelburgue	
Cones/Pylons	\$30
Fitness Ladder x2	100
FS Spinner	200
Early Skater Learning Aid	150
Jump Harness	1000
Coaching Uniforms	500

Shuswap Skating Club						
Financials 2021 January - March						
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Shyre De Jager	450	Coaching Fees	545 Bottle Drive	1802.52	52 ALIB	750
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Pia Sungrove	450		Growing Smiles	les		
Emily Simpson-	450		Growing Smiles	. saj		
Tenley Custeau	400		Bottle Drive			
Toby Stewart	450					
Isabella Harry	220					
Mila Strats	220					
Ella Strats	220					
Aaliyah Christon	220					
Lakely Williams	180					
Jasper Nelson	220					
Ren Redel	220					
Ayla Easy	220					
Maria Chouinard	220					
Danielle Barnard	220					
Owen Harry	180					
Senna De Jager	220					
Saven De Jager	220					
Aiden Guerin.	220					
Saxon De Jager	180					
Livie Redel	180					
Juniper Sweetnam	180					
Montana Nukon	180					
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Shyre De Jager	450		900	600 Raffle	, 90	90 Napa Auto Parts	250
Kera Williams	450	450 ICE IIIIIE	1200			Delta Irrigation	750
Brooklyn Gien	450	450 Ice Time	1220			Warner Rentals	1000
Pia Sungrove	450	450 Ice Time	1320				
Emily Simpson	220	220 Ice Time	120				
Tenley Custeau	220	220 Mezzaine	570				
Tohy Stewart	180	180 Website	200				
Icaballa Harry	220	220 Skate Canada Insurance	290.33				
Mila Strate	220	220 Skate Canada Registration	742.05				
Willa Strats	220	220 Skate Canada Registration	174.6				
Ella Sulats	220	220 Advertising					
Aaliyah Christon	777	+40000000000000000000000000000000000000	138 36				
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### VILLAGE OF CHASE

### Memorandum

Date:

February 17, 2022

To:

Mayor and Council

From:

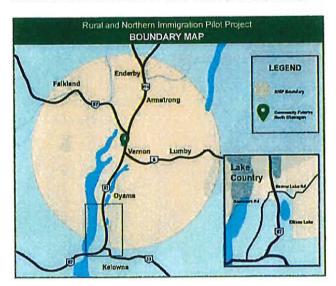
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RE:

RNIP - Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot Program - Vernon and North

Okanagan

The Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot Program was discussed by Council at its August and September 28, 2021 meetings. RNIP is a community-driven program, designed to spread the benefits of economic immigration to smaller communities by creating a path to permanent residence for skilled foreign workers who want to work and live in one of the participating communities. Currently RNIP in BC operates two boundary areas. One is in the West Kootenays (Castlegar, Trail, Nelson, Rossland) and the other is Vernon-North Okanagan with several communities in that area participating.



The RNIP Vernon-Okanagan is proposing to expand its area to include other communities including Chase. Council passed the following resolution at its September 28, 2021 meeting:

"THAT the Village of Chase petition the Province of BC to join the Vernon and Area Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot boundary."

After the September 28, 2021 meeting, Administration contacted Ward Mercer of the Vernon-North Okanagan RNIP office to ask for a specific contact to whom a letter could be sent. Mr. Mercer informed Administration that at that time there was no need for any correspondence from the Village, that the expansion package was still in its development phase.

More recently, Mr. Mercer contacted the Village to inform us that he is awaiting a format for support letters from communities wishing to be included in the pilot boundary, and will let us know what that format is once it is determined. As Council has already provided its support for the inclusion of Chase in the expansion of the Vernon-North Okanagan RNIP boundary, once the format for correspondence is known, Administration will forward Council's support accordingly.

Mr. Kadaleevanam, General Manager for Goel Solutions, has provided a letter in support of Chase being added to the RNIP-Vernon program.

### RECOMMENDATION

"THAT the letter from Mr. Kadaleevanam, General Manager for Goel Solutions, for Chase to be included in the expanded boundary of the Vernon-North Okanagan RNIP area be received and forwarded to Mr. Ward Mercer at the Vernon-North Okanagan RNIP office."

Respectfully submitted,

eni Henrich



February 03, 2022

Joni Heinrich

CAO - Village of Chase

826 Okanagan Ave

Chase, BC V0E 1M0

Subject: Support Letter for Chase's inclusion in RNIP-Vernon Program

Dear Joni Heinrich,

We are submitting this letter to show our support in favour of the Village of Chase's inclusion in the Rural and Norther Immigration Pilot (RNIP) program with Vernon expanding catchment area. The RNIP is an immigration program designed to bring the benefits of economic immigration programs to rural Canada by creating a pathway to permanent residency for skilled workers who work, live, and contribute to the local economic activity<sup>1</sup>.

Chase-Canada Academy is a proposed academic institution primarily focusing on healthcare education and training in accordance with the BC Nursing Registry and the Private Training Institute of British Columbia (PTIB).

On a successful expansion of Vernon's "Economic Zone" for the RNIP program, businesses like us will benefit from skilled human capital development. Our goal is to bring these key long-term benefits to Chase and the region:

 International students and skilled immigrants, demonstrability, facilitate economic development<sup>3</sup> in line with Canada's International Education Strategy (2019-2024) due to



the additional cash inflow, increasing skilled labour and infrastructure enhancement in Chase and surrounding communities.

- 2. Residents over the age of 65 form the majority in Chase<sup>2</sup>. Therefore, the local population will be best served in healthcare and senior care.
- 3. Capacity to graduate up to 54 qualified & industry-ready Health Care Aides annually including young immigrants to Chase and surrounding communities.
- 4. The potential for generating an additional economic activity of nearly \$1 million annually.
- Over time, this would make Chase a more attractive destination for retirees as well as younger workers.

Therefore, Chase's inclusion in the RNIP will introduce a model where businesses empower the community through social enterprise programs. This is critical for our success for driving our post-pandemic economic recovery. Through inflow of qualified human capital and economic enhancements, we will be able to enhance shared strategic priorities with very measurable benefits.

Thanking you,

Arjun Kadaleevanam

General Manager

cc: Amit Goel



### References

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- 2. https://chasebc.ca/doing-business/demographics/
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### THE CITY OF VICTORIA



### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

February 2, 2022

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of Victoria City Council, requesting favourable consideration and resolutions of support for the current legal challenge against the discrimination of freedom of religion in Quebec's Bill 21 - An Act respecting the laicity of the State.

In July 2019, Victoria joined Brampton, Ontario in condemning Quebec's ban of religious symbols at work, and many Canadian municipalities to support the National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM), the World Sikh Organization of Canada (WSO) and the Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA) in their legal challenge against Bill 21 in Quebec.

Since then, cities across Canada have been demonstrating leadership with the cities of Brampton and Toronto each pledging \$100,000 to support the legal challenges brought forward by the NCCM, WSO, and CCLA. The cities of Calgary, London, Mississauga and Winnipeg have opposed Bill 21 and are considering financial aid as well. Brampton's Mayor Patrick Brown has also issued an appeal to 100 Canadian Mayors to join the Brampton City Council in the fight against Quebec's Bill 21.

Victoria Council values the Charter of Rights and Freedoms; and believes we cannot allow the defense of the Charter and the foundational value of religious freedom to be on the backs of racialized communities against the Province of Quebec with unlimited legal resources. Additionally, a Supreme Court decision allowing the infringement of religious freedom would have negative consequences for Victorians and all Canadians.

Therefore, Victoria City Council has authorized funding of \$9500, based on a contribution of 10 cents per capita from the 2022 contingency, to the joint legal challenges of Bill 21 by National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM), the World Sikh Organization of Canada (WSO) and the Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA).

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e City of Victoria recognizes the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations in whose traditional territories we live and work "Hay swx qa"

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Please see the attached Appendix for a copy of the Council Member Motion which was approved on January 6, 2022 Council. We invite all those copied to share this letter with their members and to support the legal challenge.

