

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT
FROM THE MEETING HELD APRIL 20, 2017

For the Council Meeting of April 27, 2017, the Committee recommends the following:

1. Land Use Contract Termination - Phase 1

That Council direct Staff to draft a bylaw, and bring it forward for Council's consideration, that would terminate the following Land Use Contracts one year after its adoption:

1. H4795 for the property at 104 Dallas Road
2. G87520 for the property at 717 Market Street
3. E36725 for the properties at 902 Caledonia Avenue & 1911 Quadra Street
4. D5298 for the property at 910 Government Street
5. F14579 for the property at 1022 Pandora Avenue
6. A83118 for the property at 1112 Wharf Street
7. H821 for the property at 1175 Cook Street
8. F41707 for the property at 1177-1185 Fort Street
9. G97568 for the property at 1195 Fort Street
10. G34262 for the property at 1248 Fort Street
11. H3131 for the properties at 1633 Hillside Avenue & 3055 Scott Street
12. F67058 for the property at 1720 Cook Street
13. F87124 for the property at 1964 Fort Street

2. Rezoning Application No. 00523 for 1250 Dallas Road - Update on Signage (Fairfield)

That Council advance Rezoning Application No. 00523 to first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Amendment Bylaw and a Public Hearing date be set once the following conditions are met:

1. Preparation of the following documents, executed by the applicant to the satisfaction of City Staff:
 - a. Housing Agreement Bylaw to ensure that a future strata corporation could not pass bylaws that would prohibit or restrict the rental of units to non-owners.
 - b. Section 219 Covenant for the building design, exterior materials and landscaping.

3. Registration Fee to Attend the Canadian Capital Cities Conference, May 16-19, 2017

That Council authorize the attendance and registration fee for Councillor Marianne Alto to attend the Canadian Capital Cities Conference to be held in Victoria, May 16-19, 2017. The conference fee is \$425.00.

4. A Motion Postponed for 3 months from the January 26, 2017 Council Meeting

THAT Council endorse the following resolution and request that the Mayor write, on behalf of Council, to the Premier of British Columbia and Ministers Responsible for Housing and Finance, and that staff forward copies of the resolution to the Mayors, Councillors and Directors of the thirteen municipalities and three electoral areas within the Capital Region, requesting favourable consideration and resolutions of support to the Provincial government:

Resolution: Introduction of Non-Resident Speculation Surtax in Capital Region
WHEREAS the Government of British Columbia and Legislative Assembly responded to a housing affordability crisis in July 2016 by introducing a 15% Additional Property Transfer Tax on residential real-estate purchases in the Greater Vancouver Regional District by foreign entities – a policy that has helped curb rapid escalation of residential real-estate prices in that region;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has announced that a 15% Non-Resident Speculation surtax will be introduced for residential real-estate transactions in the Greater Golden Horseshoe region, extending from Kitchener-Waterloo to the City of Peterborough, and encompassing Greater Toronto and surrounding urban areas;

AND WHEREAS there is a substantial risk that application of these surtaxes in Greater Vancouver and Greater Toronto will create distortions in the real-estate market in other regions, notably the Capital Region of British Columbia, which has been identified as one of the top-three costliest residential real-estate markets in Canada, alongside Greater Vancouver and Greater Toronto, resulting in a negative impact on housing affordability within BC's Capital Region;

AND WHEREAS local government jurisdictions within the Capital Region have experienced sharp escalation in real-estate prices and land values in the past year, as well as growth in purchases by foreign entities, since the Additional Property Transfer Tax was introduced in Greater Vancouver, undermining the City of Victoria and Capital Regional District's Strategic Objectives of increasing the supply of affordable housing;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria places itself on record requesting that the Government of British Columbia act without delay to apply the 15% Additional Property Transfer Tax to purchases of residential real-estate by non-resident foreign entities within the Capital Region or the City of Victoria, whichever is more expedient, and utilize this revenue to invest in affordable housing;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria requests that purchases of residential property by individuals who live, work or pay provincial income tax in British Columbia be exempted from application of the Additional Property Transfer Tax and that this tax only be applied in the Capital Region or City of Victoria if this exemption for people who live, work or pay provincial income tax in British Columbia is in place and provisions for First Nations Lands be similar to those adopted in Greater Vancouver;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Victoria requests that the Government of British Columbia introduce additional measures to curb speculation in residential real-estate and increase housing affordability in the region and province.

5. Rezoning Application No. 00566 for 778 Fort Street (Downtown)

That Council instruct staff to prepare the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in Rezoning Application No. 00566 for 778 Fort Street, that first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set.

6. Rezoning Application No. 00534 for 851 Johnson Street (Downtown)

That Council instruct staff to prepare the necessary Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment that would authorize the proposed development outlined in Rezoning Application No. 00534 for 851 Johnson Street, that first and second reading of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendment be considered by Council and a Public Hearing date be set.

7. Letter to Province regarding Draft Cannabis Regulations and Legislation

That Council request that the Mayor, on behalf of Council, write to the Solicitor General of British Columbia, requesting that the Province indicate to the City of Victoria as soon as possible when it anticipates publishing draft regulations and legislation relating to the

distribution, regulation and taxation of cannabis in British Columbia, in accordance with the provisions of federal Bill C-45, the proposed Cannabis Act, and that the Mayor request that the province work with City of Victoria staff on this issue.

8. Project Update: Create Victoria Arts and Culture Master Plan

That Council receive this report for information.

9. Allocation of Motorized Sightseeing Vehicle Parking Stand 3

That Council direct staff to:

1. Bring forward amendments to the Vehicles for Hire Bylaw that would allow human powered sightseeing vehicles that are not pedicabs or rickshaws to park in parking stands currently allocated to motor vehicle sightseeing vehicles.
2. Bring forward amendments to Schedule D of the Vehicles for Hire Bylaw that will allocate Motorized Sightseeing Vehicle Parking Stand 3 for the period from May 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 as follows:
 - a. The Rolling Barrel, a distance of 7 m on the west half of Parking Stand 3 with a monthly fee of \$585.00
 - b. Little Urban Vehicles Canada Corp. (Little Urban Vehicles), a distance of 7 m on the east half of Parking Stand 3 with a monthly fee of \$585.00, subject to proof of licensing as a commercial passenger vehicle in British Columbia by May 15, 2017.
3. If Little Urban Vehicles does not obtain proof of licensing as a commercial passenger vehicle in British Columbia by May 15, 2017, then bring forward an amendment to Schedule D of the Vehicles for Hire Bylaw that will allocate the east half of Parking Stand 3 to The Rolling Barrel with a monthly fee of \$585.00.

10. 2016 Annual Report Community Centre Operations

That Council receive this report on the operation of the community and seniors centres for information.

11. Letter to the School District regarding Child Care Spaces

That Council direct the Mayor to write to the Chair of the School District and ask that the School District work collaboratively with the City and neighbouring municipalities as it relates specifically to child care spaces on School District properties.