

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, October 3, 2022
Council Chambers

Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm

(1) CALL TO ORDER:

(2) MINUTES:

- a) Accept minutes of the Sept 13, 2022 regular meeting

(3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS: None

(4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

(5) CORRESPONDENCE: None

(6) REPORTS: None

(7) BYLAWS:

- a) First and Second readings of the Rezoning Bylaw No. 369, 2022.

(8) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Winterfest 2022
- b) Budget Meeting – proposed date
- c) Youth Parliament – potential sponsorship of Hazelton Secondary School student
- c) Council Schedule
 - Advance Poll – Municipal Elections – October 5, 2022
 - Regular Voting Day – October 15, 2022
 - Inaugural Council Meeting – November 7, 2022
 - Council Orientation & Dinner 4:00-6:00 – November 7, 2022
 - Inaugural Council Meeting – November 7, 2022
 - Meeting Procedures & Governance Seminar 11:00-2:00 (Smithers) – November 10, 2022
 - Strategic Planning Session 9:00-4:00 – November 24, 2022
 - Council Orientation Legal (Smithers) 10:00-3:00 – November 30, 2022

Adjournment

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
September 13, 2022
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Public Meeting to review Annual Report called to order at 6:45 pm. No public attended.

1) CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm

PRESENT: Mayor Lowry
Councillor A. Berg
Councillor G. Burns
Councillor J. Hobenshield
Councillor R. Sturney
Councillor B. Henwood
Councillor M. Weeber

STAFF PRESENT: W. Hunt
L. Roe
B. White

2) MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 8127/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the minutes of the July 4, 2022 regular meeting be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS: None

4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

5) CORRESPONDENCE:

Council reviewed letter from Peter Newbery regarding USRC Advisory Committee.

RESOLUTION 8128/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton accept the letter from Peter Newbery.

CARRIED

Council reviewed Telus' proposed connectivity funding map and request for letter of support.

RESOLUTION 8129/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton provide a letter of support for the proposed Connectivity Funding Application that is being submitted by Telus for increased connectivity.

CARRIED

6) REPORTS:

Council reviewed the District of New Hazelton's 2022 Annual Report

RESOLUTION 8130/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton accept the 2022 Annual Report as presented by staff.

CARRIED

Councillor Sturney provided an update on the repairs at Ross Lake. The repairs did not happen as planned due to issues with the level of the lake.

Councillor Burns provided an update on the USRC Advisory Board. The Advisory Committee had their inaugural meeting. Unfortunately, they did not have quorum. More board members are needed and those in attendance were encouraged to help in the recruiting process.

Councillor Hobenshield provided an update on Hazelton Public Library. Some of the Board and staff going to the library conference in Prince Rupert. The Cognitive Care Kits are now available to be signed out.

Mayor Lowry - Attended the Regional District and Northwest Regional Hospital District meetings. The Executive Director for the hospital district has resigned and they are looking for a replacement. A \$20,000 grant is being used for strategic planning regarding economic development. The Regional District had its 3rd reading of the bylaw to allow accessory dwellings in Area B. Some members of the RDKS board have been assigned to a committee working on implementing a Northwest Detox Centre Board with the hopes of eventually getting a detox centre set up in the Northwest.

7) BYLAWS: None

8) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Council reviewed the Workplace Bullying and Harassment Policy.

RESOLUTION 8131/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton accept the Workplace and Bullying Harassment Policy as presented by staff.

CARRIED

- b) Council Schedule

Council reviewed their schedule for the coming months.

- c) The Chief Administrative Officer provided an update on the fall elections. There are two candidates nominated for Mayor and seven candidates nominated for Councillor. There will be an election for School Trustee and the Area B representative for the Regional District.

10) ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION 8132/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the regular meeting be adjourned at 7:49 pm.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT THIS

DAY OF

, 2022

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MAYOR

BRIEFING NOTE

Prepared by: Wendy Hunt
October 3, 2022

Reason for Briefing Note:

Zoning Amendment of residential property to commercial property

Background:

There are two folios that are located on the corner of Churchill and 8th Avenue, a total of five (lots) that are currently zoned for residential use. They are the only lots on the block that are zoned residential. In 2004, the property was zoned at Commercial Downtown and taxed at the business rate. In the taxation years prior to 2004 and after 2004 it was zoned and taxed as residential; **2004 is the only year that the commercial zoning was in effect.**

Update:

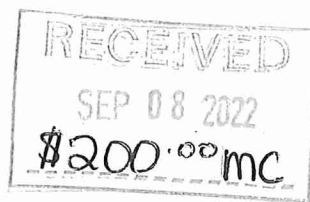
The properties in question have been purchased by Anspayaxw Developments Ltd (Kispiox Band) who are wishing to have the zoning changed from Residential (R-1) to Commercial Downtown (C-1).

Due to the fact that the rest of the block is zoned as Commercial Downtown, it makes sense that the five remaining lots be rezoned to from Residential to Commercial Downtown. In addition, the five lots zoned residential and the adjacent lots (20-24) are all owned by Anspayaxw so changing the zoning will allow them much more flexibility in the use of the property than it would if those 5 lots stayed as residential.

Recommendation:

Staff is recommending that Council pass a resolution to approve the Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 369, 2022 as presented.

SCHEDULE "A"
DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
APPLICATION FOR ZONING AND/OR O.C.P. AMENDMENT



1. I/We hereby make application to ☐ amend the Zoning Bylaw.
☐ amend the Official Community Plan
2. Name of Applicant(s) ANSPAYAKW DEVELOPMENTS LTD.
3. Address 1336 KISPIOK VALLEY RD.
KISPIOK, B.C. V0J 1Y4.
4. Telephone Number: Business 250 8425248 Residence _____
5. Name of Owner (s) _____
 (If different from Applicant)
6. Address _____

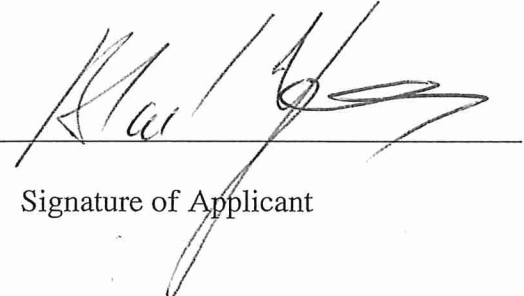
7. Legal Description of Property ARE - JURISDICTION - ROW:
25-342-00557.000
8. Street Address of Property 3575 CHURCHILL ST. NEW HAZELTON.
9. Official Community Plan Map Designation CR
10. Present Zoning R2
11. Amendment Proposed:

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|--|------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Map | From <u>R2</u> to <u>C-1</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning text | Attached |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Official Community Plan | From <u>CR</u> to <u>C</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OCP test | Attached |

12. Explain purpose of application (including intended use) INTENDED COMMERCIAL
PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN IN PROGRESS TO INCLUDE THIS
LOCATION WITH THE ADJOINING LOCATIONS.
13. Current Use of Property ABANDONED HOUSE / BUILDING
14. Attached is application fee of \$200.00 (Both amendments for \$400.00)
15. Attached is current, date-stamped State of Title Certificate July 12, 2022 ✓
16. Attached is Letter of Consent from the Owner. _____
(applies only if the applicant is not the owner) ✓

I/WE HEREBY DECLARE THAT ALL THE ABOVE STATEMENTS AND THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE MATERIAL SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF THIS APPLICATION ARE TO THE BEST OF MY/OUR BELIEF TRUE AND CORRECT IN ALL RESPECTS.

