"THINK LOCAL WEEK"

- WHEREAS investing in our community by shopping at locally-owned businesses creates a stronger and healthier Victoria by keeping more money in the local economy; and
- WHEREAS locally-owned businesses help to sustain vibrant, compact and sustainable communities; and
- WHEREAS locally-owned businesses contribute to the unique character of our community; and
- WHEREAS buying from local businesses keeps money and jobs in the community; and
- WHEREAS locally-owned businesses invest more in local labour, pay more local taxes, and spend more time on community-based organizations.
- NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim the week of November 13th to November 19th, 2017 as "THINK LOCAL WEEK" on the TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES of the ESQUIMALT AND SONGHEES FIRST NATIONS in the CITY OF VICTORIA, CAPITAL CITY of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA.
- IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 9th day of November, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA Sponsored By: Paul Hadfield Owner, Spinnakers Brewpub President, ThinkLocalFirst and Peninsula Co-op



Committee of the Whole Report For the Meeting of November 9, 2017

To:

Committee of the Whole

Date:

November 6, 2017

From:

Chris Coates, City Clerk

Subject:

Proclamation "Think Local Week" November 13 to 19, 2017

RECOMMENDATION

That the *Think Local Week Proclamation* be forwarded to the November 9, 2017 Council meeting for Council's consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached as Appendix A is the requested *Think Local Week Proclamation*. Council has established a policy addressing Proclamation requests. The policy provides for:

- A staff report to Committee of the Whole.
- Each Proclamation request requiring a motion approved at Committee of the Whole prior to forwarding it to Council for their consideration.
- Staff providing Council with a list of Proclamations made in the previous year.
- · Council voting on each Proclamation individually.
- Council's consideration of Proclamations is to fulfil a request rather than taking a position.

A list of 2016 and 2017 Proclamations is provided as Appendix B in accordance with the policy. Consistent with City Policy, Proclamations issued are established as fulfilling a request and does not represent an endorsement of the content of the Proclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Coates City Clerk

Appendix A: Proclamation "Think Local Week"

Appendix B: List of Previously Approved Proclamations