

On behalf of the Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations, I HEREBY APPROVE, pursuant to section 83 of the *Indian Act*, the following by-law made by the Spuzzum Indian Band, in the Province of British Columbia, at a meeting held on March 13, 2025.

Spuzzum First Nation Annual Expenditure By-law, 2024

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario, this 23rd day of April

2025.

Valerie Gideon

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Deputy Minister, Crown-Indigenous Relations



# SPUZZUM FIRST NATION ANNUAL EXPENDITURE BY-LAW, 2024

#### WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to section 83 of the *Indian Act*, the council of a First Nation may make By-laws respecting taxation for local purposes of reserve lands, interests in reserve lands or rights to occupy, possess or use reserve lands, including laws authorizing the expenditure of local revenues; .
- B. The Council of the Spuzzum First Nation (also known as the Spuzzum Indian Band) enacted *the Spuzzum Indian Band Property Assessment By-law* and *Spuzzum Indian Band Taxation By-law* on December 5, 1991 and approved by the Minister on *March 9, 1992*, respecting taxation for local purposes on reserve; and

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Spuzzum First Nation duly enacts as follows:

- 1. This By-law may be cited as the Spuzzum First Nation Annual Expenditure By-law, 2024.
- **2.** In this By-law:
- "Act" means the *Indian Act*, S.C. 1985, c 5, and the regulations made under that Act;
- "annual budget" means the budget, attached as a Schedule to this By-law, setting out the projected local revenues and projected expenditures of those local revenues during the budget period;
- "Band Council or Council" has the meaning given to that term within the meaning of subsection 2(1) of the *Indian Act* as elected by the Band members from time to time pursuant to the custom of the Band;
- "First Nation" means the Spuzzum First Nation, being a band under the Act;
- "By-law" means this annual expenditure by-law enacted under paragraph 83(2) of the Act;
- "local revenues" means money raised by the First Nation under a property taxation by-law;
- "property assessment and taxation by-law" means a by-law enacted by the First Nation under paragraph 83(1)(a) of the Act;
- "taxable property" means property in a reserve that is subject to taxation under a property assessment and taxation bylaw or taxation by-law; and
- "Taxation By-law" means the Spuzzum Indian Band Property Taxation By-law dated December 5, 1991.
- **3.** The First Nation's annual budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2024, and ending March 31, 2025, is attached as a Schedule to this *Spuzzum First Nation Annual Expenditure By-law*, 2024.
  - 4. This By-law authorizes the expenditures provided for in the annual budget for the current year.
- **5.** The grant amounts set out in the annual budget are hereby approved as expenditures in accordance with the Taxation By-law.
- **6.** This By-law authorizes the expenditure of contingency amounts as necessary within any of the categories of expenditures set out in the Schedule.
  - 7. Expenditures of local revenues must be made only in accordance with the annual budget.
- **8.** Notwithstanding section 7 of this By-law, Council may at any time amend the annual budget by amending this By-law in accordance with Council procedure and the requirements of the Act.
- **9.** Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this By-law have the meanings given to them in the Property Assessment and Taxation By-laws.
- 10. Where a provision in this By-law is expressed in the present tense, the provision applies to the circumstances as they arise.
- 11. This By-law must be construed as being remedial and must be given such fair, large and liberal construction and interpretation as best ensures the attainment of its objectives.

- 12. The Schedule for Annual Budget attached to this By-law forms part of and is an integral part of this By-law.
- 13. This By-law comes into force and effect upon the approval of the Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations.

Councillor Diana Stromquist

THIS By-law IS HEREBY DULY ENACTED by Council on the 13th day of March 2025, at Spuzzum in the Province of British Columbia.

A quorum of Council consists of (2) members of Council.

Chief James Hobart

Councillor Janice Kuester

# SCHEDULE "A"

## ANNUAL BUDGET CURRENT FISCAL YEAR

### **REVENUES**

10	3 V 131	TO ES			
1.	Loca	l revenues for current fiscal year:			
	a. P	roperty Tax Revenues:	\$	171,900	
2	Y	al management and			
۷.	Local revenues carried Uncollectible due to the Province existing Claims		\$	(152,212	)
3	Accı	ımulated Deficit - Local revenues carried over from			
٦.	the previous fiscal year		\$	0.00	
TOTAL REVENUES			\$	19,688	
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1.	. General Government Expenditures				
	a.	Executive and Legislative	\$	1,000	
	b.	General Administrative	\$	10,000	
	c.	Other General Government			
2.	. Protection Services				
	a.	Policing			
	b.	Firefighting	\$	500	
	c.	Regulatory Measures			
	d.	Other Protective Services			
3.	. Transportation				
	a.	Roads and Streets	\$	800	
	b.	Snow and Ice Removal	\$	2,500	
	c.	Garbage Waste Collection and Disposal	\$	2,920	
	d.	Other Environmental Services			
	c.	Trade and Industry			
	d.	Other Service			
4.	Contingency Amounts		\$	1,968	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			\$	19,688	
BALANCE				\$ 0	