



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

**LATE AGENDA ITEMS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Monday, November 8th, 2021 @ 6:00 pm
Esquimalt Council Chambers

(1) Item No. 4 PUBLIC INPUT:

- Email received November 6, 2021, Re: – Victoria Police Department 2021 Third Quarterly Report, Chief Del Manak

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From: Bruce Cuthbert [REDACTED]
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Subject: VicPD Presentation & Community Engagement

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To: Esquimalt Council - VicPD report - Nov 8

Thank you to:

- VicPD Del Manak & your officers for your service to our municipality and
- to our Esquimalt Council for your support of or Esquimalt Police Services.

We appreciate and support VicPD services and your police officers. Take care & stay safe.

- Is there a plan for raising awareness of BlockWatch and getting more homes involved in the program?
- Can BC BlockWatch info be shared with Esquimalt BlockWatch members on a monthly basis?

BlockWatch has been a great way for our street to be connected for all types of public safety requirements including police, traffic, fire, as well as other emergencies such as storms, earthquakes, smoke, etc. Please help us to help you.

Safer streets.

I see that [Block Watch - VicPD.ca](#) identifies *182 Blocks on BlockWatch*. It can be helpful to involve those in our community that are interested in community safety for their families and also for their businesses. Is 182 about 10% of Victoria and Esquimalt streets?

- It might help to have links to BlockWatch and to CrimeStoppers on the municipality front page as well.
- How many Blockwatch Blocks are there in Esquimalt and in Victoria?
- Can there be a target of adding another 50-100 blocks per year for the next 3 years? (including Condos & Apartments)
- Can existing BlockWatches invite their neighbouring streets?
- Can Township invite streets to join twice per year?
- Can Esquimalt RD Businesses join BlockWatch. Inspector Lindner in Esquimalt) did much work on this several years ago?

As you may know Block Watch and CrimeStoppers used to get very high marks in the Annual Customer & Business surveys. I am not sure what their status is in the past several years.

Relevant BC BlockWatch Info to post monthly for VicPd using VicPD & / or Esquimalt social media. Much of this is just retweets & post shares.

- [Crime Prevention Tips – Block Watch Society of BC](#)
- [Block Watch Society of BC \(@bcblockwatch\) / Twitter](#) - (Township of Esquimalt or VicPD Esquimalt Division could at least repost the BC BlockWatch tweets on a weekly basis.
- [Block Watch Society of BC - Home | Facebook](#) - Please repost BC BlockWatch Facebook post of Township of Esquimalt or VicPD Esquimalt Division

Interesting uses in other municipalities

Burnaby - [Our Community Safety Plan](#) (includes Police, Fire, Emergencies ...

- [Read the community safety plan](#)

MISSION Bring people together to enhance community safety in Burnaby.

This mission statement places the emphasis on the City working more closely with other governments, agencies, businesses, community groups and residents to achieve our vision.

- [VPD GeoDASH](#) Vancouver Police Info map is of interest. The icons are community friendly.
- <https://pub-burnaby.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=51099> Burnaby interesting reports

We are sorry to hear of officer injuries as well as health and wellness challenges. Stay safe & take care.

Again thanks for your services to protect Esquimalt, Victoria an our region.

Regards,
Bruce Cuthbert

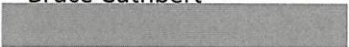

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