

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016, 9:00 A.M.**

1. THE CHAIR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M.

Committee Members Present: Mayor Helps in the Chair; Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, and Young

Present for a portion of the meeting: Councillor Thornton-Joe

Staff Present: J. Johnson – City Manager; J. Jenkyns – Deputy City Manager; S. Thompson – Director of Finance; F. Work – Director of Engineering & Public Works; J. Tinney – Director of Sustainable Planning & Community Development; P. Bruce – Fire Chief; K. Hamilton – Director of Citizen Engagement & Strategic Planning; T. Zworski – City Solicitor; T. Soulliere – Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities; C. Coates – City Clerk; J. Paul – Assistant Director of Engineering; B. Dellebuur – Acting Assistant Director of Transportation; J. O’Connor Manager of Finance; C. Mycroft – Executive Assistant to City Manager; A. Ferguson – Recording Secretary

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Action: It was moved by Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Madoff, that the Agenda of the February 9, 2016, Special Committee of the Whole meeting be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

3.1 Proposed Adjustments to the Draft 2016-2020 Financial Plan

Committee received a report dated February 1, 2016, from the Finance Department providing recommendations regarding adjustments to the draft 2016-2020 Financial Plan based on public feedback, before Council gives final approval to the *Financial Plan Bylaw* prior to May 15 as required by the *Community Charter*.

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Madoff, seconded by Councillor Coleman, that Council:

1. Provide direction regarding funding needs for items identified by the public or through responses to Council's motions passed during budget discussions.
2. Approve the following ongoing allocation of assessment growth property tax revenue:
 - a. Reduce the already approved \$500,000 allocation to the Buildings and Infrastructure Reserve to fit within the assessment growth property tax revenue available once finalized by BC Assessment.
3. Approve the following one-time allocation of the 2015 surplus:
 - a. Any one-time funding needs identified by the public or through responses to Council's motions during budget discussions, as determined by Council.
 - b. Supplementary Requests for the year 2016 only:
 - i. Cultural Plan \$116,000
 - ii. Sidewalk power-washing \$15,000
 - iii. Traffic and parking improvements \$8,000
 - iv. Broad Street Mall repairs \$15,000
 - v. Parks overnight sheltering support and clean-up \$313,000
 - vi. Senior Parks Planner \$103,000
 - vii. Arboriculture \$128,500
 - viii. Real estate function consulting support \$100,000.
 - c. The remainder to the Buildings and Infrastructure Reserve.
4. Allocate \$785,000 to the David Foster Harbour Pathway budget in 2017 from the City's Gas Tax Reserve.
5. Direct staff to bring forward the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw, 2016, as amended, to the April 14, 2016 Council meeting.

Committee discussed:

- Crosswalk upgrades and pedestrian enhancements for various locations.

Committee recessed at 9:07 a.m. and reconvened at 9:08 a.m.

Committee discussed:

- Neighbourhood transportation management and traffic calming measures.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be amended to include the following point:

- 6. Allocate an additional \$200,000 from 2015 surplus to Crosswalk projects.**

Committee discussed:

- Resource implications to expedite crosswalk upgrades.
- Concerns about using the surplus to fund projects.
- The pros and cons of allocating funding prior to receiving a priority list from staff on crosswalks needing implementation or upgrading.

Councillor Thornton-Joe joined the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Amendment to the amendment:

It was moved by Councillor Loveday, seconded by Councillor Young, that the amended motion be amended in point six (#6) as follows:

6. **Allocate an additional \$200,000 100,000 from 2015 surplus to Crosswalk projects.**

On the amendment:
DEFEATED 16/COTW

For: Councillors Coleman, Loveday, and Young
Against: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Isitt, Lucas, Madoff, and Thornton-Joe

On the amendment:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Councillors Alto, Isitt, Loveday, Madoff, and Thornton-Joe
Against: Mayor Helps, Councillors Coleman, Lucas, and Young

Committee discussed:

- Providing enough shelter space to ban overnight sheltering in parks.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe, that the motion be amended to remove point three, b, five (#3.b.v.) as follows:

- ~~3. Approve the following one-time allocation of the 2015 surplus:~~
~~b. Supplementary Requests for the year 2016 only:~~
~~v. Parks overnight sheltering support, and clean-up \$313,000~~

Committee discussed:

- Concerns about the staff's ability to adequately maintain the parks without funding.
- Alternative ways the funds could be used.
- The work in progress on a regional housing strategy and whether or not interim funding should be provided until it is complete.

