Mayor Haynes called the regular Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2.

In Camera Motion

MOVED by Councillor Taylor and Seconded by Councillor de Vries: “That pursuant to Section 90 (1) (e) of the Community Charter, Part 4, Division 3, the meeting be closed as the matter relates to the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality.”

CARRIED

Adjournment

On a motion from Councillor Taylor, the meeting adjourned to In Camera at 6:01 p.m.

The Council meeting reconvened in Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

OPEN FORUM

L. Layne, San Lorenzo Avenue
- It is important to mitigate the flow of plastics into the oceans.

T. Barry, Lily Avenue
- The climate action workshops that were recently held in Saanich were appreciated; they generated a lot of good discussion.

AWARDS PRESENTATION

Mayor Haynes recognized Councillor Brownoff for 25 years of service to the District of Saanich.

DELEGATION

S. Gorup, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation and P. Harriott, President, Metis Nation of Greater Victoria advised of the formation of the Victoria Urban Reconciliation Dialogue and its mandate to promote a collaborative approach to reconciliation in the Victoria area.
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES March 25, 2019

Minutes

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Harper: “That Council adopt the minutes of the:
- Council meeting of February 25, 2019;
- Special Council meeting of March 9, 2019; and
- Council meeting of March 11, 2019.”

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION
Notice of Motion from Councillor Harper that Saanich inform the Province that it supports the Jeux de la Francophonie planned for 2020. The motion will be presented at the April 8, 2019 Council meeting.

NOTICE OF MOTION
Notice of Motion from Councillor de Vries that the Mayor's Working Group has prepared for a Saanich Forum on Housing to be held on Saturday, May 4, 2019 and request that Council approve funding support from the Council Strategic Initiatives Fund. The motion will be presented at the April 8, 2019 Council meeting.

NOTICE OF MOTION
Notice of Motion from Councillor Taylor that Council continue to support the development of a new youth bike park in Saanich. The motion will be presented at the April 8, 2019 Council meeting.

RISE AND REPORT FROM IN CAMERA MEETINGS

SAANICH HERITAGE FOUNDATION APPOINTMENTS

“That Council appoint Vicki Sanders to the Saanich Heritage Foundation for a term ending December 31, 2019.”

“That Council re-appoint the following individuals to the Saanich Heritage Foundation for a term ending December 31, 2019:

Mark Brown        Brad Shuya
Sheila Colwill    Robert Townsend
Art Joyce         Katherine Whitworth.”
Ross O'Connell

“That Council appoint Veronica McEllister to the Saanich Heritage Foundation for a term ending December 31, 2019.”

ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

“That Council rescind the appointment of Mr. John Crawford to the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee.”
“That Council appoint Mr. James Hesser to the Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee for a term ending December 31, 2019.”

From the In Camera meeting of March 11, 2019

**PENINSULA AND AREA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

“That Council rescind the appointment of Councillor Chambers to the Peninsula and Area Agricultural Commission.”

“That Council approve Councillor Brice as the external appointment to the Peninsula and Area Agricultural Commission for a two year term expiring December 31, 2020.”

**BYLAWS FOR FINAL READING**

**PARKS MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL BYLAW AMENDMENT**

Final Reading of “Parks Management and Control Bylaw, 1997, Amendment Bylaw, 2019, No. 9547” to list parks that allow temporary overnight sheltering.

MOVED by Councillor Chambers and Seconded by Councillor de Vries: “That Bylaw No. 9547 be adopted by Council and the Seal of the Corporation be attached thereto.”

CARRIED

**BYLAWS FOR FIRST READING SUBJECT TO A PUBLIC HEARING**

**1555 ASH ROAD – REZONING TO RS-10 AND DESIGNATION OF A HERITAGE SITE**

First Reading of “Zoning Bylaw, 2003, Amendment Bylaw, 2019, No. 9549” to rezone from RS-12 (Single Family Dwelling) zone to RS-10 (Single Family Dwelling) zone.

