

2130-40

Gorge Road West

HERITAGE DESIGNATION BYLAW – 321 GORGE ROAD WEST

First Reading of the “Heritage Designation Bylaw, 2015 (321 Gorge Road West), No. 9314”. To designate the exterior of the dwelling and the landscape features that display the formal character of the garden as a municipal heritage property.

MOVED by Councillor Haynes and Seconded by Councillor Derman: “That Bylaw No. 9314 be introduced and read.”

CARRIED**RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION**1420-02

Appointments

2015 APPOINTMENTS - BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES

Approval of the Boards, Commissions and Committees appointments as recommended.

MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Brice: “That the 2015 Boards, Commissions and Committees appointments as listed on Appendix “A” attached to and forming part of these minutes, be approved.”

CARRIED2560-50Environmental
Health**DECLARATION OF THE RIGHT TO A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT – NOTICE OF MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR BRICE**

Notice of Motion from Councillor Brice requesting Council endorse in principle the Declaration of the Right to a Healthy Environment in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, and forward it to the next Committee of the Whole meeting to allow for public input.

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Murdock:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the District of Saanich endorse the following declaration in principle and forward it to the next Committee of the Whole to allow for public input:

That all people have the right to live in a healthy environment, including:

The right to breathe clean air;

The right to drink clean water;

The right to consume safe food;

The right to access nature;

The right to know about pollutants and contaminants released into the local environment;

The right to participate in decision-making that will affect the environment;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council forward this resolution to the Annual Meeting of the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, requesting favourable consideration by delegates at the 2015 annual meetings of these Associations.”

Councillor Brice stated:

- The David Suzuki Foundation Blue Dot Tour is a cross-country initiative that supports a healthy environment.
- The purpose of the motion is to ensure Saanich residents are included in the movement and endorse the Declaration of the Right to a Healthy Environment being enshrined in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
- The process may ultimately be as important as the outcome; the change to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms may take years but has to start somewhere.
- Municipalities across the country are joining together with a common voice to send a message to the Federal Government that these issues are important.
- Bringing the resolution to a Committee of the Whole meeting gives residents a chance to provide input.

Councillor Murdock stated:

- He thanks Councillor Brice for bringing the motion forward; the earth is ours to defend and to ensure that it is a provider for future generations.
- We need to mitigate harmful practices; it is incumbent upon the public to make every effort to ensure we are protecting the Earth.
- He appreciates the resolution being forwarded to the Committee of the Whole to allow residents a chance to provide input; this discussion will also occur at the Environment and Natural Areas Advisory Committee this month.

Councillor Derman stated:

- The motion is supportable and will challenge Council to put their words into practice.
- Human behaviour has threatened our health and existence; we can make a difference by consistently keeping in mind the need to accomplish a healthy environment and ensure that our actions are directed by that need.
- The resolution should become our guiding principle.

Councillor Brownoff stated:

- She looks forward to hearing from residents, including youth, at the Committee of the Whole meeting; it may take time to make changes to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
- The public can make a strong commitment to the future health of Canada and it is important that we stand together.
- Saanich has to lead by example and has already undertaken numerous initiatives in relation to a healthy environment and sustainability.

Councillor Haynes stated:

- With this type of philosophy comes the responsibility to respect, protect, fulfil and promote these rights; it will be important to reflect and understand how we will execute such responsibilities.
- The right to a healthy environment could be a lens to view all our actions within Saanich; a recent example of this would be Council's request of staff to provide additional information on sustainability and impact on climate change when reporting on new development.

Councillor Wergeland stated:

- He supports the motion; we have a responsibility to make the world a better place to live for this and future generations.

Councillor Sanders stated:

- She thanks Councillor Brice for bringing this motion forward.
- Not long ago, initiatives such as composting or recycling and food security, for example, were not commonplace, but these have become the norm.
- Future generations will consider the right to a healthy community as simply a way of life
- She looks forward to hearing the conversation at the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Councillor Plant stated:

- The resolution reaffirms what Council and the community already support; he looks forward to hearing public input at the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Mayor Atwell stated:

- Council does not have to wait for changes to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms to begin supporting initiatives towards a healthy environment; Council can support this at the ground level and join together with other communities to make it happen.

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

5370-30
Direct Award

DIRECT AWARD FOR SMEAL FIRE APPARATUS ON A SPARTAN GLADIATOR CAB AND CHASSIS

Report of the Fire Chief dated January 7, 2015 recommending Council approve the final negotiations and direct award to purchase a new Smeal Fire Apparatus on a Spartan Gladiator Cab and Chassis with an Auxiliary Power Unit to Smeal Fire Apparatus Co. (represented by Safetek Emergency Vehicles) for an estimated \$768,000 plus change orders within budget.

MOVED by Councillor Derman and Seconded by Councillor Brownoff:
“That Council approve the final negotiations and direct award to purchase a new Smeal Fire Apparatus on a Spartan Gladiator Cab and Chassis with an Auxiliary Power Unit to Smeal Fire Apparatus Co. (represented by Safetek Emergency Vehicles) for an estimated \$768,000 plus change orders within budget.”