On the amendment:
DEFEATED 16/COTW

For: Councillors Isitt and Young
Against: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, and Thornton-Joe

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Loveday, seconded by Councillor Isitt, that the motion be amended to include the following point:

7. **Add an additional \$6,000 from 2015 Surplus for the City of Victoria Youth Council budget.**

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Committee discussed:

- Funding for the split rail fencing project at Dallas Road and upgrades to the Centennial Square washrooms.
- Increases to the Festival Investment Grants.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Thornton-Joe, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be amended to include the following point:

8. **Direct staff to ask the India Mela, and the Dragon Boat Society to submit their late Festival Investment Grant request, and if found to qualify, to provide out of the supplementary budget 80% of the amount that they would have received in 2016.**

Amendment to the amendment:

It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe, that the amended motion be amended in point eight (#8) as follows:

8. Direct staff to ask the India Mela and the Dragon Boat Society to submit their late Festival Investment Grant request and if found to qualify, to provide out of the supplementary budget 80% of the amount that they would have received in ~~2016~~ **2015**.

On the amendment to the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Committee discussed:

- Ensuring a clear policy around the acceptance of grant applications passed the deadline.

On the amendment:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, Thornton-Joe, and Young

Against: Mayor Helps

Committee recessed at 10:43 a.m. and returned at 10:49 a.m.

Councillors Alto and Isitt returned to the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe, that the motion be amended to include the following point:

9. **Approve an expenditure of up to \$50,000 for the installation of a play structure in a downtown park.**

Committee discussed:

- Engaging the Downtown Residents Association and the Art in Public Places Committee.
- The pros and cons of various designs concepts.
- Funds needed to deliver an adequate structure.

On the amendment:
DEFEATED 16/COTW

For: Councillor Isitt

Against: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, Thornton-Joe, and Young

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Thornton-Joe, seconded by Councillor Coleman, that the motion be amended to include the following point:

- 9. Direct staff to bring forward a detailed work plan with one time capital funding of up to \$120,000 and an ongoing operating budget of \$12,000 as well as resource requirements and consultation with businesses, residents, Vic PD, and social service agencies for the relocation of the urinal from Pandora and Government to 900 block Pandora Avenue.**

Committee discussed:

- The pros and cons of moving the urinal and other cost-effective proposals to service everyone's needs.
- The growing demand for more public washrooms.

On the amendment:
DEFEATED 16/COTW

For: Councillors Coleman, and Thornton-Joe
Against: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, Thornton-Joe and Young

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Loveday, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be amended to include the following point:

- 9. Direct staff to allocate \$250,000 of 2015 Surplus to the Building and Infrastructure Reserve specifically for accessibility purposes.**

Committee discussed:

- Implementing an accessibility reserve fund policy.
- Building the reserves to fund the Crystal Pool project.

On the amendment:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, and Thornton-Joe
Against: Councillor Young

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that the motion be amended to include the following point:

- 10. Allocate \$200,000 to the strategic plan objectives initiatives.**

Committee discussed:

- Concerns about undisciplined spending due to the broad range of strategic plan objectives.

