



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

Minutes - Draft

Committee of the Whole

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

Monday, November 9, 2020

7:00 PM

Esquimalt Council Chambers

Present 7 - Mayor Barbara Desjardins
 Councillor Ken Armour
 Councillor Meagan Brame
 Councillor Jacob Helliwell
 Councillor Lynda Hundleby
 Councillor Tim Morrison
 Councillor Jane Vermeulen

Staff: Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer
 Jeff Miller, Director of Engineering & Public Works
 Bill Brown, Director of Development Services
 Tricia deMacedo, Planner
 Alicia Ferguson, Recording Secretary
 Deborah Liske, Office Administrator of Corporate Services

Others: Chief Del Manak, Victoria Police Department (VicPD) (via
 conference call)
 Inspector Keith Lidner, VicPD

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Chair Brame called the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Acting Chair Brame acknowledged with respect that we are within the Traditional Territories of the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations.

Acting Chair Brame acknowledged that the Remembrance Day ceremonies will be taking place virtually on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 due to COVID-19.

2. **LATE ITEMS**

There were no late items.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Mayor Desjardins, seconded by Councillor Morrison: That the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried Unanimously.

4. **MINUTES**

- 1) [20-427](#) Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held August 24, 2020

- 2) [20-428](#) Minutes of the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting held August 24, 2020
- 3) [20-521](#) Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held October 19, 2020

Moved by Councillor Armour, seconded by Mayor Desjardins: That the Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held August 24, 2020, Minutes of the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting held August 24, 2020, and Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held October 19, 2020, be adopted. Carried Unanimously.

5. PRESENTATION

- 1) [20-546](#) Victoria Police Department 2020 Third Quarterly Report, Chief Del Manak

Chief Constable Del Manak attended the meeting via conference call, presented a PowerPoint Presentation regarding the 2020 third quarter report, and responded to questions from COTW. Highlights of the Presentation included community engagement efforts, crime prevention, operational updates, and emerging crime trends.

COTW comments included receiving data on cross over calls at all quarterly updates, financial accountability to Esquimalt residents and concerns of subsidizing policing costs for the City of Victoria, and separating Victoria West statistics and crime reports from Esquimalt data.

Chief Constable Del Manak and Inspector Keith Lindner left the meeting at 7:44 PM.

6. ELECTRONIC PUBLIC INPUT ON ANY ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Address Council on any item included on this Agenda, including Staff Reports and Communications (excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing). Limit 2 minutes per speaker.

The following speakers requested by email or phone call to be included on the speakers list by providing their name and contact number to the Corporate Officer.

Chris Moore, *resident*, expressed concerns regarding the recommendations to require parking and exclude certain neighbourhoods with the development of detached accessory dwelling unit regulations.

7. STAFF REPORTS

Engineering and Public Works

- 1) [20-539](#) Level of Service for Vegetation Control - Roads and Sidewalks, Staff Report No. EPW-20-021

Director of Engineering & Public Works provided an overview of the report and staff responded to questions from COTW. Comments included a

preference for option three as laid out in Staff Report No. EPW-20-021 and receiving information on cost and resource impacts for a street sweep to be conducted more frequently.

Development Services

- 2) [20-469](#) Detached Accessory Dwelling Units Engagement Results - Staff Report No. DEV-20-066

Planner provided an overview of the survey results and staff responded to questions from COTW. Comments included whether requiring an owner to reside on site would offset rental issues, whether dedicated parking should be a requirement for a detached additional dwelling unit (DADU), requiring DADUs to be a maximum height of 1.5 stories and a contextual fit within the neighbourhood, and not restricting any neighbourhoods from applying to develop a DADU.

Moved by Councillor Morrison, seconded by Councillor Armour: That Council direct staff to prepare a report based on the comments received at COTW in relation to Staff Report No. DEV-20-066 for consideration at a future Council meeting. Carried.

In Favour: 5 - Mayor Desjardins, Councillor Armour, Councillor Brame, Councillor Morrison, and Councillor Vermeulen

Opposed: 2 - Councillor Helliwell, and Councillor Hundleby

Planner left the meeting at 9:08 PM.

- 3) [20-538](#) Draft Housing Needs, Staff Report No. DEV-20-076

Director of Development Services provided an overview of the report and responded to questions from COTW. Comments included concerns relating to the use of the CRD's Regional Growth Strategy data to formulate the Province's draft housing needs report for Esquimalt as the Township has noted discrepancies with the accuracy of the RGS data, inquiring with the Province as to whether an extension may be granted to incorporate the results of the 2021 census data in hopes to achieve a more accurate reflection of housing needs in Esquimalt, and consideration of including a disclaimer with the draft housing needs report if an extension is not granted.

8. ELECTRONIC PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Address Council on any topic that impacts Esquimalt (excluding items which are or have been the subject of a Public Hearing). Limit 2 minutes per speaker.

There was no electronic public comment.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Desjardins, seconded by Councillor Armour: That the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 9:26 PM. Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR BARBARA DESJARDINS
THIS DAY OF , 2020

RACHEL DUMAS, CORPORATE OFFICER
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