### 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 <u>TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2017 AT 7:05 P.M.</u>

Present:

Chair: Mayor Atwell

- Council: Councillors Brice, Brownoff, Haynes, Murdock, Plant, Sanders and Wergeland
- Staff: P. Thorkelsson, Chief Administrative Officer; V. Tinney, Director of Finance; P. Arslan, Senior Manager, Financial Services; and P. Masse, Senior Committee Clerk

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

H. Charania, Genevieve Road, stated:

- The 2017 Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary Contract increase of 1.42% is a modest request for an important purpose.
- The sanctuary relies on many volunteers and should be supported by Council.

1410-04 Report - Finance

5660-25 Dry Grad Grants

### 2017 HIGH SCHOOL DRY GRAD GRANT REQUESTS

Referral from the March 14, 2017 Special Committee of the Whole Financial Plan meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Plant: "That it be recommended that Council approve the 2017 Dry Grad applications up to the amount of \$4,655."

### CARRIED

5660-25 Community and Social Service Grants

### 2017 COMMUNITY OR SOCIAL SERVICE GRANTS

Referral from the March 14, 2017 Special Committee of the Whole Financial Plan meeting.

Questions from Council were answered.

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Councillor Sanders declared, pursuant to Section 91 of the Council Procedure Bylaw, that she is not entitled to participate in the discussion of the grant application for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Society as she is a Director of the organization. Councillor Sanders left the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Wergeland and Seconded by Councillor Brice: "That it be recommended that Council approve the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Society receive a grant in the amount of \$5,000."

CARRIED

Councillor Sanders returned to the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Plant and Seconded by Councillor Haynes: "That it be recommended that Council approve the following 2017 Community and Social Service Grant requests in the amounts indicated:

Organization	Grant
	Request
Cedar Hill Golf Club – Ladies' Division	\$5,000
Spirit of Canada 150 (City of Victoria)	1,000
Community Social Planning Council of Greater Victoria	20,900
Crisis Intervention & Public Information Society of Greater Victoria	10,000
Gorge Canada Day Picnic Committee of Gorge Tillicum Community Association	7,000
Goward House Society	20,000
Greater Victoria Volunteer Society (Volunteer Victoria)	12,041
Greater Victoria Bike to Work Society	4,500
Greater Victoria Visitor & Convention Bureau (Tourism Victoria)	24,000
Haliburton Community Organic Farm Society	14,000
Horticulture Centre of the Pacific	130,000
Maritime Museum of BC Society	10,000
Peninsula Streams Society (PSS)	10,000
Saanich Heritage Foundation	47,000
Saanich Marine Rescue Society	10,000
Saanich Volunteer Services Society	58,368
Silver Threads Service	59,225
SportHost Victoria	2,500
Vancouver Island South Film and Media Commission	25,000
Victoria and Vancouver Island Greek Community Society	2,000
Total	\$477,534

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### CARRIED

5660-35 Neighbourhood Matched Grants

### 2017 COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANT REQUESTS NEIGHBOURHOOD MATCHED PROJECT GRANTS

Referral from the March 14, 2017 Special Committee of the Whole Financial Plan meeting.

Questions from Council were answered.

Committee received the grant request from the Prospect Lake Community Association and took no action.

5660-25 Community Sustainability Grants

# 2017 COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANT REQUESTS SUSTAINABILITY GRANTS

Referral from the March 14, 2017 Special Committee of the Whole Financial Plan meeting.

Questions from Council were answered.

MOVED by Councillor Plant and Seconded by Councillor Haynes: "That it be recommended that Council approve the following 2017 Sustainability Grant requests in the amounts indicated:

Organization	Project	Grant Request
Capital Regional Food and Agriculture Initiatives Roundtable (CRFAIR)	Savour Saanich focus within the Flavour Trails Program	\$10,000
Creatively United for the Planet	6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Creatively United for the Planet Earth Week Community Festival & Sustainability Showcase	2,500
Garry Oak Ecosystems Recovery Team (GOERT)	GOERT New Local Funding Model and Habitat Stewardship Project	2,500
LifeCycles Project Society	Saanich Based Fruit Tree Project	10,000
Saanich Sunday Farmer's Market Society	New Saanich Sunday Farmer's Market	4,000
The Bateman Foundation	Urban Sanctuary Project – Travelling Exhibit	2,500
Total		\$31,500

## CARRIED

<u>1410-04</u> Report – Finance **2017 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OPERATING GRANT REQUESTS** *Referral from the March 14, 2017 Special Committee of the Whole Financial Plan meeting.* 

5660-20 Community Association Operating Grants

Questions from Council were answered.

