

NO MORE STALLING !!

UNFINISHED GAS STATION *at* ***308 MENZIES ST. in JAMES BAY***

A Presentation to City of Victoria Council
by Jen Reimer, Petitioner
on September 26, 2024

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2017

- **SAVE ON GAS CLOSED** leaving James Bay with no fuel, propane
- New tanks and pumps installed
- **Intermittent** renovations on first floor
- Second storey added to building

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Dec 2021

- **MINIMAL** monthly progress to keep building permits intact
- Due to numerous complaints, City of Victoria Council discusses the unfinished site
- Councillors Alto and Thornton-Joe direct bylaw staff to strengthen bylaws to intervene with derelict properties
- Directive resulted in Item H.2 of December 9, 2021 minutes

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Dec 9, 2021 Minutes

H.2 Council Member Motion: Supporting Bylaw Services in Addressing Unsightly or Unsafe Properties

Committee received a Council Member Motion dated December 6, 2021 from Councillor Alto and Councillor Thornton-Joe requesting a report back on the feasibility and implications to increase bylaw staff's ability to address unsightly or unsafe properties.

Moved By Councillor Alto

Seconded By Councillor Thornton-Joe

That Council direct city staff to report back on the feasibility and implications of amending relevant city bylaws to increase and/or augment bylaw staff's ability to address unsightly or unsafe properties, whether abandoned or not, in a more efficient and effective manner.

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June 2024

- Change.org petition posted online on June 7 by Jen Reimer
- James Bay residents/local media quickly support initiative
- 500 signatures collected within 2 weeks
- 1,000+ signatures (electronic/written) within 2 months

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TIME TO HIT THE GAS ON UNFINISHED GAS STATION AT 308 MENZIES IN JAMES BAY!




915

Signatures

1,000

Next Goal

 77 people signed this week

Thanks to your support this petition has a chance at winning! We only need 85 more signatures to reach the next goal - can you help?

Take the next step!

Started June 7, 2024

Petition to Mayor and Council (City of Victoria Council)

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**JAMES BAY
BEACON**

JUNE 2024



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CAPITAL DAILY

JUNE 25, 2024

NEWS

James Bay residents want gas station renos put in high gear



This gas station remains derelict in James Bay. Photo: Mark Brennae / Capital Daily

A James Bay resident has started [an online petition](#) to try to fuel the city council to do something about a gas station project at 308 Menzies that appears to be running on fumes.

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12:57 PM Tue Aug 20





'Unsightly eyesore': James Bay residents hope developers will hit the gas on area's only filling station

Posted: Jun. 23, 2024 2:12PM | Last Updated: Jun. 23, 2024 2:34PM



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James Bay residents want gas station renovations completed after 7 years

A group of James Bay residents are calling on the city to do something about a nearly-derelict gas station on Menzies Street

[Greater Victoria News Staff](#)
Jun 28, 2024 8:04 AM



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Sept 2024 Questions

- What progress has been made since 2021 to strengthen building permit bylaws for unsightly properties?
- What happens when building permits expire without completion? Will they be extended under conditions?
- How can you facilitate timely completion of the property?

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THANK YOU

for your attention to this

IMPORTANT MATTER

in JAMES BAY.

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