

# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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

# Minutes - Final

# Council

Monday, April 25, 2022

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 Bill Brown, Director of Development Services Ian Irvine, Director of Financial Services

Deb Hopkins, Manager of Corporate Services/Corporate Officer

James Davison, Manager, Development Services

Yvonne Mitchell, Planner

Alex Tang, Planner

Sarah Holloway, Deputy Corporate Officer/Recording Secretary

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Desjardins called the Regular Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Desjardins recognised the passing of long term Esquimalt resident, Marguerite Webber, on April 10, 2022.

Mayor Desjardins acknowledged with respect that we are within the Traditional Territories of the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nation.

#### 2. LATE ITEMS

1) 22-181 Late Items

The following late items were added to the agenda:

- (1) Item No.5.1 Public Hearing Rezoning Application 1075 Tillicum Road:
  - · Bill and Susan MacArthur April 21, 2022
  - Denise Nadeau April 20, 2022
  - Evelyn Ferguson and Nicholas Martin April 21, 2022
  - · Harlene and Ron Prach April 21, 2022
  - · Jan Norton April 21, 2022
  - John Spring April 20,2022

- Judith Whitemarsh April 21, 2022
- · Terry Ann Duncan and Michael Galvon, April 25, 2022
- · Arlene Eliuk, April 24, 2022
- · Benoit Lanthier April 23, 2022
- Bev Walker April 23, 2022
- · Brenda Ellis April 22, 2022
- Colin Doylend Habitat for Humanity April 22, 2022
- Daniel Kyba, April 24, 2022
- · Fern Spring April 24, 2022
- Jesse and Elsie Battle April 25, 2022
- John & Brenda O'Hara April 23, 2022 4:35 PM
- John & Brenda O'Hara, April 23, 2022 4:24 PM
- John and Brenda O'Hara April 25, 2022 4:04 AM
- · Jordan Fairlie April 22, 2022
- · Jordan Miller April 24, 2022
- · Joshua Galbraith April 23, 2022
- Lorraine Mainwaring and Janice Edwards April 22, 2022
- · Lynn Merry April 25, 2022
- · Nona Brack April 25, 2022
- · Peter Thompson and Brenda Ellis April 25, 2022
- Ramona and Danny Proulx April 25, 2022
- · Richard Fisher April 22, 2022
- (2) Item No. 7.4 2022 Financial Plan and Tax Rate Bylaws
  - Suzanne Bradbury April 25, 2022
- (3) Item No. 7.7 Rezoning Application 1221 Carlisle Avenue
  - Public Input from 2021

## 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

#### 4. MINUTES

- 1) <u>22-167</u> Minutes of the Special Council meeting held April 4, 2022
- 2) 22-168 Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held April 4, 2022
- 3) <u>22-189</u> Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held April 11, 2022

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That the minutes of the Special Council meeting held April 4, 2022; the Regular Council meeting held April 4, 2022; and, the Special Council meeting held April 11, 2022 be approved as circulated. Carried Unanimously.

5. PUBLIC HEARING - REZONING APPLICATION - 1075 TILLICUM ROAD

The Public Hearing is to afford all persons who deem their interest in property affected by the Bylaw an opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions before the Municipal Council on matters contained in the Bylaw.

1) <u>22-192</u> Public Hearing Notice - Rezoning Application - 1075 Tillicum Road

## 2) Background Information - Available for Viewing Separately

# 3) Director of Development Services - Overview of Application

a) <u>22-170</u> Rezoning Application - 1075 Tillicum Road, Staff Report No. DEV-22-029

Alex Tang, Planner provided an overview of the application, presented a PowerPoint and responded to questions from Council.

The application is for a proposed 6-storey, mixed-used commercial residential building with 99 residential units and a commercial unit at street front.

Moved by Councillor Hundleby, seconded by Councillor Brame: That the written submissions be received as circulated. Carried Unanimously.

## 4) Applicant or Authorized Representative - Overview of Application

Adam Cooper, Director of Community Planning and Development of Abstract Developments, applicant, provided a presentation and responded to questions from Council.