On the amendment:
DEFEATED 16/COTW

For: Councillors Isitt and Loveday
Against: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Lucas, Madoff, Thornton-Joe, and Young

Main motion as amended:

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7. Add an additional \$6,000 from 2015 Surplus for the City of Victoria Youth Council budget.
8. Direct staff to ask the India Mela and the Dragon Boat Society to submit their late Festival Investment Grant request, and if found to qualify, to provide out of the supplementary budget 80% of the amount that they would have received in 2015.
9. Direct staff to allocate \$250,000 of 2015 Surplus to the Building and Infrastructure Reserve specifically for accessibility purposes.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Thornton-Joe, and Young

Against: Councillor Madoff

Committee discussed the supplementary financial plan recommendations as outlined in Appendix B.

Councillor Loveday withdrew from the meeting at 11:40 a.m. and returned at 11:41 a.m.

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe: That Council direct staff to undertake a review of the City's parkade model in 2017.

CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Thornton-Joe, and Young
Against: Councillors Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, and Madoff

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Alto, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe: That Council direct staff to report back on incorporating options for the Douglas Corridor Charrette into the Capital Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Loveday: That Council direct staff to engage the North Jubilee Neighbourhood Association, the Fernwood Community Association, and the South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association on an initiative to name the new park at Begbie and Pembroke.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Thornton-Joe, seconded by Councillor Isitt: That Council direct staff to develop a reserve fund policy for accessibility use including options for annual funding of \$250,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Thornton-Joe, seconded by Councillor Isitt: That Council direct staff to increase the Festival Investment Grant to \$169,000 starting in 2017.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that the motion be amended as follows:
That Council direct staff to increase the Festival Investment Grant to \$169,000 starting in 2017 **with provision for inflationary increases in future years.**

Committee discussed:

- The rate of inflation and how it applies to festivals.
- Economic benefits that festivals have on the community.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to increase the Festival Investment Grant to \$169,000 starting in 2017 with provision for inflationary increases in future years.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Councillor Isitt withdrew from the meeting at 11:56 a.m. and returned at 11:57 a.m.

Motion:

It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Young:
That Council direct staff to explore partnership opportunities in the region for joint fire dispatch including a governance model that is based on partnership in the service and report back on any financial or operation implications of the current model of service delivery.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion:

It was moved by Councillor Alto, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe:
That Council direct staff to plant 20 trees in downtown in “vacant tree sites” in the fall of 2016, using funding available and identified in staff responses to Council motion as outlined in Appendix B.

Committee discussed:

- Staff’s capacity to carry out the request.
- Ensuring more effort is placed on replacing trees.

Amendment:

It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Young, that the motion be amended as follows:

That Council direct staff to plant ~~20~~ **10** trees in downtown in “vacant tree sites” in the fall of 2016, using funding available and identified in staff responses to Council motion as outlined in Appendix B.

Committee discussed:

- Staff resources and a potential for a phased approach.
- Concerns about the loss of the urban forest downtown.
- Engaging the community to assist with the planting of trees.

On the amendment:
DEFEATED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Loveday, Lucas, and Young
Against: Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Madoff, and Thornton-Joe

Main motion:

That Council direct staff to plant 20 trees in downtown in “vacant tree sites” in the fall of 2016, using funding available and identified in staff responses to Council motion as outlined in Appendix B.

On the main motion:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Madoff, and Thornton-Joe
Against: Mayor Helps, Councillors Loveday, Lucas, and Young

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto:
That Council direct staff to report back on budget implications of the motion for 20 trees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Alto, seconded by Councillor Isitt:
That Council direct staff to negotiate a lease for up to a 7,000 ft² library branch at Capital Park and to bring forward options for funding. (To be included in the 2017 budget and the 2017-2021 Five Year Financial Plan)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto:
That Council direct staff to review the Building Plan Search Fee as part of the work already ongoing on the Building Bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Isitt:
That Council direct staff to develop a plan for the installation of a kid friendly, public space enhancing structure in Centennial Square as part of the 2017 capital budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe:
That Council direct staff to flag for consideration in the 2017 Capital Budget undertaking detailed design of Phase One of the David Foster Harbour Pathway as outlined in the response to Council's query on the topic in Appendix B.