Sincerely,

Lisa Helps

Victoria Mayor

Cc:

Union of British Columbia Municipalities

Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities

Capital Regional District

Members of Parliament that represent British Columbia Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia



## Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 6, 2022

To:

Committee of the Whole

Date:

December 15, 2021

From:

Councillor Sharmarke Dubow

Subject:

City of Victoria continues to support the legal challenge of the Government of

Quebec - Bill 21

### BACKGROUND

Whereas, in July 2019, Victoria joined Brampton, Ontario in condemning Quebec's ban of religious symbols at work, and many Canadian municipalities to support the National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM), the World Sikh Organization of Canada (WSO) and the Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA) in their legal challenge against Bill 21 in Quebec.

Whereas Victorians value the Charter of Rights and Freedoms; and

Whereas Victoria Council believes we cannot allow the defense of the Charter and the foundational value of religious freedom to be on the backs of racialized communities against the Province of Quebec with unlimited legal resources; and

Whereas, if Canadian cities assist to fund the legal challenge, then we level the playing field since it is not a fair legal fight in the absence of federal government involvement; and

Whereas a Supreme Court decision allowing the infringement of religious freedom would have negative consequences for Victorians and all Canadians;

Whereas, cities across Canada are demonstrating leadership with the cities of Brampton and Toronto each pledging \$100,000 to support the legal challenges brought forward by the NCCM, WSO, and CCLA. Additionally, the cities of Calgary, London, Mississauga and Winnipeg have opposed Bill 21 and are considering financial aid as well.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

### Therefore Be It Resolved:

- That the City of Victoria support the current legal challenge against the discrimination of freedom of religion in Quebec's Bill 21 - An Act respecting the laicity of the State; and
- 2. That the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria authorize funding of up to \$50,000 from the 2022 Contingency to the joint legal challenges of Bill 21 by National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM), the World Sikh Organization of Canada (WSO) and the Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA), with staff identifying the appropriate funding source; and
- 3. That a copy of this Resolution be sent to:
  - a. the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities requesting they share with all their members inviting municipal and local authorities to support the legal challenge; and
  - the Capital Regional District and all Members of Parliament-House of Commons that represent British Columbia, and all Members of the legislative assembly of British Columbia.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharmarke Dubow

From: Julian, Peter - Riding 1D < peter.julian.c1d@parl.gc.ca>

Sent: February 10, 2022 7:22 AM

To: Julian, Peter - Riding 1D peter.julian.c1d@parl.gc.ca>

Cc: Gesner, Lindsay (Julian, Peter - MP) < <a href="mailto:lindsay.gesner.819@parl.gc.ca">! Mah, Doris (Julian, Peter - MP)</a>

<doris.mah.819@parl.gc.ca>

Subject: (BC) Seeking your endorsement for Bill C-229 - Appel à votre soutien pour le projet de loi C 229

Dear Mayors and Councils,

Everyone deserves to live in safety and dignity. Everyone has the right to feel welcomed and respected in their community. Yet, during the pandemic, racist incidents reported to police have increased at an alarming rate. Tragically, we have seen an increase in Islamophobia, anti-Semitism, racism, homophobia, transphobia and misogyny in our society. We see rising racism against Indigenous people, Black, Asian and other racially marginalized communities, while symbols of hate continue to be displayed and sold across our country.

Last week, I re-tabled my <u>Private Member's Bill C-229</u>, An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (banning symbols of hate), to prevent anyone from selling and displaying symbols that promote hatred and violence against identifiable groups. It is a tool designed to address the growing violence and hate that we are seeing in many Canadian communities.

Thank you to those who joined the call in the previous Parliament for Bill C-229. Today, I am seeking your continued support for this legislation. To those who did not have a chance to show your support in the last parliament, I am seeking your endorsement. This is an opportunity to join tens of thousands of Canadians in calling on the federal government and all MPs to ban the sale and display of hate symbols.

