

Committee of the Whole Report For the Meeting of May 18, 2017

To:

Committee of the Whole

Date:

May 9, 2017

From:

Chris Coates, City Clerk

Subject:

Proclamation "Parachute's Safe Kids Week" June 5 – June 11, 2017

RECOMMENDATION

That the Parachute's Safe Kids Week Proclamation be forwarded to the May 25, 2017 Council meeting for Council's consideration.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Attached as Appendix A is the requested Parachute's Safe Kids Week Proclamation. Council has recently established 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 new 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.

City Clerk

Appendix A: Proclamation "Parachute's Safe Kids Week" Appendix B: List of Previously Approved Proclamations

"PARACHUTE'S SAFE KIDS WEEK"

- WHEREAS the theme for Parachute's Safe Kids Week 2017 is safe active transportation; and
- WHEREAS preventable injuries are the number one killer of Canadians aged 1 to 44.

 Preventable injuries are costing the Canadian economy tens of billions of dollars; and
- WHEREAS active transportation is important. It is also one of the riskiest activities for young people to engage in. Child pedestrian injuries are a leading cause of injury related death for Canadian children aged 14 years or younger; and
- **WHEREAS** everyone can follow simple road safety tips to keep ourselves and our children safe on the road for years to come; and
- WHEREAS Safe Kids Week is a week dedicated to raising awareness and seeking solutions to preventable child fatalities and serious injuries on the road across Canada. Everyone has a role to play in creating change amongst their peers, in classrooms and in their communities.
- NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim June 5th to June 11th, 2017 as

 "PARACHUTE'S SAFE KIDS 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 25th day of May, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

LISA HELPS MAYOR CITY OF VICTORIA BRITISH COLUMBIA

Sponsored By: Pamela Fuselli Interim CEO Parachute