

Minutes  
Council's Response Committee on Housing and Emergency Shelter (CRCHES)  
Committee Meeting  
March 11, 2026 – 9 am  
Council Committee Meeting Room, City Hall

Attendees: Councillor Trevor Bolin, Councillor Sarah MacDougall, Councillor Gord Klassen, Bonnie McCue, and Glennis Wunderlich (recording secretary)

1. Call To Order:

9:00 am

2. Approval of the Agenda:

The agenda was approved by consensus.

3. Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes:

The February 11, 2026 CRCHES meeting minutes were provided and will be included on the next Regular Council agenda.

4. Invited Guests/Presentations

None.

Interest was expressed in inviting Action Property Management to a future meeting as well as a virtual meeting with Connective representative.

5. Updates and Progress Reports:

- Councillor MacDougall – CHRCES invited to attend CAT meeting on May 14 to engage with and learn from peers.
- Bonnie – Discussed possible press release on warm weather sheltering changes with Erin Ferris. It was recommended that a press release be made focusing on public safety, specifically being aware of surroundings and being a good neighbour. A meeting with David Sheach of BC Housing is scheduled for March 18.
- Glennis – The number of individuals accessing the Salvation Army shelter and number of residents in transitional housing were shared. A follow-up question was asked on the number of senior's accessing the shelter and if any trends regarding the number of seniors have been noted.

6. Ongoing Discussion Items

None.

UBCM advocacy planning to be included as a future ongoing item for discussion.

## 7. New Business

- The BC Housing Data Sharing Agreement was reviewed. Attention was called to the limitations on the way information can be shared publicly. Notice of what is being published shall be sent to BC Housing for approval prior to releasing information.
- The BC Housing Report for January 2026 was reviewed.
- The Draft version of the NCLGA Community Leadership Award Nomination Letter was reviewed. Final version will be sent to the Mayor for review and signature.

Award opportunities that highlight committee initiatives that could be implemented by other communities were discussed including:

- the British Columbia Economic Development Association – Community Support and Social Stability Programs award, and
- the UBCM – Presidents Committee Choice award.

## 8. Budget and Resource Planning.

Discussions took place regarding a proposed committee wrap-up event. Further planning to take place at future meetings.

## 9. Action Items

- Glennis:
  - Extend invitations to Action Property and Connective representative
  - Present follow-up question to Salvation Army Executive Director
- Bonnie:
  - Invite Senior alt teachers for committee to learn about the program designed to prepare students with resilience for adulthood.
  - Advise BC Housing that the number of vacant units and offers stated in the January report will be published to Council.
- Trevor:
  - Forward email from NLC instructor regarding student research capacity

## 10. Adjournment

9:51 am