



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

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

Monday, November 27, 2017

5:45 PM

Esquimalt Council Chambers

Present 6 - Mayor Barbara Desjardins
 Councillor Meagan Brame
 Councillor Beth Burton-Krahn
 Councillor Lynda Hundleby
 Councillor Susan Low
 Councillor Tim Morrison

Absent 1 - Councillor Olga Liberchuk

Staff: Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer
 Anja Nurvo, Director of Corporate Services
 Rachel Dumas, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Desjardins called the Special Council 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

The following late items were added to the agenda:

- (1) Pertaining to Agenda Item 5. **STAFF REPORT:** (1) 1237-1243 Esquimalt Road, Staff Report ADM-17-028
-Letter from Shawn Fitzgerald, The Donair Shop, dated November 27, 2017
-Email from Sean MacUisidin, dated November 27, 2017

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

4. PUBLIC INPUT (On items listed on the Agenda)
Excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing.

Cathy Ferguson, *resident*, in opposition of installing a temporary parking lot at 1237-1243 Esquimalt Road and encouraged Council to consider the impact on the community if building is demolished.

Liam Husk, *non-resident*, representing his friend and owner of the Donair Shop,

expressed concerns regarding financial impact for current tenants and encouraged Council to consider compensation and transition options.

Ray Kennedy, *residency unknown, owner Bring and Buy Books*, expressed concerns with time period for proposed transition and encouraged Council to consider compensation options and community values.

Cliff Worth, *resident*, in opposition of timeline for transition and expressed concerns regarding impact on community.

Claire Bovar, *resident*, in opposition of building being demolished and timeline for transition and expressed concerns regarding affordable housing opportunities.

Deb Hill, *non-resident*, expressed concerns regarding financial impact on tenants at 1237-1243 Esquimalt Road and affordable rental opportunities.

Cliff Worth, *resident*, expressed concerns regarding financial impact should the building be demolished and parking lot installed and encouraged Council to consider more time for the transition.

5. STAFF REPORT

Administration

- 1) [17-472](#) 1237-1243 Esquimalt Road, Staff Report ADM-17-028

Council comments included:

- * Legislation regulations regarding rental compensation for business tenants
- * Timeline options for transition
- * Remediation process and timelines
- * Current condition of building, maintenance and operating costs
- * Public engagement timelines for Amenity funds expenditure
- * Consideration of safety concerns
- * Terms of Notice to tenants

Moved by Councillor Burton-Krahn, seconded by Councillor Brame: That Council direct staff to provide notice to end current tenancies at 1237-1243 Esquimalt Road effective May 31, 2018.

Moved by Councillor Morrison, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That the Main Motion be amended to include after May 31, 2018 "...and that any demolition activity not occur with the current structure until such time that the 6 month notice period has ended or until all current tenants have vacated the property." Carried Unanimously.

The vote was taken on the Main motion as amended and declared Carried Unanimously.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

Excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing. Limit of two minutes per speaker.

Cathy Ferguson, *resident*, pleased with Councils' decision and encouraged housing opportunities in Esquimalt.

Cliff Worth, *resident*, requested Council consider future commercial tenancy opportunities for current tenants in any development.

Liam Husk, *non-resident*, encouraged Council to consider residential areas for the community.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Low: That the Special Council meeting be adjourned at 6:47 PM. Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR BARBARA DESJARDINS
THIS date DAY OF month, 2017

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