Council discussion included:

- The bonus density contribution of \$107,000 will be allocated towards active transportation improvements along Tillicum Road at the Township's discretion.
- The bus passes being offered for only the residents without parking stalls is a departure from past practice of offering bus passes to all units.
- Building to Step code 3 will be included in the covenant.
- The Modo car share membership will include the vehicle.
- The ingress and egress of the development on the shared driveway with 1083/1085 Tillicum Road is a concern.
- The fire department's feedback did not include concerns with the ingress and egress on the Right of Way used by 1075 Tillicum Road and owned by 1083 and 1085 Tillicum Road.
- Parking stalls will be designated to units, with the largest units being allocated first and continue down the unit sizes until all are assigned.
- The average square footage for the smallest unit is 350-400 and the largest three bedroom unit is 900 to 1,000 square feet,
- The height of the access lane under the building will be able to accommodate a large cube vehicle.

## 5) Public Input

Norma Louden, resident, expressed opposition to the proposal due to the height and massing; that the small size of the units will not attract young families; and that the look of the building would not be a welcoming sight at the entrance to Esquimalt.

Gabrielle Doiron, resident, spoke in support of the development as it will continue the change in the neighbourhood for the better by lessening the issues with crime and drugs. The resident commented that housing is in short demand and the smaller units will bring young people and retirees into the community.

Andrew Hrushowy, resident, spoke in support due to the development bridging a gap in the market during a housing crisis.

John Shields, resident, informed Council that it takes 12-18 minutes to exit the property at 1083 Tillicum Road, expressed frustration over the wait time and requested a traffic study.

Nick Martin, resident, expressed concern over the access being blocked by delivery trucks, taxis, and health providers; and that the loading zone and turning lane size requirements are not adequate for the amount of traffic anticipated to occur for 99 units.

Evelyn Ferguson, resident, had concerns with foreseeable conflict due to shading of neighbouring homes, noise from the rooftop patio, and the potential daily conflict on blockages in the shared driveway.

Jennifer Horsefall, resident, expressed support due to the need for higher density housing.

Jeff Pond, resident, expressed support due to the need for density and a better sidewalk along the building.

Jordan Miller, resident, expressed support for more high density housing, commercial units and that the contributions will have a positive affect on the neighbourhood.

Don Linge, resident, spoke in opposition due to insufficient visitor parking and no supporting businesses in the area to compliment the commercial space.

John O'Hara, resident, spoke in opposition due to an increase in the volume

of traffic.

Glen McLean, resident, spoke in opposition due to the height, parking ratio, insufficient business square footage, rooftop patio concerns, and that the small unit sizes are not livable for families.

Michael Galvon, resident, spoke in opposition due to height and massing, and not being esthetically complimentary to neighbouring properties.

Jane Ross, resident, spoke in opposition due to concerns with the laneway width and height, and safety due to increased traffic and blocking of ingress and egress.

Arlene Eliuk, resident, spoke in opposition due to height and massing, safety for pedestrians and motorists due to increased traffic, and the lack of provisions in the development for disability parking or access.

Dan Kyba, resident, spoke in opposition and outlined issues from the traffic impact assessment including the compromised site line for traffic.

Samaya Cortez, resident, spoke in opposition due to increase in traffic, height, and the small size of the units.

Ryan Cole, resident, spoke in opposition due to increased traffic and expected shortcuts made through the side streets which would be a danger for pedestrians.

Tracy Motyer, resident, expressed concern with the density of the site and spoke in opposition due to the increase in traffic and concerns with the ageing infrastructure being unable to support the development.

Stacey Carlos, resident, spoke in opposition due to the increase in traffic, parking challenges, and the ageing pump station unable to support the development.

Cody Brack, resident, spoke in opposition due to the concerns with height, the ageing pump station, and density.

Trent Brandvold, resident, expressed support due to the improvements to pedestrian access with a crosswalk to the park and the possibility of a reduction in crime due to the influx of a higher level of property owner.

Josh Bilik, non resident, spoke in support due to the increased need for

housing.

Keith Craig, resident, questioned whether the right of way should be continued as the reason for it originally being established was to grant access to the pub.

Mark Kingsley, non resident, spoke in support due to the urban design and the walkability of the site.

Scott Osborne, resident, spoke in opposition due to the lack of privacy for his property.

The Mayor invited members of the public to speak a second time.