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - NDP bill would ban hate symbols

Allowing these symbols of hatred to be sold in stores or publicly displayed is threatening for people who have been, and continue to be, targets of violence and oppression.

As we've seen in the past two weeks, during protests around the *Convoy for Freedom*, Canadians witnessed vile and hateful genocidal displays of hate symbols such as **N**azi swastikas and the flying of Confederate flags at the very center of Canadian democracy.

With hate crimes on the rise across Canada, we must do everything we can to stop the spread of hate in our communities. Municipalities across the country are seeing the same trend in hate crimes. Hate and associated extremist ideology is spreading like wildfire on the Internet. Even today, many Canadians are saddened by the lack of recourse against the display of symbols that incite hatred. The time for rhetoric is over: the time for action is now.

Banning symbols of hatred like swastikas or Klu Klux Klan insignia, flags such as the standards of Nazi Germany from 1933 to 1945 and those of the white supremacist Confederate States of America from 1861 to 1865, is an important step the federal government should take now for all Canadians to feel safe and secure against hate.

I am seeking your support and public endorsement in the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament to urge the federal government and all MPs to support Bill C-229

Please consider using the following text:

On behalf of \_\_\_\_\_\_(Number of residents), \_\_\_\_\_(Name of the municipality) endorses MP Peter Julian's Private Member's Bill C-229 - Banning Symbols of Hate Act.

I hope that I can count on you and your council to endorse Bill C-229. Thank you very much for your consideration. I look forward to hearing back from you soon.

If you have questions and require further information, please feel free to contact my assistant Doris Mah, at 604-353-3107 peter.julian.c1d@parl.gc.ca.

Sincerely, Peter Julian, MP New Westminster - Burnaby

Office of Peter Julian, MP (New Westminster-Burnaby) | Bureau du député Peter Julian (New Westminster-Burnaby) New Democratic Party | Nouveau Parti démocratique

I acknowledge that I work on the unceded traditional territory of the Algonquin, Haudenosaunee and Anishinabek peoples.

New Westminster is located on the unceded and traditional territory of the Halq'eméylem speaking Coast Salish peoples. This includes the nations of the Qayqayt, q'wa:nλ'ən (Kwantlen), Katzie, kwikweλŵem (Kwikwetlem), xwməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Stó:lō, scəwaθn məsteyəxw (Tsawwassen), and Tsleil-Waututh.

Burnaby is located on the ancestral and unceded homelands of the heṅġəminəṁ and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples as well as all Coast Salish peoples.

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"My friends, love is better than anger. Hope is better than fear.

Optimism is better than despair. So let us be loving, hopeful and optimistic. And we'll change the world."

-Jack Layton, 1950-2011



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FEB 15 2022

February 9, 2022

Rod Crowe Mayor of Chase Box 440 Chase, BC V0E 1M0

Dear Mayor Crowe and Council,

There is no question that 2021 was challenging for British Columbians. The province continued to struggle with the pandemic, economic consequences of the pandemic and multiple adverse weather events from the heat dome to floods and fire.

BC farmers and farmer's markets across the province were on the frontlines, doing the work to remain open, supporting our communities with food, and our farmers with a strong source of income.

BC Association of Farmers' Markets worked diligently with the Province of BC's Ministry of Health to deliver, for the 10<sup>th</sup> year, the BC Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program across the province. We are extremely proud of its deep impact on both people and farmers across British Columbia. This valued program connected with <u>86</u> communities making fresh, healthy, local foods more accessible to over <u>19,000</u> lower-income British Columbians and directly benefited **1,125** farmers across British Columbia.

In **Chase**, residents redeemed \$1,794 with local farmers at the **Chase Farm and Craft Market** and we proudly partnered with **Chase Hamper Society**.

This community partner provided lower-income pregnant people, families and seniors with coupons to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables, cheese, eggs, nuts, fish, meat and herbs from farmers at your local farmers' market.

Over 40 lower-income residents from Chase ate more local foods, learned about healthy eating, and felt connected to their community. At the same time, the local food system was strengthened with farmers in your community benefitting from additional revenue to sustain their farms.

