

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT
FROM THE MEETING HELD JUNE 23, 2016

For the Council Meeting of June 23, 2016, the Committee recommends the following:

1. Application for an Amendment to a Liquor Primary Licence, Fairmont Hotel (Empress), 721 Government Street (Downtown Neighbourhood)

That Council direct staff to provide the following response to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch:

1. Council, after conducting a review with respect to noise and community impacts, does support an increase in the total liquor primary occupant capacity from 166 to 449 persons

Providing the following comments on the prescribed consideration:

- a) Council has considered the request and believes that the increased liquor-primary capacity will have an overall positive benefit and that negative impacts will be negligible.
- b) The views of residents were solicited via mailout to neighbouring property owners and occupants within 50 metres of the licensed location, and a notice posted at the property. The City received two letters in support of the application which included one from the Downtown Victoria Residents Association (DVRA) and two letters opposed to the application.

2. UBCM Housing Motion

That Council endorse the following motion and submit it to the UBCM for consideration at its 2016 Convention:

WHEREAS since 2008, UBCM has passed 13 motions with regard to affordable housing across the housing spectrum from those who are homeless with severe mental health and addictions challenges, to the young worker, to families, to retired seniors;

AND WHEREAS in response to each motion the Province has outlined all of the efforts it has made and money it has spent addressing affordable housing in British Columbia;

AND WHEREAS despite the efforts and resources invested by the Province and local governments over the past eight years, the housing crisis across British Columbia has deepened in both rural and urban areas, with Greater Victoria and the lower mainland among the most unaffordable places to rent or buy in the country;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM work with the provincial government on a priority basis to develop new policy tools and/or funding streams that will have the most effective, efficient and immediate impact on the housing affordability crisis in British Columbia, across the housing spectrum.

3. Yates Street Community Garden Start-Up Grant

THAT Council approve a one-time start-up grant of \$2,000 to the Downtown Residents' Association to cover materials costs relating to the Yates Street

Community Garden, with the grant to be deducted from any future grant awarded to the Downtown Residents' Association in relation to the Yates Street Community Garden.

4. **Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00003 for 944 Heywood Avenue (Fairfield Neighbourhood)**

That Council after giving notice and allowing an opportunity for public comment at a meeting of Council, consider the following motion:

"That Council authorize the issuance of Development Permit Application No. 00003 for 944 Heywood Avenue, in accordance with:

1. Plans date stamped May 18, 2016.
2. Development meeting all *Zoning Regulation Bylaw* requirements, except for the following variances:

Proposed Lot A

- i. Part 1.23 (8)(a): Reduce the front yard setback of the from 6.00m to 3.20m;
- ii. Part 1.23 (8)(b): Reduce the rear yard setback of the from 6.00m to 1.61 m;
- iii. Schedule "C" (3): Permit parking to be located between the building and the front lot line;

Proposed Lot B

- i. Part 1.23 (8)(a): Reduce the front yard setback from 6.00m to 3.50m;
- ii. Part 1.23 (8)(b): Reduce the rear yard setback from 6.00m to 4.57m;

3. The Development Permit lapsing two years from the date of this resolution."

5. **Work Without Permit, Illegal Use/Suite - 1238 Queens Avenue**

1. That the Council direct the City Clerk to file a notice in the Land Title Office in relation to the property located at 1238 Queens Avenue, legally described as **Lot B Spring Ridge Victoria VIP72835** indicating that a resolution relating to this property has been made under the authority delegated pursuant to Section 57(3) of the *Community Charter* and the provisions of the *Property Maintenance Delegation Bylaw*, and advise that further information regarding this resolution may be inspected at the Legislative & Regulatory Services Department in Victoria City Hall.

6. **Work Without Permit, Illegal Use/Suite - 1417 Fernwood Rd. / Bylaw File #46267**

That Council postpone consideration of the following motion for two weeks:

1. That the Council direct the City Clerk to file a notice in the Land Title Office in relation to the property located at 1417 Fernwood Road, legally described as **Lot 29 Plan 164 Section 74 Victoria & W PT of Lot 14** indicating that a resolution relating to this property has been made under the authority delegated pursuant to Section 57(3) of the *Community Charter* and the provisions of the *Property Maintenance Delegation Bylaw*, and advise that

further information regarding this resolution may be inspected at the Legislative & Regulatory Services Department in Victoria City Hall.

7. 2582 Cook Street – Additional Information (Hillside/Quadra Neighbourhood)

1. That Council receive this report for information.
2. That staff examine the current volumes and speed of traffic on Cook Street between Hillside and Bay Streets, and report back in 3 months with a plan to calm traffic on Cook between Hillside and Bay - including consideration of on-street parking as a possible traffic calming measure.

8. Request to Authorize Application for a Temporary Use Permit at 2582 Cook Street

1. That Council authorize MicroHousing Victoria to apply for a temporary use permit application for the City-owned property at 2582 Cook Street for Council's consideration.
2. That Council authorize City staff to initiate negotiations of lease terms for premises at 2582 Cook Street with MicroHousing Victoria, subject to:
 - a. such terms deemed necessary as a result of the temporary use permit application process; and
 - b. final lease terms being approved by Council following their final determination of the temporary use permit application.
3. That concurrent with applying for Temporary Use Permit a Community Association Land Use Committee Meeting be held.

9. Stipends for First Nations Participants in City Committees, Working Groups, Task Forces and Projects

Resolved that, when participating in City Committees, Working Groups, Task Forces and/or designated Projects, First Nations persons formally appointed by the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations be compensated in a manner and amount similar to those stipends received by City Councillors as a function of their external appointments;

Further resolved that this stipend be currently set at \$200 for any session less than four hours in duration, or \$400 for a session exceeding four hours.

Further resolved that the funding source for such stipends arise from any budget allocated for each committee or designated project.

Further resolved that, every three years, the amount of such First Nation stipends be reviewed and adjusted to reflect inflationary increases and to keep pace with increases to stipends received by City Councillors for their external appointments.

That Council direct staff to develop a policy on this motion.

10. Commemorating Lebanese Immigration to Canada Donation Request

That Council direct staff to facilitate a discussion between with the Province of British Columbia and the The World Lebanese Cultural Union- BC Council's (WLCU-BC) to site the statue "The Lebanese Emigrant" on The Province of British Columbia land based on the advice and recommendation of the Art in Public Places Committee and report back to Council by September 2016.