



## MINUTES - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

March 25, 2021, 9:00 A.M.

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

The City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees and Esquimalt People  
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PRESENT: Mayor Helps in the Chair, Councillor Andrew, Councillor Potts,  
Councillor Thornton-Joe

PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY: Councillor Alto, Councillor Dubow, Councillor Loveday, Councillor Young

ABSENT: Councillor Isitt

ABSENT FOR A PORTION OF THE MEETING: Councillor Young (left the meeting at 9:25 a.m.)

STAFF PRESENT: J. Jenkyns - City Manager, S. Thompson - Deputy City Manager / Director of Finance, C. Coates - City Clerk, C. Kingsley - City Clerk, P. Bruce - Fire Chief, T. Zworski - City Solicitor, T. Soulliere - Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities, B. Eisenhauer - Head of Engagement, J. Jensen - Head of Human Resources, K. Hoese - Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development, C. Havelka - Deputy City Clerk, C. Mycroft - Manager of Executive Operations, P. Bellefontaine - Director of Engineering & Public Works, G. Diamond – Committee Secretary

### A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Moved By** Councillor Thornton-Joe

**Seconded By** Councillor Andrew

That the agenda be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### B. CONSENT AGENDA

**Moved By** Councillor Andrew

**Seconded By** Councillor Thornton-Joe

That the following items be approved without further debate:

**C.1 Minutes from the meeting held February 11, 2021**

**Moved By** Councillor Andrew

**Seconded By** Councillor Thornton-Joe

That the minutes from the Committee of the Whole meeting held February 11, 2021 be adopted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**C.2 Minutes from the meeting held March 4, 2021**

**Moved By** Councillor Andrew

**Seconded By** Councillor Thornton-Joe

That the minutes from the Committee of the Whole meeting held March 4, 2021 be adopted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

Committee received a report dated March 11, 2021 from the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development regarding a rezoning application for the property located at 1177-1185 Fort Street and 1043-1045 Linden Avenue in order to legitimize the current commercial uses and recommending that it move forward to a Public Hearing.

**Moved By** Councillor Andrew

**Seconded By** Councillor Thornton-Joe

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**

**G.2 Technical High Angle Rope Rescue (THARRP) - Rescue Servicing for Tower Crane Installations - WorkSafeBC/British Columbia Construction Safety Alliance (BCCSA)**

Committee received a report dated March 10, 2021 from the Fire Chief regarding the expiration of the current Regional Tower Crane Rescue Services Agreement,

the funding associated with the "joint" training received through BCCSA, and, the alternative service provision capacity available through restructured inter-municipal agreements, updating and identifying the City of Victoria as the primary "service provider" for those municipalities wishing to maintain the provision of THARRP services within their municipalities.

**Moved By** Councillor Andrew

**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. Presentations**

### **E.1 Restorative Justice Presentation on City Funding**

Committee received a presentation from Gillian Lindquist of Restorative Justice Victoria.

*Councillor Young withdrew from the meeting at 9:25 am*

*Committee discussed the following:*

- *Programs for Indigenous residents*
- *The capacity of the Restorative Justice program*
- *Statistics of clients who are housed versus unhoused*
- *Funding sources and whether other municipalities contribute*
- *How the pandemic has affected the work being undertaken and impacted participants*
- *Whether the John Howard Society's program is related or similar to Restorative Justice Victoria*

**Moved By** Councillor Thornton-Joe

**Seconded By** Councillor Andrew

That this item be received for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Committee recessed at 10:09 am and returned at 10:15 am*

**E.2 CRD - Solid Waste Management Plan**

Committee received a presentation on the CRD Solid Waste Management Plan from Russ Smith, Senior Manager Environmental Resource Management, CRD.

*Councillor Andrew withdrew from the meeting at 10:29 am*

*Councillor Andrew returned to the meeting at 10:37 am*

*Committee discussed the following:*

- *The amount of pet waste that goes into the landfill and whether there are alternate ideas to manage that waste*
- *Potential strategies to deal with discarded furniture*
- *Strategies to incentivize deconstruction of buildings instead of demolition*
- *Opportunities to increase the number of soft plastic recycling drop off points in the city*
- *Municipal or Regional abilities to legislate recycling responsibilities to retailers/producers*

**Moved By** Councillor Loveday

**Seconded By** Mayor Helps

1. That Council receive this item for information
2. 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**

**G. STAFF REPORTS**

**G.1 BC Transit Bus Tickets for Persons Sheltering Outdoors**

Committee received a report dated March 8, 2021 from the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer regarding a 3 month review of the Community Social Planning Council's BC Transit Ticket Assistance Program.

**Moved By** Councillor Potts

**Seconded By** Councillor Dubow

That Council receive this report for information.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**J. ADJOURNMENT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Moved By** Councillor Andrew

**Seconded By** Councillor Thornton-Joe

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned at 11:04 am.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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