



MINUTES - VICTORIA CITY COUNCIL

**July 4, 2019, 11:17 A.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 1 CENTENNIAL SQUARE
VICTORIA, BC**

**To be held immediately following the Committee of the Whole Meeting
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 Collins, Councillor Thornton-Joe, Councillor Dubow, Councillor Young

STAFF PRESENT: J. Jenkyns – City Manager, S. Thompson - Deputy City Manager / Director of Finance, F. Work - Director of Engineering & Public Works, B. Eisenhauer - Head of Engagement, C. Coates – City Clerk, C. Havelka - Deputy City Clerk, A. Hudson - Acting Director of Sustainable Planning & Community Development, T. Zworski - City Solicitor, R. Batallas - Senior Planner, N. Sidhu - Assistant Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities, C. Royle - Deputy Fire Chief, Kai Okazaki – Planning Assistant, Lindsay Milburn – Senior Planner – Housing Policy, P. Angelblazer - Committee Secretary

A. CONVENE COUNCIL MEETING

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Collins

That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

C.1 Committee of the Whole

C.1.a Report from the June 20, 2019 COTW Meeting

C.1.a.a My Great Neighbourhood Grant - Spring Intake Report

Moved By Councillor Loveday
Seconded By Councillor Isitt

That Council approve 26 applications received for the spring intake of the 2019 My Great Neighbourhood Grant program as outlined in Table 1, 2, and 3.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.a.b Community and Seniors' Centres Annual Report for 2018

Moved By Councillor Loveday
Seconded By Councillor Dubow

That Council receive this report on the operation of the community and seniors' centres for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.a.c Demonstration of Voting Dashboard

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Loveday

That Council receive the report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.a.d Letter from the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Collins

That the correspondence dated June 3, 2019 from the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.a.e Fare-Free Public Transit for Young People

Councillor Thornton-Joe excused herself at 11:21 a.m. due to a former pecuniary conflict of interest that barred her from previous discussions on this topic.

Moved By Councillor Isitt
Seconded By Councillor Dubow

That Council directs staff to ensure that all residents of the City of Victoria who are under the age of 19 will have

access to a pass for fare-free public transit no later than November 30, 2019, including provision of a City of Victoria service pass ("VicPass") or a similar mechanism for youth who may not be enrolled in a formal program of education or who may be enrolled in an alternate program of education.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Thornton-Joe returned to the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

C.1.b Report from the June 27, 2019 COTW Meeting

C.1.b.a License for Use of Federal Property Agreement - Department of National Defence

Moved By Councillor Thornton-Joe

Seconded By Councillor Potts

That Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement with the Department of National Defence to:

1. Access through licence, the property located at Workpoint, Canadian Forces Base Esquimalt, Township of Esquimalt and, permission to use the land for staff training in practical application of structural collapse and technical rescue training. This agreement supersedes the original "property use" agreement approved by Governance and Priorities Committee of August 13, 2013, and;
2. Request authorization from Council for the delegated right to renew or extend this licence after the end of its term on substantially the same terms and conditions, subject to review and approval of the Fire Chief and the City Solicitor.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.b.b Garden Suite Program Review and Next Steps

Moved By Councillor Alto

Seconded By Councillor Collins

That this matter be referred to the Housing Strategy update.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.b.c Project Update: Waterfront Public Realm Initiative

Moved By Councillor Alto

Seconded By Councillor Loveday

That Council receive this report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.b.d 709/711 Douglas Street (CityStudio Victoria)

Moved By Councillor Alto

Seconded By Councillor Isitt

That Council direct staff to report back on options for maintaining 709/711 Douglas Street as a community use space using existing resources or alternate model of delivery.

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

OPPOSED (1): Councillor Young

CARRIED (8 to 1)

C.1.b.e Peer Informed Task Force and Mental Health and Addictions Strategy

Moved By Councillor Alto

Seconded By Councillor Potts

1. That Council re-name the Task Force and following Strategy as a 'Community Wellness Peer-Informed Task Force and Strategy' to reflect its evidenced-based emphasis on community wellness related to mental wellness and addictions.
2. That Council appoint Councillor Loveday as a third Councillor member of the Task Force.
3. That Council approve the draft Terms of Reference, attached (Attachment A).
4. That Council approve up to \$25,000 from Contingencies, and as allowed under the City's Purchasing Policy, direct the City Manager to partner with the University of Victoria to undertake a 'scoping rapid review' of comparable jurisdictions' efforts to take meaningful action on a municipal mental wellness and addictions strategy, and that such a review delivers a

'map of the field of program' on which the City can base a local strategy informed by those affected by mental wellness and addictions, their peers and allies.

5. That Council approve up to \$7,500 from Contingencies to accommodate honouraria for community participants in the Task Force.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.1.b.f Preventing Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault in the City of Victoria

Moved By Councillor Collins

Seconded By Councillor Loveday

1. That Council includes sexualized violence prevention in the mandate of the Municipal Liquor Policy and the Late Night Program.
2. That Council direct staff to report back with implications of and options for mandating sexualized violence prevention training for bar and nightclub staff as part of either the liquor license or business license approval process.
3. That Council request that liquor license applicants submit a sexual harassment and sexual violence prevention plan alongside their liquor license application.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. NEW BUSINESS

D.1 Letter from the Victoria and Esquimalt Police Board

Council received a letter dated June 11, 2019, regarding a change to the practice of Council providing direction to the Victoria Police Department.

Committee discussed the practical outcomes of the letter.

Moved By Councillor Thornton-Joe

Seconded By Councillor Alto

That the correspondence dated June 11, 2019 from the Victoria and Esquimalt Police Board be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. CLOSED MEETING AT 11:29 A.M.

Moved By Councillor Collins

Seconded By Councillor Potts

MOTION TO CLOSE THE JULY 4 COUNCIL MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

That Council convene a closed meeting that excludes the public under Section 90 of the *Community Charter* for the reason that the following agenda items deal with matters specified in Sections 90(1) and/or (2) of the *Community Charter*, namely:

Section 90(1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

Section 90(1)(c) labour relations or other employee relations;

Section 90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

Section 90(1)(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. APPROVAL OF CLOSED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Thornton-Joe

Seconded By Councillor Dubow

That the closed agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

J. NEW BUSINESS

I.1 Land - Community Charter Section 90(1)(e)

Council received closed correspondence regarding a land matter.

The discussion and motion were recorded and kept confidential.

I.2 Legal Advice - Community Charter Section 90(1)(i)

Council received a verbal update on a matter regarding legal advice.

The discussion was recorded and kept confidential.

I.3 Employee Relations - Community Charter Section 90(1)(c)

Council received a verbal update on a matter regarding employee relations.

The discussion was kept confidential.

L. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved By Councillor Dubow

Seconded By Councillor Collins

That the Council Meeting be adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CITY CLERK

MAYOR