



MINUTES - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

September 8, 2022, 9:00 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 1 CENTENNIAL SQUARE

**The City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees and Esquimalt People
Meeting will recess for a lunch break between 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.**

PRESENT: Mayor Helps in the Chair, Councillor Alto, Councillor Andrew, Councillor Dubow, Councillor Isitt, Councillor Loveday, Councillor Potts, Councillor Thornton-Joe, Councillor Young

ABSENT FOR A PORTION OF THE MEETING: Councillor Isitt

STAFF PRESENT: J. Jenkyns - City Manager, S. Thompson - Deputy City Manager / Chief Financial Officer, C. Kingsley - City Clerk, C. Anderson - Deputy City Clerk, T. Zworski - City Solicitor, T. Soulliere - Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities, B. Eisenhauer - Head of Engagement, K. Hoese - Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development, L. Van Den Dolder - Assistant City Solicitor, K. Moore - Head of Business and Community Relations, C. Mycroft - Manager of Executive Operations, A. Johnston - Planner, R. Batallas - Senior Planner, P. Bellefontaine - Director of Engineering & Public Works, C. Wain - Senior Planner, M. Maclean - Community Planner, P. Rantucci - Head of Strategic Real Estate J. Biem – Assistant City Solicitor, D. Atkinson - Acting Fire Chief, S. Stoltz - Committee Secretary

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Potts
Seconded By Councillor Loveday

That the agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Potts

That the following items be approved without further debate

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. READING OF MINUTES

C.1 Minutes from the meeting held August 4, 2022

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Potts

That the minutes from the Committee of the Whole meeting held September 8, 2022 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. LAND USE MATTERS

E.1 203, 211 and 335 Harbour Road: Development Permit No. 000617 (Victoria West)

Committee received a report from the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development dated August 25, 2022 regarding information, analysis and recommendations for a Development Permit for the property located at 203, 211 and 335 Harbour Road in order to construct a graving dock facility on the property.

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Potts

That Council consider the following motion:

1. That Council authorize the issuance of Development Permit Application No. 000617 for 203, 211 and 335 Harbour Road, in accordance with:
 - a. Plans date stamped July 22, 2022.
 - b. Development meeting all Zoning Regulation Bylaw requirements.
2. That the Development Permit, if issued, lapses in two years from the date of this resolution.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E.2 1450 and 1452 Elford Street: Temporary Use Permit with Variances Application No. 00024 (Fernwood)

Committee received a report dated August 29, 2022 from the Director of Sustainable Planning and Community Development regarding information, analysis and recommendations for a Temporary Use Permit Application for the property located at 1450 and 1452 Elford Street in order to allow the continuation of a seasonal (October to April) youth cold weather shelter, known as the Out of the Rain Youth Shelter.

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Potts

1. That Council waive the standard practice of holding an opportunity for public comment for this application but direct staff to continue other standard practices related to sign posting and public notification, including

- a request for written commentary to come back to Council for consideration prior to issuing the Temporary Use Permit.
2. And subject to the required notification and advertising, Council consider issuing the Temporary Use Permit as follows: "That Council authorize the issuance of Temporary Use Permit Application No. 00024 for 1450 and 1452 Elford Street, to permit the use as a seasonal cold weather shelter in accordance with:
 - a. Plans date stamped August 3, 2022.
 - b. Development meeting all Zoning Regulation Bylaw requirements, except for the following variance:
 - i. reduce the vehicle parking down to two stalls.
 - c. The Temporary Use Permit lapsing three years from the date of this resolution."
 3. That Council ratify the decision at the daytime session immediately following the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. STAFF REPORTS

F.1 Proclamation - National Children's Grief Awareness Day

Committee received a report dated August 29th, 2022 regarding a proclamation for National Children's Grief Awareness Day, November 17th, 2022.

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Potts

That the National Children's Grief Awareness Day Proclamation be forwarded to the September 22nd, 2022, Council meeting for Council's consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F.2 Proclamation - Circular Economy Month

Committee received a report dated August 30th, 2022 from the City Clerk regarding a proclamation for Circular Economy Month, October 2022.

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Potts

That the Circular Economy Month Proclamation be forwarded to the September 22nd, 2022, Council meeting for Council's consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G. NEW BUSINESS

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H.1 Council Member Motion: Being Muslim in Victoria and Saanich – 2023 Budget Recommendation

Committee received a Council Member Motion dated August 2, 2022 from Mayor Helps regarding Being Muslim in Victoria and Saanich, as well as a 2023 Budget Recommendation in order to support this work.

Councillor Isitt joined the meeting in-person at 9:05 a.m.

Moved By Mayor Helps

Seconded By Councillor Dubow

1. That Council consider a budget allocation of \$17,500 to support the work as outlined in this report in the 2023 budget and that this report be included as part of the 2023 budget package for Council's consideration.
2. That Victoria Council write to Saanich Council requesting matching funding in 2023 for this initiative once their Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion has been established.
3. That Council direct staff to amend the City's noise bylaw to make the reference to "churches" more inclusive of all places of worship.

Committee discussed the following:

- *Making the City's Noise Bylaw more inclusive to all places of worship*

On the main motion:

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H.2 Council Member Motion: Apology to Chinese-Canadians in Victoria for Systemic Racism and Discrimination

Council received a report dated September 6, 2022 regarding an apology to Chinese-Canadians in Victoria for Systemic Racism and Discrimination.

Moved By Councillor Thornton-Joe

Seconded By Mayor Helps

1. That Council request the next Council to include for consideration as part of its strategic planning process developing and delivering an apology for historical wrongs committed by the City of Victoria against Chinese residents of the city.

Committee discussed the following:

- *The need to do more research and commit to finding out more specifically the actions that the City of Victoria had taken against the Chinese-Canadian community, and commit to taking steps to right these past wrongs*
- *The need to specify what was wrong, apologize and commit to taking action to remedy these wrongs in the present and future*

On the main motion:

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

I. **ADJOURNMENT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Moved By Councillor Alto
Seconded By Councillor Andrew

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CITY CLERK

MAYOR