



**Council Member Motion
For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 17, 2019**

Date: October 15, 2019

From: Councillor Ben Isitt

Subject: Resolution of Support for Greta Thunberg and the Climate Strike Movement

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the following resolution:

Resolution of Support for Greta Thunberg and the Climate Strike Movement

WHEREAS the global consensus of the scientific community is that human-induced climate change is undermining the ability of all species to survive and thrive on this small planet;

AND WHEREAS young people including Greta Thunberg of Sweden are leading the world-wide movement demanding action by all levels of government to curb greenhouse-house emissions in response to the climate crisis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria welcomes Greta Thunberg to Canada and expresses appreciation for her contribution and the contributions of millions of young people who are spearheading the world-wide movement toward an ecologically sustainable society and economy;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria condemns discriminatory attacks on Ms. Thunberg's character and capacity, which reflect the intellectual bankruptcy of the climate-change denial movement and the depths to which fossil-fuel polluters will descend in defence of their dying economic model;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria reaffirms that we are in a climate emergency and renews its commitment to work with all levels of government to increase climate ambition in line with the science of keeping global warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius, including substantially reducing greenhouse gas emissions to achieve net carbon neutrality by 2030.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ben Isitt".

Councillor Isitt