Dan Kyba, resident, spoke in opposition due to the site elevation further increasing the appearance of the six storeys compared to the lower sitting adjacent property, and the possibility of traffic conflicts due to the increase in residents using the common driveway.

Norma Louden, resident, spoke in opposition due to the lack of parking and concern with illegal parking in the area.

Nick Martin, resident, spoke in opposition due to the lack of parking and concern with increased parking on the side streets and the blocking of the driveway.

Ryan Cole, resident, spoke in opposition due to inadequate parking for the business, concerns with results of the shadow study, and potential of losing privacy and sun exposure on adjacent properties.

Glen McLean, resident, spoke in opposition due to the outdated storm and sewer systems, overdevelopment in the area, lack of cycling or transit lanes on Tillicum Road, concerns with the devaluation of the adjacent homes, and the lack of low income housing or assisted living.

Arlene Elliott, resident, spoke in opposition due to increase in traffic in the area as a result of the densification.

Don Linge, resident, spoke in opposition due to concerns with safety should the access lane be blocked.

Samaya Cortez, resident, spoke in opposition due to safety concerns with increased traffic from the development and Gorge Park events. The resident

requested a traffic study for the area.

A speaker representing a resident of 1083 Tillicum spoke in opposition due to safety issues with the security of the building if the gate was removed.

Terry Ann Duncan, resident, spoke in opposition due to concerns with added density and its effect on the pump station, the increased traffic and dangerous driving, and the congestion of side streets with the parking of cars from events.

Mayor Desjardins called three times for the public to provide input and to speak a third time.

Dan Kyba, resident, spoke in opposition due to a lack of commercial businesses in the area to support the proposed commercial space.

Tracy Motyer, resident, expressed frustration over the lack of recourse after hours to address illegal parking on their street and encouraged the bylaw officer to speak to Council on the issues.

Mayor Desjardins called for public input a third and final time. No further public input was received.

Mayor Desjardins invited the applicant to respond to the public input and Council questions.

Council discussion included:

- The applicant will coordinate with the first residents regarding the timing of move in to alleviate any issues with traffic control.
- Signage should be erected to indicate restrictions on parking and blocking of the egress and ingress.
- An additional access road is not recommended by Development Services.
- The applicant will work with Engineering and Development Services on additional sidewalk and laneway safety features to include lighting and visual markings.
- The security gate should remain at 1083 and 1085 Tillicum Road.
- The parking and transportation impact assessment confirmed that a crosswalk located at the property and across Tillicum Road was not supportable.

## 6) Adjournment of Hearing

Mayor Desjardins declared the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 3056 closed.

Council recessed at 8:54 PM and reconvened at 9:00 PM with all members

of Council present.

## 7) Consideration of Staff Recommendation

Council comments included:

- The benefits of the development include increased density, building to Step Code 3, the contribution to the Active Transportation Network Plan, transit passes for units without parking stalls, the Modo car share, located on a transit route, and being within walking distance to shopping.
- The loading zone is a concern but can be looked at in the Development Permit phase.
- There is a need for more housing.
- Reducing the building by one storey would negate 18 units and help alleviate the traffic.
- Commercial space should be increased to 100%.
- The developer should consider transit passes for the entire building.
- The egress and ingress is an issue with serious concerns.
- The parking ratio is too low.
- The proposed height is permitted within the Official Community Plan.

The applicant confirmed that transit passes will be provided to all residents in the building.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Armour: 1. That Council resolves that Zoning Bylaw, 1992, No. 2050, Amendment Bylaw No. 3056, attached to Staff Report No. DEV-22-029 as Appendix A, which would amend Zoning Bylaw, 1992, No. 2050 by changing the zoning designation of PID 018-050-859 Lot B, Section 10, Esquimalt District, Plan VIP55556 [1075 Tillicum Road], shown cross-hatched on Schedule 'A' hereto. from C-6A [Licensed Liquor Establishment Professional Office] to CD No. 147 [Comprehensive Development District No. 147] be given third reading; and

- 2. That, as the applicant wishes to assure Council that uses and development will be restricted and amenities provided as identified in Staff Report No. DEV-22-029, the applicant has voluntarily agreed to register a Section 219 Covenant on the titles of PID 018-050-859 Lot B, Section 10, Esquimalt District, Plan VIP55556 [1075 Tillicum Road] in favour of the Township of Esquimalt providing the lands shall not be subdivided, built upon or used (as appropriate to the requirement, as drafted by the Township's solicitor at the applicant's expense) in the absence of all of the following:
- Membership for a shared vehicle service for all the units.
- Provision of one-year BC Transit bus passes for the Victoria Regional Transit System for the residents without a parking space.
- No restrictions on bicycles in elevator.

