



**CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT
Minutes - Draft**

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

Special Committee of the Whole

Monday, August 26, 2019

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: Ian Irvine, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
 Scott Hartman, Director of Parks and Recreation
 Rick Daykin, Manager of Parks and Recreation
 Rachel Dumas, Manager of Corporate Services
 Alicia Ferguson, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Desjardins called the Special Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

Mayor Desjardins acknowledged with respect that we are within the Traditional Territories of the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations.

2. LATE ITEMS

There were no late items.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Morrison: That the agenda be approved as circulated. 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.

Mayor Desjardins called three times for public input and there was none.

5. STAFF REPORTS

Parks and Recreation

- 1) [19-398](#) McLoughlin Amenity Funds - Waterfront Park Project
Renderings Public Engagement Process Plan

Director of Parks and Recreation provided an update on progress towards the waterfront park projects and proposed next steps for public engagement, including the following proposed dates for engagement events:

September 11, 2019 at Esquimalt Gorge Park from 6-8pm

September 19, 2019 at Esquimalt Recreation Centre from 6-8pm

September 11-29, 2019 Online Survey.

Stefan Schulson and Michaelangelo Pico, Stantec Architecture Ltd., presented a PowerPoint Presentation detailing proposed renderings of the conceptual plan for enhancements to Esquimalt Gorge Park and Saxe Point Park and responded to questions from Council.

Council comments included:

- * Details of public engagement events and ensuring clarity on elements being sought for feedback.
- * Options for use of the multipurpose building and how public engagement will shape this.
- * Options for incorporating Japanese heritage.
- * Collaboration with First Nations with park enhancements.
- * Consideration of the proposed dog park's functionality and various design options.
- * Ensuring natural features of the park aren't impacted by improvements.
- * Options for materials and consideration of weathering.
- * Consideration of various park users and how improvements can enhance useability.

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.

Lorne Argyle, *resident*, encourages a similar parking approach to the one taken at Monterey Recreation Centre, located in Oak Bay, when contemplating improvements to Esquimalt Gorge Park. He advised that it was National Dog Day and invited everyone to attend the Cars, Rods, and Rides event on September 7, 2019 during Rib Fest.

Jordan Stanger-Ross, *resident*, provided options for public engagement re: Esquimalt Gorge Park improvements and discouraged any alterations to Saxe Point Park that may alter its current functionality.

Dillon Takata, expressed appreciation for consideration of inclusion of Japanese heritage in Esquimalt Gorge Park.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That the Special Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 6:51 PM. Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR BARBARA DESJARDINS
THIS date DAY OF month, 2019

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