

MINUTES - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MEETING HELD THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2002, AT 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Lowe, in the Chair, and Councillors Fleming, Holland, Hughes, Lunt, Madoff, Savoie and Vanden Berg

ABSENT: Councillor McLean

Mr. Joe Martignago, City Manager, attended for the entire meeting and Messrs. Carlsen, Dellebuur, Dennis, Dowdall, and Woodland, Ms. Atkinson, Mr. Baryluk, Ms. Fowler, Ms. Ramsay, Chief Thoresen, Cst. Saunderson, and Cst. Anthony attended for portions of the meeting. Mr. Jordan and Mr. de Sousa from Staples, McDannold, Stewart also attended.

Recording Secretary: Linda Johnson

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTS

02/525

Committee received a memorandum dated November 14, 2002 from the Community Development Planner providing a summary of Special Project Grant applications for the September 2002 intake, and making funding recommendations for consideration by Council. 9 grant applications were received, with a total amount requested of \$31,658.

Of the \$80,450 in this grant budget, approximately 57% (\$46,000) was allocated by Council in the first 2002 grant intake. At present there is \$34,450 available for project funding in this final cycle. Staff recommended allocation of \$17,000 for this intake.

Committee originally reviewed the grant applications at its meeting on November 14, 2002, and referred consideration to the November 21st meeting. On November 14th staff was requested to provide information regarding three issues of concern.

The Community Development Planner presented a verbal report addressing those concerns. She advised that:

- Staff is recommending a \$250 grant to the Greater Victoria Hospital Award Society to cover the cost of medals for the remainder of 2002, and the cost of 2003 medals be referred to the City's 2003 budget discussions.
- A Community Development Planner will meet with the James Bay Newspaper Society to discuss other funding possibilities for them.
- The Victoria AM Association has met with Tourism Victoria and has agreed to partner with them in implementing the Cruise Ship Exit Survey program.

Councillor Savoie requested consideration of an increase to the grant amount recommended by staff for the City Green: Green Garden Visit.

ACTION: Councillor Holland moved that it be recommended to Council that the following Special Project Grants, be approved:

APPLICANT	AMOUNT APPROVED
The Dallas Society - <i>Victoria Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Community Circle</i>	Declined
YM-YWCA of Greater Victoria - <i>We Are Family</i>	4,000
Greater Victoria Hospitality Award Society - <i>Victoria Hospitality Award</i>	250
James Bay Newspaper Society - <i>New Production Methods</i>	Declined
Victoria AM Association - <i>Cruise Ship Exit Survey</i>	2,500
City Green - <i>The Green Garden Visit</i>	3,400
Inter Cultural Association of Greater Victoria - <i>Imag-I-nation Cultural Clothesline</i>	4,000
Victoria Car Share Cooperative - <i>Neighbourhood Car Sharing Initiative</i>	3,000

Councillor Hughes advised of a potential conflict of interest because of her association with the following organization. She left the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

ACTION: Councillor Holland moved that it be recommended to Council that the following Special Project Grant, be approved:

APPLICANT	AMOUNT APPROVED
Capital Region Food and Agriculture Initiatives Roundtable - <i>Report on Food Access Forum</i>	\$ 1,000

Councillor Hughes returned to the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT #02-34
1990 OAK BAY AVENUE

02/524

Committee received a memorandum dated November 7, 2002 from the City Planning Division regarding Development Permit #02-34 for 1990 Oak Bay Avenue. The development of the property is currently subject to a development permit with a variance and is within Development Permit Area #12. The existing Development Permit was issued on September 20, 2001. The applicant has requested an additional variance to the parking standard.

- ACTION:** Councillor Madoff moved that it be recommended to Council that a Development Permit be issued in accordance with:
- 1) Plans stamped "Development Permit Application #02-34 dated September 30, 2002.
 - 2) Development meeting all bylaw requirements with the following relaxation:
Schedule C, Section C4 Relaxation of parking requirement from 1 space per 60m² of gross floor area (31) to 1 space per 65m² of gross floor area (18)
 - 3) Final plans to be in accordance with plans identified above, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning & Development.