- 3-metre right of way along Tillicum Road for public realm improvements.

Council direct staff and legal counsel for the Township to coordinate with the property owner to ensure a Section 219 Covenant addressing the issues is registered against the property title, in priority to all financial encumbrances, prior to returning Amendment Bylaw No. 3056 to Council for consideration of adoption. Carried.

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

Opposed: 2 - Councillor Hundleby, and Councillor Vermeulen

#### 6. 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.

Geoff Pearce, non resident, spoke to item 8. 2 on the agenda regarding the proposed overhead cable car Gondola transit connector. A request was made that Council participate in the joint pre-feasibility study that will benefit the community and the region by being environmentally friendly, a connector for the #15 transit bus, and would reduce traffic congestion on Admirals Road.

#### 7. STAFF REPORTS

#### Administration

1) <u>22-182</u> 2022 General Local Elections Bylaws, Staff Report No. ADM-22-010

The Manager, Corporate Services, responded to questions from Council.

Council comments included:

- This is an opportunity to increase municipal voter turn out and provides a safer option to vote.
- The Provincial and Federal elections created an expectation and desire for the option of mail in ballots.
- It will be a benefit for those unable to be in the Township during the election.

Moved by Councillor Armour, seconded by Councillor Vermeulen: That Council:

- 1. give first, second, and third readings to "Election and Assent Voting Procedures Bylaw, 2022, No. 3068"; and
- 2. give first, second, and third readings to "Automated Vote Counting System Authorization and Procedures Bylaw, 2022, No. 3069". Carried Unanimously.
- 2) 22-186 Council Policy ADMIN-78, Requests for Access to Records

## - Development Services

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Armour: That Council approve Council Policy ADMIN-78: Requests for Access to Records - Development Services, as attached to Staff Report No. ADM-22-011. Carried Unanimously.

3) <u>22-190</u> Amendments to Fees and Charges (Miscellaneous) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2961, Staff Report No. ADM-22-012

Moved by Councillor Armour, seconded by Councillor Brame: That Council give first, second, and third readings to Fees and Charges (Miscellaneous) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2961, Amendment Bylaw, 2022, No. 3070. Carried Unanimously.

#### **Finance**

4) 22-180 2022 Financial Plan and Tax Rate Bylaws, Staff Report FIN-22-007

The Director of Financial Services responded to questions from Council.

Moved by Councillor Armour, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That Council give first, second and third readings to Financial Plan Bylaw, 2022, No. 3054 and Tax Rates Bylaw, 2022, No. 3055. Carried Unanimously.

## **Development Services**

5) <u>22-063</u> Rezoning Application and Addition to the Esquimalt Heritage Register - 1253 Lyall Street, Staff Report No. DEV-22-033

Yvonne Mitchell, Planner made a presentation and together with the Director of Development Services, responded to questions from Council.

Council discussion included:

- The rear addition to the home must be removed prior to subdivision as it will be located past the new lot line.
- Painting is required to be completed prior to construction starting on the new lot as outlined in the covenant.
- Issues regarding clean up of the property should go through the Bylaw Enforcement Officer and is not a condition in the rezoning process.
- Confirm the consideration and plans for clean up of the property prior to first and second reading.
- Putting the property on the heritage registry protects the home from demolition without it having to go to Council. The Section 219 Covenant allows for the changes to the building as proposed, which includes the addition and painting. Additional changes would require a heritage alteration permit.
- To prevent deterioration, ensure the house is protected and maintained.
- The proposal is the right infill density for this end of Esquimalt.

- Pleased current owners want to restore the heritage designation.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby:

- 1. That Council not hold a Public Hearing pursuant to Local Government Act, Section 464(2) for Zoning Bylaw, 1992, No. 2050, Amendment Bylaw, 2022, No. 3057 (Appendix A), which would amend Zoning Bylaw, 1992, No. 2050, by changing the zoning designation of 1253 Lyall Street [PID 000-158-992; Lot 6, Block A, Suburban Lot 49, Esquimalt District, Plan 772], shown cross-hatched on Schedule 'A' of Bylaw No. 3057, from Two Family DADU Residential [RD-4] to Comprehensive Development District No. 148 [CD No. 148], and direct staff to proceed with appropriate public notification and return the bylaw to Council for consideration of first and second reading; and
- 2. That 1253 Lyall Street [PID: 000-158-992; Lot 6, Block A, Suburban Lot 49, Esquimalt District, Plan 772] be added to the Esquimalt Heritage Register and that the Statement of Significance [Appendix G] be accepted as presented. Carried Unanimously
- 6) <u>22-172</u> Development Permit Application 530, 534 & 538 West Bay Terrace, and 877 & 879 Dunsmuir Road, Staff Report No. DEV-22-031

Alex Tang, Planner presented a PowerPoint to Council and together with the Director of Development Services, responded to questions.

#### Council comments included:

- Applications are encouraged to build to Step Code 3.
- The colour scheme fits within the neighbourhood.
- The addition of trees and the effort to retain some of the trees on the property is appreciated.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Armour: That Council approves Development Permit No. DP000172, attached as Appendix A to Staff Report DEV-22-031, consistent with the architectural plans provided dHKarchitects, landscape plan provided by LADR Architects, and sited in accordance with the site plan provided by Polaris Land Surveying, Inc., all stamped "Received March 25, 2022", and staff be directed to issue the permit and register the notice on the title of the property located at 530 West Bay Terrace [PID 005-090-202, Lot 7, Section 11, Esquimalt District, Plan 11515], 534 West Bay Terrace [PID 000-074-659, Lot 6, Section 11, Esquimalt District, Plan 11515], 538 West Bay Terrace [PID 000-074-594, Lot 5, Section 11, Esquimalt District, Plan 11515]. 877 Dunsmuir Road [PID 005-090-181. Lot 2, Section 11. [PID Esquimalt District, Plan 11515], and 879 Dunsmuir Road 000-074-683, Lot 1, Section 11, Esquimalt District, Plan 11515]. Carried.

In Favour: 6 - Mayor Desjardins, Councillor Armour, Councillor Brame, Councillor Helliwell, Councillor Morrison, and Councillor Vermeulen

Opposed: 1 - Councillor Hundleby

Moved by Mayor Desjardins, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That the Regular Council meeting be extended to 10:30 PM. Carried.

In Favour: 6 - Mayor Desjardins, Councillor Armour, Councillor Helliwell, Councillor Hundleby, Councillor Morrison, and Councillor Vermeulen

Opposed: 1 - Councillor Brame

Mayor Desjardins recused herself and left the meeting at 10:03 PM due to the proximity of her personal property to the following rezoning application.

Mayor Desjardins delegated Councillor Morrison as Chair in her absence.

7) 22-174 Rezoning Application - Proposed 213-Unit 5-Storey Multifamily Apartment - 1221 Carlisle Avenue, Staff Report DEV-22-032

The Director of Development Services introduced the new Manager of Planning, James Davison, who comes from the Town of View Royal where he worked as a Planner for the past 10 years.

The Manager of Development Services made a presentation and together with the Director of Development Services, responded to questions from Council.

#### Council comments included:

- An increase from Step Code 2 to Step Code 3 would be appreciated.
- Concern with privacy for residents as there is not enough room in between the buildings and it is a public thoroughfare, so privacy would be compromised.
- Unique to Esquimalt Housing Agreements is the provision for the Department of National Defence and Seaspan to rent out a block of units from a developer to encourage their employees to live in the Township.
- The car is not included with the Modo car share amenity, just the designated parking stall.
- More 3 bedroom units are encouraged.
- A commitment to rental only has not been made by the developer to allow for future possibility of condos.
- A commitment for affordable housing opportunities has not been made by the developer.
- A commitment by covenant to ensure the ground floor amenity space is

designated as a fitness area would be appreciated to offset the increased demand at the Esquimalt Recreation Centre.

- Moving the current homes off the site instead of demolishing them would be appreciated.