Dated this 8 day of September, 2022


Signature of Applicant

BLANKA TECHINKOVA
FOR Anspayaxw Development Ltd.
Print Name of Applicant
(Kispiox Band Council)



DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON

Bylaw No. 369, 2022

A bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw No. 317, 2014

The Council for the District of New Hazelton, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 369, 2022.
2. Schedule A (Zoning Bylaw Map) is hereby amended by rezoning Lots 4-5, Block 30 Plan 968, District Lot 863, Section 1, Cassiar Land District and Parcel A, Block 30, Plan 968, District Lot 863 as shown on the map attached here to as Schedule "A" from Residential (R-1) to Commercial Downtown (C-1)) as shown on the map attached here to as Schedule "A".

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 3rd day of October, 2022

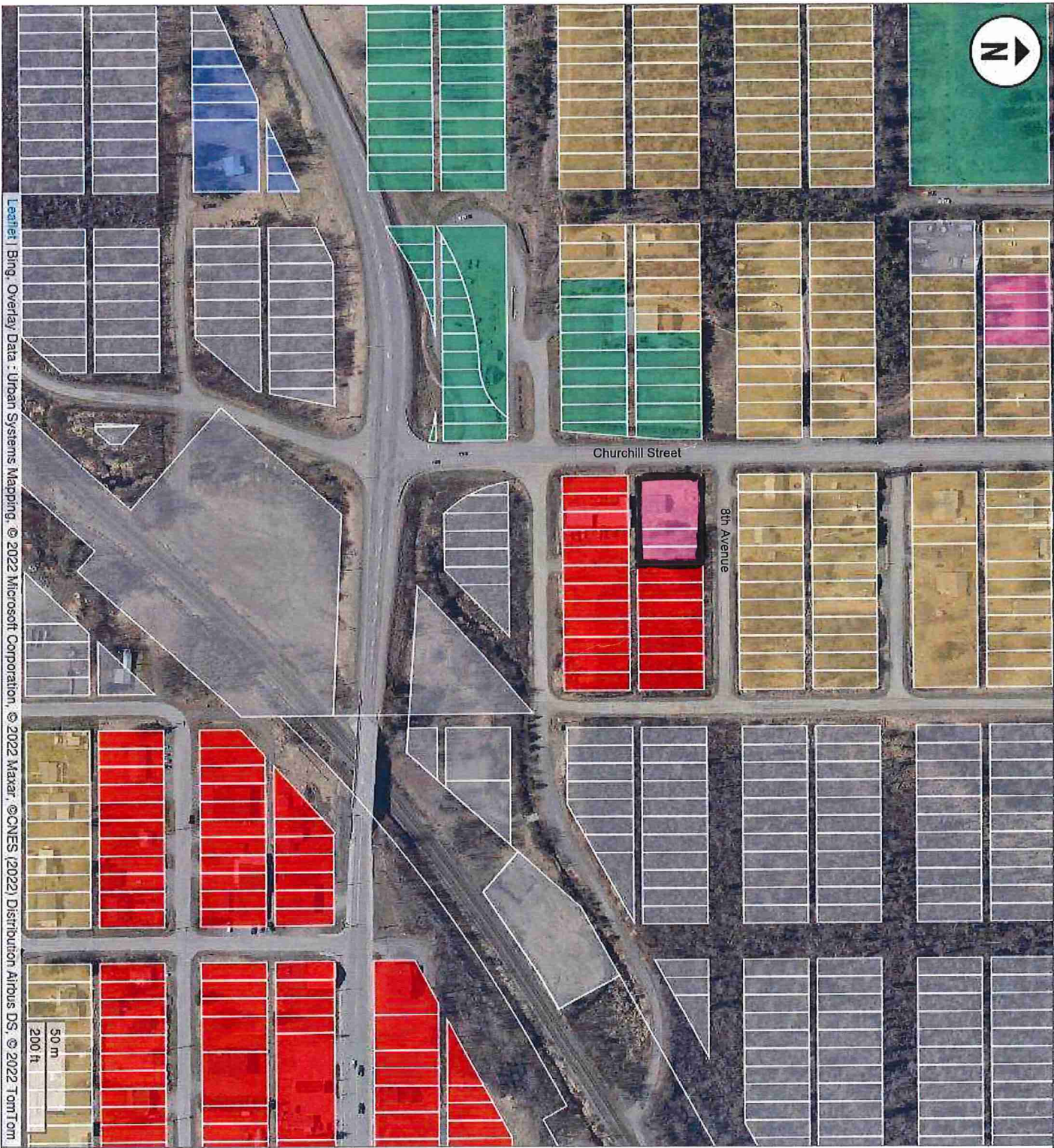
READ A SECOND TIME THIS 3rd day of October, 2022

