



# 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:** Request - Esquimalt Farmers Market Presentation November 25, 2019

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**WHEREAS:** Esquimalt Farmers Market has existed and grown consistently over the past 5 years;

**AND WHEREAS:** Esquimalt Farmers Market has been recognized as the best Farmers Market in British Columbia two years running and Best Market Manager in 2018;

**AND WHEREAS:** Esquimalt Farmers Market [EFM] is a valuable partner in enhancing the social, environmental and economic wellness of our community;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That Council direct staff to include for Council's consideration within the 2020 budget; funding for lighting in Memorial Park, additional waste receptacles for separation of waste organic and recycle compartments, and boulevard signage at strategic locations within the Township.

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**STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:** Healthy, Livable and Diverse Community - Support the Arts, Culture and Heritage Community.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** Financial implications will be outlined in the 2020 budget.

**BACKGROUND:** The farmers market has been operating and growing over the past 5 years. Council provides assistance through local grant funding, recognizing the value of the market and its relevance to our strategic priorities. In their presentation to Council on November 25, 2019, the Farmers Market outlined three ways they were looking to Council to further support the market and their growth: Signage, lighting to extend the outdoor season and waste management to continue their zero waste mandate. I would like council to consider these requests within the parameters of budget decision making.

Submitted Respectfully,

Mayor Barbara Desjardins