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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SHAW AUDITORIUM, VANCOUVER ISLAND CONFERENCE CENTRE, 80 COMMERCIAL STREET, NANAIMO, BC MONDAY, 2021-JUL-26, AT 3:15 P.M.

Present:	Mayor L. Krog, Chair Councillor D. Bonner Councillor T. Brown (arrived 3:29 p.m.) Councillor B. Geselbracht Councillor Z. Maartman Councillor I. W. Thorpe Councillor J. Turley
Absent:	Councillor S. D. Armstrong Councillor E. Hemmens
Staff:	 J. Rudolph, Chief Administrative Officer S. Legin, General Manager, Corporate Services D. Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services B. Sims, General Manager, Engineering and Public Works T. Doyle, Fire Chief B. Corsan, Director, Community Development A. Groot, Director, Facilities and Parks Operations J. Holm, Director, Development Approvals L. Mercer, Director, Finance J. Van Horne, Director, Human Resources L. Wark, Director, Recreation and Culture J. Bevan, Manager, Culture and Special Events F. Farrokhi, Manager, Communications S. Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services S. Snelgrove, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m.

2. PROCEDURAL MOTION TO PROCEED IN CAMERA:

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be closed to the public in order to deal with agenda items under the *Community Charter:*

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;
- (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity;
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (d) the security of property of the municipality;

- 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;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;
- (h) an administrative tribunal hearing or potential administrative tribunal hearing affecting the municipality, other than a hearing to be conducted by the Council or a delegate of Council;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under Section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;
- discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under Section 98 [annual municipal report];
- (m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting;
- (o) the consideration of whether the authority under Section 91 [other persons attending closed meetings] should be exercised in relation to a Council meeting; and,

Community Charter Section 90(2):

(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

The motion carried unanimously.

Council moved In Camera at 3:15 p.m. Council moved out of In Camera at 6:16 p.m.

Council recessed the Open Meeting 6:16 p.m. Council reconvened the Open Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

3. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Agenda Item 11(d) Add delegation from Jovan Stefani, Executive Director, Rise Bridge Project.
- (b) Agenda Item 12(d) Official Community Plan Amendment OCP100 456 Milton Street and OCP101 - 120 Needham Street, 514 and 540 Haliburton Street, and 535 and 575 Nicol Street – Add delegation from Carol and Rick Evans, Paradox Company Inc.
- (c) Agenda Item 12(e) Development Variance Permit Application No. DVP420 4176 Wellesley Avenue – Add the following delegations:

- 1. Kerry Austin
- 2. Clive Marsh
- (d) Agenda Item 12(h) Development Permit Application No. DP1221 3945 Biggs Road – Add delegation from Tony Gill, IBI Architects.
- (e) Agenda Item 12(i) Development Permit Application No. DP1198 361 Albert Street Add delegation from Piyusha Sharma.
- (f) Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services, reminded Council and Saff to speak into the microphones clearly so that everyone has the opportunity to be heard.

4. <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:</u>

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda, as amended, be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

5. <u>ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:</u>

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held in the Shaw Auditorium, Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC, on 2021-JUL-05 at 4:00 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

6. <u>MAYOR'S REPORT:</u>

Mayor Krog advised:

- The City is recruiting two volunteer at-large members to sit on the Design Advisory Panel. Applications must be submitted to the Legislative Services Department by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2021.
- He is happy to announce that as a member of the BC Urban Mayor's Caucus, comprised of 13 Mayors from across the province, they have received the endorsement of the BC Chamber of Commerce for their BC Urban Mayor's Caucus Plan for Post Covid Recovery which puts forward a blueprint for economic recovery and tackles many key issues with a wide reaching impact on the social and economic fabric of BC's urban centres. It includes the following topics: to address mental health substance use treatment, affordable housing, public transit and a new fiscal framework.
- The City has received, by way of a federal grant, new asset management software to streamline processes. The City uses nearly \$3 billion in infrastructure and tracks infrastructure by a process known as asset management. This includes roads, water, sewer pipes, facilities, buildings, parks and trails. The overall budget for the Corporate Asset Management System project is \$2.8 million with \$1.8 million coming from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Community Works Fund. The system is expected to be fully implemented by 2025