READ A THIRD TIME THIS day of

ADOPTED THIS day of

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor



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New Hazelton Cadastral

New Hazelton Zoning Oct 2020

- R1 - Single Family Residential
- R2 - Medium Residential Density
- R3 - Multi-Unit Residential
- R4 - Mobile Residential Neighbourhood
- R5 - Rural Residential
- R6 - Modular Home Residential
- C1 - Commercial Downtown
- C2 - Service Commercial
- I1 - Industrial
- P1 - Community Services
- Ru - Rural Resource
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Youth Parliament of British Columbia



Alumni Society

Unit B – 1211 Roy Road
Victoria BC, V8Z 2X8

registrar@bcyp.org

19 September 2022

Dear Mayor and Council,

Re: British Columbia Youth Parliament, 94th Parliament

The British Columbia Youth Parliament will hold its 94th Parliamentary Session in Victoria at the Provincial Legislative Chambers from December 27 to 31, 2022. We are hopeful for a safe return to in-person gatherings and BCYP will follow all Provincial Public Health Guidelines.

The Youth Parliament is a province-wide non-partisan organization for young people ages 16 to 21. It teaches citizenship skills through participation in the parliamentary session in December and continuing involvement in community service activities throughout the year. **Youth Parliament is a one-year commitment.**

I invite you to encourage eligible youth from your municipality or region to apply to sit as members of the Youth Parliament. BCYP is non-partisan, and applicants need only be interested in learning more about the parliamentary process and in serving their community. If your municipality sponsors a “youth of the year” award or has a municipal youth council, young people with that sort of initiative and involvement are ideal candidates for BCYP.

Each applicant who is accepted to attend as a member of BCYP must pay a **\$425** registration fee. Thanks to private donations and fundraising, a portion of the cost of transportation and accommodation is covered for all members. We encourage municipalities or youth councils to contribute towards the application fee for applicants who are in financial need. If the approval of financial support causes any delay, we encourage the applicant to send in their forms on time along with a note saying that the cheque will arrive after the deadline. In this case, if we receive the completed form and personal statement before the deadline, it will be considered received on time. If you are not able to aid, a limited number of bursaries are available for applicants who cannot meet the expense of the registration fee. Requesting financial assistance will not affect an applicant's chance of being selected as a member. (See <https://bcyp.org/session>)

Members will sit and debate in the Legislative Chambers for five days and will be accommodated for four nights at the Marriott Hotel in Victoria. During that time, participants are supervised by members of the Board of Directors of the Youth Parliament of B.C. Alumni Society and other youth parliament alumni. In addition, transportation to and from Victoria will be provided for all members who require it.

I have enclosed an application form and a brochure about BCYP. I encourage you to make the application form and brochure available to interested young people and to make copies of the forms as needed. A soft copy of the form, brochure and poster are available from our website at <https://bcyp.org/session>.

All application forms must be received by October 25, 2022. Selected applicants will be notified in early November. If you require more information, please contact me by e-mail as indicated above. You may also visit our website at www.bcyp.org.

Yours truly,

Ambrose Yung
Registrar, Youth Parliament of BC Alumni Society



British Columbia Youth Parliament

Application Package & Background Information

94th Parliamentary Session

December 27-31, 2022 - Victoria, BC

WHAT IS BCYP?

British Columbia Youth Parliament (BCYP) is a youth organization that recognizes every young person's potential to lead and serve in the community. Since 1924, BCYP has provided a forum for young people to develop skills in leadership, organization, public speaking, and the parliamentary process, and to put these skills into practice through service to youth in their local communities.

