



Council Member Motion

For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Feb. 11th, 2021

To: Committee of the Whole **Date:** Feb 9th, 2021
From: Councillor Loveday
Subject: Protection and restoration of the Bowker Creek watershed

Late Motion Rationale

I waited until after I had read the staff report addressing Bowker Creek before submitting this motion. These recommendations are meant to be additional to the recommendations made by staff. Submitting prior to COTW is more transparent than a motion arising or a series of amendments and is also a more efficient way to proceed.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council formally recognize the 10-year anniversary of the endorsement of the Bowker Creek Blueprint and the substantial community-based efforts that have been made to rehabilitate the Bowker Creek watershed;
2. And that Council recommit to the implementation of the Bowker Creek Blueprint and direct staff to annually present an implementation update report to council;
3. And that Council direct staff to continue to raise awareness of Bowker Creek restoration efforts;
4. And that Council direct staff to include consideration of impacts on the watershed as part of land use matters that occur within the Bowker Creek watershed;
5. And that Council direct staff to include consideration of impacts on the watershed and opportunities for restoration in all public works projects occurring within the watershed;
6. And that Council request the Mayor write to the CRD, the District of Saanich, and District of Oak Bay expressing our continued and renewed commitment to Bowker Creek and our excitement to continue to work together to steward and rehabilitate the watershed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Loveday".

Councillor Loveday