

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT
FROM THE MEETING HELD JUNE 3, 2021

For the Council meeting of June 17, 2021, the Committee recommends the following:

E.1 931 McClure Street – Rezoning Application No. 00669 and Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00127 (Fairfield)

That Council refer this matter to staff to work with the applicant to address concerns that have been raised by adjacent residents and report back to Council.

E.2 610 - 624 Herald Street and 611 - 635 Chatham Street - Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00156 (Downtown)

That, subject to the preparation and execution of legal agreements to secure all residential units as rental, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and minor public realm plan corrections, 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 Permit with Variance Application No. 00156 for 610 - 624 Herald Street and 611 - 635 Chatham Street, in accordance with:

1. Plans date stamped May 14, 2021.
2. Development meeting all Zoning Regulation Bylaw requirements, except for the following variance:
 - i. increase building height to 21.1m.
3. Registration of legal agreements on the property's title to secure all residential units as rental for 60 years or the life of the building, to the satisfaction of City Staff.
4. A legal agreement to secure public realm improvements as indicated on Plans dated May 14, 2021.
5. Council authorizing the street-level projecting canopies over the City Right-of-Way on Herald, Chatham and Government Streets, 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.
6. Council authorizing anchor-pinning in the City right-of-way, with form and contents satisfactory to the City Solicitor and the Director of Engineering and Public Works.
7. That the mural be changed to reflect the Old Town and Chinatown neighborhood history and culture.
8. Further consideration of diversifying the brick colours in the project and make colours and design elements more consistent with those found in Chinatown
9. The Development Permit lapsing two years from the date of this resolution.”

E.3 701 Tyee Road - Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00080 (Victoria West)

That Council, subject to the execution of a Housing Agreement ensuring that no restrictions are placed on the rental of dwelling units within this building, to the satisfaction of the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development, and 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 Permit with Variances Application No. 00080 for 701 Tyee Road, in accordance with:

1. Plans date stamped April 27, 2021.
2. Development meeting all Zoning Regulation Bylaw requirements, except for the following variances:
 - i. reduce front (west) setback from 2m to nil for parking levels 1 and 2
 - ii. reduce side (south) setback from 3.5m to nil for parking levels 1 and 2.
3. The Development Permit lapsing two years from the date of this resolution.”

F.1 2020 Annual Report - Parks and Open Spaces Master Plan and Urban Forest Master Plan

That Council receive this report for information.

F.2 2020 Annual Report - Community Centre Operations

That Council receive this report on the operation of the community and seniors' centres for information.

H.2 Council Member Motion - Release and Monitoring of Repeat Offenders living in Community while awaiting disposition of charges

That Council request the Mayor to write to David Eby (Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing), Josie Osborne (Minister of Municipal Affairs), Mike Farnworth (Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General) and Capital Region District Municipal Councils, to express the City of Victoria's concern that those charged with violent or serious offences are being released on a “promise to appear” or released from the court prematurely, and to further ask the provincial government to find ways to keep such individuals held in custody until charge disposition or until an informed determination of their potential risk to public safety can be made, and/or to provide sufficient funds for policing, for community safety and social support to assist with and support these individuals while they are living in community while awaiting disposition.

H.3 Sheltering Update (Verbal)

That Council receive this report for information.

H.1 Council Member Motion - Beacon Hill Park Sheltering

That Council direct staff to:

1. Bring forward amendments to the Parks Regulation Bylaw to add Beacon Hill Park to the list of parks prohibited for overnight sheltering for a two year period from the date of bylaw adoption.
2. Report back to Council with any additional considerations to those outlined in this report with respect to the condition of Beacon Hill Park and plans for remediation, and with any additional advice or recommendations staff have with respect to overnight sheltering in City parks.
3. Report back to Council in May 2023 with an update on the progress of park remediation so that Council can determine whether to extend the prohibition on sheltering in Beacon Hill Park beyond the initial two-year period.