BCYP is not affiliated with any political party and is a non-profit organization.

Membership in BCYP begins with attending the Parliamentary Session in Victoria and continues throughout 2023. For detailed information about BCYP's activities, visit our website, www.bcup.org.

BCYP'S ACTIVITIES

BCYP's year begins with the Parliamentary Session from December 27 – 31, 2022. Members sit in the Legislative Assembly in Victoria and use the parliamentary style of debate to plan educational and service projects, establish BCYP's financial commitments, and amend BCYP's governing legislation. All participants must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to attend.

At Session, Members:

- Meet young people from all over the province;
- Debate Cabinet's legislation which sets out BCYP's activities for 2023;
- Debate current local, national, and international issues;
- Learn about debating and the rules of parliamentary procedure;
- Elect BCYP's Premier, Deputy Speaker, and Leader of the Opposition for the 95th Parliament.

After Session, Members put into action the plans made at Session, which usually include:

- Volunteer service projects in their home communities;
- Group volunteer service projects with summer camps, food banks charity walks, soup kitchens, and other service groups;
- Special projects which vary depending on annual legislation but have included summer festivals, children's day camps and Camp Phoenix;
- Regional Youth Parliaments;
- Fundraising events;
- Social activities with other Members.

WHO CAN ATTEND?

Each year 97 youth are "elected" to BCYP as representatives of their communities. Each applicant must be nominated by an organization committed to youth (i.e. a school, community group, club, Municipality or church). Five members of that group must indicate their support by signing the application form.

To be eligible for membership you must be:

- Age 16 – 21 (inclusive) as of Dec. 31, 2022;
- A resident of British Columbia;
- Nominated by an organization committed to youth;
- Willing and able to participate in BCYP's activities for one year;
- Fully comply with BC's Public Health guidelines for COVID-19.

Due to the limited number of seats in the Provincial Legislature and public health guidelines, only 97 applicants will be selected to become Members this year. BCYP will follow all BC Public Health guidelines for COVID-19.

SESSIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

Accommodations: Accommodation at the Marriott Hotel Inner Harbour, Victoria is provided for all Members for the nights of December 27 – 30 (inclusive). Members will share hotel rooms. BCYP will follow all Provincial public health orders.

Transportation: Transportation for Members residing outside the Victoria area is included in the registration fee. Members living in the Interior, North, or North Island will be required to travel on December 26 and January 1.

Meals: Each Member is responsible for the cost of meals in Victoria. Some dinners will be at assigned restaurants, others free-choice.

PRE-SESSIONAL INFORMATION

The Registrar will notify all applicants by email or mail as to their acceptance status by mid-November. Accepted Members are provided with an orientation package prior to Session and are invited to attend one of the Pre-Sessional Workshops held in different regions of the province. The details of the workshops as well as travel and health & safety info will be announced in the acceptance letters.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Inquiries from applicants, parents, teachers and nominating organizations are welcomed.

Please contact: **Ambrose Yung, Registrar** or **Rhonda Vanderfluit, Deputy Registrar** registrar@bcyp.org

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Complete the attached application form (pages 3 and 4 of this package) and forward it with your personal statement and registration fee. Members who require financial support can email to request a Financial Aid Application.

Ambrose Yung, Registrar
Unit B – 1211 Roy Road
Victoria, BC. V8Z 2X8

e-mail: registrar@bcyp.org, Fax: 604-731-0081

Applications must be **RECEIVED** by **Tuesday, October 25, 2022** by mail, fax, or email attachment. If you send the application by email attachment, please mail the original signed copy with your application fee.

Please print clearly. Illegible or incomplete applications may be rejected. You may fax or email a LEGIBLE scan of your form BY THE DEADLINE and send your hard copy of your form and cheque by other means such as courier. Original signed hard copies must be received to consider your application complete.

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee for each member is **\$425**. A cheque or money order made payable to the **Youth Parliament of B.C. Alumni Society** must be sent with the application form or follow a fax or e-mail with the original signed application as soon as possible (any acceptance is not final until a registration fee is received). An eTransfer can be sent to payment@bcyp.org. **Be sure to include the full name of the applicant in the comments section and email us your password.** Registration fees will be held onto (but not cashed) for those on the waitlist and returned to those not accepted. **NSF cheques are subject to a \$45 fee.**

Applicants who are in financial need are first encouraged to approach school and community groups to contribute to the cost of the application fee. For those who are not able to secure outside funding, a limited amount of **financial support is available from BCYP**. For more information, please contact the Registrar **before** the October 25 application deadline to request a financial Aid application form. So that we can provide support for as many members as possible, we encourage applicants to submit a cheque for whatever portion of the application fee they can afford. Requests for financial assistance cannot be considered after applicants have been accepted as members.

CANCELLATION

Accepted members who cancel on or before **December 6** will receive a refund of their registration fee minus a \$25 cancellation fee, unless travel tickets have been purchased in which case no refund is issued. No refunds will be issued to any member cancelling after December 5.

THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR

British Columbia Youth Parliament is sponsored by the Youth Parliament of BC Alumni Society, a registered, non-profit organization composed of past members of BCYP.

Please keep this information page for future reference

APPLICATION FORM – NINETY FOURTH BC YOUTH PARLIAMENT

LAST name: _____ FIRST name: _____ GENDER: _____ Room with: ☐ M ☐ F

☐ I identify as an indigenous/aboriginal person

CURRENT ADDRESS (including temporary/University residence):

STREET / PO BOX: _____ CITY: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____ PHONE: (____) _____

E-MAIL: _____ CELL PHONE: (____) _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS (i.e. parents) or STREET ADDRESS if DIFFERENT from above:

STREET / PO BOX: _____ CITY: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____ HOME PHONE: (____) _____

TRANSPORTATION TO VICTORIA REQUIRED FROM:

CURRENT/TEMPORARY ADDRESS ☐ PERMANENT ADDRESS ☐ OTHER: _____

BIRTHDATE: (YYYY/MM/DD) _____ SCHOOL/UNIVERSITY: _____

NOMINATING ORGANIZATION: _____

STREET: _____ CITY: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____ PHONE: (____) _____

CONTACT TEACHER / COORDINATOR NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____

SIGNATURE OF TEACHER / GROUP COORDINATOR: _____

Would you (teacher/coordinator) like to receive a print and e-mail copy of the application package each year?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Already on the list

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS/STUDENTS of _____ NOMINATE

(NAME OF ORGANIZATION/SCHOOL)

_____, A MEMBER/STUDENT OF OUR ORGANIZATION/SCHOOL TO SIT AS A BCYP MEMBER.

FIVE NOMINATING SIGNATURES REQUIRED: (other members/students of the organization/school)

| | Name | Signature | email |
|---|------|-----------|-------|
| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 3 | | | |
| 4 | | | |
| 5 | | | |

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 25, 2022

PERSONAL STATEMENT

At the Parliamentary Session in Victoria, Members of BCYP participate in parliamentary debating and plan activities and community service for the upcoming year. During the year, Members are responsible for service and fundraising in their communities, and organize and participate in projects such as Regional Youth Parliaments, fundraising events, community outreach projects, and other service and debating activities

All **new** applicants must attach a **one-page** personal statement, outlining:

1. Why you would like to be a Member of BCYP;
2. What type of activities you have been/are, or intend to become, involved with in your community;
3. Any activities you have been/are involved with that relate to debate or public speaking;
4. With reference to the preceding paragraphs, how you believe you can personally contribute to BCYP, including debate at Session AND its projects and other activities throughout the Sessional year.

YOUTH PARLIAMENT EXPERIENCE

Have you attended BCYP before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If **yes**, do you wish to become a member of the Alumni Society?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Already on the list

If **"Yes" or "Already on the list"** above, do you consent to receive e-mail communications from the Alumni Society, which may include requests for donations or other items of a commercial nature? (Note: answering "No" below means you will not receive any e-mails, including the Alumni Society's newsletter *The Speaker* or email invitations to alumni events.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you attended a Regional Youth Parliament as a Member or Ambassador?

