

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR OPEN MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY, MAY 25, 2020**

PRESENT: Mayor V. Cumming

Councillors: S. Anderson, K. Fehr, K. Gares,
A. Mund, B. Quiring, D. Nahal (absent)

Staff: W. Pearce, Chief Administrative Officer
P. Bridal, Deputy CAO / Director, Corporate Services
K. Austin, Manager, Legislative Services
C. Poirier, Manager, Communications & Grants
B. Bandy, Manager, Real Estate
A. Stuart, Manager, Financial Planning & Reporting
K. Flick, Director, Community Infrastructure and Development
L. Cordell, Manager, Long Range Planning and Sustainability
E. Mustonen, Parks Planner
C. Ovens, Acting Director, Operations
D. Lind, Chief, Fire Rescue Services

Others: Media and Members of the Public

Mayor Cumming called the Regular Open meeting to order at 8:40 am and requested a motion to move to Committee of the Whole.

Mayor Cumming reconvened the Regular Open meeting and requested a motion to move to In Camera.

**RESOLUTION TO CLOSE
MEETING**

Moved by Councillor Fehr, seconded by Councillor Quiring:

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with Section 90(1) of the *Community Charter* as follows:

(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; and

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.

CARRIED

Mayor Cumming called the Regular Open meeting back to order at 1:31 pm.

PRESENT: Mayor V. Cumming

Councillors: S. Anderson, K. Fehr, K. Gares,
A. Mund, D. Nahal, B. Quiring

Staff: W. Pearce, Chief Administrative Officer
P. Bridal, Deputy CAO, Director, Corporate Services
K. Austin, Manager, Legislative Services
C. Poirier, Manager, Communications and Grants
A. Stuart, Manager, Financial Planning & Reporting
K. Flick, Director, Community Infrastructure & Development Services
D. Ross, Director, Recreation Services
C. Ovens, Acting Director, Operations
K. Chamberlain, Planning Assistant*
L. Cordell, Mgr., Long Range Planning & Sustainability*

**Attended, as required*

Others: Media and Members of the Public

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT the agenda for the May 25, 2020, Regular Open meeting of the Council of The Corporation of The City of Vernon be amended as follows:

1. **SEE ITEM 6.D.(i)** – General Matters – Development Variance Permit Application #00484 for 3417 30th Avenue, Public Input Submissions:
 - Email from K. Megyesi dated May 11, 2020
 - Email from C. Christensen dated May 13, 2020
2. **ADD ITEM 11.A.(iv)** – New Business – Correspondence – Reallocation of Funds – Filter Replacement Project.
3. **ADD ITEM 11.A.(v)** – New Business – Correspondence – Verbal Report re: Update EOC/COVID 19 Actions To-Date.
4. **SEE ITEM 11.B.(i)** – New Business – Reports – Temporary Expansion of Liquor Service Areas.
5. **ADD ITEM 12(v)** – Legislative Matters – CANCELLATION AND RESCHEDULE Public Hearing for “2103 39th Street Rezoning Amendment Bylaw Number 5814, 2020”.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr:

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held May 11, 2020 be adopted;

AND FURTHER, that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held May 11, 2020 be received.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

GENERAL MATTERS

**PRESENTATION:
SOUTHERN INTERIOR
LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION (SILGA)
(0550-01)**

Lori Mindnich, President, SILGA, presented the City of Vernon with the 2020 SILGA Community Excellence Award in the Social Responsibility category.

**DELEGATION: NORTH
OKANAGAN CANADA
DAY SOCIETY
(0550-01)**

Dave Frost, President of the North Okanagan Canada Day Society, was in attendance to present to Council with respect to the 2020 Canada Day event plans.

Key points included:

- Physical event was cancelled due to COVID-19
- A virtual event will be set up on Facebook which would include greetings from businesses, Council members, performers and federal representatives as well as videos of past events
- Invited Council support Canada Day festivities through media releases, decorating City Hall and Polson Park (large Canada Day flag) and providing short videos of Council members providing greetings and "Happy Canada Day" wishes

Moved by Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Nahal:

THAT Council waive section 12.(c) of City of Vernon Council Procedure Bylaw Number 4840 in order to consider the request from the delegation of the North Okanagan Canada Day Society immediately.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Quiring:

THAT Administration bring forward a plan to make a video of Council members providing their Canada Day greetings to be posted online and on the North Okanagan Canada Day Society Facebook page.

CARRIED

**PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY
"3001 39TH LANE
CLOSURE BYLAW
NUMBER 5803, 2020"
(0913-20-47)**

See Item 12.A.(i) Legislative Matters – "3001 39th Lane Closure Bylaw number 5803, 2020".

Pursuant to Section 40(3)(b) of the *Community Charter*, Council provided an opportunity for the Public to make submission to City Council regarding the proposed "**3001 39th Lane Closure Bylaw Number 5803, 2020**".

Mayor Cumming called a first time for those wishing to speak to "3001 39th Lane Closure Bylaw.

There being no persons wishing to speak, the Mayor called a second and third time for those wishing to speak.

There being no further input, Mayor Cumming closed the public input for "**3001 39th Lane Closure Bylaw Number 5803, 2020**".

**DEVELOPMENT
VARIANCE APPLICATION
#00484 FOR 3417 30TH
AVENUE
(DVP #00484)**

Moved by Councillor Fehr, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT Council support the development variance permit application for the subject property located on Lot A, Plan 34416, District Lot 71-72, ODYD (3417 30th Avenue) to permit a maximum fascia sign area of 35.1m² subject to the following:

- a) The number of signs be limited to two fascia signs on the east side of the building, and one on the north fascia and one on the south fascia of the building;
- b) The area of all signs on the building be limited to 35.1m² in total; and
- c) That the site plan and sign details generally shown as Attachment 1 and 2 inclusive in the report titled "Development Variance Permit Application for 3417 30th Avenue" and dated May 13, 2020 by the Planning Assistant, be attached to and form part of DVP00484 as Schedule 'A'.

**Public Input –
DVP#00484**

*Mayor Cumming advised that public input for development variance applications would be received in **written form only** until the COVID-19 pandemic response physical distancing requirements are lifted by the Provincial Health Officer.*

The Corporate Officer advised that two written submissions had been received:

- Email from K. Megyesi dated May 11, 2020
- Email from C. Christensen dated May 13, 2020

There being no further input, Mayor Cumming closed the public input for DVP #00484.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE MAIN MOTION AND DECLARED DEFEATED, with Councillors Anderson, Gares, Nahal and Quiring opposed.

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Councillor Anderson:

THAT Council supports the development variance permit application for the subject property located on Lot A, Plan 34416, District Lot 71-72, ODYD (3417 30th Avenue) to vary Sign Bylaw #4489 from a maximum permitted sign area of 28m² to approximately 45.2m² to have fascia signs that exceed the maximum sign area permitted for fascia signs as shown on Attachment 2 in the report dated May 13, 2020, with the **exception** of the 'Sign #3 – We Price Match' signage shown in the Attachment.

CARRIED, with Councillors Fehr and Mund opposed.

**Issuance of Permit
#00484**

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT the Corporate Officer be authorized to issue Development Variance Permit #00484 for 3417 30th Avenue to permit a maximum fascia sign area of approximately 45.2m², **once all conditions of Council have been met.**

CARRIED, with Councillor Mund opposed.

COUNCIL INQUIRIES

**TREE TRIMMINGS ON
APOLLO ROAD /
CHIPPING PROGRAM**

Council remarked that there were properties on Apollo Road with a significant amount of tree trimmings on private properties and inquired as to whether the City would be picking those up as part of the chipping program. It was noted that one property had tree trimmings on their property for approximately 3 months and there was some concern with respect to the trimmings becoming a fire hazard. **A. Admin:** the

chipping program concluded approximately 4 weeks ago. Chipping occurred for two weeks on regular garbage pick-up dates. Advertising, for those who missed the chipping opportunity indicated that those who had missed the chipping opportunity could take their tree trimmings to the landfill, free of charge. An admin update will be provided.

TEMPORARY ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN OUTDOOR SPACES

Council inquired as to the possibility of allowing alcohol consumption in outdoor spaces on a temporary basis, similar to what the City of Penticton is contemplating, to accommodate those businesses who are not able to have patrons in their establishments. **A. Admin:** staff will investigate and report back to Council.

FREE ON-STREET PARKING

Council inquired as to whether the free on-street parking at meters extended to City-owned parking lots. **A. Admin:** City-owned parking lots were not included; it was only metered parking and un-metered 2-hour parking zones where parking enforcement was suspended until July 1, 2020.

CITY OPERATIONS DURING COVID-19

Council commended staff's efforts in keeping the City of Vernon open for business during the COVID-19 pandemic.

REMOVAL OF SIGNAGE INDICATING ROAD CLOSURE

Council noted that there remained a 'No Through Road' sign when traveling west on Pottery Road crossing Kal Lake Road and this roadway is now open and goes through. An admin update will be provided.

DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE ON 14TH AVENUE

Council inquired as to having signage installed on 14th Avenue, on the corner, to indicate to cyclists where to make the left-hand turn. An admin update will be provided.

RAILCROSSING REPAIR WORK COMPLETED

Council remarked that the railway crossing on the trail, between the area 14th Avenue and Pottery Road, had been repaired.

2020 GRADUATES PAINTING SUICIDE HILL

Council noted that the 2020 high school graduates would not be having traditional graduating ceremonies or the traditional graduating class photograph at the Vernon Courthouse and inquired as to whether the graduates could, as had been done many years ago, be permitted to paint their names on Suicide Hill. **A. Admin:** Administration will bring information back to Council.

ADMINISTRATION UPDATES

ADMINISTRATION UPDATES (0550-05)

Council inquired about the possibility of delegating authority to Administration to approve cannabis licensing applications. **A. Admin:** Administration will investigate and bring forward information to Council.

- **CANNABIS LICENSING**

• **SECURITY DEPOSITS**

Council inquired with respect to development security deposits, what would happen to the funds if the developer was no longer in business?
A. Admin: Administration would investigate and report back to Council.

Moved by Councillor Fehr, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT Council receives the Administration Updates dated May 25, 2020.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor Quiring declared a perceived conflict of interest as his firm would be a bidder for the Active Living Centre project. Councillor Quiring left the meeting at 2:43 pm.

**ACTIVE LIVING CENTRE
FEASIBILITY STUDY
RESULTS
(7700-13)**

Moved by Councillor Gares, seconded by Councillor Anderson:

THAT Council supports in principle the Administration recommendation to proceed with steps required to conduct a referendum, at the earliest possible date, in order to borrow up to \$90M for the design, development and construction of the Full Build Out of the proposed Active Living Centre as per the Internal Memorandum titled Active Living Centre Feasibility Study – Final Report and the accompanying presentation, dated May 15, 2020 respectfully submitted by the Director, Recreation Services;

AND FURTHER, that Council direct Administration to present the What We Heard Report containing the results of the controlled direct mail statistically valid survey and Active Living Centre Feasibility Study – Final Report to our Community Partners, the District of Coldstream and Electoral Areas B & C;

AND FURTHER, that Council request the Mayor write a letter to our Community Partners the District of Coldstream and Electoral Areas B & C informing them of the City of Vernon's support in principle to proceed with steps to conduct a referendum at the earliest possible date in order to borrow up to \$90M for the design, development and construction of the Full Build Out of the proposed Active Living Centre and that the City respectfully requests that they give consideration to support proceeding to referendum.

CARRIED, with Mayor Cumming and Councillor Fehr opposed.

Councillor Anderson left the meeting at 3:38 pm and returned at 3:40 pm.

Councillor Quiring returned to the meeting at 3:56 pm.

**DEVELOPMENT
VARIANCE
APPLICATION FOR 1103
35th AVENUE
(DVP00477)**

Moved by Councillor Gares, seconded by Councillor Nahal:

THAT the Corporate Officer be authorized to issue Development Variance Permit #00477 for 1103 35th Avenue in order to vary the Zoning Bylaw #5000 to reduce the minimum rear yard setback from 7.5m to 3.5m to construct a proposed addition with a roof-top deck on an existing single-family dwelling, **once all conditions of Council have been met.**

CARRIED

**UPDATE ON MOTOR
VEHICLE ACT PILOT
PROJECTS PROGRAM –
MICROMOBILITY
DEVICES
(8300-10-01)**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Fehr:

THAT Council support a pilot project under Part 13 of *the Motor Vehicle Act* relating to electric kick scooters and other similar forms of micromobility devices, as outlined in the memo titled “Update on Motor Vehicle Act Pilot Projects Program – Micromobility Devices” dated May 14, 2020, as submitted by the Active Transportation Coordinator.

CARRIED

MATTERS REFERRED

THAT Council brings forward, as public information, the following motion **declassified** from confidential to non-confidential at the May 25, 2020, In Camera meeting:

**THE GREATER VERNON
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE
REPRESENTATIVE AND
ALTERNATE – COUNCIL
COMMITTEES
(0540-20)**

‘THAT Council approve the appointment of Richard Rolke, representative for The Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce, on the following committees of Council:

- *Economic Development Advisory Committee*
- *Transportation Advisory Committee*
- *Tourism Commission*

AND FURTHER, that Council approve the appointment of Dan Proulx as The Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce alternate representative.’

NEW BUSINESS

Correspondence:

**2019 STATEMENT OF
FINANCIAL
INFORMATION (SOFI)
(1880-03)**

Moved by Councillor Gares, seconded by Councillor Mund:

THAT Council approve the 2019 Statement of Financial Information as provided in attachments to the memorandum dated May 14, 2020 from the Manager, Financial Planning & Reporting.

CARRIED

**2020 UBCM RESOLUTION
SUBMISSIONS
(0360-27)**

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Councillor Fehr:

THAT Council receives the memorandum dated May 19, 2020, from the Deputy CAO regarding 2020 UBCM Resolution Submissions.

CARRIED

**HOUSING AGREEMENT
BYLAW #5816 FOR 3610
25TH AVENUE (CANADIAN
MENTAL HEALTH
ASSOCIATION)
(ZON00335/3900-02)**

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT Council approve Housing Agreement Bylaw #5816 for 3610 25th Avenue (Canadian Mental Health Association).

CARRIED

**REALLOCATION OF
FUNDS – FILTER
REPLACEMENT
PROJECT
(8215-2020)**

Moved by Councillor Quiring, second by Councillor Mund:

THAT Council authorize Administration to reallocate up to \$120,000 from the Kal Tire Place North Sport Flooring Project to fund the replacement of the Lap Pool Filter System in 2020 as per the Internal Memorandum titled Reallocation of Funds – Filter Replacement Project, dated May 22, 2020 respectfully submitted by the Director, Recreation Services;

AND FURTHER that, Council direct Administration to request funds to purchase sport flooring for Kal Tire Place North as part of the 2021 Recreation Services Budget process in order to support the hosting of the 2021 BC Lacrosse Provincials.

CARRIED

**UPDATE EOC/COVID 19
ACTIONS TO DATE**

Moved by Councillor Fehr, seconded by Councillor Mund:

THAT Council receives the Verbal Update from the Director Community Infrastructure and Development, regarding the EOC and COVID-19 Actions to Date, for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Fehr left the meeting at 4:05 pm and returned at 4:08 pm.

Reports:

**COVID-19 PHYSICAL
DISTANCING FOR
BUSINESSES
(8300-07)**

Moved by Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Mund:

THAT Council does not support posting the maximum speed limit for the entire City of Vernon road network (except laneways) within the Primary and Secondary Business Improvement Areas as 30 km/h.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Anderson:

THAT Council allow businesses in the Primary and Secondary Business Improvement Areas to expand their commercial uses into one available public on-street parking space adjacent to their business from June 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020, without a permit and without a fee, subject to entering into a use agreement and conditions to be prepared by Administration;

AND FURTHER, that Council direct Administration to waive the requirement for a Sidewalk and Boulevard Area Use Permit within the Primary and Secondary Business Improvement Areas, until December 31, 2020, to allow businesses to expand their commercial uses into sidewalks and boulevards, subject to leaving a minimum 2.0 m clear aisle for pedestrian circulation, subject to entering into a use agreement and conditions to be prepared by Administration;

AND FURTHER, that Council direct Administration to refund collected fees for 2020 Sidewalk and Boulevard Area Permits, totaling less than \$3,500, to be taken from the Business Licence Account;

AND FURTHER, that Council direct Administration to consult with the Downtown Vernon Association and to report back to Council in June 2020 with recommendations on the potential closure to through traffic of all or some blocks of 30th Avenue between 29th Street and 35th Street;

AND FURTHER, that Council allow businesses with private off-street parking lots throughout the city to temporarily expand their commercial use outdoors on up to 50% of their required private off-street parking spaces from June 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020, subject to conditions to be prepared by Administration;

AND FURTHER, that Council directs Administration to report back to Council with an evaluation of the use of on-street and off-street parking spaces for commercial uses by October 2020.

CARRIED

**TEMPORARY
EXPANSION OF LIQUOR
SERVICE AREAS
(8300-07)**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Nahal:

THAT Council provide pre-approval to all liquor primary and manufacturer establishments within Vernon who may apply for an expanded service food primary, liquor primary and manufacturer licensees (i.e., wineries, breweries, distilleries) to temporarily expand their service areas until October 31, 2020 in alignment with the Liquor Control and Cannabis Regulation Branch Policy Directive No. 20-13 and City requirements.

CARRIED

**HERITAGE
REVITALIZATION
AGREEMENT BYLAW
AMENDMENT
APPLICATION FOR 2301
32 AVENUE
(HRA00006)**

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Councillor Anderson:

THAT Council support the application to amend Heritage Revitalization Agreement Bylaw #4717, 2003, governing Lot 14, Block 1, Plan 327, Section 34, Township 9, ODYD (2301 32nd Avenue) by deleting the current permitted uses "Dental Office in conjunction with a Residence" and replacing it with "Dental Office, Office or Personal Services in conjunction with a Residence" use subject to the following:

- a) The Conservation Plan is maintained;
- b) The Good Neighbour Agreement is renewed to include the new uses on the subject property; and,
- c) Class I and II bicycle parking is provided in a secure location on the site and included in the Conservation Plan.

CARRIED

**SANITARY LATECOMER
BYLAW – SOUTH OF 58TH
AVENUE TO
DELEENHEER ROAD
(ZON00291)**

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Councillor Mund:

THAT Council authorize initiation of a 15-year Latecomer Bylaw payable to Highstreet Creekview Heights Apartments Ltd. For the installation of 129.5m of 200mm diameter sanitary gravity main, with allocation based on a cost of \$45,920.60 and the potential number of benefitting properties.

CARRIED

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Bylaws:

ADOPTION

- 5803

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT Bylaw #5803, “**3001 39th Lane Closure Bylaw Number 5803, 2020**” – a bylaw to authorize the closure and removal of the dedication as highway at 3001 39th Avenue, be adopted.

CARRIED

- 5813

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Council Gares:

THAT Bylaw #5813, “**Recreation and Parks Services Fees and Charges (2020/21) Amendment Bylaw Number 5813, 2020**” – a bylaw to amend the recreation and parks services fees and charges, be **adopted**.

CARRIED

**FIRST, SECOND AND
THIRD READINGS**

- 5816

Moved by Councillor Gares, seconded by Council Quiring:

THAT Bylaw #5816, “**3610 25th Avenue Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 5816, 2020**” – a bylaw to authorize a housing agreement for 3610 25th Avenue, be **read a first, second and third time**.

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CARRIED

**FIRST AND SECOND
READINGS AND PUBLIC
HEARING DATE**

- 5819

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Council Nahal:

THAT Bylaw #5819 “**Heritage Revitalization Agreement amendment (2301 32 Avenue) Bylaw Number 5819, 2020**” be **read a first and second time**;

AND FURTHER, that the Public Hearing for Bylaw #5819, be scheduled for **Monday, June 22, 2020, at 5:30 pm** in the Recreation Centre Auditorium, 3310 37th Avenue.

CARRIED

**CANCELLATION AND
RESCHEDULE OF PUBLIC
HEARING**

- 5814

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT the Public Hearing for the "2103 – 39th Street Rezoning Amendment Bylaw Number 5814, 2020", for Monday, June 8, 2020 be **CANCELLED**:

AND FURTHER, that the Public Hearing be **RESCHEDULED** for **Monday, June 22, 2020, at 6:00 pm**, in the Recreation Centre Auditorium, 3310 37th Avenue.

CARRIED

COUNCIL INFORMATION UPDATES

COUNCILLOR DALVIR NAHAL

**REQUEST TO WAIVE
REZONING
APPLICATION
CONDITION FOR 5000
20TH STREET (ZON00297)**

Moved by Councillor Nahal, seconded by Anderson:

THAT Council direct staff to bring back the report dated April 28, 2020, titled "Request to Waive Rezoning Application Condition for 5000 20th Street (ZON00297)" from the Environmental Planning Assistant for consideration at the regular meeting of Council scheduled on June 8, 2020.

CARRIED, with Mayor Cumming opposed.

Councillor Nahal had no further matters to report.

COUNCILLOR AKBAL MUND

NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor Mund advised of a Notice of Motion to be brought forward to the Council meeting scheduled on June 8, 2020 regarding gasoline price gouging.

Councillor Mund had no further matters to report.

COUNCILLOR SCOTT ANDERSON

**WORKSAFE RULES FOR
RE-OPENING OF
BUSINESSES**

Councillor Scott Anderson reported that he would like to see the WorkSafe BC rules to be more supportive for the business that are re-opening.

COUNCILLOR BRIAN QUIRING

Councillor Brian Quiring did not have any matters to report.

Councillor Quiring declared a conflict of interest as his firm was located across the street from the selected Overdose Prevention Site. Councillor Quiring left the meeting at 4:10 pm and did not return to the meeting.

COUNCILLOR KARI GARES

**INTERIOR HEALTH
AUTHORITY: OVERDOSE
PREVENTION SITE
LOCATION
(0410-31)**

Moved by Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT Council waive section 16, of the City of Vernon Council Procedure Bylaw Number 4840 and permit the Overdose Prevention Site Resolution to be introduced immediately.

CARRIED, with Councillor Fehr opposed.

Moved by Councillor Gares, seconded by Councillor Anderson:

THAT Council authorizes the Mayor to send a letter to the Ministry and CC both the Vernon Chamber and the DVA, to reiterate our position that we are not against the establishment of an Overdose Prevention Site but rather on the location of such site and that this OPS should not be located in the downtown core (BIA 1 & 2 District's);

AND FURTHER, that it is Council's stance that the Overdose Prevention site should not be placed in a private building whereby private property owners may see a negative impact to the market value of their property and to their business dealings. It is of our opinion that any OPS site should be established in a publicly owned building where marketability becomes less of an issue;

AND FURTHER, the current proposed OPS location does not consider the negative impact of those currently accessing the Methadone clinic, who are in different stages of recovery;

AND FURTHER, the better suited location would be the local VJH as it is within walking distance for many, has access to transportation, and establishes a level of anonymity for those who currently use in private. As the stats suggest, the majority, approximately 80%, of those overdosing do so in places of shelter; therefore, it's logical to create an IHA run program that is accessible by all members of this community.

CARRIED, with Mayor Cumming and Councillor Fehr opposed.

**MEETING/EVENT
ATTENDANCE**

Councillor Gares reported that she had attended the following meeting:

- Okanagan Regional Library Board meeting – the strategic plan was delayed due to COVID-19

COUNCILLOR KELLY FEHR

Councillor Kelly Fehr did not have any matters to report.

MAYOR VICTOR CUMMING

Mayor Victor Cumming reported his attendance at various meetings and events as follows:

**MEETING/EVENT
ATTENDANCE**

- Participated in a number of interviews with various media outlets
- Met with the Regional District North Okanagan Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Sterile Insect Release program
- Met with the Downtown Vernon Association regarding business promotion
- Attended the Advisory Planning Commission meeting
- Telephone meeting with Ministry of Transportation regarding mobility
- Attended the Climate Action Committee meeting
- Attended the Ribbons of Green Trails committee meeting, outdoors at Kin Beach
- Attended and interview with the Sterile Insect Release consultant to review new funding equations
- Weekly telephone meeting the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

INFORMATION ITEMS

Council received the following information items:

- A. Letter dated April 15, 2020 from the District of Lake Country to the Minister of Finance re: Interest Charged on Deferred Mortgage Payments.
- B. Letter dated April 30, 2020 from the City of North Vancouver to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing re: Supporting British Columbians During the COVID-19 Pandemic, Provincial Property Tax Deferment Program.
- C. Letter dated May 13, 2020 from the Minister of Children and Family Development re: British Columbia's Child and Youth In Care Week.
- D. Letter dated May 13, 2020 from the Mayor of Nanaimo to the

Attorney General of British Columbia re: Supporting Businesses by Making Liquor Licensing More Flexible.

- E. Minutes from the following Committees of Council:
- (i) Climate Action Advisory, April 14, 2020
 - (ii) Tourism Commission, April 15, 2020
 - (iii) Advisory Planning, April 28, 2020

CLOSE

Mayor Cumming closed the Regular Open Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the City of Vernon at 4:47 pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT



Mayor



Corporate Officer