



MINUTES - VICTORIA CITY COUNCIL

April 1, 2021, 2:09 P.M.

**6TH FLOOR BOARDROOM, CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT,
625 FISGARD STREET, VICTORIA, B.C.**

To be held immediately following the Committee of the Whole Meeting

The City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees and Esquimalt People

PRESENT: Mayor Helps in the Chair, Councillor Alto, Councillor Andrew, Councillor Thornton-Joe, Councillor Young

PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY: Councillor Dubow, Councillor Isitt, Councillor Loveday, Councillor Potts

STAFF PRESENT: J. Jenkyns - City Manager, S. Thompson - Deputy City Manager / Director of Finance, C. Coates - City Clerk, T. Soulliere - Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities, T. Zworski - City Solicitor, B. Eisenhauer - Head of Engagement, P. Bellefontaine - Director of Engineering & Public Works, K. Hoese - Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development, C. Havelka - Deputy City Clerk, C. Mycroft - Manager of Executive Operations, K. Moore - Head of Business and Community Relations, C. Kingsley - City Clerk, J. Jensen – Head of Human Resources, C. Moffatt – Assistant City Solicitor, J. O'Connor – Deputy Director of Finance, L. Berndt – Manager of Energy and Climate Action, S. Young – Climate and Environmental Sustainability Specialist, M. Heiser - Council Secretary.

A. CONVENE COUNCIL MEETING

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Andrew

That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. READING OF MINUTES

C.1 Minutes from the evening meeting held January 14, 2021

Moved By Councillor Andrew
Seconded By Councillor Thornton-Joe

That the minutes from the evening meeting held January 14, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

E.1 Committee of the Whole

E.1.a Report from the March 25, 2021 COTW Meeting

**E.1.a.a 1177-1185 Fort Street and 1043-1045 Linden Avenue:
Rezoning Application No. 00731 (Rockland)**

Moved By Councillor Thornton-Joe
Seconded By Councillor Andrew

That Council instruct staff to prepare the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in Rezoning Application No. 00731 for 1177-1185 Fort Street and 1043-1045 Linden Avenue, that first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment be considered by Council and a Public Hearing be held, but that adoption of the Bylaw be held off until confirmation has been received that the lots have been consolidated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E.1.a.b Technical High Angle Rope Rescue (THARRP) - Rescue Servicing for Tower Crane Installations - WorkSafeBC/British Columbia Construction Safety Alliance (BCCSA)

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Thornton-Joe

That Council:

1. Approve the renewal of the Agreement for the provision of Technical High Angle Rope Rescue services, as a participant of the Provincial Technical High Angle Rope Rescue Program (THARRP) as an independent service provider within the City of Victoria and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement.
2. Authorize City Clerk and Mayor to execute any inter-municipal agreements for those municipalities of the Capital Regional District, requesting the provision of Tower Crane rescue servicing, subject to the terms and conditions of the program as established through the British Columbia Construction Safety Alliance (BCCSA) and, subject always to review and approval of the City Solicitor.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E.1.a.c Restorative Justice Presentation on City Funding

Moved By Councillor Andrew

Seconded By Councillor Dubow

That this presentation be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E.1.a.d CRD - Solid Waste Management Plan

Moved By Councillor Andrew

Seconded By Councillor Dubow

That this presentation be received for information.

That Council request the Mayor write on behalf of Council expressing support for the CRD adopting stronger solid waste reduction targets and adopting a goal of becoming a National leader in zero waste and the circular economy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E.1.a.e BC Transit Bus Tickets for Persons Sheltering Outdoors

Moved By Councillor Dubow

Seconded By Councillor Alto

That Council receive this report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E.1.b Report from the April 1, 2021 COTW Meeting

E.1.b.a. Council Member Motion: Advocacy for Protection of Fairy Creek and Other At-Risk Old-Growth Forests

Moved By Councillor Isitt

Seconded By Councillor Dubow

That Council endorse the following resolution and direct staff to forward copies to the Premier of British Columbia, Members of the Legislative Assembly representing constituencies on Vancouver Island, the Capital Regional District Board, municipalities in the Capital Region, and the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities, requesting favourable consideration:

Resolution: Immediate Protection for Fairy Creek and All At-Risk Old-Growth Forests on Vancouver Island

WHEREAS Ancient high productivity old-growth ecosystems are globally one of the most valuable climate mitigation and resiliency

assets in terms of carbon storage, sequestration, protection against wildfire, storage of water and preservation of biological diversity;

AND WHEREAS Less than 3% of the original high productivity (big tree) old-growth forests in British Columbia remain standing, and of this residual land base, 75% is slated to be eliminated through industrial logging operations;

AND WHEREAS Alternatives exist to increase protection of biological diversity and employment, through the immediate transition to sustainable management of second-growth forests with expanded value-added processing and manufacturing;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria calls on the Government of British Columbia to immediately defer logging in all high-productivity old-growth forests on Vancouver Island, as recommended by the Old Growth Strategic Review, until all 14 of the panel's recommendations have been implemented, including the Fairy Creek watershed in the Capital Regional District and all other at-risk old-growth forests on Vancouver Island;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria calls on the Government of British Columbia to allocate funding to enact deferrals in an economically just manner, in the full spirit of reconciliation and to support the economic transition of affected First Nations and non-First Nation communities from unsustainable old-growth logging toward the development of long-term sustainable local economies.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. BYLAWS

F.1 Development Cost Charges Bylaw Amendment Bylaw

Moved By Councillor Alto

Seconded By Councillor Thornton-Joe

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

1. Development Cost Charges Bylaw, Amendment Bylaw No. 21-046

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G. CORRESPONDENCE

G.1 Letter from the Corporation of the District of Saanich

Moved By Councillor Andrew

Seconded By Councillor Alto

That the correspondence dated March 17, 2021 from the Corporation of the District of Saanich be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G.2 Letter from the City of Campbell River

Moved By Councillor Alto

Seconded By Councillor Thornton-Joe

That the correspondence dated March 23, 2021 from the City of Campbell River be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G.3 Letter from the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Moved By Councillor Andrew

Seconded By Councillor Alto

That the correspondence dated March 25, 2021 from the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H. CLOSED MEETING

Moved By Councillor Andrew

Seconded By Councillor Alto

MOTION TO CLOSE THE APRIL 1, 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)(j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I. APPROVAL OF CLOSED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Thornton-Joe

Seconded By Councillor Alto

That the closed agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M. NEW BUSINESS

M.1 Information Prohibited from Disclosure under Section 21 of the FOIPPA - Community Charter Section 90(1)(i)

An information prohibited from disclosure under Section 21 of the FOIPPA matter was discussed.

The motion was recorded and kept confidential.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Andrew
Seconded By Councillor Alto

That the Closed Council Meeting be adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CITY CLERK

MAYOR