MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE
OF THE WHOLE - FINANCIAL PLAN MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL, 770 VERNON AVENUE
TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2004 AT 7:30 P.M.

Present:

Chair: Mayor Leonard
Council: Councillors Brownoff, Cubberley, Derman, Gillespie, Ngai, Pickup, and Wergeland.
Staff: T. Wood, Municipal Administrator; Derek Egan, Chief Constable; P. Murray, Director of Finance.

Police Board Presentation

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Mr. Maurice Chazottes and Police Chief Derek Egan presented the 2004 Police budget as approved by the Saanich Police Board. Mr. Chazottes specifically noted individual supplemental and retention requests relating to Pound operations, PRIME and staffing requests.

2004 Departmental Budgets

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Chris Pease, Director of Parks and Public Works presented the Water, Sewer, and Public Works 2004 budget requests.

Rae Roer, Parks Manager presented the Parks Department 2004 budget submission, noting several supplemental requests.

Hugh McKay, Director of Engineering Services presented the Engineering Department 2004 budget submission. Mr. McKay identified several capital projects planned for 2004 and noted that the Richmond/Cedar Hill Cross Road intersection project would be postponed pending further design work and consultation. Funding previously earmarked for this work in 2004 would be reallocated to other priority areas.

Paul Murray, Director of Finance, reviewed budgets in various sundry areas including government services, debt and contingency.

Committee reviewed a recommendation from the Community Arts Advisory Committee to continue with phase II of the Saanich Municipal Hall Heritage and Arts Enhancement Project.

MOVED by Councillor Pickup and seconded by Councillor Gillespie: "That the Saanich Municipal Hall Heritage and Arts Enhancement Project budget request in the amount of $15,000 be approved".

CARRIED

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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CHAIR