### **Our Request To You**

Our community partners, participants and farmers are grateful for this Program in Chase. If you agree, we kindly ask you to send a letter to the Minister of Health Adrian Dix. Your encouragement and feedback can strengthen support for ongoing funding for the Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program and ensure we continue to build healthier BC communities together.

We are ready to roll up our sleeves and work with your community again in 2022!

With gratitude,

Heather O'Hara Executive Director

Vickey Brown

President, Board of Directors

BC Association of Farmers' Markets

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### VILLAGE OF CHASE

### Memorandum

Date:

February 17, 2022

To:

Mayor and Council

From:

CAO

RE:

**UBCM Regional Reconciliation - Community to Community Forum Program** 

2022/2023

Once again UBCM is offering grant funding for Regional Reconciliation – Community to Community dialogue between Local Government and First Nations leadership.

The goal of a Regional C2C Forum is increased understanding and improved overall relations between First Nations and local governments. The C2C program can contribute a maximum of 100% of the cost of eligible activities to a maximum of \$5,000.

Forum events are intended to provide a time and place for dialogue to build on opportunities, support reconciliation efforts, resolve issues of common responsibility, interest or concerns and/or to advance tangible outcomes.

- Forum events typically involve the elected officials and senior staff
- Promote discussion for more formal relationships through protocols, Memoranda of Understanding, services agreements and collaboration
- Supporting local reconciliation efforts and shared capacity building
- Developing or improving coordinated approaches to emergency preparation, mitigation, response and recovery, including recovery form the impacts of climate change and the Covid-19 pandemic

### Eligible Costs and Activities

- Event organization including invitations, agendas, event planning
- Meals, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages
- Venue/virtual rentals, audio visual equipment
- Facilitation Services and/or guest speakers
- · Preparation of materials for forum
- Expenses relating to joint visits to participant's facilities, lands or buildings
- Gifts, ceremonies, transportation

The deadline to apply for forums taking place between April 22, 2022 and March 31, 2023 is April 8, 2022. The deadline for events between September 26, 2022 and March 31, 2023 is September 2, 2022. The deadline for events between January 1 and March 31, 2023 is December 2, 2022.

It is recommended that as this is an election year, that funding be applied for by April 8, 2022 in order that forums can take place with the existing Council. The new Council will be able to apply for funding to host additional meetings after the Local Government Election in October 2022.

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic declaration, Village Council met with:

- Neskonlith Indian Band Chief and Council June 28, 2019
- Adams Lake Indian Band Chief and Council December 3, 2019
- A meeting was proposed for March 30, 2020 with Little Shuswap Lake Band which was postponed indefinitely once pandemic declared earlier in March 2020.

### Considerations/Options

- 1. Plan to meet with each Band's Chief and Council individually
  - This may be the most appropriate first step as two of the three bands have had elections since the Village last met with them and they have new Councils and Chiefs
  - This may assist in generating more discussion on a community to community basis – more specific collaboration opportunities with the Village and each First Nation community can more comfortably be discussed
  - This will allow for discussions with each Band about their wishes and thoughts on a four-community forum

### 2. Plan a Four-Community Forum

- This approach would assist in fostering relationships with all community leaders at a higher level than if meetings occur individually
- This approach would assist in fostering relationships amongst the three bands as well as all four communities
- This approach could be considered in 2023 with the new Village Council and the three local First Nations leadership
- This approach could lead to an annual Four Community Forum, with rotating community hosting responsibilities

Mayor Crowe, as the Village's First Nations Liaison, has had recent discussions with local First Nations Chiefs and may be able to provide insight.

#### RECOMMENDATION

"THAT Mayor Crowe approach each Chief of the local First Nations communities to discuss individual dinner meetings between the First Nations leadership and the Village of Chase leadership, and then work with Administration to arrange for these meetings to take place over the next few months; AND

THAT Administration apply for funding for each forum through the UBCM C2C Forum Program."

Respectfully submitted,