

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# One week left in Public Works Yard Updates Project alternative approval process

Process runs until 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 31, 2024

## **Summary**

The Alternative Approval Process (AAP) seeking electoral approval to borrow an amount not to exceed \$90 million to finance the cost of the Public Works Yard Updates Project runs until 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 31, 2024. Eligible voters in Nanaimo who are opposed to borrowing the funds have one week left to vote against the borrowing bylaw by filling out a response form which is available at City Hall and can be printed off from the City website.

No action is required by those in favour of borrowing for the project. If opposed to the borrowing bylaw, each eligible voter is permitted to submit one response form. Completed forms must be dropped off, mailed or submitted electronically to City Hall by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31, 2024.

For more information on the Nanaimo Operations Centre Alternative Approval Process visit the City website at <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-AAP">www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-AAP</a>, and for more information on the project visit <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-Updates">www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-AAP</a>, and for more information on the project visit <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-Updates">www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-AAP</a>, and for more information on the project visit <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-Updates">www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-AAP</a>, and for more information on the project visit <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-Updates">www.nanaimo.ca/goto/PWY-Updates</a>.

Strategic Link: N/A

# **Key Points**

- The Alternative Approval Process to borrow up to \$90 million to fund the Public Works Yard Updates Project began on Sept. 18, 2024 and will remain open until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31, 2024.
- If 10 per cent or more of eligible voters submit an Alternative Approval Process form in opposition, the borrowing bylaw will be brought back to Council to determine if Council would like to proceed with the matter and next steps.
- The proposed Public Works Yard Updates Project will see the replacement of the fleet maintenance and crew/administration buildings in the Public Works Yard.

### Quotes

"There is one week left to submit a form to City Hall if you are opposed to the borrowing bylaw - either in person, by mail or electronically. All forms must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 31 to be counted. We will present the results of the AAP at the earliest Council meeting once the forms are counted, reviewed and certified."

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