CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

BY-LAW NO. 953

BEING a By-law to provide for the participation of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt in a co-ordinated metropolitan health administration.

WHEREAS it is deemed to be desirable that the Corporation enter into an agreement with the City of Victoria, the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay, the Saanich and South Vancouver Island Union Board of Health representing its component parts, the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 61, and the Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance (Health Branch) of the Government of the Province of British Columbia, for the creation and the maintenance of a metropolitan health administration to assume the duties and responsibilities presently assumed and discharged by the individual signataries referred to herein.

AND WHEREAS before such administration can be formed enabling legislation must be passed by the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia.

AND WHEREAS it has been deemed expedient to execute an agreement creating the metropolitan health administration referred to herein which said agreement shall not become effective and binding until enabling legislation has been passed by the Government of the Province of British Columbia.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT in open meeting assembled doth enact as follows:

- It shall be lawful for the Corporation to enter into an agreement with the City of Victoria; The Corporation of the District of Oak Bay; The Saanich and South Vancouver Island Union Board of Health representing The Corporation of the District of Saanich, The Corporation of the District of Central Saanich, The Corporation of the Village of Sidney, The Board of School Trustees for School District #62, The Board of School Trustees for School District #63, The Board of School Trustees for School District #64; The Board of School Trustees for School District #61, and the Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance (Health Branch) of the Government of the Province of British Columbia, in a form set out and described in the schedule annexed hereto and marked with the letter "A" and forming a part of this By-Law.
- 2. The said agreement shall be executed by the Reeve and the Clerk and the seal of the Corporation shall be impressed thereon in the presence of the Reeve and the Clerk.
- Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to repeal, rescind or in any way effect the operation of By-Law 574 of the Corporation.

4. This By-law may be cited as the "Metropolitan Health Administration By-law 1961".

PASSED by the Municipal Council on JAN 30 1961

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED by the Municipal Council on FEB 13 1961

J.W. Allan. Clerk

Alfred C. Wurtel Reeve

CITY OF VICTORIA (hereinafter called the "City")

AND:

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY

(hereinafter called the "Municipalities")

AND:

THE SAANICH AND SOUTH VANCOUVER ISLAND UNION BOARD OF HEALTH representing:

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SIDNEY

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT #62

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT #63

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT #64

(hereinafter called the "Health Unit members")

AND:

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT #61 (hereinafter called the "School Board")

AND:

THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND HOSPITAL INSURANCE (HEALTH BRANCH)

(hereinafter called the "Department")

WHEREAS it is deemed to be to the advantage of the City, and the Municipalities and the School Boards and to the other signatories hereto that their several health services should be placed under unified control;

AND WHEREAS this agreement is predicated upon monetary assistance through National and Provincial Health Grants:

AND WHEREAS until enabling legislation is passed a complete union cannot be attained;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto agree each with the other as follows, that is to say:

- To organize a co-ordinated metropolitan health administration in which their existing separate local health administrations would become pooled under unified direction for the life of this agreement.
- 2. The City will at all times during the life of this agreement employ a Medical Health Officer who shall be a physician with a Diploma in Public Health or its equivalent, plus five years' experience in public health administration, and who shall be the Medical Health Officer for the City and for the purpose of this agreement the Senior Medical Health Officer.

- 3. Each of the Municipalities, inclusive of those in the Health Unit members will appoint the Senior Medical Health Officer, or such other Medical Health Officer who may from time to time be engaged as Senior Medical Health Officer by the City, to be its Senior Medical Health Officer but without salary as far as each of such municipalities is concerned.
- 4. Each of the School Boards inclusive of those in the Health Unit members will appoint the Senior Medical Health Officer, or such other Medical Health Officer who may from time to time be engaged as Senior Medical Health Officer by the City to be its Senior School Health Officer without salary as far as they individually are concerned.
- 5. Each of the parties shall be entitled to appoint a representative and alternate annually to a committee of supervision to be known as the Greater Victoria Metropolitan Health Committee.

The representatives so appointed shall be elected officials and shall hold office for the calendar year in which they have been appointed and until their successors have been appointed.

- 6. The Metropolitan Health Committee shall have supervision over the local health services, inclusive of community and school health services, throughout the entire area.
- 7. The qualifications of every person employed in and about the Health Services hereby unified shall be such as are set out in the schedule hereto attached, to the end that the same may reach the standard required by the Health Branch, Provincial Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance.
- 8. IT IS UNDERSTOOD that so long as the standards and conditions hereby required are maintained, the Health Branch, Provincial Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance will make grants of not less than the sums presently made, but subject to revision from time to time.
- 9. The signatories hereto agree that the Senior Medical Health Officer, under the direction of the Metropolitan Health Committee, shall have supervision of all health personnel now or hereafter employed in any part of the whole area by any of the signatories hereto during the life of this Agreement, and shall use them as he may deem necessary in any part of the area and shall assign to such personnel such duties and functions as shall be deemed necessary and requisite.

- 10. It is agreed that the Health By-laws of the municipalities and the regulations of the Health Act as to any particular municipality or district, and the Public Schools Act insofar as it affects school health services, shall continue to be enforced as heretofore, but under the general direction of the Senior Medical Health Officer.
- 11. This agreement shall come into force and take effect on the date of its execution by all the parties hereto.
- 12. The City agrees that during the life of this Agreement it will continue to employ and pay the salaries of the officials and staff of the Health Services to not less than the number of those employed at the time of the signing hereof and such other officials as may be from time to time considered by it to be requisite and necessary.
- 13. The Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt agrees that during the life of this Agreement it will continue to employ and pay the salaries of the officials and staff of the Health Services to not less than the number of those employed at the time of the signing hereof and such other officials as may be from time to time considered by it to be requisite and necessary. It is understood the standard of public health services in Esquimalt shall be not less than the standard at present prevailing in that municipality.
- 14. The Corporation of the District of Oak Bay agrees that during the life of this Agreement it will continue to employ and pay the salaries of the officials and staff of the Health Services to not less than the number of those employed at the time of the signing hereof and such other officials as may be from time to time considered by it to be requisite and necessary in meeting the needs for community public health services. It is understood the standard of public health service in Oak Bay shall not be less than the standard at present prevailing in that municipality.
- 15. The Saanich and South Vancouver Island Union Board of Health agrees to carry on the health services to meet the standards outlined and approved by the Health Branch of the Provincial Department of Health Services and Hospital Insurance.

- 16. The Board of School Trustees for School District #61 agrees that during the life of this agreement it will continue to supply or pay for services at present provided for school health purposes and any persons supplied shall be seconded to the Metropolitan Board of Health for supervision under the direction by the Senior Medical Health Officer.
- 17. Where new services are provided and financed from National or Provincial Grants, they shall be administered by the Senior Medical Health Officer under the direction of the Metropolitan Health Committee, and such services may be applied over the whole area.
- 18. Any of the signatories hereto may cease to be a party to this agreement by giving at least six months' notice to the Committee of its intention to do so, such withdrawal to take effect only on the 31st day of December in any calendar year.

Victoria, B.C. January, 1961.

SCHEDULE OF QUALIFICATIONS OF PUBLIC HEALTH PERSONNEL

In accordance with Clause 7 of the Agreement relevant to the integration of health services for the Greater Victoria Area, the following are the minimum qualifications required of public health personnel to function under the direction of the Greater Victoria Metropolitan Health Committee:

- A MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICER must be a graduate of a recognized School of Medicine and have subsequent graduate training in public health of at least one academic year, holding a Diploma in Public Health or its equivalent.
- A SANITARY INSPECTOR must be trained in public health, the minimum requirement being the holding of a Certificate in Sanitary Inspection (Canada) or its equivalent.
- THE SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR must have qualifications as outlined above, and in addition, considerable experience, five years of which having been at the supervisory level.
- A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE must be a graduate of a recognized School of Nursing, having satisfactorily completed one academic year in a recognized School of Public Health Nursing, holding a Diploma in Public Health Nursing or its equivalent.
- A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SUPERVISOR must have qualifications in public health nursing as outlined above, and in addition, a period of satisfactory experience as a public health nurse, and hold a Degree or Certificate in Public Health Nursing Supervision and Administration.
- THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING must have qualifications in public health nursing as outlined above, and in addition hold a Degree in Public Health Nursing Supervision and Administration, and have ten years' experience in public health nursing, five years of which having been at the supervisory level.

It may be necessary to employ personnel such as physicians, nurses and sanitary inspector trainees for experience and assessment who will be required to take the necessary public health training in due course.

It is understood that public health personnel now employed full-time by any of the signatories of the Agreement are not required to meet these qualifications at present. However, as soon as possible their qualifications should be brought up to the minimum standard shown above.