

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT**  
**FROM THE MEETING HELD AUGUST 25, 2016**

For the Council Meeting of August 25, 2016, the Committee recommends the following:

**1. Heritage Alteration Permit Application No. 00221 for 1202 Blanshard Street**

That Council authorize the issuance of the Heritage Alteration Permit Application No. 00221 for 1202 Blanshard Street in accordance with:

1. Plans, date stamped July 5, 2016.
2. Development meeting all *Zoning Regulation Bylaw* requirements.
3. Final plans to be generally in accordance with the plans identified above to the satisfaction of the Assistant Director, Development Services Division, Sustainable Planning and Community Development.
4. Heritage Alteration Permit lapsing two years from the date of this resolution.

**2. Emily Carr House**

1. That Council direct Mayor Helps to write a letter to Premier Christy Clark and to Minister Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations that the Emily Carr House can carry on as a historic house museum and interpretive centre for Emily Carr, her art, writings and life to be continued by professional curatorial staff and heritage Committee of the Whole Report Emily Carr House Page 1 August 19, 2016 experts with a further recommendation that ongoing operating (core) funding be found and maintained given Emily Carr's great significance.
2. That Council direct Mayor Helps to request a meeting with Minister Thomson to advocate on behalf of the Citizens of Victoria that Emily Carr House continue to be funded by the B.C. Government and to keep it open as a historic house museum to present Emily Carr's legacy to the world.

**3. Preserving and Improving Housing Supply**

That Council direct staff to address housing supply preservation and improvement with:

1. Continued work advancing the heritage program by considering new Heritage Conservation Areas during local area planning and undertaking regular projects to consider additions to the City's Register of Heritage Properties to address character home retention.
2. Implementation of the Victoria Housing Strategy, acknowledging the actions affecting secondary suite regulations and updating the Property Maintenance Bylaw are slated to commence immediately in the fall of 2016 and
3. That the work include staff reporting back on implications of developing a green demolition bylaw.

**4. Proposed Additions to the City of Victoria's Register of Heritage Properties**

That Council direct staff to notify the property owners that Council will consider the following motion on September 22, 2016, and that Council invites comments up to and including that meeting:

"That Council direct staff to:

1. Add the complete list of 50 candidate properties to the City of Victoria's Register of Heritage Properties as listed in Appendix 1 of this report.
2. To direct staff to prepare further candidate property recommendations for consideration of addition to the City of Victoria's Register of Heritage Properties."

**5. Potential Amendment to the 2015-2018 Strategic Priorities: Motion – Asbestos Control**

That Council direct staff to improve compliance and communication on the City's existing processes relating to permitting and inspecting developments (new, renovations or demolitions) that may include hazardous materials such as asbestos as outlined in this report.

AND that Council direct staff to meet with representatives of employees and the building trades and report back to Council on additional actions the City can take to increase protection for City workers and other workers in the City from the health impacts of asbestos.

**6. Update on Portable Sign Regulations**

That Council approve an enhanced compliance/enforcement strategy for Portable Signs to ensure equality with all businesses who do and/or should comply with the Portable Sign Miscellaneous Amendments Bylaw as follows:

1. A two-month education program with businesses to inform them of the Permit requirements in effect and to further advise of the enhanced enforcement approach.
2. Active compliance/enforcement to occur for:
  - a. Wilful non-compliance (after attempts at voluntary compliance for improper signage),
  - b. Exceeding the limit of 1 sign per business,
  - c. Impeding pedestrians, and
  - d. No current sign permit.
3. Complaint driven compliance/enforcement to occur for:
  - a. Oversized signs,
  - b. Signs displayed while business is closed, and
  - c. Sign applying to a non-ground floor business.

**7. Audit Report Update: Project Management Framework**

That Council receive the report dated August 22, 2016, for information.

**8. Naming Initiative for Begbie Green**

That the issue be referred to staff to invite comment from the Songhees Nation and Esquimalt Nation by October 31, 2016, and report back to Council with any feedback received, as well as a copy of the Provincial Geographic Names Policy and any readily available information relating to the naming of the University of Victoria Law Building.

AND that Council direct staff to notify the neighbourhood that the naming of the green is being referred to the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations, for their comment, in the spirit of reconciliation.