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- Recently Chief Mike Wyse of Snuneymuxw First Nation, Chief Gordon Edwards of Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and Mayor Krog called for peace and referenced the discovery of unmarked graves associated with residential schools that have shaken many people to their core and caused much pain and suffering for survivors who are constantly forced to relive their experiences. He noted that many people have engaged in acts that are criminal in nature and encouraged them to use non-violent and peaceful means to convey disappointment and disagreement with Canada on the treatment of Indigenous Peoples. We want all the people who call Nanaimo, Snuneymuxw, Snaw-Naw-As and Vancouver Island home, to feel safe, welcomed, loved, treated with equality and be allowed to thrive. All of this can be accomplished by remembering the basic foundations of being good neighbours and human beings and that is to have mutual respect and truly acknowledge the importance of every citizen and their emotions.
- The City kicked off a four part summer music series to celebrate the season and connect audiences to some of Nanaimo's diverse musical talent. The first of the unticketed events featured Chamber-Folk-Pop artist Elise Boulanger at the Departure Bay Kin Hut. Three other free concerts will be presented in August in different park locations. He encouraged everyone to attend the various concerts. More information can be found at <u>www.nanaimo.ca</u>.
- The RCMP has promoted Inspector Lisa Fletcher to Superintendent, Nanaimo Detachment Commander. Supt. Fletcher is from Ladysmith and was first sworn in to the RCMP at the Nanaimo detachment in 1992 and as a result, brings twenty-nine years of experience and has served in four different detachments (Nanaimo, Surrey, Langley, and Chilliwack), as well as working in the Provincial and National Headquarters.
- Mayor Krog pointed out that there are many notable women in the city such as the President of Vancouver Island University who is a female Metis Canadian, the Chair of the Nanaimo Port Authority, the City of Nanaimo's MLA Sheila Malcolmson, a minister of the Crown and there are three women on Council. The city has much to be proud of and Lisa Fletcher provides a bit of crowing glory to the achievement of women in this community. He offered his congratulations to her.

7. <u>RISE AND REPORT:</u>

The Mayor advised that at the City of Nanaimo has purchased 6, 10, and 14 Commercial Street, known as the Jean Burns site. Together with the purchase of the In Print building and Black and Blue Tattoo building Council has taken bold steps to redevelop a key area of the City's downtown. The City of Nanaimo now owns the property fronting Terminal Avenue from Esplanade Street to Commercial Street. Over the coming months citizens will have an opportunity to view and provide input into the design of this space. The current concept designs include and are not limited to pedestrian improvements to Terminal Avenue, attractive public space or a plaza on the site of the former Jean Burns building, potential to incorporate a transit hub, development of the Albert Street cycle route, potential to fix the challenging Albert/Wallace/Victoria intersection, and a coherent urban design plan for the Commercial Street Corridor to enhance the street as a vibrant public space.

8. <u>COMMITTEE MINUTES:</u>

The following Committee Minutes were received:

- Minutes of the Board of Variance Meeting held in the Boardroom, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Thursday, 2021-JUN-03 at 4:00 p.m.
- Minutes of the Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting held in the Shaw Auditorium, Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Monday, 2021-JUN-14 at 1:00 p.m.
- Minutes of the Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting held in the Shaw Auditorium, Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Monday, 2021-JUN-28 at 1:00 p.m.
- Minutes of the Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting held in the Shaw Auditorium, Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 80 Commercial Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Monday, 2021-JUL-12 at 1:00 p.m.

9. <u>CONSENT ITEMS:</u>

It was moved and seconded that the following items be adopted by consent:

- (a) <u>Governance and Priorities Committee Meeting 2021-JUL-12</u>
 - 1. Policy and Bylaw Renewal Project Update

That Council repeal the 100 outdated or redundant Council policies highlighted in red within the Table of Contents linked to the July 12, 2021 report by the Deputy City Clerk.

