

Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 7, 2024

To: Committee of the Whole **Date:** November 1, 2024

From: Councillor Krista Loughton and Mayor Marianne Alto

Subject: New Location for Storage Facility for Unhoused Victorians

Late Item Rationale (for same-day ratification)

This motion needs to be considered for same-day ratification to avoid prolonged disruption of storage facility service (which is scheduled to be closed in the coming days) as the weather gets colder.

BACKGROUND

SOLID Outreach Society has operated a storage facility at 926/930 Pandora for several months. This container is used to store the belongings of people experiencing homelessness. The service allows people to store their tents and other survival gear during the day, which contributes to the health and safety of unhoused persons, especially during winter.

The storage container needs to be moved to another location to enable continued operations as preparations begin for onsite future construction, which is set to begin soon at 926/930 Pandora.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Council directs staff to work with SOLID Outreach Society and BC Housing to move the storage facility at 926/930 Pandora Street to another location.
- 2. That this motion be sent to the Council to Follow Committee of the Whole on November 7, 2024, for same-day consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Coun. Krista Loughton

Mayor Marianne Alto.