



**Council Member Motion  
For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 28, 2018**

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**Date:** June 25, 2018

**From:** Councillor Ben Isitt, Councillor Jeremy Loveday and Councillor Marianne Alto

**Subject:** Protection of Ecologically and Culturally Significant Areas

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**Background:**

Coffin Island is a rocky islet in Victoria Harbour, owned by the City of Victoria and operated as parkland as part of the Songhees Waterfront Park.

The island is a sensitive ecological and cultural area, and it is therefore recommended for inclusion in section 16A of the Parks Regulation Bylaw.

It is also recommended that the City of Victoria work with the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations on potential signage and other tools to increase protection for ecologically and culturally significant areas within the municipal parks and greenspace system.

**Recommendations:**

That Council direct staff to:

1. Prepare an amendment to the Parks Regulation Bylaw to add Coffin Island to the areas covered in section 16A of the bylaw;
2. Work with the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations on potential signage relating to ecologically and culturally significant areas within the municipal parks and greenspace system in the City of Victoria: and
3. Report back to Council following the receipt of advice from the City Family on potential additional tools to increase protection for ecologically and culturally significant areas within the municipal parks and greenspace system.

Respectfully submitted,

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