

MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL,  
ON MONDAY, 2004-JAN-26, COMMENCING AT 9:26 A.M.

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PRESENT: Councillor T. K. Krall, Chair

Members: Councillor M. D. Brennan  
Councillor C. S. Manhas

Others: Councillor W. J. Holdom  
Councillor L. D. McNabb  
Councillor L. J. Sherry  
Councillor D. Tyndall

Staff:	G. D. Berry	K. M. MacKenzie
	A. W. Laidlaw	T. P. Seward
	B. N. Mehaffey	G. Franssen
	B. E. Clemens	J. T. Bowden
	T. M. Hickey	K. L. Burley

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- (a) Minutes of the 2003-NOV-17 Meeting of the Economic Development Standing Committee held in the Board Room, City Hall at 10:21 a.m.

Moved by Councillor Manhas, seconded by Councillor Brennan that the Minutes be adopted as circulated. The motion carried.

2. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES:

COMMUNITY PLANNING:

- (1) Approval of Bastion and Fitzwilliam Streets Capital Project

The Downtown Nanaimo Partnership (DNP) has a Five-Year Capital Plan but Council's approval is required for any expenditure in excess of \$5,000.

At the Meeting of the Economic Development Standing Committee held 2003-JUL-11, the Committee considered a report on streetscape improvements along the Bastion corridor which sought to create a visual link between the downtown core and the Old City Quarter. Initially, \$80,000. was set aside in the Downtown Five-Year Capital Plan to improve the bridge and \$100,000. was set aside for streetscape improvements on Fitzwilliam Street. At that time Council approved a budget of \$180,000., in principle, for the Bastion section of the project.

At the Regular Meeting of Council held 2003-NOV-17, Council considered a second report requesting an extension of the Bastion Lighting Project up Fitzwilliam Street to Selby Street. The lighting will consist of marine theme lighting, consistent with that currently in place along the waterfront walkway and the Bastion and Pioneer Parkades.

The report identified that the proposed source of funding for this extension was the Residential Conversion Project Reserve Fund. No applications have been received to date to take advantage of the residential conversion funds. The fund has \$200,000. and a reduction is not likely to be problematic.

At that time Council approved, in principle, a commitment of \$50,000. for the extension of the proposed Bastion Lighting Project bringing the total budget to \$230,000.

The design drawings have now been completed for both the Fitzwilliam and Bastion sections of the project. Engineering design drawings and construction services cost \$16,000. Estimated construction cost, complete with contingency, is \$214,000. The total project cost, including design, is within the \$230,000. budget.

Recommendation: That the Economic Development Standing Committee recommend that Council approve the spending of \$230,000. on the construction of street lighting on Bastion and Fitzwilliam Streets (sources of funding: \$80,000. for bridge improvements and \$100,000. for streetscape improvements from the Downtown Five-Year Capital Plan, and \$50,000. from the Residential Conversion Grant Program).

Moved by Councillor Manhas, seconded by Councillor Brennan that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried.

3. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Manhas at 9:30 a.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried.

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SENIOR MANAGER,  
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION