



## **Council Member Motion**

### **For the Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting of January 21, 2016**

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Date: January 13, 2016

From: Councillor Isitt

Subject: Council Sharing

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## **Report**

The following are highlights of my work with various Board / Committee appointments:

### *Hillside-Quadra Neighbourhood Action Group / Downtown Blanshard Advisory Committee*

Working with the community association and residents to provide community benefits in relation the dementia care centre being constructed at 955 Hillside Avenue, including options for community use space and greenspace, while also working to mitigate potentially negative impacts of this project on the neighbourhood.

### *Capital Regional District*

Re-appointed to Regional Parks Committee and Transportation Select Committee.

Worked with Mayor Helps, Councillor Loveday and other Council Members and CRD Directors to secure Board support for the adoption of the Regional Housing First Strategy, mobilizing \$30-million in regional funds toward a substantial reduction in homelessness in the Capital Region in partnership with other levels of government and non-profit housing partners.

Pursuing a new initiative to support restoration of shellfish harvesting in indigenous communities on the Saanich peninsula, as a pilot for future initiatives with First Nations to encourage food security and cultural resurgence across the Capital Region.

### *Regional Victoria Water Supply Commission*

Working with Councillor Loveday and other Commissioners to encourage increased water conservation and also pursue opportunities for rainwater harvesting and greywater reuse in the region.

### *Greater Victoria Harbour Authority*

Working with James Bay residents and GVHA directors and staff to reduce negative impacts of cruise-ship transportation on residents, including revised ground transportation strategies and ongoing efforts to reduce emission impacts from ships.

Pursuing improvements of public realm at Inner Harbour Causeway and other GVHA properties, and also pursuing full utilization of Steamship Terminal Building.

*Island Corridor Foundation*

Working with communities along Vancouver Island to restore passenger rail service and upgrade infrastructure between Victoria, Courtenay and Port Alberni.

*Victoria Parks and Recreation Foundation*

Working with Foundation Board members to identify opportunities to mobilize philanthropic funds to support improvements within the City of Victoria's parks system, specifically through between alignment between Foundation priorities and capital priorities within the City of Victoria Financial Plan for 2016 and future years.

*Community Action Plan on Discrimination*

Working with Councillor Alto, street-involved people, advocates and community partners to reduce discrimination in the enforcement of municipal bylaws, policies and other municipal operations, to support the City's Strategic Priority of encouraging Social Inclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Isitt', is positioned above the name of the signatory.

Councillor Isitt