



MINUTES - VICTORIA CITY COUNCIL

February 13, 2025, 11:33 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 Nation and Xwsepsum Nation

PRESENT: Mayor Alto in the Chair, Councillor Caradonna, Councillor Coleman, Councillor Dell, Councillor Gardiner, Councillor Kim, Councillor Loughton, Councillor Thompson

PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY: Councillor Hammond

STAFF PRESENT: J. Jenkyns - City Manager, S. Thompson - Deputy City Manager / Chief Financial Officer, C. Kingsley - City Clerk, S. Johnson - Director of Communications and Engagement, T. Zworski - City Solicitor, P. Rantucci - Director of Strategic Real Estate, T. Soulliere - Deputy City Manager, K. Hoese - Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development, C. Mycroft - Manager of Intergovernmental & Media Relations, B. Roder - Deputy City Clerk, A. Klus - Senior Legislative Coordinator, D. Newman - Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities

A. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Council acknowledged that the City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees First Nation and Xwsepsum First Nation communities, whose people have long believed that their traditions have been embedded into the surrounding lands and waters. Council encouraged residents to be mindful of these histories while trying to learn about the traditions and language of the Nations and thanked them for allowing us to live, work and play on their lands.

B. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved and Seconded:

That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved and Seconded:

That the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

E.1 Minutes from the Daytime Council Meeting held December 12, 2024

That the minutes from the Daytime Council meeting held December 12, 2024 be approved.

E.2 Minutes from the Evening Council Meeting held December 12, 2024

That the minutes from the Evening Council meeting held December 12, 2024 be approved.

E.3 Minutes from the Daytime Council Meeting held January 09, 2025

That the minutes from the Daytime Council meeting held January 09, 2025 be approved.

E.4 Minutes from the Evening Council Meeting held January 09, 2025

That the minutes from the Evening Council meeting held January 09, 2025 be approved.

F.1.a.a 1911 and 1913 Belmont Avenue: Rezoning Application No. 00879 and Development Variance Permit No. 00289 (Fernwood)

1. That Council instruct the Director of Planning and Development to prepare the necessary *Zoning Regulation Bylaw* amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in the staff report dated January 23, 2025, for 1911/1913 Belmont Avenue.
2. That, after publication of notification in accordance with section 467 of the Local Government Act, first, second, third and final reading of the zoning regulation bylaw amendment be considered by Council.
3. That the above recommendations be adopted on the condition that they create no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City or its officials, and any expenditure of funds is at the risk of the person making the expenditure.

Development Variance Permit

That Council, after giving notice, consider the following motion:

1. That subject to the adoption of the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw amendment, Council authorizes the issuance of Development Variance Permit (DVP) No. 00289 for 1911/1913 Belmont Avenue, in accordance

with plans submitted to the Planning and Development department on January 16, 2024, subject to:

- a. Proposed development meeting all City Zoning Regulation Bylaw requirements, except for the following variances:
 - i. allow roof decks
 - ii. increase the maximum height of the house from 7.60m to 7.82m Committee of the Whole Report January 23, 2025 Rezoning Application No. 00879 and Development Variance Permit No. 00289 for 1911/1913 Belmont Avenue Page 2 of 6
 - iii. reduce the rear yard setback from 7.82m to 5.66m (to the deck)
 - iv. reduce the side yard setback (north) from 3.00m to 0.49m (to the stairs)
 - iv. reduce the side yard setback (south) from 1.50m to 0.34m (to the deck)
 - v. reduce the combined side yards setback from 4.50m to 0.83m
 - vi. increase the maximum site coverage from 40 percent to 42 percent
2. That the Development Variance Permit, if issued, lapses two years from the date of this resolution.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

E.1 Minutes from the Daytime Council Meeting held December 12, 2024

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

E.2 Minutes from the Evening Council Meeting held December 12, 2024

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

E.3 Minutes from the Daytime Council Meeting held January 09, 2025

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

E.4 Minutes from the Evening Council Meeting held January 09, 2025

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

F. REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

F.1 Committee of the Whole

F.1.a Report from the January 30, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting

F.1.a.a 1911 and 1913 Belmont Avenue: Rezoning Application No. 00879 and Development Variance Permit No. 00289 (Fernwood)

This item was added to the Consent Agenda.

F.1.b Report from the February 13, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting

F.1.b.a 2025-2029 Draft Financial Plan

Moved and Seconded:

Direct staff to report back on February 27, 2025, on the impact of the Crystal pool referendum decision on the budget options presented in the December 4, 2024, staff report “2025-2029 Draft Financial Plan – Tax Increase Reduction Options”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

There were no Notices of Motions.

H. CLOSED MEETING, IF REQUIRED

There was no closed meeting.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and Seconded:

That the Council Meeting be adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CITY CLERK

MAYOR