

Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 20, 2019

Date: June 18, 2019

From: Councillor Isitt

Subject: Exploring Solar Power for the City Facility at 1240 Gladstone Avenue

Background:

The operator of the municipal facility at 1240 Gladstone Avenue, the Fernwood Neighbourhood Resources Group, has proposed the installation of solar panels on the roof of this building, the Fernwood Community Centre.

In light of the City of Victoria's commitment to embracing sustainability energy systems and environmental stewardship, it is recommended that Council provide direction to staff to explore the option of installing solar panels on the roof of the facility at 1240 Gladstone Avenue, and explore the option of facilitating a bulk purchase of solar panels on a cost recovery basis if it is deemed advisable to install solar panels on this building or another municipal facility.

Recommendation:

That Council direct to staff to:

- 1. Explore the option of installing solar panels on the roof of the municipal facility at 1240 Gladstone Avenue;
- 2. Consider providing property owners in the city with the option of participating in a bulk purchase of solar panels on a cost recovery basis if it is deemed advisable to install solar panels on 1240 Gladstone Avenue or another municipal facility.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Isitt