☐ Yes (as a member) ☐ Yes (as an ambassador); If yes, which one(s)? _____ ☐ No

How did you **first** hear about BCYP? (Please choose one option)

- ☐ From a teacher ☐ From a group leader ☐ Saw a poster/brochure (where? _____)
- ☐ Through a Regional Youth Parliament ☐ From a member or of BCYP or RYP alumni
(which one? _____) (name of individual: _____)
- ☐ Facebook ☐ Instagram ☐ Twitter ☐ Other (please specify: _____)

WAIVER

In consideration for acceptance to British Columbia Youth Parliament (BCYP), the undersigned on behalf of the Applicant and all heirs, executors and administrators, waives any and all claims for damages against BCYP and the Youth Parliament of British Columbia Alumni Society, and their directors, officers, and agents for any and all injuries or loss which the Applicant may suffer during, or in connection with any BCYP Session, trip, or any other activity, or transportation to or from Session or any other activity.

Applicant's Signature: _____ (Applicant should sign even if a parent or guardian is also required to sign.)

If **under 19**, Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____

Printed Name of Parent or Guardian Signing: _____

Please remember to:

- ☐ Save a legible scan of this form for your records. As a backup, please email or fax the scan to:

registrar@bcyp.org or fax: attn to Ambrose Yung at: 604-731-0081

- ☐ Mail or courier a signed hard copy of this completed form along with a cheque for \$425. **We must receive original signed hard copies for anyone under the age of 19. Your application will not be considered complete until the hard copy is received.**

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Why We Are a Parliament

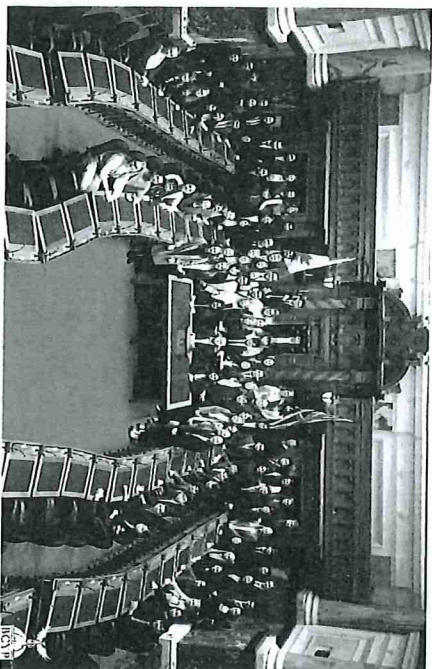
British Columbia Youth Parliament began as the TUXIS Older Boys' Parliament in 1924. It became the BC Youth Parliament in 1974, upon the admittance of girls, and 2018 marked its 90th Session.

Each year, between December 27th and 31st, 95 young people from across BC gather at the

Legislative Chambers in Victoria for BCYP's annual session. Members sit as independents; they do not represent any political party and they vote according to their own consciences. They learn about parliamentary process, debate topics of interest, and plan activities for the coming year.

Proposed activities are presented in the form of government bills. The debate is led by a Cabinet of experienced youth parliamentarians who spend months before preparing to present their plans. First-time members are also able to raise issues through debate on government legislation and by writing and presenting Private Members' Resolutions dealing with issues ranging from local to international in scope.

Once BCYP's bills are passed they must be put into effect. This is where BCYP differs from other youth parliaments in that BCYP is not a "model" or "mock" parliament - the legislation members pass translates directly into positive action in the community.



Youth Serving Youth

BCYP members plan and participate in group service events organized around the province. Members come together to volunteer with different organizations or special events, or provide service to the community in ways of their own devising. They volunteer with summer camps, food banks, charity walks, soup kitchens, community support services, and other service organizations.