Committee discussed:

- Timelines for an update report.
- Receiving clarity on the original plans for the pathway.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Committee recessed for lunch at 12:25 p.m. and returned at 12:36 p.m.

3.2 Proposed Amendments to the Strategic Plan, and Plan Implementation

Committee received a report dated January 25th, 2016, from Mayor Helps providing recommendations regarding amendments to the Strategic Plan and Plan Amendment Policy refinements.

Committee discussed proposed amendments to the 2015-2018 Strategic Plan Objectives as follows.

1. Innovate and Lead

No proposed changes.

2. Engage and Empower the Community

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Coleman:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Create a Public Engagement Road Map to accompany 2015-2018 Strategic Plan Action Items.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

3. Excellence in Planning and Landuse

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Madoff:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Initiate Local Area Planning Processes in Fairfield/Gonzales and Vic West neighbourhoods.

CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, and Thornton-Joe

Against: Councillor Young

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Review Community Association Landuse Process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto:
That Council direct staff to move the following action from the 2015 plan to the 2016 plan: Establish predictable flat rate fee for bonus density.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

4. Financial Capacity of Organization

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto:
That Council direct staff to move the following action from the 2015 plan to the 2016 plan: Complete and implement Municipal Property Acquisition and Management Strategy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

5. Prosperity Through Economic Development

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Alto, seconded by Councillor Isitt:
That Council direct city staff to develop a living wage policy for the City, including an analysis of the costs resulting from the policy's application to city employees and contractors.

Committee discussed:

- The conception that government workers are adequately compensated.
- FCMs upcoming workshop on living wages.

CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Madoff, Loveday, Lucas and Thornton-Joe

Against: Councillor Young

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Mayor Helps:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Advocate for policies to ensure residents have sufficient income and supports to live with dignity and participate in the local economy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Loveday:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Implement *Making Victoria: Unleashing Potential* including Year One and Ongoing Actions for Business Hub and Actions where City is lead or supporting agency in Six Economic Engines.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Lucas:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Work with Tourism Victoria to modernize relationship between the City of Victoria and Tourism Victoria including removing the grandfathered status of Tourism Victoria with regards to the destination marketing tax.

Committee discussed:

- Proposed contract for service and ensuring the conference centre is marketed effectively.

CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Madoff, Loveday, Lucas, Thornton-Joe and Young

Against: Councillor Isitt

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Create Mayor's Task Force on Social Enterprise, as outlined in *Making Victoria: Unleashing Potential*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Lucas, that Council direct staff to change the following 2016 Action:
Create and implement a plan to revitalize and brand Douglas Street as our “Main Street” TO:
Work in Partnership with the Downtown Victoria Business Association to implement Government Street Action Plan (as laid out in Appendix B).

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Mayor Helps, that the motion be amended in the re-wording of the action as follows:
Work in Partnership with the Downtown Victoria Business Association to implement ~~Government Street Action Plan (as laid out in Appendix B)~~
identify marketing initiatives and infrastructure improvements to support the vitality of downtown.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Alto, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe, that the motion be amended as follows:
That Council direct staff to ~~change~~ **add** the following 2016 Action:
~~Create and implement a plan to revitalize and brand Douglas Street as our “Main Street” TO:~~
Work in Partnership with the Downtown Victoria Business Association to identify marketing initiatives and infrastructure improvements to support the vitality of downtown.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Amendment: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that the motion be amended as follows:
That Council direct staff to add the following 2016-**2018** Action:
Work in Partnership with the Downtown Victoria Business Association to identify marketing initiatives and infrastructure improvements to support the vitality of downtown.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Recalled Amendment:
It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that the motion be amended to include the following:
And that the following action be change to a 2017-2018 Action: Create and implement a plan to revitalize and brand Douglas Street as our “Main Street”

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Mayor Helps recalled the above amendment as the motion was not on the table for amending.

