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Laurie Hurst

Sent:

January-22-21 10:59 AM

To:

Alicia Ferguson

Subject:

FW: From Lenny de vine I have had to copy and paste for some reason, couldn't

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For mail log, thanks.

Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer Tel: 1-250-414-7133

----Original Message-----

From: Barb Desjardins < Barbara. Desjardins@esquimalt.ca>

Sent: January-22-21 10:56 AM

To: Laurie Hurst < laurie.hurst@esquimalt.ca>

Subject: From Lenny de vine I have had to copy and paste for some reason, couldn't forward

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please consider this letter in support of Esquimalt Farmer's Market's request for continued use of Bullen Field for 2021 market season.

It is certainly of foremost priority that Bullen Field be available for team sport use; and, during these difficult times, to have it used as so for six days of the week and for one day a week for Esqumilat Farmer's Market is an important example of sharing community team spirit.

It's a fact that good athletes need a variety of good nutrition to play and preform to their best abilities and the Esquimalt Farmer's Market in the Bullen Field location is able to provide the largest variety of fresh, wholesome, nutritious foods for our community and our community of athletes. If the Council has the EFM return to the Memorial Park for the market season while social distancing is still in place the variety of vendors will be severely restricted which will in turn impact the success of the market and the health of our community.

At present the Esquimalt Farmer's Market IS the heart of Esquimalt and that sense of community is even more important during these difficult pandemic times.

Hopefully, until the pandemic is over, you will agree to the continued once a week use of Bullen Field's large open space to keep the vendors and all the many market shoppers socially distanced and safe.

Thank-you for the opportunity to share input on the future of this incredibly important group of volunteers, farmers, small business entrepreneurs, and the holistic health of our community.

Sincerely,

Linny D Vine

401-1378 Lyall Street Esquimalt BC V9A 5J1

Linny D Vine

website: www.linnydvine.com

Sent from my iPad

Barbara Desjardins, Mayor Tel: 1-250-883-1944

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From:

Laurie Hurst

Sent:

January-22-21 9:12 AM

To:

Alicia Ferguson

Subject:

FW: Esquimalt Farmers Market venue 2021

For mail log, thanks.

## Laurie Hurst, CPA, CGA Chief Administrative Officer

Tel: 1-250-414-7133

For the latest on the Township's response to COVID-19, please visit <a href="mailto:esquimalt.ca/covid19">esquimalt.ca/covid19</a>

From: Meagan Brame < meagan.brame@esquimalt.ca>

Sent: January-21-21 3:17 PM

To: Sue Donaldson

Cc: Mayor and Council < Mayor.and.Council@esquimalt.ca>

Subject: Re: Esquimalt Farmers Market venue 2021

Thank you for your email - I have forwarded to staff for information on this matter.

Councillor Meagan Brame Township of Esquimalt

## **Meagan Brame**

Councillor

Tel: 1-250-414-7100

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On Jan 21, 2021, at 2:05 PM, Sue Donaldson

wrote:

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please consider this a letter in support of the Esquimalt Farmers Market's request to use Bullen Field again in 2021.

While I agree Bullen Field should be devoted primarily to outdoor team sports use, Esquimalt Farmers Market uses Bullen Field one day a week only for a few months a year during these extraordinary times.

Until public health orders for social distancing are lifted and outdoor team sports activities resume on Bullen Field, I strongly encourage Council to again approve using Bullen Field for the once a week Esquimalt Farmers Market in 2021.

If Council sends Esquimalt Farmers Market back to Memorial Park for the 2021 market season while social distancing orders are still in place, there will be many fewer vendors and thus a very uncertain future for the market.

Until the pandemic is over, I hope you agree to provide the large, open space required to keep vendors and shoppers safe. Not having the market in its full iteration in 2021 would be a real loss to the community.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on the future of such a valuable volunteerdriven initiative in our community.

Sincerely

Sue Donaldson

1377 Lyall St

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