MOVED by Councillor Harper and Seconded by Councillor Chambers: “That Bylaw No. 9549 be introduced and read.”

CARRIED

First Reading of “Heritage Designation Bylaw, 2019 (1555 Ash Road), No. 9550” to designate the existing dwelling on Lot 17, Section 17, Victoria District, Plan 27789 (1555 Ash Road) as a Municipal Heritage site.

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor de Vries: “That Bylaw No. 9550 be introduced and read.”

CARRIED

**4144 WILKINSON ROAD – REZONING TO C-3L**

First Reading of “Zoning Bylaw, 2003, Amendment Bylaw, 2019, No. 9551” to rezone from C-3 (Shopping Centre) zone to C-3L (Shopping Centre/Major Liquor Retail) zone to allow liquor retail sales.
MOVED by Councillor Taylor and Seconded by Councillor Harper: “That Bylaw No. 9551 be introduced and read.”

CARRIED

RATIFICATION OF THE EXEMPTION FROM THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM 10% PERIMETER ROAD FRONTAGE

1917 SAN JUAN AVENUE – SUBDIVISION

From the Committee of the Whole meeting held July 16, 2018, approval of the exemption from the statutory requirement under the Local Government Act to provide a minimum 10% perimeter road frontage in order to create a panhandle lot under the existing RS-10 (Single Family Dwelling) zone.

MOVED by Councillor Mersereau and Seconded by Councillor Taylor: “That Council approve an exemption from the minimum 10% road frontage requirement under Section 512 (2) of the Local Government Act for Lot B on Lot 2, Section 85, Victoria District, Plan 13277 (1917 San Juan Avenue).”

CARRIED

PUBLIC INPUT ON COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

K. Satterfield, Director of Retail Sales, BCLDB
Non-Medical Cannabis
- It is appropriate to allow retail sales of cannabis in zones where liquor sales are permitted; profits earned at the public stores are returned to the Province providing financial support for health care and education.
- Keeping cannabis out of the hands of minors will continue to be a priority.

E. Norgaard Kituri, Anthem Properties
Non-Medical Cannabis
- Option 1 in the staff report is supportable; those zones where liquor is currently permitted should also permit the sale of cannabis.

T. Barry, Lily Avenue
New Provincial Active Transportation Strategy/Clean BC Plan & New Southern Vancouver Island Transportation Strategy
- Requesting the Province create a South Island Transportation Strategy as part of the Clean BC Plan will ensure that programs align and are congruent.
- Saanich provides more opportunities in getting people out of vehicles than other municipalities so it may be appropriate to request more than a per capita investment.

BYLAWS FOR THREE READINGS

1110-30
Parks Management and Control Bylaw
801, 813, 833, 837 AND 841 DARWIN AVENUE, 821, 843 AND 846 NIGEL AVENUE, 828, 832 AND 880 VERNON AVENUE – HOUSING AGREEMENT

Report of the Director of Planning dated March 8, 2019 recommending that Council:
- Rescind Third, Second and First Readings of “Housing Agreement Authorization Bylaw (Nigel Valley), 2018, No. 9526”;

2900-30
San Juan Avenue

PUBLIC INPUT ON COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

1110-30
Zoning Bylaw Amendment

1420-30
ATAC

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- Give Three Readings to “Housing Agreement Authorization Bylaw (Nigel Valley), 2019, No. 9552” to secure rental and affordable housing commitments for the Nigel Valley redevelopment.


CARRIED


CARRIED


CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Chambers: “That Bylaw No. 9552 be introduced and read.”

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Harper: “That Bylaw No. 9552 be read a second time.”

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Taylor: “That Bylaw No. 9552 be now passed.”

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION

AWARD OF TENDER 06/19 – WATERWORKS FITTINGS
Report of the Director of Engineering dated March 11, 2019 recommending that Council approve award of Tender 06/19 for waterworks fittings, for goods as and when ordered, to the vendors as listed in the report.