CARRIED

1300-20
FCM Membership
Dues

FEDERATION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES MEMBERSHIP DUES

Invoice from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities requesting payment of 2015 membership dues in the amount of \$15,662.35 and travel funds in the amount of \$1,920.66.

MOVED by Councillor Haynes and Seconded by Councillor Sanders:
“That Council authorize payment of the 2015 membership dues in the amount of \$15,662.35 and travel funds in the amount of \$1,920.66 to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.”

CARRIED

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES2190-20Cycling
Infrastructure**SETTING CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE PRIORITIES IN SAANICH**

Recommendation from the November 27, 2014 Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee recommending Council forward the report entitled "Setting Cycling Infrastructure Priorities for Saanich" dated November 27, 2014 to staff; and direct staff to examine how the planned network review could be expanded to create a Cycling Master Plan for Saanich.

Councillor Derman stated:

- It is critical that the municipality look at how it actions cycling infrastructure priorities.
- Preferred modes of transportation have been identified as walking, cycling and public transit but minimum change has been made to support these modes of transportation; the Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee (BiPED) and staff have done considerable work on establishing a network of local connectors.
- The potential exists to change the manner in which people move around and there is an urgency for the change; more people would cycle if they felt safe and supported.
- We need to promote cycling and provide the infrastructure needed to make cycling a preferred mode of transportation.

MOVED by Councillor Derman and Seconded by Councillor Plant: "That Council endorse the recommendation of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee and forward the report entitled "Setting Cycling Infrastructure Priorities for Saanich" dated November 27, 2014 to staff, and direct staff to examine how the planned network review could be expanded to create a Cycling Master Plan for Saanich."

Councillor Plant stated:

- He thanks Councillor Derman and BiPED for bringing the motion forward; he questions whether the plan would present specific projects to be completed by year or would the plan be a list of desired cycling priorities.

Councillor Derman stated:

- He would not presuppose priorities at this point but would leave that to the BiPED Committee to work with staff and the public to develop policies and goals over time.
- A period of formal public consultation on the Master Plan would be anticipated as with any new policy.

In response to questions from Council, the Director of Engineering stated:

- Should Council direct staff to develop a Cycling Master Plan, a long-term vision for cycling would be created that will help guide transportation and land-use decisions and public investments.
- Typically a consultant would be used to develop the Plan and a comprehensive public participation process to develop priorities would be undertaken.
- Work already done by Saanich, the CRD and other municipalities will be considered for inclusion in the Master Plan; an educational approach will be put into context with the work already done.
- A Master Plan will be correlated with the budget process; cycling priorities will be considered for the 2015 budget.

- Stakeholders could include Community Associations, the Greater Victoria Cycling Coalition, Advisory Committees and the public.

Councillor Murdock stated:

- He thanks Councillor Derman and BiPED for the recommendation; this item will augment and complement work already done.
- Staff and residents will be asked to determine long-term solutions; currently, there is a lack of viable routes available for cyclists.
- Having a dedicated, safe travelling environment will help to meet the demand.

Councillor Brice stated:

- The report is interesting and consistent with work already done; she asked if there is a working group of regional staff that shares information about future plans for cycling routes.

In response to questions from Council, the Director of Engineering stated:

- Integration of work with neighbouring municipalities is typically done on a project-by-project basis; there is no working group that meets regularly.
- A working group could be established to identify projects that may coincide with other regional partners' plans.
- ICBC crash data is reviewed to determine how intersection improvements can be made.

Councillor Haynes stated:

- Having an advance signal for cyclists at intersections is a low-cost way to improve routes.
- Bicycle facilities are being added to new developments but are not being used because cycling corridors are not viable.
- Cycling corridors must connect throughout the region, and to be fully effective, should be integrated with the work from other municipalities.

Mayor Atwell stated:

- The creation of a Cycling Master Plan is a great step forward; he appreciates the work of BiPED.

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

1180-20
PAAC

PENINSULA & AREA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION – POSSIBLE APPROACHES TO AID IN REGIONAL COORDINATION OF AGRICULTURAL MATTERS

Resolution from the November 13, 2014 Peninsula & Area Agricultural Commission (PAAC) requesting Council's comments on the report entitled "Possible Approaches by PAAC to aid in Regional Coordination of Agricultural Matters" and PAAC pursuing the identified options for implementation of the report's suggested action.

Councillor Derman stated:

- The suggestions outlined in the report are supportable and admirable; there may be concerns as to the capacity of members of PAAC to carry out the suggestions because of their farming commitments.

Councillor Murdock stated:

- Food security and the work being done to protect and bolster agricultural land and food production are important issues.
- The motion is supportable and speaks to PAAC re-tooling themselves to be a more effective service provider.
- It would be useful to consider the future role of the Saanich Food Security Task Force and how it may complement PAAC.

MOVED by Councillor Derman and Seconded by Councillor Murdock: “That Council receive the report dated December 5, 2014 from the Peninsula and Area Agricultural Commission regarding “Regional Coordination on Agricultural Matters” and convey to the Commission that Council supports in principle the direction taken by PAAC as outlined in the report.”

The Motion was then Put and CARRIED

Condolences Mayor Atwell, on behalf of the District of Saanich, conveyed his condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of Saanich Police Officer Sergeant Mike Lawless who passed away yesterday.

In Camera Motion **MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Haynes: “That pursuant to Section 18(a), (i) and (m) of the Council Procedure Bylaw, 2007, No. 8840, the following meeting be closed to the public as the subject matters being considered relate to personal information about an identifiable individual; receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege; and a matter that under another enactment (*Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*) the public must be excluded.”**

CARRIED

Adjournment On a motion from Councillor Brownoff, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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MAYOR

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

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DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH

APPENDIX 'A'

2015 APPOINTMENTS - BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES

	Appointed	Reappted	Term Expiry
ADVISORY DESIGN PANEL - Two Year Term Except Where Noted			
Arthur Beck	Dec 2014		Dec 2016
Sorin Birliga (Architect)	Dec 2010	Dec 2014	Dec 2016
Pat Danforth	Aug 2012	Dec 2014	Dec 2016
John Gauld (Landscape Architect)	Jan 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2016
Chris Rowe (alternate Architect) (one-year term)	Jan 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – One Year Term			
Lyris Agarat	Jan 2014	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Kay Beckett	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Kathleen Brennan	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
John Crawford	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
Valerie Green	Jan 2006	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Ken Johnson	Mar 2009	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Anne Lansdell	Dec 2005	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Roger Love	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – One Year Term			
Dan Casey	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
David De Shane	Dec 2004	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Judy Gaylord	Dec 1999	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
James Grayson	Dec 1994	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Rebecca Mersereau	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
Corey Newcomb	Jan 2014	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Ray Straatsma	Dec 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Darrell Wick	Dec 1991	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
(BOARD OF) CEMETERY TRUSTEES OF GREATER VICTORIA – Three Year Term			
Richard Tuckey	Dec 2003	Dec 2014	Dec 2017
ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL AREAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE – One Year Term			
Kevin Brown	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Al-Nashir Charania	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Jude Coates	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Harry Drage	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Hal Gibbard	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Mary Haig-Brown	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Roberta Hesselgrave	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
George Klima	Dec 2014		Dec 2015

	Appointed	Reappted	Term Expiry
GREATER VICTORIA LIBRARY BOARD – Two Year Term			
Anne Kirkaldy	Mar 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2016
Karen Potts	Dec 2008	Dec 2014	Dec 2016
HEALTHY SAANICH ADVISORY COMMITTEE – One Year Term			
Jean Fraser	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
SCAN Representative TBD			
Jean Hodgson	Apr 2013	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Franca LaBella	Dec 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Nadia Rajan	Dec 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Nancy McDuffe	Jan 2014	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Dorothy Rosenberg	Jan 2014	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Thomas Ward	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
PARKS, TRAILS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE – One Year Term			
Jim Anderson	Dec 2001	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Stefanie Barber	Dec 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Terrance Berscheid	Dec 1997	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Pamela Carroll	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
Daryl Dagneault	Dec 2005	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Tom Hatcher	Dec 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Martin Roberts	Dec 2000	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Stefanie Yao	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
PENINSULA & AREA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION – Three Year Term			
Kim Lonsdale (Saanich)	Dec. 2014		Dec 2017
Samantha Charlton	Jan 2015		Dec 2017
Phil Christie	Jan 2015		Dec 2017
Jack Mar	Jan 2015		Dec 2017
PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE – One Year Term			
Suzanne Bartel	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
Blair Echlin	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
June Klassen	Dec 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Jeremy Krogh	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
Travis Lee	Dec 2009	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Andrea Mercer	Dec 2009	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Bill Mumford	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
John Schmuck	Dec 2010	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
SAANICH HERITAGE FOUNDATION			
Sheila Colwill	Jan 2006	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Andy Jani	Jan 2014	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Ken Johnson (ACH Rep)	Dec 2010	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Art Joyce	Dec 2006	Dec 2014	Dec 2015

	Appointed	Reappted	Term Expiry
Ross O'Connell	Feb 2007	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Andrew Rushforth	Jan 2006	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Brad Shuya	Dec 1994	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
Robert Townsend	Dec 2014		Dec 2015
Bernard Von Schulmann	Jan. 2015		Dec 2015
TOURISM VICTORIA – One Year Term			
Ray Freeman	Feb 2011	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
VANCOUVER ISLAND REGIONAL CORRECTION CENTRE – COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD – One Year Term			
Stephen Laidlaw	Jan 2014	Dec 2014	Dec 2015
VICTORIA AIRPORT AUTHORITY – Three Year Term			
Sharlene Smith	Jan 2015		Dec 2017
VICTORIA FAMILY COURT COMMITTEE – One Year Term			
Marilyn Holman	Dec 2014		Dec 2015