

CITY OF LANGFORD
SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
Thursday, March 26th, 2020 @ 1:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, 877 Goldstream Avenue

AGENDA

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1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	
2. <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u>	
3. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>	
4. <u>BYLAWS</u>	
a) BYLAW NO. 1701	2
"Procedure Bylaw, 2020"	
(ADOPTION)	
b) BYLAW NO. 1899	3
"Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177, Amendment No. 11, 2020"	
(FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS)	
5. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>	

City of Langford

BYLAW NO. 1701

A Bylaw to amend the Council Procedure Bylaw No. 819.

The Council of the City of Langford, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

Citation

1. This Bylaw may be cited as “Council Procedure Bylaw, Amendment No. 2, Bylaw No. 1701”.

Amendment

2. Council Procedure Bylaw No. 819, 2004 is hereby amended by adding the following as subsection (e) to section 2h, “Electronic Meetings”:
 - e) Despite sections 2h(b) and 2h(c), all Council members may participate in a Council meeting electronically under the following circumstances:
 - i. If the World Health Organization has declared a pandemic, and has not yet rescinded the pandemic declaration or declared a post-pandemic period; or
 - ii. If there is a current local state of emergency.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 16TH DAY OF MARCH 2020.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 16TH DAY OF MARCH 2020.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 16TH DAY OF MARCH 2020.

PUBLIC NOTICE GIVEN THIS 20TH AND 25TH DAY OF MARCH 2020.

ADOPTED THIS DAY OF MARCH 2020.

Presiding Council Member

Corporate Officer



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Staff Report to Council

Date: March 26, 2020
Department: Bylaw Enforcement
Subject: Bylaw 1899 to Amend Langford Municipal Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 177, 1996

Background

As communities across Canada respond to the current COVID-19 pandemic situation through more thoughtful management of publicly attended and shared spaces, Langford is already taking steps through restricting access to sites that may present higher possibilities of disease transmission. Included in this strategy is the restriction of access to playground areas and the associated equipment, as well as fields and other public spaces, which could become sources of contamination and transmission.

Commentary

In reviewing the Parks Bylaw, staff are recommending Council confirm certain authorities provided to the Parks Manager to purposefully protect the public through an identified need to close a Park (or any portion) under Council's Municipal Parks Regulation Bylaw 177. Staff note that regular daily closure times have already been established by Council within the Bylaw based on the category of Park (e.g.: All Class "A" and "C" Parks listed on Schedule "A" are closed between sunset and sunrise daily with some further identified and restricted to between 5:00pm and 7:00am). Beyond these prescribed closures, there is limited special authority granted to the Parks Manager to stipulate closures for extraordinary circumstances.

Council has the ability to determine a need for effective management of public spaces under its s.8 "Fundamental Powers" authorities as provided in the *Community Charter*.

Financial Implications

There are no anticipated financial implications associated with the proposed amendment to the Parks Regulation Bylaw.

Legal Implications

This proposed amendment to the Parks Regulation Bylaw confirms Council's intention to provide greater certainty when a need to close a Park or a portion of a Park emerges.

Options

That Council:

- 1.) Give first, second and third readings to Bylaw 1899, as amendment #11 to "Langford Municipal Parks Regulation Bylaw No.177, 1996";

And

- 2.) Immediately close all City parks, playgrounds and fields until the COVID-19 pandemic has ended;

OR

- 3.) Take no action at this time with respect to amending Bylaw 1899.

Respectfully submitted,

Submitted by:	Lorne Fletcher, Manager of Bylaw Enforcement
Concurrence:	Adriana Proton, Manager of Legislative Services
Concurrence:	Matthew Baldwin, MCIP, RPP Director of Planning
Concurrence:	Chris Aubrey, Fire Chief
Concurrence:	Cory Manton, Manager of Parks and Recreation
Concurrence:	Michelle Mahovlich, P.Eng, P.Geo, Director of Engineering
Concurrence:	Leah Stohmann, MCIP, RPP, Deputy Director of Planning
Concurrence:	Michael Dillabaugh, CPA, CA, Director of Finance
Concurrence:	Braden Hutchins, Director of Corporate Services
Concurrence:	Darren Kiedyk, Chief Administrative Officer

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City of Langford

Bylaw No. 1899

A Bylaw to Amend Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177 to Provide for the Ability to Post and Enforce Notices Respecting Park Use

WHEREAS Council has the authority to regulate public spaces within the municipality; and

WHEREAS Council wishes to amend the Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177 to permit the Parks Manager to make changes to the operating hours of all City Parks, Trails, and Beaches; and

WHEREAS Council wishes to amend the Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177 to provide for a system of posting and enforcing notices respecting park use;

THEREFORE the Council of the City of Langford in open meeting assembled ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “Municipal Park Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1899, 2020.
2. The following definition shall be added as section 1.24 in the Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177:

“Posted Notice”— means a sign or written notice of the Parks Manager which is affixed to any wall, post, fence, gate, tree, or notice board in any Park, Trail, or Beach.

3. The following section shall be added as section 3.6 in the Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177:

If he or she deems it necessary to do so, the Parks Manager may close any Park, Trail, or Beach, or any area of a Park, Trail, or Beach, at any time and shall notify the public of the closure by affixing Posted Notices within the Park.

4. The following section shall be added as section 4.30 in the Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177:

Every person within a Park, Trail, or Beach shall obey all Federal and Provincial enactments and City bylaws including, without limitation, all Posted Notices.

5. Section 4.6 of the Municipal Park Regulation Bylaw No. 177 shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

The Parks Manager may affix Posted Notices in any Park, Trail, or Beach to notify the public of the regulations respecting the use of any Park, Trail, or Beach.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

ADOPTED THIS DAY OF APRIL, 2020.

Presiding Council Member

Corporate Officer