

STAFF REPORT

Warrenton Town Council

Carter Nevill, Mayor Roy Francis, Ward 1 William Semple, Ward 2 Larry Kovalik, Ward 3 Michele O'Halloran, Ward 4 Eric Gagnon, Ward 5 Paul Mooney, At Large David McGuire, At Large

Council Meeting Date: March 11th, 2025.

Agenda Title: Town of Warrenton Commission on Open and Transparent Government

Requested Action: Receive the information from Mr. Semple.

Department / Agency Lead: Mr. William Semple, Vice Mayor

Staff Lead: None

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Mr. Semple has requested the addition of a work session item to discuss the Town of Warrenton Commission on Open and Transparent Government.

There is a resolution attached to the agenda for consideration requesting the appointment of a Special Council for the Commission and the appropriation of \$60,000 for the funding of the Special Council.

BACKGROUND

At the February 11th, 2025, Work Session, Mr. David Norden, Mr. Ken Alm, and Mr. Mike Kokoszka were appointed to the Commission. An outline was provided by Mr. Semple outlining the objectives of the Commission.

At the January 14th, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Town Council a resolution was passed creating the Commission on Open and Transparent Government. RES-25-01-08.

Mr. William Semple, Vice Mayor, and Mr. Eric Gagnon were appointed to the Commission.

Mr. Semple requested this item be added to the February 11th, 2025, Work session to discuss the Commission.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Consider the proposed resolution for the Appointment of the Special Council and the Appropriation of funds.

Service Level/Collaborative Impact

Council has not yet defined the service level or collaborative impact.

Policy Direction/Warrenton Plan 2040

Council has not yet defined the policy direction nor the connection to Warrenton Plan 2040.

Fiscal Impact

Council has not yet defined the fiscal impact of the commission. Mr. Semple has indicated that the Commission may request an appropriation of the budget.

Legal Impact

Council has not yet defined the legal impact of the commission.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Handout Provided by Mr. Semple.
- 2. RES-25-01-08
- 3.