2. Proposed Amendments to the Business Licence Bylaw

That Council change the liquor primary business licence fee from \$1100 to \$165 per year.

3. Proposed Amendments to the Business Licence Bylaw

That Council direct Staff to proceed with finalizing the "Business Licence Bylaw 2021 No. 7318", and that once finalized, return to a future Regular Council meeting for first, second and third readings of the "Business Licence Bylaw 2021 No. 7318", along with amendments to the "Fees and Charges Bylaw 2007 No. 7041" and the "Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw 2012 No. 7159".

4. Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant

That Council direct Staff to submit two applications under the Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program and provide a Council resolution for each submission: MINUTES – COUNCIL 2021-JUL-26 PAGE 6

- That Council direct Staff to submit an application for Metral Complete Street Corridor Phase 2, confirm the local share of \$2.54 million is available and supported, the project is a municipal priority, and the project is "shovel ready" and intended to be complete within the required timeline.
- That Council direct Staff to submit an application for Fourth and Albert Complete Street Phase 4, confirm the local share of \$700,000 is available and supported, the project is a municipal priority, and the project is "shovel ready" and intended to be complete within the required timeline.
- 5. Community Amenity Contribution Policy

That Council direct Staff to work with the Nanaimo Development Group and other appropriate stakeholders, to look at options and provide more information regarding:

- 1. Calculation for townhouse residential dwellings based on a per area calculation
- 2. Amenity contribution values based on net floor area
- (b) Finance and Audit Committee Meeting 2021-JUL-21
 - 1. Live Fire Training Centre Remediation

That Council add a Live Fire Training Facility Remediation project in the amount of \$275,300 to the 2021 budget funded from the General Asset Management Reserve Fund.

2. Funding Request for Commercial Street Revitalization Plan

That Council amend the 2021-2025 Financial Plan to add \$150,000 in 2021 for a Commercial Street Revitalization Plan funded from Payment in Lieu of Taxes.

3. Update on Welcome Pole at Sway'a'Lana/Maffeo Sutton Park and Request for Additional Funds

That Council:

- 1. approve the proposed location of the pole at Sway'a'Lana/Maffeo Sutton Park as identified on Attachment "C" to the staff report; and
- 2. amend the 2021-2025 Financial Plan to include an additional \$50,000 for the installation of the Welcome Pole funded from the Strategic Infrastructure Reserve.
- 4. Community Program Development Grant Nanaimo Climate Action Hub Society

That Council approve the request from the Nanaimo Climate Action Hub Society for a Community Program Development Grant in the amount of \$3,000 to assist in funding the Community Climate Circles program.

5. Nanaimo Operations Center - Phase 2 Environment Assessment

That Council increase the budget for the Public Works Facility: Conceptual Design by \$100,000 to undertake a Stage 2 environmental site investigation funded from Payments in Lieu of Taxes.

6. Ending the B.C. Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARP)

That Council send a letter to Premier John Horgan, the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, and the Union of B.C. Municipalities outlining the value of the BC Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) and the implications of the program's end.

7. Sustainability and Emission Reduction Reserve Funds

That Council:

- Direct Staff to include in the 2022 2026 Draft Financial Plan for Council consideration a new funding strategy for the Emission Reduction Reserve based on an annual allocation of \$165,000.
- 2. Direct Staff to transfer the balance in the Sustainability Reserve Fund to the Emission Reduction Reserve Fund and return to Council with an updated Emission Reduction Reserve Fund Bylaw that includes supporting both energy and emission reduction projects and initiatives.

The motion carried unanimously.

10. <u>DELEGATIONS:</u>

- (a) Laura Augustine on behalf of the Canadians Locally Improving Communities Society, spoke regarding rezoning the forest surrounding Cable Bay Trail from resort to parkland and extending the trail network. She noted the record heat and forest fires across the province, the City's plan to be carbon neutral in a numbers of years and the REIMAGINE Nanaimo process showing the current forest as industrial lands. She noted the forest currently stores 2000 tonnes of carbon annually and recommended leaving the forest intact.
- (b) Jovan Stefani, Executive Director, Rise Bridge Project, spoke regarding the recent anti-racism car rally held on July 25, 2021, the need for a drop-in youth centre in Nanaimo, creating a space that is low barrier, supportive and accessible where people of all ages can gather, share in diversity and find connection in the community. She

noted that the non-profit society will be opening their doors at 34 Nicol Street and will be acting as a resource centre, with 25 programs and services.

Council invited the Rise Bridge Project to present at the next Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness Meeting.

11. <u>REPORTS:</u>

(a) <u>Special Events in Nanaimo</u>

Introduced by Art Groot, Director, Facility and Parks Operations.

Presentation:

- 1. Julie Bevan, Manager, Culture and Special Events, and Michele Duerksen, Recreation Coordinator - Special Events, provided a presentation regarding special events in Nanaimo. Highlights included:
 - How the City supports events in Nanaimo with grants, contributions and sponsors
 - The event planning and management cycle
 - Examples of events hosted by the City such as National Indigenous Peoples Day and Symphony by the Sea
 - The gradual return to large events enjoyed in the past
 - Challenges with finding volunteers and skilled labour shortages as people employed by the gig economy have transition careers during the pandemic
 - Application submitted for the 2026 BC Summer Games
 - Actively supporting groups as the City moves through reopening transitions
 - Design charrette at Diana Krall Plaza with the aim to identify possibilities and improvements for public use
 - Noted events, festivals and tournaments supported by the City of Nanaimo
 - Noted funding streams for City supported grants
 - Events energize the community and contribute to community wellness
 - Constantly adapting offerings and feedback heard from REIMAGINE Nanaimo sessions
 - Continue to work along side the arts and culture community as they navigate the reopening
 - Goal to provide personalized and excellent customer service

(b) Off-Street Parking Reserve Fund Bylaw

Introduced by Shelley Legin, General Manager, Corporate Services and Laura Mercer, Director, Finance.

It was moved and seconded that "Off-Street Parking Reserve Fund Bylaw 2021 No. 7328" (To establish a statutory reserve for cash-in-lieu payments received under "Off-Street Parking Regulations Bylaw 2018 No. 7266") pass first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that "Off-Street Parking Reserve Fund Bylaw 2021 No. 7328" pass second reading. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that "Off-Street Parking Reserve Fund Bylaw 2021 No. 7328" pass third reading. The motion carried unanimously.

(c) Endorsement of Draft Articles of Incorporation and Shareholder Agreement for the Nanaimo Prosperity Corporation

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services.

Presentation:

- 1. Bill Corsan, Director, Community Development, provided a verbal presentation. Highlights included:
 - History of the economic development function
 - The City as a class A shareholder and five class B or C shareholders which are the City's main partners
 - The City providing base funding
 - Annual work plan
 - Board comprised of nine members
 - Three year trial period
 - Review of the articles of incorporation by the Inspector of Municipalities

It was moved and seconded that Council:

- 1. approve in principle the draft articles of incorporation and shareholder agreement for the Nanaimo Prosperity Corporation;
- 2. direct Staff to submit the articles of incorporation and shareholder agreement to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval;
- 3. delegate the Chief Administrative Officer to represent Council in discussions with the Inspector of Municipalities; and
- 4. direct Staff to return for Council's final approval of the articles of incorporation and shareholder agreement following approvals by the Inspector of Municipalities and the respective Councils/Boards of the five shareholder organizations.

The motion carried unanimously.

(d) Official Community Plan Amendment OCP100 - 456 Milton Street and OCP101 - 120 Needham Street, 514 and 540 Haliburton Street, and 535 and 575 Nicol Street

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services.

Delegations:

1. Myron Calof, I4 Property Group, and Don Yen, Urban Architectural Solutions, via Zoom, advised they were present to answer questions and spoke regarding their excitement for the project and the opportunity to provide affordable housing in the community.