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016-2018 Action: Work in Partnership with Downtown Victoria Business Association to identify marketing initiatives and infrastructure improvements to support the vitality of downtown.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Alto, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe, that Council direct staff to change the 2016 Action to a 2017-2018 Action: Create and implement a plan to revitalize and brand Douglas Street as our "Main Street".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Alto, seconded by Mayor Helps, that Council direct staff to change the 2016 Action as follows:
That the City strike a Canada 150 working group to which other community leaders would be invited to plan Victoria activities to celebrate Canada's Sesquicentennial in 2017.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be amended to replace the word celebrate with recognize.

On the amendment:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Madoff, Loveday, Lucas, and Thornton-Joe

Against: Councillor Young

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to change the 2016 Action as follows:
That the City strike a Canada 150 working group to which other community leaders would be invited to plan Victoria activities to recognize Canada's Sesquicentennial in 2017.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

6. Make Victoria More Affordable

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Isitt, that Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action:
Develop Municipal Housing Action Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Mayor Helps, that Council direct staff to change the following 2016 Action: Consider a CRD Housing Levy TO:
Work with CRD partners to implement a Housing First Levy.

Amendment: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be amended to replace the word levy with the word initiative.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to change the following 2016 Action:
Consider a CRD Housing Levy TO:
Work with CRD partners to implement a Housing First Initiative.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Loveday, seconded by Councillor Isitt:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2017 Action: Consider a CRD Housing Levy, should the Housing First Initiative not proceed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

7. Facilitate Social Inclusion and Community Wellness

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2015 Action to a 2016 Action:
Develop public engagement plan for Crystal Pool and Fitness Centre, to be implemented in early 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2015 Action to a 2016 Action:
Initiate discussions with the YMCA to explore possibility of a common downtown pool and recreation facility delivering many programs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2015 Action to Ongoing Action:
Continue to keep subsidized housing units a focus and work with partners to create/identify new opportunities (2015).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action:
Continue sheltering solutions work including storage of belongings.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that the motion be amended to include the following:
, and alternatives to sheltering in the parks

Committee discussed:

- Exploring potential locations for a tenting sites.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Committee discussed:

- The plan for when the shelter closes in April.
- The agenda item that was never discussed at a previous Committee Meeting in regards to banning overnight sheltering in certain parks.

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action:
Continue sheltering solutions work including storage of belongings, and alternatives to sheltering in the parks.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto:
That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action: Work towards implementation of Municipal Truth and Reconciliation Recommendations as laid out in Appendix C.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Loveday, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2017 Outcome to a 2016 Outcome:
Accessible health services are available for Victoria's most marginalized people.

Committee discussed:

- Safe consumption services and changes required to provide users with safe drugs.
- Determining the federal government's position on safe consumption services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

8. Enhance, and Steward Public Spaces, Green Spaces, and Food Systems

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council direct staff to move the following item from a 2015 Action to a 2016 Action:
Initiate and complete Parks Master Planning Process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Isitt, that Council direct staff to modify the 2016 Action as follows:
Hold a placemaking activity at Ships Point to advance a site plan from Harbour Dialogues. Consult public on specific design and allocate money in 2018 capital budget to complete. Addition: Identify pilot or 'pop-up' placemaking and/or projects small scale enterprises that can be undertaken in 2016.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, that the motion be amended to include the following, after the word identify:
in partnership with the Downtown Residents Association, the Downtown Victoria Business Association, and festival organizers as appropriate.

Amendment failed due to no seconder

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On the main motion:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Thornton-Joe, seconded by Councillor Coleman:
That Council direct staff to modify the 2016 Outcome as follows: Monitor the efforts in neighbouring municipalities and create a report regarding a solution to the urban deer problem.