ROCK BAY PLANNING STUDY

02/523

Committee received a memorandum dated November 18, 2002 from the Economic Development Planner regarding the Rock Bay Plan, which is included in the Planning Department's work program for 2002. Both the *Burnside Neighbourhood Plan – 1992* and the *Victoria Harbour Plan – 2001* identify the need for more detailed planning for the Rock Bay study area. The report included Plan Objectives, Outcomes Expected, and a Communications Plan.

- ACTION:** Councillor Madoff moved that:
- 1) The report dated November 18, 2002 from the Economic Development Planner regarding the Rock Bay Plan, and the attached Communications Plan, be received for information.
 - 2) Staff be requested to prepare a report regarding the structure and role of an advisory committee for the Rock Bay planning study.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

DISPOSITION OF COMMUNICATIONS

02/522

Committee received a memorandum dated November 18, 2002, from the Manager, Administration, reporting that certain communications received in the Legislative Services Division have been dealt with on the date and in the manner indicated.

- ACTION:** Councillor Hughes moved that the Disposition of Communications dated November 18, 2002 from the Manager, Administration, be received for information and filed.

COUNCILLOR INQUIRIES

JOINT COUNCIL-POLICE BOARD MEETING

02/521

Councillor Savoie requested a joint Victoria City Council – Victoria Police Board meeting that would include a discussion on drug use and corresponding harm reduction programs.

Mayor Lowe advised that this would be arranged early in 2003.

KYOTO ACCORD

02/520

Councillor Vanden Berg reported that the Environment and Shoreline Advisory Committee has requested that Council advise the federal government of its continued support of the Kyoto Accord.

ACTION: Councillor Vanden Berg moved that it be recommended to Council that Mayor Lowe send a letter to the Prime Minister, with copies to the Minister of the Environment and the Minister of Industry, advising of the City's continued support of the Kyoto Accord and requesting ratification.

CLOSED MEETING - 9:45 A.M.

Councillor Madoff moved that Committee of the Whole convene a closed meeting that excludes the public under Section 10(6) of the Council Bylaw for the reason that the following agenda items deal with matters specified in Section 10 (3) of the Council Bylaw.

ACTION: Councillor Hughes moved that Councillors-Elect Coleman, Fortin, and Thornton-Joe be permitted to remain in the Closed Meeting for the next two agenda items.

ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW

02/519

The Manager, Development and Regulatory Services, presented a draft bylaw that would replace Bylaw #02-110, previously given third reading by Council on October 24, 2002. The new bylaw dealt with concerns expressed by Council at that time.

FIRE SERVICES AGREEMENT

02/518

Committee received legal advice regarding the Fire Services Agreement between the City of Victoria and the Township of Esquimalt.

ACTION: Councillor Hughes moved that the draft letter regarding the Fire Services Agreement, as presented to Committee of the Whole at its November 21st, 2002 meeting, be approved and forwarded to the Mayor and Council of Esquimalt.

The meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

APPEAL FOR TAXI PERMIT – MR. M.B. ZELEKE

02/517

Constables Dale Saunderson and Rick Anthony, Victoria City Police, indicated that Mr. Zeleke's Chief's Permit has been suspended under the Vehicles for Hire Bylaw, and outlined the reasons for the suspension.

Mr. Zeleke requested Council's consideration of reinstating his Chief's Permit, and outlined the reasons for his appeal.

- ACTION:** Councillor Fleming moved that it be recommended to Council that:
- 1) Council grant the appeal and instruct the Chief of Police to issue a Chief's Permit to Mr. Zeleke.
 - 2) The appellant's employer confirm in writing, prior to November 28, 2002, that the employer has reviewed with the appellant emergency procedures to be used if a driver is assaulted or his vehicle is damaged.

The meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Mayor Lowe, Chair