2. Carol and Rick Evans, Paradox Company Inc., spoke in support of the application and advised of their intention to age in place in their community by creating a seven unit complex with two wheelchair accessible units. They spoke regarding the layout of the site focussing on an internal courtyard, creating a neighbourhood that is desirable, senior friendly and with a variety of unit sizes to encourage a diverse range of renters.

It was moved and seconded that Council direct Staff to proceed with processing Official Community Plan amendment application OCP100 for 456 Milton Street. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Council direct Staff to proceed with processing Official Community Plan amendment application OCP101 (120 Needham, 514 and 540 Haliburton Street, 535 and 575 Nicol Street). The motion carried unanimously.

(e) <u>Development Variance Permit Application No. DVP420 - 4176 Wellesley Avenue</u>

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services and Jeremy Holm, Director, Development Approvals.

Delegations:

- Kerry Austin spoke regarding concerns related to the changes in elevation of the gravel driveway near the intersection of Wellesley Avenue and 101st Street. She requested that the plans be changed to remove the requirement for the gravel area to be decommissioned. She noted concerns with parking access and that raising the driveway would impact her view of the lake.
- 2. Clive Marsh spoke regarding concerns with the proposal not maintaining the intent of the bylaw and the impact on the use and enjoyment of his property and the neighbouring lands. He noted concerns with parking and advised he gathered 15 signatures from residents in opposition to the variance.

It was moved and seconded that Council issue Development Variance Permit No. DVP420 for proposed Lot C (Lot 1, Block 7, Section 5, Wellington District, Plan 318 and Lot 5, Section 5, Wellington District, Plan EPP82222, to be consolidated) with the following variance:

• To reduce the minimum required front yard setback from 4.5m to 2m for a proposed dwelling.

The motion carried. <u>Opposed</u>: Councillor Bonner

(f) <u>Property Disposition - 4176A Wellesley Avenue</u>

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services and Bill Corsan, Director, Community Development.

It was moved and seconded that Council:

- 1. approve the property disposition of 4176A Wellesley Avenue for \$100,000 to Michael McKillican and Michelle Peakman; and
- 2. authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement.

The motion carried unanimously.

(g) Property Disposition - 4220A and 4200A Victoria Avenue

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services and Bill Corsan, Director, Community Development.

It was moved and seconded that Council:

- 1. approve the property disposition of 4220A and 4200A Victoria Avenue for \$134,000 to Karin Parakin; and
- 2. authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement.

The motion carried unanimously.

(h) Development Permit Application No. DP1221 - 3945 Biggs Road

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services.

Delegation:

1. Tony Gill, IBI Architects, representing the Nanaimo Correctional Centre, spoke regarding the revitalization of the site including the layout of the campus in four quadrants, the facilities, working with the contours of the land, maintaining the landscaping in it's current form and including horticultural area. He described elevations and siting of the buildings and advised they have broken down the building masses to create smaller livable units so the residents can better associate with themselves and create connection with each other.

It was moved and seconded that Council issue Development Permit No. DP1221 at 3945 Biggs Road with the following variances to:

- increase the maximum allowable building height from 14.0m to 18.73m; and
- reduce the minimum required watercourse setback from Brannen Lake from 15.0m to 0m and the Millstone River from 30.0m to 0m for proposed upgrades to the existing road, security fence, and utility infrastructure.

The motion carried unanimously.

(i) <u>Development Permit Application No. DP1198 - 361 Albert Street</u>

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services and Jeremy Holm, Director, Development Approvals.

Delegation:

1. Piyusha Sharma was not in attendance.

It was moved and seconded that Council issue Development Permit No. 1198 at 361 Albert Street with one variance to increase the maximum allowable building height from 11.2m to 14.0m. The motion carried unanimously.

(j) <u>Development Permit Application No. DP1210 - 6030 Linley Valley Drive</u>

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services and Jeremy Holm, Director, Development Approvals.

