

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

BYLAW NO. 2732

A Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 2646, cited as the
"Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2006, No. 2646"

THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited as the "OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW, 2006, NO. 2646, AMENDMENT BYLAW [NO. 7], 2010, NO. 2732".

2. That Bylaw No. 2646, cited as the "Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2006, No. 2646" be amended as follows:

- 1) *by adding the following words and figures immediately following Section 7.1.2.5:*

"Section 7.1.2.6 Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Targets

In addition to the policies listed in preceding sections, the Township of Esquimalt is committed to reducing community greenhouse gas emissions (GHG). The Local Government Act requires that an Official Community Plan include targets for the reduction of community GHG emissions, as well as policies and actions for achieving those targets.

In 2010, the Township of Esquimalt established its commitment to the following:

Climate Science

- To acknowledge that increasing carbon dioxide (CO₂) levels in the atmosphere resulting from human activities are causing rapid climate change;*
- To recognize "dangerous" climate change as a rise in global average surface temperature of 2°C above the pre-industrial level; and*
- To take action on stabilizing GHG concentrations in the atmosphere by reducing emissions and enhancing greenhouse gas sinks and reservoirs.*

Community GHG Reduction Targets

- To set GHG targets which are science-based; and*
- To reduce community greenhouse gas emissions by at least 38% by 2020; and 83% by 2050 compared to 2007 levels.*

Carbon Neutrality

- *To strive for the ultimate objective of carbon neutrality by realizing zero net community GHG emissions.*

The Township of Esquimalt will develop a plan which outlines the specific policies and actions required to achieve these targets. The plan will be evaluated regularly, and when required amended, to ensure that Esquimalt will meet its reduction targets as quickly as possible."


READ a first time by the Municipal Council on the 15th day of March, 2010.

READ a second time by the Municipal Council on the 15th day of March, 2010.

A Public Hearing was held pursuant to Sections 890 and 892 of the *Local Government Act* on the 3rd day of May, 2010.

READ a third time by the Municipal Council on the 3rd day of May, 2010.

ADOPTED by the Municipal Council on the 3rd day of May, 2010.


BARBARA DESJARDINS
MAYOR


CAROLLYNE EVANS
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR