

November 7, 2007

December Trust Council Agenda Announced

VICTORIA - The Islands Trust Council will hold its next quarterly business meeting December 5-7, 2007 at the Harbour Towers Hotel in Victoria. The public meeting starts Wednesday, December 5 at 1:00 p.m. and finishes by 1:00 p.m. on Friday, December 7.

Trust Council invites members of the public to participate in a town hall session, a regular forum to promote informal dialogue between islanders and trustees, starting at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 6. Persons or organizations wishing to reserve time to make a formal presentation to the Islands Trust Council at the beginning of the town hall session must receive an appointment through the Executive Committee. Please forward your request to the Corporate Secretary, including the subject, name and address of the speaker, to the Islands Trust Victoria office, #200, 1627 Fort St., Victoria, B.C., V8R 1H8; fax: 250-405-5155; e-mail: information@islandstrust.bc.ca. Guidelines to help those planning a presentation to Council are available on the Islands Trust website at www.islandstrust.bc.ca.

Trust Council Sessions will include:

Wednesday, December 5

Parks Canada Updates – Senior Parks Canada staff will provide updates regarding the Gulf Islands National Park Reserve and the feasibility study for the National Marine Conservation Area.

Planning Session – The Director of Local Planning Services will present a report with recommendations regarding the delivery of Local Planning Services, followed by review of work programs with trustees and staff from the Northern, Southern and Central planning teams.

Thursday, December 6

Local Planning Services Review – Discussion of recommendations.

Strategic Plan Review – In preparation for budget discussions, trustees will review the status of strategic items and discuss priorities for the remainder of their term.

Intro 2008-2009 Budget - An overview of the Islands Trust budget process, the base budget, potential new programs and revenue requirements. This session will prepare trustees for the decisions regarding the 2008-2009 budget that they will make at the March 2008 Trust Council meeting.

Delegations and Town Hall Session – Trust Council encourages members of the public to participate in dialogue between members of island communities and the trustees. The public is invited to discuss issues, ask questions and make suggestions about the work of the Islands Trust.

Information and Decision Items – Trust Council will consider a variety of routine business updates and decisions on Thursday, December 6 and Friday, December 7.

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Attached: 3 day agenda program

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December 2007 Islands Trust Council Agenda Program

December 5-7, 2007

Location: Harbour Towers Hotel 345 Quebec Street, Victoria, BC
Meetings: West Harbour Ballroom

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	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5	THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7
Morning	<p>10:45 – 12:15 Parks Canada Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gulf Islands National Park Reserve • National Marine Conservation Area 	<p>8:30 – 10:00 Local Planning Services Review - Discussion of Recommendations</p> <p>10:00 – 10:15 Break</p> <p>10:15 – 11:15 Strategic Plan Review</p> <p>11:15 – 12:30 Intro 2008-09 Budget Session</p>	<p>8:30 – 10:15 **Closed Meeting**</p> <p>10:15 – 10:30 Break</p> <p>10:30 - 1:00 Information and Decision Items</p>
Afternoon	<p>12:15 – 1:00 Lunch</p> <p>1:00 Call to Order/Approval of Agenda</p> <p>1:05 – 5:00 Planning Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Planning Services Review Presentation • Team Meetings <p>3:30 – 3:45 Break</p>	<p>12:30 – 1:15 Lunch</p> <p>1:15 – 1:30 Recognition of Retiring Trust Fund Board Members</p> <p>1:30 – 2:30 Delegations/Town Hall Session</p> <p>2:30 – 2:45 Break</p> <p>2:45 – 5:00 Information and Decision Items</p>	<p>1:00 Meeting Adjourned (approx)</p>

Members of the public are invited to attend all sessions except any Closed portion of the meeting and meals.