It was moved and seconded that Council issue Development Permit No. DP1210 at 6030 Linley Valley Drive with variances to increase the maximum permitted building height of Building B from 14.0m to 16.2m and Building C from 14.0m to 16.0m. The motion carried unanimously.

(k) Housing Agreement - 1125 Seafield Crescent

Introduced by Dale Lindsay, General Manager, Development Services.

It was moved and seconded that "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2021 No. 7329" (To secure unit affordability) pass first reading. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2021 No. 7329" pass second reading. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2021 No. 7329" pass third reading. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Council direct Staff to register a covenant on the title of the land to reinforce the terms of the housing agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

The Council meeting recessed at 9:00 p.m. The Council meeting reconvened at 9:05 p.m.

(I) <u>Video Surveillance of Civic Property Policy</u>

Introduced by Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services.

It was moved and seconded that Council repeal Council Policy COU 178 - "Video Surveillance of Civic Property Policy", dated 2008-MAY-26, and replace it with COU-223 - "Video Surveillance of Civic Property Policy" as attached to the 2021-JUL-26 report by the Records/Information & Privacy Coordinator. The motion carried unanimously.

(m) <u>Council Resolutions Update</u>

Introduced by Sheila Gurrie, Director, Legislative Services.

12. <u>BYLAWS:</u>

(a) "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.146"

It was moved and seconded that "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2019 No. 4500.146" (To rezone 111 Terminal Avenue to allow Cannabis Retail Store as a site-specific use within the Terminal Avenue (DT4) Zone) be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

(b) "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2021 No. 4500.183"

It was moved and seconded that "Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2021 No. 4500.183" (To amend the Corridor Three [COR3] zone to allow 'automobile sales, service and rental' as a site-specific use within 2355 Kenworth Road and a portion of 2345 Kenworth Road) be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

(c) <u>"Highway Closure and Dedication Removal Bylaw 2021 No. 7286"</u>

It was moved and seconded that "Highway Closure and Dedication Removal Bylaw 2021 No. 7286" (To provide for highway closure and dedication removal of a portion of Eighth Street adjacent to 857 Old Victoria Road) be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

(d) <u>"Housing Agreement Bylaw 2021 No. 7327"</u>

It was moved and seconded that "Housing Agreement Bylaw 2021 No. 7327" (To secure unit affordability) be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

13. NOTICE OF MOTION:

(a) Notice of Motion Councillor Geselbracht re: City of Nanaimo Fossil Fuel Divestment and Ethical Investment Strategy and Policy Development

Councillor Geselbracht advised that he would be bringing forward the following notice of motion for consideration at a future Council Meeting:

"That staff prepare a report on an investment policy and strategy that can achieve the following considerations:

- 1. Divest from fossil fuel companies, by supporting fossil fuel free investment portfolios, such as the MFA Fossil Fuel Free Short-Term Bond Fund and build on the examples of fossil fuel free investment strategies from other municipalities such as Vancouver and Victoria;
- 2. Select investments that make positive contributions to Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors; and
- 3. Align investment with the Sec.183 of the Community Charter, and best practices for investing public funds.
- 4. Provide strategic options with associated budgetary considerations that include options for the immediate divestment of all funds that include

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holdings involved in the production and distribution of fossil fuels and options that take a more graduated approach."

14. <u>QUESTION PERIOD:</u>

- Bill Manners, re: Mayors Report and release of In Camera resolution to purchase 6, 10 and 14 Commercial Street
- Bill Manners, re: Funding Request for Commercial Street Revitalization Plan and Payments in Lieu of Taxes
- Bill Manners, re: Endorsement of Draft Articles of Incorporation and Shareholder Agreement for the Nanaimo Prosperity Corporation and inclusion of the retail service sector as a partner

Mayor Krog advised that under Agenda Item 6 Mayor's Report when noting notable women in the city of Nanaimo he forgot to mention Charlene McKay, School District 68 Board Chair.

15. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

It was moved and seconded at 9:20 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER