

January 2025

# City Business Info



## Business licence due date

All business licence renewals paid on or after April 1, 2025 will be subject to a \$25 late fee.

## Paying your business licence

There are five ways you can pay your business licence. Find your six digit account/customer number on your bill.

1. **Online banking** at participating financial institutions
2. **Telephone** at participating financial institutions
3. **Mail** - 410 Kinchant St, Quesnel, BC, V2J 7J5
4. **In-person** at City Hall by cash, cheque or debit card. Monday to Friday, 9 am - 4 pm excluding holidays. **Credit cards are not accepted.**
5. **After hours** - drop cheques in the drop box at City Hall (located on the side of the front entrance).

**REMINDER:** Make sure you allow for payment processing delays. Payments will be sent by your financial institution to us within three to five business days. Your account will not be credited until we receive your payment.

## Moved? New Owner? Closed? Update us!

Have you made changes to your business this year, such as changing your name, location, mailing address, or ownership? Or have you closed your business? If so, please let us know so that we have the correct information on file. To update your business information, fill out the General Business Licence Application. You can find the application at City Hall or online at [quesnel.ca/business-licences](https://quesnel.ca/business-licences).

## Business locations

Prior to opening a new business or making a location change, speak with Development Services to determine if your property is:

1. zoned correctly for its use; and
2. that the occupancy and occupant load of the building is permitted.

Email [developmentservices@quesnel.ca](mailto:developmentservices@quesnel.ca) or visit [quesnel.ca/business-licences](https://quesnel.ca/business-licences) for more information.

## Snow removal

The City of Quesnel Bylaw Department would like to remind all downtown business and property owners, that the sidewalks in front of, and next to, your business/property must be cleared of snow and ice with sufficient traction applied by 10 am every morning, regardless of business operating hours.

## Advertise with us!

Partner with Explore Quesnel to expand your Business' reach! Explore Quesnel Tourism Marketing Packages offer opportunities that will see your business highlighted through **TourismQuesnel.ca**, Explore Quesnel social media and more. TourismQuesnel.ca continues to connect visitors with all that Quesnel has to offer while providing information and recommendations on local activities, accommodation and food & beverage. With over 3,500 visits every month, make your business one of the first seen by tourists as they Explore Quesnel. 1-year marketing packages are available to eligible businesses and non-profit organizations in the North Cariboo, starting at \$350.

## Contact for interest

Opportunities to feature businesses of all types in City promotional materials come up from time to time. If you would like your business to be considered for these opportunities, contact us at any time.

## LOVE Quesnel

Love Quesnel is an all-in-one local business supporter, directory, collaborator, and advocate. Providing online marketing opportunities for Quesnel's locally owned and independent businesses, a Love Quesnel partnership includes social media features, a web profile with photography and more. Love Quesnel loves our vibrant small business community and connecting users to the shops, services and people who make such a community possible is. Both existing Love Quesnel and new businesses can participate in this shop local initiative. Returning businesses \$50/year; new businesses \$200 for first year.

## Contact

Mike Coppin, Economic Development Coordinator,  
[mcoppin@quesnel.ca](mailto:mcoppin@quesnel.ca)

## Façade improvement

Thinking about improving the exterior of your building this year? You may be eligible for a grant up to \$5,000. The program offers grants to private businesses/property owners and non-profit societies for qualifying façade improvement projects. Grant applications to open in early 2025. Contact the Planning Department at 250-992-2111 or [quesnel.ca/city-incentives](https://quesnel.ca/city-incentives).

## Commercial Landlord Business Licence

Are you a commercial landlord? The City requires business licences for all commercial landlords. The cost of the licence is dependent on how many units you have. Learn more at [quesnel.ca/business-licences](https://quesnel.ca/business-licences).

## False Alarm Bylaw notice

Quesnel City Council has considered and has endorsed the development of a False Alarm Bylaw. The bylaw was proposed by the RCMP who have reported excessive use of resources due to property owners/occupiers not addressing issues with alarm systems causing false alarms.

The bylaw will apply to all properties and will include a fine structure to encourage property owners/occupiers to fix issues leading to repeat false alarms. As with all bylaws, there will be discretion with the enforcement of this bylaw and there will be a soft rollout to allow properties reasonable time to comply.

Report to Council: [bit.ly/49xFlvz](https://bit.ly/49xFlvz)

Bylaw: [bit.ly/4fYyXjr](https://bit.ly/4fYyXjr)

## Business resources

Community Futures is a locally operated not-for-profit business resource centre providing free business support, training reimbursements for owners and employee training, and business loans. Visit [cfquesnel.com](https://cfquesnel.com) for more information. For more local, regional, provincial and federal business resources, check out our Business Resource Guide at [quesnel.ca/business-services](https://quesnel.ca/business-services).

# Register!

Our business community has asked for better communication from the City and we listened. Register your business to receive email communications from our economic development staff. We won't spam you! We'll send information pertinent to your business, and occasionally reach out to the business community for your input. We must have your permission to include you in these communications. You can opt out at any time. [quesnel.ca/registermybusiness](https://quesnel.ca/registermybusiness)