

MINUTES of a meeting of ESTIMATES COMMITTEE of the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the District of Oak Bay, held in the Council Chambers, Oak Bay Municipal Hall, 2167 Oak Bay Avenue, Oak Bay, B.C., on Wednesday, April 16, 2014.

PRESENT: Mayor N. Jensen, Chair  
Councillor P. Copley  
Councillor C. Green  
Councillor J. Herbert  
Councillor M. Kirby (arrived at 7:25 p.m.)  
Councillor K. Murdoch  
Councillor T. Ney

STAFF: Municipal Administrator, H. Koning  
Municipal Clerk, L. Hilton  
Municipal Treasurer, P. Walker  
Director of Engineering Services, D. Marshall

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

#### OAK BAY HERITAGE COMMISSION

Bronwyn Taylor and Pat Wilson of the Oak Bay Heritage Commission were in attendance to provide an overview of the Commission's budget request, drawing attention to areas where budget reductions could be accommodated.

#### OAK BAY HERITAGE FOUNDATION

Robert Taylor was in attendance on behalf of the Foundation. It was noted that the funding the Foundation had earmarked for the Native Plant Park fence would no longer be required as it was being funded by a private donation, and it was acknowledged that this may affect the decision on providing the total \$5,000 grant requested by the Foundation.

#### REMAINING CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS

The remaining portions of the budget were reviewed with adjustments being made as noted in the summary of adjustments.

#### REFERRALS TO ESTIMATES COMMITTEE:

The following decisions were made with respect to the referrals to the Committee:

	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Decision</u>
1	Greater Victoria Bike to Work Week	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
2	Oak Bay Volunteer Services Society	\$ 28,000	\$ 25,000
3	Oak Bay Heritage Foundation	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,000
4	Greater Victoria Volunteer Society	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,400
5	Community Social Planning Council	\$ 5,000	\$ 500
6	Crisis Intervention and Public Information Society (Need2: Suicide Prevention Education & Support)	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000

7	St John Ambulance	\$ 600	\$ 600
8	The Maritime Museum of BC Society	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,500
9	Royal and McPherson Theatres Society *	\$ 10,000	\$ 2,500
10	Vancouver Island South Film and Media Comm.	\$ 10,000	\$ 7,500
11	Greater Victoria Development Agency	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,000
	Friends of Uplands Park (\$2,000)		
12	Uplands Park Kiosk (\$5,000)	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
13	Community Association of Oak Bay	\$ 15,000	\$ 1,500
14	Help Fill A Dream Foundation	\$ 2,500	--
15	Seachange Marine Conservation Society	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000

\*Councillor Green declared a conflict in regards to the grant request from the Royal and McPherson Theatres Society inasmuch as she is a member of the Board, and left the meeting before the discussion at 8:25 p.m. and returned post discussion at 8:25 p.m. Councillor Green left the meeting again due to her declared conflict at 9:25 p.m. when further discussion on the grant arose, and returned at 9:30 p.m.

SUMMARY OF ADJUSTMENTS:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Increase to Taxes</u>	<u>Decrease to Taxes</u>
Building Permits		\$ 50,000
Parks & Recreation Invasive Species Program	\$ 12,000	
Lawn Bowling Club Revenue		\$ 5,378
Heritage Commission Advertising		\$ 1,000
Heritage Commission (other)		\$ 2,000
Reserved Bike Lane Funds		\$ 50,000
ATAC Projects	\$ 50,000	
Rentals (other)		\$ 20,000
Noxious Weed Program		\$ 7,178
Public Works Yard Fence	\$ 19,000	
Community Initiatives Committee	\$ 5,000	
Uplands Kiosk (Parks & Recreation)	\$ 5,000	
Emergency Program Manager (Salary & Benefits)		\$ 11,319
Emergency Program Contracts	\$ 5,000	
3 Oak Bay Heritage Foundation		\$ 2,000
4 Greater Victoria Volunteer Society		\$ 100
5 Community Social Planning Council		\$ 1,000
8 The Maritime Museum of BC Society	\$ 500	
9 Royal and McPherson Theatres Society	\$ 2,500	
10 Vancouver Island South Film and Media Comm.	\$ 6,000	
11 Greater Victoria Development Agency	\$ 1,000	

12	Friends of Uplands Park	\$	1,000	
13	Community Association of Oak Bay	\$	500	
15	Seachange Marine Conservation Society	\$	5,000	
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>112,500</b>	<b>\$ 149,975</b>

Net Impact on Levy	\$(37,475)
Pre-Meeting General and Debt Levy	\$19,232,222
Revised General and Debt Levy	\$19,194,747
% Change from Prior Year Levy	4.54%

This resulted in an overall increase of 2.99% for an average house. Including the solid waste charge, the increase for an average house is 4.13%.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Certified Correct:

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Municipal Clerk

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Chair