

SHELTER IN PLACE COUNCIL MEMBER MOTIONS
FOR THE MEETING HELD JUNE 25, 2020

Adopted at the May 21, 2020 Council Meeting

I.1.a Council Member Motion – Sheltering-in-place

1. That Council reaffirms the existing direction, consistent with advice of Public Health Officials to reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19, of sheltering-in-place through deferred enforcement of the 7 am – 7 pm bylaw provision in locations where overnight sheltering is permitted (outside of Topaz and Pandora) until June 25, 2020.
2. That Council adopts the following Policy relating to regulation of sheltering-in-place in locations where overnight sheltering is permitted during the public health emergency until June 25, 2020:
 - a. That Council directs staff not to remove shelters and belongings that are abandoned or unoccupied until 72 hours after they have been tagged by a Bylaw Officer, and ensure that any notices are consistent with this policy.
 - b. That Council directs staff to store impounded items in a secure facility, for retrieval by the owner for up to thirty (30) days, to the extent that this policy is consistent with workplace safety requirements and the advice of local public health authorities, and ensure that any notices are consistent with this policy.
3. Maintain and improve dialogue between the City of Victoria Bylaw Division, people living outside and the people who work with them regarding sheltering-in-place in locations where overnight sheltering is permitted, under the purview of the City Bylaw division, to mitigate unintended harms of City bylaws to those who are living outside.
4. That staff report to Council on June 25 with an update on sheltering in parks as well as a report from partners on opportunities for indoor sheltering options.

Referred from the June 18, 2020 Council Meeting

I.1.b Council Member Motion – Camping in Beacon Hill Park

Direct staff to request advice from the Provincial Health Officer or Island Health Medical Health Officer for their advice on sheltering in place during the pandemic and whether it is advisable to shelter in place and leave tents up or to take tents down on a daily basis, and report back to Council on June 25th with the public health advice as part of their planned report to Council on that day re: sheltering in parks.