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Mayor and Council
City of Victoria
1 Centennial Square
Victoria, BC
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January 28, 2021

Dear Mayor and Council,

Re: City of Victoria statements regarding FGCA, homelessness, sheltering in parks and the warming tent

The Board of Directors of Fairfield Gonzales Community Association (FGCA) notes that Community Associations are not governments, and have no decision-making authority over the above-noted matters. Recent statements made during a Council meeting caused confusion among our members and community residents, and affected our ability to deliver on our mandates.

We request that City officials - elected and non-elected - take greater care in future to:

- listen to citizens' legitimate concerns about City decisions;
- ensure that they verify FGCA's views prior to making assertions about them;
- recognize that views expressed by individual Board members during Board meetings are not representative of FGCA views; and,
- accept City responsibility for City decisions, and avoid deflecting onto FGCA or other community associations.

For further information about FGCA and these issues, please see our website.

<https://fairfieldcommunity.ca/events-projects/sheltering-in-parks/>

Thank you for your attention to these matters, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any information or clarification.

Sincerely,

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President, on behalf of the Board of Directors
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