

DISTRICT OF SAANICH
 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
 FINANCIAL PLAN
 HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
 SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL, 770 VERNON AVENUE
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: **Chair:** Mayor Atwell
Council: Councillors Brice, Brownoff, Derman, Haynes, Plant, Sanders and Wergeland
Staff: P. Thorkelsson, Chief Administrative Officer; V. Tinney, Director of Finance; P. Arslan, Senior Manager, Financial Services; Kelli-Ann Armstrong, Senior Manager, Recreation Services; M. Boysen, Sustainability Coordinator; and Andrea Park, Acting Senior Committee Clerk

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 Community
 Sustainability Grants

**2016 COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANT REQUESTS
 SUSTAINABILITY GRANTS**

Report from the Director of Finance dated March 8, 2016 summarizing the 2016 Community Sustainability Grant applications.

The following organizations submitted grant requests and attended in support of their applications.

Organization	Project	Grant Request
World Fisheries Trust	Seaquaria Program	\$5,000
We Bike	Family Cycling Workshops	3,000
Sierra Club	Celebrate the Coast Festival	4,999
Mt. Tolmie Community Association	Bike Repair Station Installation	3,005
LifeCycles Project Society	Fruit Tree Project and Seed Libraries	10,000
Greater Victoria Cycling Coalition	Bike Route Assessment Rides and Workshops	4,500
Friends Uniting for Nature Society	FUN Camps	7,500
Fish Eye Project Society	Live Dives	5,900
Cridge Centre for the Family	Mattress Recovery	10,000
Creatively United for the Planet	5 th Annual Earth Week Community Festival	2,500
Community Social Planning Council of Greater Victoria	Pedal Powered Recycling	10,000
BC Sustainable Energy Association	Climate Change Showdown	4,968
BC Sustainable Energy Association	Pathway to 100% Renewable Energy by 2050 for Saanich	4,999
Total		\$76,371

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**2016 COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANT REQUESTS
NEIGHBOURHOOD MATCHED PROJECT GRANTS**

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Neighbourhood
Matched Grants

Report from the Director of Finance dated March 8, 2016 summarizing the 2016 Neighbourhood Matched Project Grant applications.

The following organization submitted a grant request and a representative attended in support of the application.

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Grant Request</u>
FORTRESS Foundation	\$3,000

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**2016 OPERATING GRANT REQUESTS
COMMUNITY OR SOCIAL SERVICE GRANTS**

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Community and
Social Service
Grants

Report from the Director of Finance dated March 8, 2016 summarizing the 2016 Community or Social Service Operating Grant applications.

The following organizations submitted grant requests and representatives of several attended in support of their applications.

Organization	Grant Request
Victoria Brain Injury Society	\$3,285
Victoria Advanced Technology Council	5,000
Victoria and VI Greek Community Society	5,000
Vancouver Island South Film & Media Commission	45,000
Tillicum Community School 100 th Anniversary	3,000
Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary Society	250,000
St. John Ambulance	4,000
SportHost Victoria	2,500
Silver Threads Service for Seniors	60,409
Shelbourne Community Kitchen Society	7,000
Saanich Volunteer Services Society	58,368
Saanich Marine Rescue Society	7,500
Saanich Heritage Foundation	42,000
Saanich Fusion Football Club	25,000
Peninsula Streams Society	15,000
Moms Like Us	1,650
Maritime Museum of British Columbia Society	20,000
Horticulture Centre of the Pacific	170,000
Haliburton Community Organic Farm Society	12,000
Greater Victoria Volunteer Society Volunteer Victoria	12,041
Greater Victoria Visitors & Convention Bureau – Tourism Victoria	24,000
Greater Victoria Bike to Work Society	4,500
Greater Victoria Development Agency	27,289
Goward House Society	35,000
Gorge Tillicum Community Association Canada Day Picnic Committee	7,000
Friends of the Ashton Garrison Museum	10,000
Fortress Foundation	10,000

