

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT
FROM THE MEETING HELD JANUARY 7, 2021

For the Council meeting of January 14, 2021, the Committee recommends the following:

F.1 727 Yates Street - Tax Incentive Program Application No. 00031 (Downtown)

1. That Council instruct the City Solicitor to prepare a Tax Exemption Bylaw for 727 Yates Street for 9.08% of assessed value for 10 years, pursuant to Section 225 of the Community Charter, with the following conditions:
 - a. that the tax exemption take effect no earlier than 2022, after the expiry of the tax exemption for 719, 721-725 Yates Street, approved under bylaw 18-062
 - b. that a covenant identifying the tax exemption be registered on the title of the property and any possible future strata titles
 - c. that the final costs of seismic upgrading be verified by the Victoria Civic Heritage Trust.
2. That Council authorize amendments to the front façade rehabilitation strategy approved under Heritage Alteration Permit with Variances No. 00008, in accordance with Drawing H.1 by Studio One Architecture Inc., date stamped November 30, 2020.

G.5 Appointment of Bylaw Officer - Chris Goldsmith

That Council approve the appointment of Chris Goldsmith

1. As a Bylaw Officer pursuant to section 2(a) of the Inspection Bylaw (06-061); and
2. As a Business Licence Inspector for the City of Victoria

G.6 Appointment of Bylaw Officer - Amy Acheson

That Council approve the appointment of Amy Acheson

1. As a Bylaw Officer pursuant to section 2(a) of the Inspection Bylaw (06-061); and
2. As a Business Licence Inspector for the City of Victoria

E.2 Greater Victoria Harbour Authority - Update on GVHA and draft 2019/2020 Financial Statements

That Council receive this report for information.

G.1 Heritage Property Tax Exemptions – Summary of Exemptions since 2006

That Council receive this report for information.

G.2 Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Grant Funding Application

That Council:

1. Direct staff to submit a grant application for up to \$2.1 million in funding for the Government Street North Bicycle Master Plan Project from the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) - COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream (CVRIS).
2. If the grant application is approved, authorize the City entering into a shared cost agreement with the Province of British Columbia, generally described in this report, on the terms acceptable to the Director of Finance and the Director of Engineering and Public Works and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor.

G.3 Motor Vehicle Act Pilot – Reduced Default Speed Limits on Local Roads

That Council:

Direct staff to finalize any outstanding stakeholder engagement, pending approval of resources through the 2021 Financial Planning process, and prepare an application to participate in the Motor Vehicle Act Pilot Program to reduce default speed limits on local roads without a continuous centre line in the City of Victoria from 50 km/hr to 30 km/hr as per the 2019 – 2022 Strategic Plan.



VICTORIA CITY COUNCIL TO FOLLOW COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MEETING OF THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2021

E. REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

E.1 Committee of the Whole

E.1.a Report from the December 10, 2020 COTW Meeting

E.1.a.a 1171 Rockland Avenue: Development Variance Permit Application No. 00253 (Fairfield)

That Council, after giving notice and allowing an opportunity for public comment at a meeting of Council, consider the following motion:

"That Council authorize the issuance of Development Variance Permit Application No. 00253 for 1171 Rockland Avenue, in accordance with:

1. Plans, date stamped August 11, 2020
2. Development meeting all Zoning Regulation Bylaw requirements, except for the following variance:
 - i. reduce the minimum unit size from 33m² to 19.5m² for one unit.
3. The Development Permit lapsing two years from the date of this resolution."

E.1.a.b Victoria Housing Strategy Annual Review

That Council direct staff to:

1. Receive the Victoria Housing Strategy Annual Review 2019 for information.
2. Amend page 48 of the *Victoria Housing Strategy Phase Two* document, with updates to the Housing Unit Targets, which considers new population projections, a Housing Needs Assessment, and a Housing Gap Analysis including more detail for the very low, low, and median income brackets and change 950 to 1450 in the report.
3. Approve the 2021 Prioritization of Housing Strategy Actions.
4. Work with the consultants to arrive at a target for housing suitable for families that incorporates both latent demand and projected demand and to make that the 2025 target.

E.1.a.c Zero Waste Victoria

That Council:

1. Approve Zero Waste Victoria;
2. Direct staff to begin implementing strategies in Zero Waste Victoria as outlined in the short-term action plan; and
3. Direct staff to report back with draft bylaw(s) for Council's consideration to regulate priority single-use items after new municipal authorities are conferred by the Province.
4. Refer the Zero Waste Victoria report to the Board of the Capital Regional District (CRD), and the Mayors and Councils of CRD member Local Governments, for information.

