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# Council News

The latest news from Pitt Meadows City Council



**Budget Planning** – November 27 & 28, December 11 & 12  
**Upcoming Council Meetings** – November 21, December 5 & 19

## Council Advocates for the Harris Road Underpass

City Council has been working hard to advocate for continued progress towards funding solutions for the Harris Road Underpass. Since declining the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority's request to become a funding partner for the project in April, Council has received strong provincial, regional, and local support for the project. At a council meeting in October, Council presented letters that the City sent to various levels of government and local partners. These letters reaffirmed the City's commitment to the Harris Road Underpass project, as well as outlined the City's continued engagement and advocacy efforts to help close the funding gap. Learn more at [pittmeadows.ca/roadandrail](http://pittmeadows.ca/roadandrail).

## 24/7 Fire Service Transforms Response Times

Since opening the new Fire Hall and transitioning to 24/7 fire services coverage in June, there has been a dramatic reduction in nighttime response times from an average of seven to nine minutes to an astounding two minutes and 29 seconds. Council is proud to see that the City's recent investments in enhancing fire services in Pitt Meadows has made a meaningful and impactful change to ensure residences have access to emergency services day or night.

## Council Committed to Truth and Reconciliation

Council is fully committed to walking the path of truth and reconciliation, and fostering a meaningful and supportive relationship with the ǰicǎy (Katzie) First Nation. The City recognized National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in September with a community walk, which included traditional songs, drumming, and open sharing time in šx<sup>w</sup>hék<sup>w</sup>nǎs (Spirit Square). Residents are encouraged to continue their learning via the free educational workshops available at [pittmeadows.ca/truthandreconciliation](http://pittmeadows.ca/truthandreconciliation).

### Council Strategic Priorities

To see the latest priorities Council is focused on for October – December 2023, visit [pittmeadows.ca/strategicplan](http://pittmeadows.ca/strategicplan).