



**Council Member Motion
For the Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting of April 23, 2015**

To: Governance & Priorities Committee **Date:** April 16, 2015
From: Councillors Jeremy Loveday and Ben Isitt
Subject: Oil Spill Preparedness

Background:

WHEREAS an oil spill off of the coast of Vancouver Island would have catastrophic social, environmental, and economic impacts on the City of Victoria.

AND WHEREAS the oil spill event of April 9, 2015, into English Bay, and the Salish Sea, demonstrated a clear lack of capacity to respond to oil spill events in British Columbia.

AND WHEREAS delegates at the 2015 annual meeting of the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities (AVICC) voted unanimously in favour of requesting an independent audit of oil spill preparedness and response in British Columbia.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor write a letter requesting that the Province of British Columbia and Government of Canada order an independent audit of the current state of oil spill preparedness and response in BC.

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor Jeremy Loveday

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ben Isitt".

Councillor Ben Isitt