ON TABLE February 22, 2021 -Regular Council Meeting Item 5.1.b

For White Rock mayor and council Thank you for your attention to our urgent request.

What: city space for a day time warming centre to be established immediately

For whom: neighbours who are homeless who have been living at night at the Extreme Weather Shelter at Peace Portal Alliance since Mid November.

Why: concern for the health and safety of these homeless neighbours who are on the streets from 7 am when shelter closes until 8 pm when it opens for the night.

Request by: willing, experienced shelter volunteers from congregation of Peninsula United Church

How: staff will be provided by Options Services to Community, supported by volunteers and other community groups. (Sources and Save on Foods currently support the night time shelter)

Needed: a simple indoor space with washroom, in a location that can readily be accessed by the guests

When: immediately, at least until March 31

Funding: UBCM Safe. Restart programme—Strengthening Community Services Grant is now accepting applications (up to \$450,000 for community 5-40,000 citizens)

Thank you \*\*
Cheryl Lightowlers