



# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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## NOTICE OF MOTION

**From:** Mayor Barbara Desjardins

**Introduced:** December 2, 2019, Regular Council Meeting

**Subject:** Council opportunity for greater community input regarding Climate Change

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**WHEREAS:** Esquimalt council has an established and populated Environmental Advisory Committee [EAC],

**AND WHEREAS:** Esquimalt council has declared a Climate emergency along with the Capital Regional District [CRD] and many other municipalities,

**AND WHEREAS:** There are many groups within the community who have come together as Esquimalt Climate-Action Organizers [ECO] to work to promote change toward meeting this emergency and wish to provide input to help Council,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That Council ask staff to review the policy regarding Council committees and report on/bring back information including status of the EAC, renewal dates, terms and options for a select committee either expanding current committee or any alternatives.

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**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:** Healthy, Livable and Diverse Community  
Build and Enhance Partnerships

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** There are no financial implications at this time.

**BACKGROUND:** Esquimalt Council has requested a Climate Action Plan and a climate mitigation strategy be formulated. This will be presented to Council in the new year of 2020. There are a significant number of people looking to governments for action on the climate emergency we face. These people within the community can provide valuable feedback to Council on climate related questions. Council has the option of enhancing our current Environmental Advisory Committee [EAC] or exploring alternate options. Understanding staff capacity, staff may provide insight on options that would be required to support initiatives to move forward.

Submitted Respectfully,

Mayor Barbara Desjardins