



MINUTES – SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

December 12, 2018, 8:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 1 CENTENNIAL SQUARE

The City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees and Esquimalt People

PRESENT: Mayor Helps in the Chair, Councillor Alto, Councillor Isitt, Councillor Loveday, Councillor Potts, Councillor Thornton-Joe, Councillor Young, Councillor Dubow, Councillor Collins

STAFF PRESENT: J. Jenkyns - City Manager, C. Coates - City Clerk, P. Bruce - Fire Chief, S. Thompson - Director of Finance, F. Work - Director of Engineering & Public Works, B. Eisenhauer - Head of Engagement, J. Jensen - Head of Human Resources, C. Havelka - Deputy City Clerk, A. Meyer - Assistant Director of Development Services, A. Hudson - Assistant Director of Community Planning, C. Mycroft - Manager of Executive Operations, AM Ferguson - Committee Secretary, T. Zworski - City Solicitor, S. Webb - Manager of Transportation, J. O'Connor - Manager of Financial Planning, B. Cockle – Lead, Bylaw & Licensing Services; N. Johnston – Manager, Bylaw & Licensing Services.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Loveday

Seconded By Councillor Alto

That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - 2019 – 2023 DRAFT FINANCIAL PLAN

Council continued their deliberations of the 2019- 2023 Draft Financial Plan.

Moved By Councillor Loveday

Seconded By Councillor Isitt

That Council direct staff to report back with options and implications for including budgetary allowance in 2019 budget for constituency funds for up to \$8,000.

FOR (8): Mayor Helps, Councillor Alto, Councillor Collins, Councillor Dubow, Councillor Isitt, Councillor Loveday, Councillor Thornton-Joe, Councillor Potts,

OPPOSED (1): Councillor Young

CARRIED (8 to 1)

Moved By Councillor Young
Seconded By Mayor Helps

That Council refer this motion to the Council remuneration discussion and move that discussion to 2019:

That Council direct staff to report back on the implications of eliminating Council's parking privileges and including Council in the bus pass program available through payroll deduction.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Thornton-Joe

That Council direct staff to report back on the budget implications of adding resources to the City Manager's office sufficient to facilitate a dedicated protocol function.

FOR (7): Mayor Helps, Councillor Alto, Councillor Collins, Councillor Dubow, Councillor Isitt, Councillor Loveday, Councillor Thornton-Joe,

OPPOSED (1): Councillor Potts, Councillor Young

CARRIED (7 to 2)

Moved By Mayor Helps
Seconded By Councillor Isitt

That for *Supplementary Requests – Managing Public Green Spaces – Sheltering*, be moved to a one-time request.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By Councillor Isitt
Seconded By Councillor Loveday

That Council adopts that policy that the FTE count indicated in the Financial Plan for each department / division / business unit is approximate, meaning that the FTE count will not be interpreted in a restrictive manner to prevent in-house delivery of services, subject to expenditures not exceeding the maximum budgeted amount for the relevant department / division / business unit.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By Councillor Isitt
Seconded By Councillor Loveday

That Council direct staff to report on the implications and options of installing a marked crosswalk at Dallas Road and Simcoe Street on a cost-sharing basis with the Greater Victoria Harbour Authority.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By Councillor Collins
Seconded By Councillor Isitt

That Council direct staff to report back on options for increasing parks planning staff resources for coordinating the acceleration of implementation of the Urban Forest Master Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Potts withdrew from the meeting due to a conflict of interest with the next item as she is employed by Our Place.

Moved By Mayor Helps
Seconded By Councillor Thornton-Joe

That Council direct staff to report back on the potential to cost share a full spectrum neighbourhood assessment with Island Health and BC Housing for the 900 block of Pandora Avenue, subject to the terms of reference of the assessment being approved by Council prior to any municipal funds be expended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By Councillor Collins
Seconded By Councillor Potts

That Council does not approve the items in the 2019 Police budget, and refers the budget back to the Police Board, requesting a revised budget where the total increase accounting for all items does not exceed the rate of inflation.

Motion to refer:

Refer this motion to the unfinished business of Committee of the Whole meeting of December 13.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved By Councillor Isitt
Seconded By Councillor Collins

Motion to refer:

That this motion be referred to the unfinished business of Committee of the Whole meeting of December 13.

That Council:

1. Direct staff to include the employer health tax with funding from a tax increase (1.45%)
2. Direct staff to bring forward the Five-year Financial Plan Bylaw, 2019 to the December 13, 2018 Council meeting for consideration of first reading prior to commencing public consultation.
3. Approve the following allocations of new property tax revenue from new development:
 - a. \$500,000 to the Buildings and Infrastructure Reserve as per the Financial Sustainability Policy
 - b. Direct staff to bring forward options for the use of the remainder upon completion of public consultation
4. Direct staff to bring forward options for the use of 2018 surplus upon completion of public consultation.
5. Direct staff to bring forward options for funding items Council previously referred to the 2019 financial planning process outlined in Appendix A upon completion of public consultation.
6. Direct staff to bring forward options for funding supplementary budget requests upon completion of public consultation.
7. Approve the direct-award grants as outlined in this report.
8. Direct staff to bring forward options for funding increased grant requests upon completion of public consultation.
9. Approve adding 0.5 FTE utility position to address new regulations funded through existing budgets

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I. ADJOURNMENT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved By Councillor Dubow
Seconded By Councillor Alto

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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