Committee discussed:

- Exploring the approaches of other municipalities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

9. Complete a Multi-Modal, and Active Transportation Network

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Isitt, that Council direct staff to move the following item from a 2015 Action to a 2016 Action:
Designate location for E and N station as close as possible to the new bridge.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Loveday, seconded by Councillor Isitt, that Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action (comes from 2015 Action): "Start an Active Transportation Advisory Committee".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Thornton-Joe, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2015 Action to a 2016 Action as follows:
Sign pedestrian-only lanes just as prominently as streets. Distinguish between 'no exit' and 'no exit for motor vehicles'.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Lucas, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2015 Action to a 2016 Action as follows:
Move from 2015 to 2016 Action: Review policy for desired right of way widths for road dedications and statutory right of ways.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Councillor Thornton-Joe excused herself from the meeting at 1:57 p.m. due to a pecuniary conflict of interest as her husband is an employee of BC Transit.

Committee discussed bus lanes in accordance with rapid transit.

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council direct staff to move the 2016 Action to a 2017 or 2018 Action; not in the capital budget as follows:
Based on report funded through 2015 budget allocation to Island Transformations, repair rail crossings in City of Victoria.

Committee discussed:

- Receiving the study of rail crossings done by the Island Transformations which was previously funded by the City.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Councillor Thornton-Joe returned to the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Thornton-Joe, seconded by Councillor Madoff, that Council direct staff to change the following 2018 Outcome:
Walking is safe, comfortable and enjoyable **for all ages, and abilities.**

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Coleman, that the motion be amended as follows:
Walking **and mobility is are** safe, comfortable and enjoyable for all ages, and abilities.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Loveday, seconded by Councillor Isitt, that the motion be amended as follows:
~~Walking and mobility are~~ **Pedestrian travel is** safe, comfortable and enjoyable for all ages, and abilities.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to change the following 2018 Outcome:
Pedestrian travel is safe, comfortable and enjoyable for all ages, and abilities.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

10. Arts Culture, and Learning

No proposed changes.

11. Steward Water Systems, and Waste Streams Responsibly

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Coleman, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2015 Action to an Ongoing Action:
Continue discussions on sewage treatment options.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council direct staff to move the following from a 2015 Action to a 2016 Action:
Communicate to CRD desire to see single stream collection of recyclables in closed wheeled totes. Make garbage disposal less convenient than recycling.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Councillor Lucas excused herself from the meeting at 2:07 p.m. due to a pecuniary conflict of interest as she runs a retail store that supplies plastic bags to its clients.

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action:
Create and enact bylaw to phase in the ban the use of single use plastic bags.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be amended as follows:
Create and enact bylaw to phase in the ban **on** the use of single use plastic bags.

On the amendment:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Committee discussed:

- Other cities that have been influenced by the proposed ban.
- Concerns about pedestrian shoppers and punishing responsible usership.
- Reducing ecological impacts.

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action:
Create and enact bylaw to phase in the ban on the use of single use plastic bags.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Madoff and Thornton-Joe

Against: Councillor Young

Councillor Lucas returned to the meeting at 2:13 p.m.

12. Plan for Emergencies Including Climate Change

Motion: It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Mayor Helps, that Council direct staff to add the following as a 2016 Action:
Continue to explore options for fossil fuel free investments and financial services.

CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff and Thornton-Joe

Against: Councillor Young

13. Demonstrate Regional Leadership

Motion: It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Isitt, that Council direct staff to change 2015-2018 Action as follows:
Support and work with the Provincial government in the study of more effective regional governance in the capital region.

Amendment: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be amended to include the following:
, including the possibility of amalgamation

On the amendment:
CARRIED 16/COTW

For: Mayor Helps, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Loveday, Lucas, Thornton-Joe, and Young

Against: Councillors Isitt and Madoff

Main motion as amended:

That Council direct staff to change 2015-2018 Action as follows: Support and work with the Provincial government in the study of more effective regional governance in the capital region, including the possibility of amalgamation.

On the main motion as amended:
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

Committee discussed:

- Exploring options for effective regional governance.
- Whether or not residents support amalgamation.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Action: It was moved by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Madoff, that the Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 9, 2016, be adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 16/COTW

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MAYOR OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

