

Report Number: EC2024-1117

Meeting: Executive Committee

Meeting Date: 2024 October 02

NOTICE OF MOTION

RE: HMCS Calgary 30th Anniversary and Ongoing Calgary Salutes Support

Sponsoring Member(s) of Council: Gian-Carlo Carra, Kourtney Penner

WHERES the Royal Canadian Navy has a Halifax-Class frigate named HMCS Calgary;

AND WHEREAS HMCS Calgary which will be commemorating its 30th anniversary of commissioning into Naval service on May 12, 2025;

AND WHEREAS HMCS Calgary and the City of Calgary share a special ship to shore relationship;

AND WHEREAS the City of Calgary re-committed that relationship with the creation of the Friends of HMCS Calgary Committee in 2020, now a subcommittee of the Calgary Salutes Committee;

AND WHEREAS the Friends of HMCS Calgary Subcommittee intends to plan 30th anniversary commemoration events both in Calgary and Victoria (Esquimalt) in partnership with HMCS Calgary;

AND WHEREAS the Calgary Salutes Committee intends to host several events and programs year over year including but not limited to HMCS Calgary Barn Burner, HMCS Calgary Youth Road Hockey Tournament, Remembrance Day celebrations, The White Hat program for HMCS Calgary Sailors, Leaders at Sea program and other events and programs that raise the awareness of Calgarians to HMCS Calgary and the Royal Canadian Navy and more broadly the Canadian Armed Forces;

AND WHEREAS the Calgary Salutes Committee will be engaging in fundraising activities from private sector donors to support these events and programs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that one-time funding of \$50,000 is directed to the Calgary Salutes Committee for the purposes of planning and executing 30th Anniversary HMCS Calgary events for the fiscal year of 2025 including but not limited to venue rental, entertainment, logistics, and food & beverage costs;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that one time funding of \$15,000 total (\$1,000 per office) is directed to the Office of the Councillors to be used for travel expenses for the Mayor and Councillors if they choose to attend the 30th Anniversary event in Victoria in June of 2025;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct Administration to report back to Council through Executive Committee in Q2 with a recommendation for a yearly budget for the Calgary Salutes Committee to assist in the planning and execution of the aforementioned events and programs on an ongoing basis.

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