



# NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to section 86 of the *Community Charter*, Prince George City Council is proposing to seek approval of the electors of the City of Prince George by Alternative Approval Process. The question before the electors is whether they are opposed to Prince George City Council adopting the proposed “City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023” at the regular Council meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC, without first obtaining assent of the electors by a referendum vote.

- **“City of Prince George Equipment Financing Bylaw No. 9382, 2023”**

The annual replacement and addition of vehicles and capital equipment are financed through the Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) Equipment Financing Program. The estimated cost of the projects associated with this Bylaw is the sum of two million seven hundred and eleven thousand dollars (\$2,711,000.00).

The loan agreement with the Municipal Finance Authority (MFA) will be for a term no longer than fifteen (15) years to match the expected service life of the new mobile equipment. The annual debt servicing costs for borrowing the full amounts is estimated to be three hundred and forty one thousand four hundred and seven dollars (\$341,407.00) and would result in 0.29% of future tax levy increases.

The approved projects from the 2023 - 2027 Capital Financial Plan that will be part of the Equipment Financing Program request include:

- #0431 – Mobile Equipment Replacement - \$2,395,000
- #1283 – Drivable Hoist – Lube Bay - \$65,000
- #3208 – Janitorial Equipment – Replace Floor Scrubbers - \$30,000
- #3388 – Fire Srv – Rapid Deployment Tents - \$51,000
- #3389 – Fire Srv – Emergency Program - New Light Fleet - \$85,000
- #3390 – Fire Srv – Training Captain - New Light Fleet - \$85,000

A copy of proposed Bylaw No. 9382, 2023, a more detailed summary of the Equipment Financing, and a copy of the proposed loan agreements with the Municipal Finance Authority are available for public inspection at City Hall during each business day of the week between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

For any questions, please contact the Legislative Services Department at (250) 561-7793 or [cityclerk@princegeorge.ca](mailto:cityclerk@princegeorge.ca).

## INSTRUCTIONS

If you are **not opposed** to the adoption of the above noted Bylaw, you need to do nothing.

If you are **opposed** to the adoption of the above noted Bylaw without the Bylaw first receiving assent of the electors by a referendum vote, you may sign and submit an Elector Response Form indicating your opposition.

A person may not sign more than one Elector Response Form.

## APPLICABLE AREA

The area to which the Alternative Approval Process applies is the entire area of the City of Prince George. The municipal Council may proceed with the adoption of Bylaw No. 9382, 2023 unless before the deadline of **5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 30, 2023**, at least 10% of electors submit a complete and signed Elector Response Form indicating that Council must obtain assent of the electors by a referendum vote before proceeding with the adoption of Bylaw No. 9382, 2023.

