



**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT**
Minutes - Draft
Special Meeting of Council

Municipal Hall
1229 Esquimalt Road
Esquimalt, B.C. V9A 3P1

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

5:45 PM

Esquimalt Council Chambers

Present 7 - Mayor Barbara Desjardins
 Councillor Ken Armour
 Councillor Meagan Brame
 Councillor Jacob Helliwell
 Councillor Lynda Hundleby
 Councillor Tim Morrison
 Councillor Jane Vermeulen

Staff: Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer
 Bill Brown, Director of Development Services
 Joel Clary, Acting Director of Engineering & Public Works
 Vicki Gannon, Director of Corporate Services and Human Resources
 Ian Irvine, Director of Financial Services
 Steve Knoke, Director of Parks and Recreation Services
 Blair McDonald, Director of Community Safety
 Steve Serbic, Fire Chief
 Deb Hopkins, Manager of Corporate Services/Corporate Officer
 Sarah Holloway, Deputy Corporate Officer/Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Desjardins called the Special Council meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

Mayor Desjardins acknowledged that we are on the unceded territory of the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations. We thank them for caring for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great township together.

2. LATE ITEMS

(1) PERTAINING to Item No. 5. 1): 2022 Budget Summary - Supplemental Operating and Capital Requests:

a) Communications Received from:

- Amanda Macdonald, Chair, Walk On, Victoria
- Jaime Hilbert
- Kym Thrift, Esquimalt Local Committee of Capital Bike
- Andrew Leitch
- Elaine Cross

b) Revisions to the 2022 Budget Capital Requests spreadsheet under Roads and Streets .

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That the agenda be approved as circulated with inclusion of the late items. Carried Unanimously.

4. PUBLIC INPUT ON ANY ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Address Council on any item included on this Agenda, including Staff Reports and Communications (excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing). Limit 2 minutes per speaker.

Kym Thrift, resident and representative of the Esquimalt Local Committee for Capital Bike spoke in support for the Active Transportation Plan and the importance of Tillicum Road and Lampson Street as priorities. The speaker requested that there be bidirectional lanes on Tillicum in order to have the network connect with Saanich.

5. STAFF REPORT***Finance***

- 1) [22-111](#) 2022 Budget Summary - Supplemental Operating and Capital Requests

The Director of Financial Services provided an overview of the 2022 Budget Summary, presented a PowerPoint Presentation, and staff responded to questions from Council.

Council reviewed the Supplemental Operating and Capital Requests and made the following amendments:

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Armour: That Council remove "Esquimalt Adventure Park - Increased Watering" from the 2022 Supplemental Request list, due to the need for water conservation and in order to achieve the climate action plan goals. Carried with Councillor Helliwell Opposed.

In Favour: 6 - Mayor Desjardins, Councillor Armour, Councillor Brame, Councillor Hundleby, Councillor Morrison, and Councillor Vermeulen

Opposed: 1 - Councillor Helliwell

Moved by Councillor Armour, seconded by Councillor Morrison: That \$150,000 be taken from the 2022 Capital Reserve Fund and be allocated to complete the detailed design of the Lampson Street Bike Lanes. Carried with Mayor Desjardins and Councillor Hundleby Opposed.

In Favour: 5 - Councillor Armour, Councillor Brame, Councillor Helliwell, Councillor Morrison, and Councillor Vermeulen

Opposed: 2 - Mayor Desjardins, and Councillor Hundleby

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Vermeulen: That the

"Sidewalk - New - Old Esquimalt Road (Lampson to Highrock)" be deferred to 2023 and that the Archie Browning sidewalk upgrade be approved for 2022. Carried Unanimously.

Council commented that concern over safety on the Archie Browning sidewalk made this decision a priority.

Moved by Councillor Armour, seconded by Councillor Vermeulen: That Staff report back to Council with two scenarios for the 2022 Budget, one that includes and one that excludes the 2022 Police Services Supplemental requests. Carried Unanimously.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Address Council on any topic that impacts Esquimalt (excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing). Limit 2 minutes per speaker.

Kym Thrift, resident and representative of the Esquimalt Local Committee for Capital Bike, thanked Council for bringing the Lampson Street project forward to 2022.

Linda O'Keefe, resident, thanked Council for keeping the weed removal in the budget and for making the Archie Browning sidewalk a priority.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That the Special Council meeting be adjourned at 7:57 PM. Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR BARBARA DESJARDINS
THIS DAY OF , 2022

DEBRA HOPKINS, CORPORATE OFFICER
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