



MINUTES – VICTORIA CITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING OF THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2016, AT 3:00 P.M.

PLACE OF MEETING:

Council Chambers, City Hall

PRESENT:

Mayor Helps in the Chair, Councillors Alto, Coleman, Isitt, Loveday, Lucas, Madoff, Thornton-Joe and Young

STAFF PRESENT:

J. Johnson – City Manager; P. Bruce - Fire Chief; J. Jenkyns - Deputy City Manager; K. Hamilton - Director, Citizen Engagement & Strategic Planning; C. Coates – City Clerk; C. Mycroft - Executive Assistant to the City Manager; T. Soulliere - Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities; S. Thompson - Director of Finance; J. Tinney - Director of Sustainable Planning & Community Development; P. Martin – Recording Secretary.

GUESTS:

Acting Chief Manak of the Victoria Police Department.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion:

It was moved by Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Alto, that Council adopt the special closed agenda.

Carried Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation: Additional Policing Resources

Council received a presentation from Acting Chief Manak of the Victoria Police Department requesting assistance for additional police resources to assist with the courthouse encampment.

Motion:

It was moved by Mayor Helps, seconded by Councillor Coleman, that Council approve a budget increase of up to \$113,000 for additional police resources, and that the funding be allocated from the corporate contingency account.

Amendment:

It was moved by Councillor Isitt, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that the motion be amended by adding a second point as follows:

2. That Acting Chief Manak provide an update to Council on the effectiveness of the strategy, within one month of implementation.

Council discussed

- The importance of being strategic and effective with the budget increase.

Amendment to the amendment:

It was moved by Councillor Lucas, seconded by Councillor Alto, that the motion be further amended as follows:

2. That Acting Chief Manak provide an update to Council on the effectiveness of the strategy, within ~~one~~ **month two weeks** of implementation.

On the amendment to the amendment:
Carried Unanimously

On the amendment:
Carried Unanimously

Council discussed:

- Concerns regarding displacement.
- The importance of ensuring that safety is a priority for both residents of tent city and the neighbouring areas.
- That funding for additional police resources is required so that they can continue to provide service to the whole city.

Main motion as amended:

1. That Council approve a budget increase of up to \$113,000 for additional police resources, and that the funding be allocated from the corporate contingency account.
2. That Acting Chief Manak provide an update to Council on the effectiveness of the strategy, within two weeks of implementation.

On the main motion as amended:
Carried Unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councillor Coleman, seconded by Councillor Loveday, that the Special Council meeting adjourn.

Time: 3:43 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR