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NOTICE OF MOTION

Request for Notice of Motion, Pursuant to Sections 37 and 38, Council Procedure Bylaw, 2715, 2009.

Introduced: Regular Council – February 6, 2017

From: Councillor Meagan Brame and Councillor Olga Liberchuk

Subject: Policy for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in High Density Developments

WHEREAS the Township of Esquimalt values the environment and works to make our community a better place for today and the future,

AND WHEREAS the Township of Esquimalt recognizes that limited access to charging infrastructure is one of the main barriers when people consider purchasing an electric vehicle,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Esquimalt look at options to move from “encouraging” all new construction to be Electric Vehicle Charge ready, to embedding Electric Vehicle charging infrastructure into a policy and bylaw that requires at minimum, level 2 charging stations for high density developments.

STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:

This resolution works to further the overarching strategic priority this Council has on the environment and therefore the health and livability of the community.

BACKGROUND:

BC is the largest purchaser of Electric Vehicles, and the purchase and use of electric vehicles continues to grow in the CRD and that’s reflected in the annual increase of usage of Esquimalt’s public EV charging station.

In the past, Council has requested that each new development put in charging stations; some of the developers have been quite receptive while others opted out. Since more and more electric vehicles are being purchased and the technology is becoming more affordable, this policy ensures the availability of infrastructure as demand for and use of electric vehicles grows.

This motion asks staff to come back with a report outlining options on the appropriate number of Electric Vehicles charging stations for different types of high-density developments.