As well, all over British Columbia throughout the year, individual members of BCYP perform solo acts of service in their communities and lend a hand through their involvement with other organizations. Across the province, BCYP members help others in myriad ways, limited only by their imaginations and the will to carry out the projects they envision.



Community Fundraising

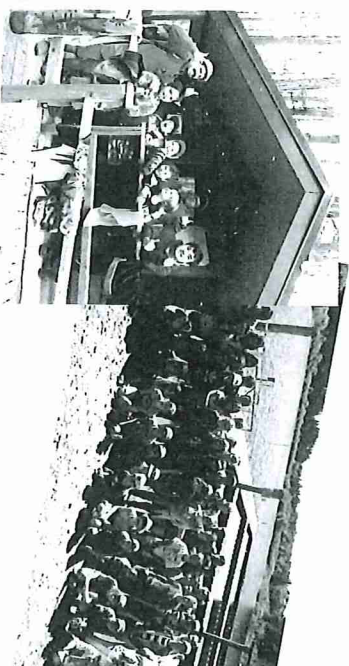
Each year BCYP organizes a variety of fundraising events across the province. Members work in groups and in their communities to raise the funds required to run BCYP's projects and cover its operational expenses. They also engage in service-related fundraising, working in groups and individually to raise money for a variety of causes.

Members participate in a variety of fundraisers such as pledge events, car washes, and BCYP's annual auction. Members also solicit donations from local businesses and prominent members of their local

Regional Youth Parliaments

To increase the number of youths who are able to participate in Youth Parliament activities, BCYP members organize and run Regional Youth Parliaments in various regions of the province. Through these events, BC Youth Parliament furthers its goals of promoting community service, education in the parliamentary process, and training in public speaking and debating.

More local in scope than BCYP, Regional Youth Parliaments hold weekend-long Sessions aimed at high school students between the ages of 14 and 18. Regional Youth parliament members gather to discuss local, national, and international issues in a parliamentary setting.



Camp Phoenix

Camp Phoenix is BCYP's most ambitious project. It involves BCYP members organizing and running a summer camp for children from across BC who would otherwise be unable to live the summer camp experience. It is about pushing our limits and redefining terms like "hard work" and "commitment". It is about truly making a huge difference in the community.

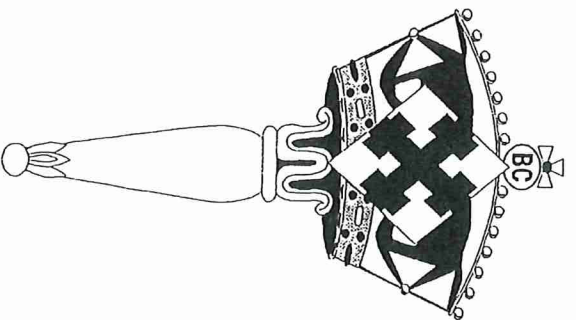
This project is fully initiated, developed, and staffed by volunteer members of our organization. Our fundraising and efforts throughout the year come together to send up to 50 children aged 8-12 to enjoy a very special week of their summer and their lives. Camp Phoenix moves to different campsites across BC so that it provides the opportunity for children from all regions of the Province to attend. This major project can comprise almost half of BCYP's annual budget. This project if held will comply with all BC COVID-19

British Columbia Youth Parliament (BCYP) is about youth taking responsibility and initiative to make a positive impact in their communities. BCYP is a non-profit, non-partisan, parliamentary education and service organization. BCYP is an extraordinarily unique organization - for youth and by youth.

For a full year, 97 members pool their resources, creativity and determination for a common purpose: to advance, better and improve the youth of British Columbia. BCYP brings together youth from across the Province and unites them to fulfill the motto of "Youth Serving Youth". The youth of BCYP reach out and make a difference across British Columbia.

Why?

Because they Can!



BCYP is unique in that it is not simply a "mock" or model parliament - the legislation members debate translates into real action in the community.

BCYP Session and all BCYP events will follow all BC COVID-19 safety protocols.

