



Council Member Motion
Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 01, 2021

Date: March 29th, 2021

From: Councillor Andrew

Subject: Task Force on Sexual Abuse

Background

Several high profile incidents of sexual abuse within the City of Victoria and Greater Victoria have been reported through media and social media.

A number of survivors have not found interactions with police to be safe or appropriate.

Perpetrators of sexual violence must be held to account and the culture of rape must be addressed by the community.

This action must include input from the community.

Recommendation

That Council establish a Task Force to include survivors, advocates, police, the justice system and other appropriate entities and individuals to seek recommendations that:

remove barriers to the reporting of sexual violence,
establish reporting systems other than policing as the front line of reporting of sexual violence

improve and increase capacity of investigations of sexual violence,
improve care and support for victims of sexual violence.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Andrew'.

Councillor S. Andrew