**MOVED by Councillor Derman and Seconded by Councillor Plant:
“That the meeting continue past 11:00 pm.”**

CARRIED

Crisis Intervention & Public Information Society of Greater Victoria (NEED2)	12,500
Community Social Planning Council of Greater Victoria	21,000
Communica Dialogue & Resolution Services	4,500
City of Victoria – Canada Day Celebration	1,000
Cedar Hill Golf Club Ladies’ Division	5,000
Capital Region Refugee Sponsorship Group	5,000
Capital Region Food & Agriculture Initiatives Roundtable	15,000
Bipolar Disorder Society of BC	6,000

In response to questions from the Committee, the Director of Finance agreed to report to the April 19, 2016 Financial Plan meeting on the possibility of any other funding option for certain of the grant requests.

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**2016 OPERATING GRANT REQUESTS
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OPERATING GRANTS**

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Community
Association
Operating Grants

Report from the Director of Finance dated March 8, 2016 recommending that Council consider approval of the 2016 Community Association Operating Grants.

**MOVED by Councillor Haynes and Seconded by Councillor Derman:
“That it be recommended that Council approve the following 2016
Community Association Operating Grants as outlined in the report
from the Director of Finance dated March 8, 2016.**

Organization	Grant	Insurance
Blenkinsop Valley Community Association	1,100	500
Broadmead Area Residents Association	1,100	500
Cadboro Bay Residents Association	1,100	500
Camosun Community Association	1,100	500
Cordova Bay Assn. for Community Affairs	1,100	500
Falaise Community Association	1,100	500
Friends of Mt. Doug Park Society	1,100	500
Gordon Head Residents Association	1,650	500
Gorge Tillicum Community Association	1,650	500
Mt. Tolmie Community Association	1,100	500
Mt. View Colquitz Community Association	1,100	500
North Quadra Community Association	1,100	500
P.I.S.C.E.S.	1,100	500
Prospect Lake & District Community Assoc.	1,100	500
Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association	1,650	500
Residents of Strawberry Vale, Marigold & Glanford Community Association	1,650	500
Rithet’s Bog Conservation Society	1,100	500

Royal Oak Community Association	1,100	500
Total	\$22,000	\$9,000 ”

CARRIED

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2016 HIGH SCHOOL DRY GRAD GRANT REQUESTS

Report from the Director of Finance dated March 8, 2016 recommending that Council consider approval of the Dry Grad applications up to the amount of \$3,205.

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Dry Grad Grants

MOVED by Councillor Haynes and Seconded by Councillor Brownoff: “That it be recommended that Council approve the 2016 Dry Grad applications from the Claremont All Night Dry Grad Committee, Spectrum’s 2016 Dry Grad Celebration Committee and St. Andrews Regional High School 2016 After-Grad Committee, up to the amount of \$3,205.”

CARRIED

5280-20
2016 Budget

COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS ON PROPOSED BUDGET

The Mayor stated that this is an opportunity for Council to deliberate and provide feedback on the budget.

Council members discussed possible options for reducing the 2016 property tax increase.

MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Plant: “That the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to consider the entire budget proposal and prepare a report providing direction on how the proposed property tax increase could be reduced by 0.3%, or approximately \$318,000.”

MOVED by Councillor Plant and Seconded by Councillor Haynes: “That the motion be amended to have the Chief Administrative Officer also provide direction on how the proposed property tax increase could be reduced by 0.5%, and in both scenarios, the 2016 grants allocation would not be reduced below 2015 funding levels.”

The Amendment to the Motion was then Put and CARRIED with Councillor Derman OPPOSED

The Main Motion, as Amended, was then Put and CARRIED With Councillor Derman OPPOSED

Amended Motion:

“That the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to consider the entire budget proposal and prepare a report providing direction on how the proposed property tax increase could be reduced by 0.3% or approximately \$318,000, and 0.5%, and in both scenarios, the 2016 grants allocation would not be reduced below 2015 funding levels.”

Adjournment

On a motion from Councillor Plant, the meeting adjourned at 12:32 a.m.

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CHAIR

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

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MUNICIPAL CLERK