5. Request that the Mayor write on behalf of Council to the Board of the CRD, requesting that the CRD work with the City of Victoria and other local governments to advocate for “flow control” regulating the export of solid waste outside the region.
6. Advocate to the Capital Regional District to increase the tipping fee for disposal of unsorted solid waste at the Hartland Landfill, to discourage the disposal of unsorted solid waste and encourage waste reduction / diversion / recycling.
7. Direct staff to report back on options for increasing diversion rates from multi-family residential and commercial properties.
8. Direct staff to explore options for separating pet waste at off-leash dog areas in parks

E.1.a.d

3120 Washington Avenue: Rezoning Application No. 00735 (Burnside)

That Council instruct staff to prepare the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in Rezoning Application No. 00735 for 3120 Washington Avenue, that first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set once the following conditions are met:

- a. Preparation of legal agreements executed by the applicant to secure the following, with form satisfactory to the City Solicitor:
 - i. a housing agreement to ensure that future Strata bylaws cannot prohibit the rental of dwelling units, to the satisfaction of the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development;
 - ii. a statutory right-of-way of 1.00m on Washington Avenue for sidewalk improvements, to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering and Public Works;
 - iii. the design of the proposed eight single-family dwelling units and associated landscaping in accordance with the plans dated October 13, 2020, to the satisfaction of the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development.
 - iv. Further consideration by the developer of options to increase the rear setback.

E.1.a.e

131, 137 Skinner Street and 730 - 736 Tyee Road: Rezoning Application No. 00747 (Victoria West)

That Council instruct staff to prepare the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in Rezoning Application No. 00747 for 730-736 Tyee Road & 131-137 Skinner Street, that first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set.

E.1.a.f

1244 Wharf Street: Heritage Alteration Permit with Variances Application No. 00023 (Downtown)

That Council, after giving notice and allowing an opportunity for public comment at a meeting of Council, consider the following motion:

“That Council authorize the issuance of Heritage Alteration Permit with Variances Application No. 00023 for 1244 Wharf Street, in accordance with:

1. Plans, date stamped November 20, 2020.
2. The Conservation Plan for the Yates Block at 1244 Wharf Street by Donald Luxton and Associates Inc., dated September 2020

3. Development meeting all Zoning Regulation Bylaw requirements, except for the following variance:
 - a. increase the parapet projection from 1m to 4.5m (for cornice and pediment only)
4. Final plans to be generally in accordance with the plans identified above to the satisfaction of the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development.
5. Revisions to the existing Statement of Significance to include restored heritage features as character-defining elements to the satisfaction of the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development.
6. Revisions to elevation details of the proposed restored pediment and cornice, including molding profiles, to the satisfaction of the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development
7. Minor plan amendments to illustrate frontage improvements to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering.
8. Preparation and execution of a legal agreement to secure frontage improvements, to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering
9. Council authorizing the restoration of historic features, including a pediment, roof level cornice and balcony, which will project over the City Right-of-Way, provided that the applicant enters into an Encroachment Agreement in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and the Director of Engineering and Public Works.
10. Heritage Alteration Permit with a Variance lapsing two years from the date of this resolution."

E.1.a.g Council Member Motion: Bring Back Mainstreet

1. That Council refer the Bring Back Mainstreet to staff working on the implementation of *Victoria 3.0, Create Victoria*, the Parks and Open Spaces Masterplan, Build Back Victoria, Neighbourhood Planning, and to staff in finance, real estate, economic development and planning for their consideration.
2. That Council refer "In It Together: Bringing Back Canada's Main Streets" to the Minister of Municipal Affairs with request for consideration actions to reduce the property tax impacts to legacy main street businesses, arts and culture organizations and non-profits downtown and in village centres.

E.1.b Report from the January 7, 2021 COTW Meeting

E.1.b.a Appointment of Animal Control Officer

1. That Neil Lundin be appointed as
 - a. "Animal Control Officer" pursuant to section 49(1) of the Community Charter, and
 - b. That his appointment be rescinded upon termination of his employment by Victoria Animal Control Services Ltd.

E.1.b.b Council Member Motion: Refer proposed Jubilee Route to Oak Bay Council for Input

1. That Council refer to the Jubilee route options to Oak Bay Council for their input and request that Oak Bay provide feedback to City of Victoria staff by January 31st

F. BYLAWS

F.1 Bylaw for Council Remuneration Amendment Bylaw

That the following bylaw **be given first, second, and third readings:**

1. Council Remuneration Amendment (No. 1) Bylaw No. 21-015

F.2 Bylaw for Temporary Borrowing, 2021

That the following bylaw **be given first, second, and third readings:**

1. Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, 2021 No. 21-004

F.3 Bylaw for Vehicles for Hire Bylaw Amendment

That the following bylaw **be adopted:**

1. Vehicles for Hire Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw (No. 22) No. 20-126

F.4 Bylaw for Park Dedication (1850 Leighton Road)

That the follow bylaw **be given first, second, and third readings:**

1. Park Dedication (1850 Leighton Road) Bylaw No. 21-009

G. CORRESPONDENCE

G.1 Letter from the City of Port Moody

That the correspondence from the City of Port Moody be received for information.

G.2 Letter from the Corporation of the City of Vernon

That the correspondence from the Corporation of the City of Vernon be received for information.

H. CLOSED MEETING

MOTION TO CLOSE THE JANUARY 7, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

That Council convene a closed meeting that excludes the public under Section 90 of the Community Charter for the reason that the following agenda items deal with matters specified in Sections 90(1) and/or (2) of the Community Charter, namely:

Section 90(1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

- Section 90(1)(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;
- Section 90(1)(c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- Section 90(1)(f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment;
- Section 90(1)(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;
- Section 90(1)(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- Section 90(1)(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

Section 90(2) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to one or more of the following:

- Section 90(2)(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.