Jennifer Kay, Planner and Principal with TownSquare Planning and Rob Whetter, Principal of dHKarchitects, the applicants made a presentation and responded to questions from Council.

Council comments and discussion included:

- Largest lot consolidation that has been seen in the Township for a while.
- Concern with the balance between one and two bedroom units as the neighbourhood is more family oriented and a hub for children with the water park, recreation centre, library and Memorial Park nearby.
- Visual renderings of the outside of the building would be helpful in understanding the look of the project.
- The property owner's business is primarily rental, but a strata is desired as a long term option for valuation.
- Concerns with a wind tunnel forming through the centre courtyard.
- There is a lot of desire in the community for three bedroom units.
- Step Code 3 is preferred.
- Parking impact on the neighbourhood could be reduced by requiring the units to include a stall as part of the monthly rent. Owners should be encouraged to include this in the covenant.
- A guarantee on the type of use for the amenity space is encouraged.
- Currently the carshare designated space is located in the underground gated parking. Carshare companies, such as Modo, prefer the designated parking space to be accessible to the community to allow for increased viability.
- An increase in the number of three bedroom units to 10 15% of the building is encouraged.
- The accessible front facing street level units, artwork, and the development's connection into the TownSquare are appreciated.
- Developers base the mix of unit types on current market demand. Council's understanding of the market is limited.

Moved by Councillor Helliwell, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That Council resolves that Zoning Bylaw, 1992, No. 2050, Amendment Bylaw, 2022, No. 3065, attached to Staff Report No. DEV-22-174 as Appendix A, which would amend Zoning Bylaw, 1992, No. 2050 by changing the zoning designation of the following parcels legally described as (or as may be updated following consolidation of the parcels):

Lot Section District Plan PID

- 11 11 Esquimalt 946 002-179-105
- 14 11 Esquimalt 946 008-183-309

- 15 11 Esquimalt 946 008-183-376
- 16 11 Esquimalt 946 000-248-134
- 17 11 Esquimalt 946 008-183-422
- 18 11 Esquimalt 946 008-183-481
- 19 11 Esquimalt 946 008-183-546
- 20 11 Esquimalt 946 005-587-638
- 21 11 Esquimalt 946 (See Note)\* 008-183-597
- 21 11 Esquimalt 946 (See Note)\*\* 008-183-601
- 22 11 Esquimalt 946 008-183-619
- 23 11 Esquimalt 946 008-183-635
- A 11 Esquimalt 3829 006-111-092
- B 11 Esquimalt 3829 006-111-131

#### Note:

\* THAT PART OF LOT 21, SECTION 11, ESQUIMALT DISTRICT, PLAN 946, LYING TO THE EAST OF A STRAIGHT BOUNDARY JOINING THE POINTS OF BISECTION OF THE NORTH EASTERLY AND SOUTH WESTERLY BOUNDARIES OF SAID LOT

\*\*EXCEPT THAT PART OF LOT 21. SECTION 11. **ESQUIMALT** PLAN THE DISTRICT. 946. LYING TO EAST OF STRAIGHT BOUNDARY JOINING THE POINTS OF BISECTION OF THE NORTH EASTERLY AND SOUTH WESTERLY BOUNDARIES OF SAID LOT

all shown cross hatched on Schedule 'A' of Bylaw No. 2989, from to CD No. 152 [Comprehensive Development District No. 152] be given first reading. Carried.

In Favour: 6 - Mayor Desjardins, Councillor Brame, Councillor Helliwell, Councillor Hundleby, Councillor Morrison, and Councillor Vermeulen

Opposed: 1 - Councillor Armour

Mayor Desjardins returned to the meeting at 10:50 PM and resumed the Chair.

Moved by Councillor Hundleby, seconded by Councillor Morrison: That the Regular Council meeting be extended to 11:15 PM. Carried.

In Favour: 4 - Mayor Desjardins, Councillor Helliwell, Councillor Hundleby, and Councillor Morrison

Opposed: 3 - Councillor Armour, Councillor Brame, and Councillor Vermeulen

## 8. COMMUNICATIONS

#### For Council's Consideration

1) <u>22-169</u> Email from Paul Gregory - Nature Canada, dated April 7, 2022 Re World Ocean Day June 8th - Motion for Ocean Protection

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Morrison: That Council endorse the following:

WHEREAS, Wednesday, June 8, 2022, is the 30th annual World Ocean's Day. World Oceans Day is the United Nations day for celebrating the role of the ocean in everyday life and inspiring action to protect it.

