

Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of July 29, 2021

To: Committee of the Whole Date: July 26, 2021

From: Councillor Thornton-Joe and Councillor Alto

Subject: Gate for Ross Bay Cemetery

BACGROUND

The Old Cemetery Society has been providing service since 1983, has been a dedicated partner with the City with work at the Ross Bay Cemetery. Work has included education, restoration and repairs through the years.

In 2019, the Old Cemetery Society brought forward to the staff's attention, a desire to build a permanent entrance gate and sign. Currently, this Municipal Historic Site has no formal entrance gate or name signage, unlike many other cemeteries such as the Royal Oak Burial Park and the Chinese Cemetery at Harling Point.

The Old Cemetery Society has worked with the City to achieve design approval and would like to move forward with this work as soon as possible. Three appendices (attached) provide additional information.

RECOMMENDATION

That staff report back on mechanisms so that this project can be completed as soon as possible, possibly before the heritage alteration permit expires in November.

Respectfully submitted,

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