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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 – May 28th, 2018

From: Councillor Olga Liberchuk

Subject: Appointment of School Liaison to Esquimalt High School Community Track and Sports Field Upgrades Working Group

WHEREAS the Esquimalt community track and sports field is in need of upgrades and there has been an ongoing effort from the community to fundraise money that would go towards building a new community track and sports field.

AND WHEREAS a group of various interest groups has met in April 2018 to discuss various options for funding for a new community track and sports field and concluded that a working group is needed to further explore funding possibilities and create a business case for costs, timelines, and possible partnerships.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Esquimalt Council appoint the Mayor, school liaison or alternate to participate in the working group and periodically report back to Council on progress of the group.

STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:

Continue working with government and school district stakeholders to promote positive relationships and advance issues impacting the community.

Encourage and facilitate community involvement that supports non-governmental initiatives.

BACKGROUND:

On April 18, 2018 a group of us met to discuss the status of funding available for a new community track and sports field for Esquimalt High School. The group consisted of Tom Woods - representative from Rib Fest, Dave Allen - Esquimalt High School Alumni,

Tammy Renyard - Principal at Esquimalt High School, Jordan Watters - School Trustee SD 61, Barb Desjardins- Mayor of Esquimalt, Olga Liberchuk- Esquimalt Councillor and School Liaison, and Meagan Brame - Esquimalt Councillor and School Liaison. Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations have also been invited but were unable to attend the meeting. They will continue to be invited to attend the meetings and participate.

At the meeting we briefly discussed a number of ways in which this project can be funded. We concluded that the best thing at this point is to form a working group with diverse stakeholders and representatives to look into the following:

- Partnerships
- Viability of the project, including costs
- Timelines
- Designing an agreement for funding partners

A working group will enable further discussion and allow for in depth work and research to occur to help move towards building a new community track and sports field at Esquimalt High School.