MOVED by Councillor de Vries and Seconded by Councillor Taylor: “That Council approve award of Tender 06/19 for waterworks fittings, for goods as and when ordered, to Corix Water Products, Fred Surridge Ltd., Andrew Sheret Limited, and EMCO Corporation Ltd.”

CARRIED

AWARD OF TENDER 03/19 – ASPHALT PAVING WORKS
Report of the Director of Engineering dated March 11, 2019 recommending that Council approve award of Tender 03/19, plus change orders within approved budget, for asphalt paving works to Capital City Paving Ltd., who submitted a bid of $1,478,308 (based on estimated quantities and excluding GST).
MOVED by Councillor de Vries and Seconded by Councillor Mersereau: “That Council approve award of Tender 03/19, plus change orders within approved budget, for asphalt paving works to Capital City Paving Ltd., who submitted a bid of $1,478,308 (based on estimated quantities and excluding GST).”

Council discussion ensued with the following comments:
- The information provided with respect to the financial implications is appreciated.

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES


MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Taylor: “That the following motions from the March 18, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting be ratified:

2870-30
Shelbourne Street

3949 SHELBOURNE STREET – REZONING AND DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

“That a Public Hearing be called to further consider rezoning application on Lot 1, Section 57, Victoria District, Plan 20674, Except that Part in Plan 49331 (Road Only) (3949 Shelbourne Street);

2870-30
Dale Street

914 AND 916 DALE STREET – SUBDIVISION AND REZONING APPLICATION

“That a Public Hearing be called to further consider the rezoning application on Lot 4, Section 7, Victoria District, Plan 4421 (916 Dale Street); and Lot 5, Section 7, Victoria District, Plan 4421 (914 Dale Street);

2870-30
Hastings Street

1360 HASTINGS STREET – REZONING AND DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

“That a Public Hearing be called to further consider the rezoning application on Lot 6, Section 13, Lake District, Plan 6651 (1360 Hastings Street);

1110-30
Development Cost Charge Bylaw

DEVELOPMENT COST CHARGE (DCC) MAJOR REVIEW – MULTI-FAMILY APARTMENT CHARGE

“That Council direct staff to include per unit fees for multi-family apartment type developments in the Development Cost Charge bylaw.”

CARRIED
NEW PROVINCIAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY/CLEAN BC PLAN
Memo from the February 21, 2019 Active Transportation Advisory Committee meeting recommending that:
- That Council write to the Premier and Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy supporting the Clean BC Plan, and request a per capita investment towards the higher end of those identified in the Clean BC Plan at the local government level, to expedite investments in the District of Saanich’s Active Transportation Plan;
- the District of Saanich is ready to accelerate the implementation of our approved Active Transportation Plan to make efficient use of any new funding opportunities; and
- District of Saanich staff be included as members of the technical working groups.

MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Taylor: “That Council approve that:
- Council write to the Premier and Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy supporting the Clean BC Plan, and request a per capita investment towards the higher end of those identified in the Clean BC Plan at the local government level, to expedite investments in the District of Saanich’s Active Transportation Plan;
- the District of Saanich is ready to accelerate the implementation of our approved Active Transportation Plan to make efficient use of any new funding opportunities; and
- District of Saanich staff be included as members of the technical working groups.”

Council discussion ensued with the following comments:
- The goal is to get more municipalities throughout the Province to adopt an Active Transportation Plan.
- It is appropriate to request that the Provincial Government invest in and work with local governments.

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

NEW SOUTHERN VANCOUVER ISLAND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY
Memo from the February 21, 2019 Active Transportation Advisory Committee meeting recommending that:
- Council write to the Premier and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure supporting the initiative to create a Provincal Southern Vancouver Island Transportation Strategy;
- The Provincial Southern Vancouver Island Transportation Strategy be developed in harmony with the Clean BC Plan;
- The mode share targets of the District of Saanich and the Victoria Regional Transit Commission be given priority in the Plan;
- The District of Saanich be included as a stakeholder in the development of this strategy; and
- District of Saanich staff be included as members of any technical working group.

MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Chambers: “That Council approve that:
- Council write to the Premier and the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure supporting the initiative to create a Provincial Southern
Vancouver Island Transportation Strategy;
- The Provincial Southern Vancouver Island Transportation Strategy be developed in harmony with the Clean BC Plan;
- The mode share targets of the District of Saanich and the Victoria Regional Transit Commission be given priority in the Plan;
- The District of Saanich be included as a stakeholder in the development of this strategy; and
- District of Saanich staff be included as members of any technical working group.”

Council discussion ensued with the following comments:
- Saanich currently has the most Provincial roads in the region and ICBC has announced that the top three accident sites are in Saanich.
- Saanich carries the majority of traffic on its road as vehicles pass through the municipality to get to the core; the regional transit exchange will be hosted at Uptown.
- Creating a network between Saanich, the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, BC Transit and other partners is important.

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

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The Director of Engineering exited the meeting at 7:58 p.m.
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REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

CLIMATE EMERGENCY DECLARATION
Letter from the Capital Regional District dated February 26, 2019 with respect to Climate Emergency Declaration.

MOVED by Councillor Taylor and Seconded by Councillor Chambers:
“That the District of Saanich declare a climate emergency and work towards achieving carbon neutrality in the municipality by 2030.”

Council discussion ensued with the following comments:
- Climate change is one of the most pressing issues facing our world today; Saanich has been a leader in addressing climate change and working to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, but more can be done.
- This is the opportunity for the entire region to work together and collaborate in combatting climate change.
- It would be helpful to outline the actions that Saanich is moving ahead with in terms of climate change mitigation.
- The bulk of greenhouse gas emissions are attributed to transportation and development.

MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Chambers:
“That the motion be amended to add that staff be requested to prepare a report for Council on the initiatives that Saanich would be able to move forward on.”

The Amendment was CARRIED

The Main Motion, as Amended, was then Put and CARRIED
The Motion as Amended:
“That:
1. The District of Saanich declare a climate emergency and work towards achieving carbon neutrality in the municipality by 2030; and
2. Staff be requested to prepare a report for Council on the initiatives that Saanich would be able to move forward on.”

MOVED by Councillor Taylor and Seconded by Councillor Chambers:
“That the new Climate Emergency Declaration and targets be referred to a future Strategic Planning session for further discussion.”

Council discussion ensued with the following comments:
- It is appropriate to discuss targets and the direction Saanich is taking on meeting the goals for reducing greenhouse gas emissions during Strategic Planning.

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS

1410-04 Report – Planning
xref: 1110-30 Zoning Bylaw Amendment

ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT – RETAIL SALE OF NON-MEDICAL CANNABIS

Report of the Director of Planning dated February 27, 2019 recommending that Council amend the Zoning Bylaw to permit non-medical cannabis retail stores only in existing commercial zones that currently permit Liquor Retail Stores.

In response to questions from Council, the Director of Planning stated:
- If Council directs staff to pursue a zoning bylaw amendment, staff would also prepare a policy framework to guide Council on future rezoning, site specific zones and business licence fee options.

MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Harper:
“That:
1. The Zoning Bylaw be amended to include “Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Store” as a permitted use in the C-2LRS, C-3L, C-3LRS, C-3U, C-5LRS, C-11LRS and C-14 zones (option 1);
2. Staff be directed to prepare an appropriate Zoning Bylaw Amendment for consideration at a Public Hearing; and
3. Staff be requested to provide a policy with guidelines and best practices for Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Stores for consideration by Council.”

Council discussion ensued with the following comments:
- It is appropriate to consider the retail sale of cannabis in the same manner that liquor is sold.
- This business could potentially contribute to public wellbeing programs such as mental health and addiction awareness.

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

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The Director of Planning exited the meeting at 8:17 p.m.
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REports from Saanich Advisory Committee Chairs
Council members provided updates on the various committees they Chair.

Adjournment
On a motion from Councillor Brownoff, the meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

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MAYOR

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

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DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK