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## TOWN OF SIDNEY

### MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING Thursday, May 14, 2020 Council Chambers 3:00 p.m.

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**PRESENT:** Mayor C. McNeil-Smith  
Councillors: S. Garnett  
Councillors: S. Duncan, B. Fallot, T. O’Keeffe and P. Wainwright (*via electronically*)

**ABSENT:** Councillor C. Rintoul

**Staff:** R. Humble, Chief Administrative Officer  
A. Hicik, Director of Corporate Services  
B. Mikkelsen, Fire Chief / EOC Director  
A. Verhagen, Senior Manager of Planning/EOC Recovery Director (*via electronically*)  
S. Nelson, Corporate Officer

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

The Mayor respectfully acknowledged that this evening’s meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the WSÁNEC people.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2020.21.256 Moved by Councillor S. Garnett, seconded by Councillor P. Wainwright, that the agenda be approved as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### 3. POTENTIAL POLICY INPUT TO TOWN’S EOC

2020.21.257 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor T. O’Keeffe, that where practical EOC staff are encouraged to contract out specific projects/tasks.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2020.21.258 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor S. Duncan, that the recovery plan should make a meaningful contribution to the Strategic Plan’s Overarching Goals in addition to or other than Economic Vibrancy and Community Safety, Health & Wellbeing.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2020.21.259 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor S. Garnett, that the scope of recovery planning, particularly information gathering, should not be limited to Sidney’s municipal boundary.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2020.21.260 Moved by Councillor S. Duncan, seconded by Councillor P. Wainwright, that during a state of emergency the EOC Director, or their delegate, may at their discretion seek input from Council on new policy matters:

1. where the EOC is operating at a stable or improving condition;
2. there is no imminent risk to life, limb or property should a decision be delayed;
3. where measures being considered do not conflict with orders that are already in existence of higher government or in opinion of staff or policy group being contentious.

**OPPOSED: Mayor C. McNeil-Smith & Councillors: S. Duncan, B. Fallot,  
S. Garnett, T. O’Keeffe & P. Wainwright**

**MOTION DEFEATED**

2020.21.261 Moved by Councillor P. Wainwright, seconded by Councillor S. Duncan, that where there is concern about potential lack of public support for an action the EOC is encouraged to request advice from the policy group before announcing the action.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2020.21.262 Moved by Councillor T. O'Keeffe, seconded by Councillor P. Wainwright, that staff review the Town's Emergency Response and Recovery Plan, Emergency Program Bylaw No. 1936 and the recommendations from the Auditor General for Local Government relating to emergency management and report back to Council.

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

2020.21.263 Moved by Councillor S. Garnett, seconded by Councillor B. Fallot, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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MAYOR

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CORPORATE OFFICER