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Brownoff: "That it be recommended that Council approve the following 2017 Community Association Operating Grant requests in the amounts indicated:

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 Association	1,100	500
Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association	1,650	500
Residents of Strawberry Vale, Marigold &	1,650	500
Glanford Community Association		
Rithet's Bog Conservation Society	1,100	500
Royal Oak Community Association	1,100	500
Total	\$22,000	\$9,000
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## CARRIED

5660-25 Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary

### SWAN LAKE CHRISTMAS HILL NATURE SANCTUARY - 2017 MANAGEMENT FEE

Report from the Director of Finance dated March 20, 2017 presenting three options for Council consideration for the 2017 Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary management fee contract.

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Haynes: "That it be recommended that Council not approve the request for an increase to the 2017 Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary Management Fee and retain it at the amount of \$369,750."

#### CARRIED

5690-30 Horticultural Centre of the Pacific Society

## HORTICULTURAL CENTRE OF THE PACIFIC SOCIETY – REQUEST FOR INTEREST FREE LOAN

Report from the Director of Finance dated March 23, 2017 recommending Council approve the requested agreement amendment for the Horticultural Centre of the Pacific Society interest free loan to a 25-year repayment schedule at \$8,640 per year subject to public notification.

MOVED by Councillor Brice and Seconded by Councillor Wergeland: "That it be recommended that Council approve the request for an agreement amendment for the Horticultural Centre of the Pacific Society interest free loan to a 25-year repayment schedule, subject to public notification."

### CARRIED

<u>1410-04</u> Report – Finance	CADBORO BAY VILLAGE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION – ANNUAL FUNDING REQUEST AND TAXATION LEVY
<u>xref: 2120-30</u> Cadboro Bay BIA	Report of the Director of Finance dated March 20, 2017 recommending Council approve the 2017 Cadboro Bay Village Business Improvement Association funding request and property taxation levy of \$20,000.
	MOVED by Councillor Brownoff and Seconded by Councillor Haynes: "That it be recommended that Council approve the 2017 Cadboro Bay Village Business Improvement Association funding request and property taxation levy in the amount of \$20,000." CARRIED
<u>1410-04</u> Report – Finance	2017 CREST LEVY
<u>xref: 5280-20</u> CREST Levy	Councillor Wergeland declared pursuant to Section 91 of the Council Procedure Bylaw, that he is not entitled to participate in the discussion of the CREST Levy as he is a member of the CREST Board of Directors. Councillor Wergeland left the meeting at 10:02 p.m.
	Report of the Director of Finance dated March 20, 2017 recommending Council approve the 2017 CREST Levy of \$673,465.
	MOVED by Councillor Haynes and Seconded by Councillor Brownoff: "That it be recommended that Council approve the 2017 CREST Levy in the amount of \$673,465."
	CARRIED
	MOVED by Councillor Plant and Seconded by Councillor Haynes: "That CREST members be invited to make presentation to Council regarding their operational requirements as related to any future budgetary requests."
	CARRIED
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	Councillor Wergeland returned to the meeting at 10:06 p.m.
<u>5280-20</u> 2017 Budget	<b>COMMITTEE DELIBERATIONS ON PROPOSED BUDGET</b> The Mayor stated that this is an opportunity for Council to deliberate and provide feedback on the budget.
	Questions from Council were answered.
	Council directed staff to prepare and present budget reduction scenarios including capital, contingency and surplus considerations.

Council referred the Administrative/Council departmental budget reduction option of creating a revenue opportunity via a user fee for the Yard and Garden Waste Program to the Finance Committee for further input and a recommendation to Council.

Adjournment On a motion from Councillor Brownoff, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

CHAIR

MUNICIPAL CLERK