

# CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

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# **Legislation Text**

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# REQUEST FOR DECISION

**DATE:** August 21, 2017 Report No. EPW-17-037

**TO:** Laurie Hurst, Chief Administrative Officer

**FROM:** Jeff Miller, Director of Engineering and Public Works

#### SUBJECT:

Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw, 2017, No. 2898 - Extraordinary Traffic Clause

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council directs Staff not to undertake enforcement of the extraordinary traffic definition/clause as per the Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw, 2017, No. 2898 with respect to the Esquimalt Town Square construction activities.

#### **RELEVANT POLICY:**

Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw, 2017, No. 2898

#### STRATEGIC RELEVANCE:

Well Managed and Maintained Infrastructure - Identify infrastructure repair and proactively plan for replacement needs.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Within the Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw (STB), extraordinary traffic is defined (see Attachment 1 - Definition). The STB further defines how extraordinary traffic will be managed (see Attachment 2 - Division 2, Clause 16). As the Esquimalt Town Square (ETS) project moves forward, the site will experience construction traffic during the project life that meets the definition of extraordinary traffic.

#### **ISSUES:**

#### 1. Rationale for Selected Option

The ETS site is a unique development site. Currently the property is owned by the Township but this ownership will transfer as the redevelopment of the site occurs. Once the transfer of title has been completed the Developer would be responsible for meeting the requirements of the STB (extraordinary traffic). Due to the financial arrangement (Sales Agreement) that is in place, the

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costs that the Developer will incur to meet the requirements of the STB (extraordinary traffic) would most likely be attributed back to the Township as the total cost of the land transfer is finalized. Staff is recommending that the STB (extraordinary traffic) definition/clause not be assigned to the ETS site construction activities.

## 2. Organizational Implications

There are no significant organizational implications if the STB (extraordinary traffic) definition/clause were not assigned to the ETS site construction activities. Staff would still monitor the traffic associated with the project. If significant damage was to occur to a component of the Township's infrastructure, the Township would pursue the correction of the damage with the Developer.

## 3. Financial Implications

Based on Township's projects, the cost to implement the STB (extraordinary traffic) clause would fall within a range of \$5,000 to \$10,000. The final cost would be determined based on how the Developer chooses to stage the project and carry out activities such as soil removal and concrete deliveries.

## 4. Sustainability & Environmental Implications

The STB (extraordinary traffic) definition is utilized to compensate the Township for a decrease in life of an asset due to a significant increase in usage over a short period of time. Funds received are then used to remove/replace/upgrade the asset prior to its shorter life span due to the loading.

## 5. Communication & Engagement

Staff will inform the Developer of the STB and their exemption from this clause. Any damage that is directly attributed to the Project will still be the responsibility of the Developer.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1. That Council directs Staff not to undertake enforcement of the extraordinary traffic definition/clause as per the Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw, 2017, No. 2898 with respect to the Esquimalt Town Square construction activities.
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