#### **AGENDA**

# For the Special Meeting of the Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee To be held in Council Chambers Saanich Municipal Hall, 770 Vernon Avenue Wednesday, March 3, 2021 - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Due to COVID-19 measures, Saanich is unable to accommodate the public for any Council, Committee of the Whole, Advisory, Board or Foundation meetings while maintaining the limits on large gatherings due to the Public Health Order.

As per the Order of the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, *Emergency Program Act*, Ministerial Order No. M192, public attendance at the meeting is not required if it cannot be accommodated in accordance with the applicable requirements or recommendations under the *Public Health Act*.

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- 1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION STATEMENT
- 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (attachment)
  - February 3, 2021
- 3. CHAIR'S REMARKS
- 4. RESILIENT SAANICH FRAMEWORK
  - A. Pollard, Manager of Environmental Services
- 5. CLIMATE PLAN REPORT CARD
  - R. Newlove, Manager of Sustainability
- 6. REVIEW OF COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN
- 7. UPDATE ON OVERDOSE CRISIS

## **Traditional Territorial Acknowledgement**

It is appropriate that we begin by acknowledging that the District of Saanich lies within the territories of the lakwanan (lay-kwung-gen) peoples represented by the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations and the WSÁNEĆ (weh-saanich) peoples represented by the Tsartlip (Sart-Lip), Pauquachin (Paw-Qua-Chin), Tsawout (Say-Out), Tseycum (Sigh-Come) and Malahat (Mal-a-hat) Nations.

### **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Statement**

We are committed to celebrating the rich diversity of people in our community. We are guided by the principle that embracing diversity enriches the lives of all people. We all share the responsibility for creating an equitable and inclusive community and for addressing discrimination in all forms.

# MINUTES HEALTHY SAANICH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held at Saanich Municipal Hall, Council Chambers February 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Councillor Ned Taylor (Chair), Clare Attwell, Carren Dujela, Kam Judge, Nadia Rajan

(via telephone), Silvia Mangue Alene (via telephone), Ryan Henderson (via telephone), Jasmindra Jawanda (via telephone), Liz Miller (SCAN, via telephone),

Jasmine Noble (via telephone).

Staff: Cristina Caravaca, Senior Manager, Community Services and Megan MacDonald,

Committee Clerk.

Guest: Jake Enns.

Regrets: Abigail Toledo (Youth).

#### **MINUTES**

MOVED by C. Attwell and seconded by C. Dujela "That the minutes of the Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee meeting held January 6, 2021 be adopted as circulated."

**CARRIED** 

#### CHAIRS REMARKS

The Chair will be using the brainstorming document to guide the agenda for future meetings.

#### PRESENTATION – JAKE ENNS

Jake Enns presented on ways to engage the public to reduce mental health issues and foster connections, the following was noted:

- To be human is to be amazing, we can enjoy the world with all senses. Engagement is more than a word, every viewpoint is essential for longevity and impact in what we do.
- Humans need to find common ground to overcome issues together. Many people are not equipped with communication skills to talk about what is important to them.
- The goal is to bring everyone together for meaningful connections in a collaborative way.
- If Saanich was to create a community dome for people to learn in, communicate, and foster a deeper connection, it would be beneficial to the community. The dome could be a hands on learning centre where residents could come together to heal from the ongoing mental health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **UPDATE ON OVERDOSE CRISIS**

The Chair verbally updated the committee on actions taken to address the overdose crisis, the following was noted:

- Councillor Ned Taylor and Councillor Karen Harper wrote a report on Actions to Address the Overdose Crisis, which recently went to Council. Council voted unanimously in favour of the recommendations on February 1, 2021.
- Actions are being taken to increase advocacy with senior levels of government.

- It is important to encourage other municipal governments and stakeholders to advocate for solutions to the overdose crisis with senior levels of government as well.
- The report will be sent to all other municipal councils in British Columbia.
- The committee would like to receive updates on the actions being taken to address the overdose crisis on a regular basis.

#### SAANICH STRATEGIC PLAN

The Chair provided a brief overview of the goals of the Saanich Strategic Plan, which guide the initiatives and actions that are detailed in the plan. The following was noted:

• The Strategic Plan has been approved by Council. There is the opportunity for the committee to recommend that Council add items to the strategic plan.

MOVED by C. Dujela and seconded by C. Attwell "That the Healthy Saanich Advisory
Committee consider the Strategic Plan at the next meeting."  CARRIED
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REVIEW OF 2020 HEALTHY SAANICH COMMITTEE ACTIONS
The committee received details of the actions taken in 2020 by the Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee for information.
DIVISION REPORTS FOR INFORMATION
The committee received reports from the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Divisions for information.
ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 7:11.
NEXT MEETING
The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 3, 2021.
Chair
I hereby certify these minutes are accurate.

Committee Secretary