WHEREAS, Countries around the world, including Canada as a prominent leader, have committed to protecting 30% of their ocean territory by 2030 in order to reverse nature loss in the ocean and safeguard at-risk marine life.

WHEREAS, The ocean is home to hundreds of species at risk, vulnerable ecosystems, and is a crucial carbon sink shielding us from the worst of climate change.

WHEREAS, The ocean produces over half of the world's oxygen and absorbs 50 times more carbon dioxide than our atmosphere. Therefore protecting the ocean is in the interest of all life on Earth, and communities both coastal and inland, as it is essential to our shared future.

WHEREAS, It is the jurisdiction of the Government of Canada, under various pieces of legislation and regulation, to establish marine protected areas in consultation with Indigenous Peoples. Many Indigenous nations and communities are leading in the conservation of the ocean, and have been stewards of the ocean since time immemorial.

WHEREAS, It is important for municipal leaders to demonstrate support for actions to safeguard the ocean, as they have for action on climate change and other environmental matters of national importance.

WHEREAS, In celebrating the ocean, and protecting its habitats and ecosystems, we can together raise the profile of ocean conservation's critical role in improving planetary health and slowing the crisis of species collapse and ecosystem decline.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Township of Esquimalt recognizes the 30th anniversary of World Oceans Day on June 8th, 2022 and supports national and international efforts to protect 30% of the ocean by 2030. Carried unanimously.

2) <u>22-173</u> Letter from Geoff Pearce received April 11, 2022 Re. Proposed Overhead Cable Car Gondola Transit Connector

This item was received.

3) <u>22-183</u> Email from Candy Keillor dated April 10, 2022 Re: Operation Smile Invitation to Proclaim June 19, 2022 the

## Longest Day of SMILES

Moved by Councillor Morrison, seconded by Councillor Brame: That Council proclaim June 19, 2022 as the Longest Day of SMILES in the Township of Esquimalt. Carried Unanimously.

4) <u>22-184</u> Email from Crystelle Jensen dated April 11, 2022 Re Deafblind Awareness Month

Council discussed the possible interest that the Township Community Arts Council and the Esquimalt Community Arts Hub may have in the tactile arts project "Yarn Bombing" which supports the Canadian Deafblind Association.

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That Council direct staff to light up the Archie Browning Sports Centre and the Adventure Water Park in blue to celebrate National Deafblind Awareness Month during June; and that Council direct staff to forward the information on the Yarn Bombing to Build Awareness about National Deafblind Awareness Month to the Township Community Arts Council and the Esquimalt Community Arts Hub. Carried Unanimously.

5) <u>22-191</u> Email from Kristin Kain dated April 19, 2022 Re: Commuter Challenge Invitation

This item was received.

#### For Council's Information

22-187 Jillian 6) Email from Rouselle -Liquor and Cannabis dated 11, 2022 Re Regulation Branch April Policy Directive 22-07 Managed Alcohol Programs

This item was received.

7) <u>22-188</u> Email from Jim Knock dated April 17, 2022 Re: BC Energy Step Codes and Low Carbon Energy System Bylaws

This item was received.

#### 9. NOTICE OF MOTION

1) <u>22-175</u> National Day of Truth and Reconciliation Mayor Desjardins - For Consideration

Moved by Mayor Desjardins, seconded by Councillor Hundleby: That Council endorse the following:

WHEREAS: Mayors of the region have discussed how municipalities could jointly support First Nations in relation to the September 30th National Day of Truth and Reconciliation but need a coordinated approach to develop options;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That Council, in coordination with other regional municipalities, approve up to \$500 toward funding a consultant to look at regional approaches in support of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Carried Unanimously.

## 10. RISE AND REPORT

There was no Rise and Report.

## 11. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was no public input.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Brame, seconded by Councillor Vermeulen: That the Regular Council meeting be adjourned at 10:55 PM. Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR BARBARA DESJARDINS
THIS 16TH DAY OF MAY, 2022

DEBRA HOPKINS, CORPORATE OFFICER
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