

**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
CITY OF WHITE ROCK  
BYLAW NO. 2445**



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A Bylaw to authorize the construction of  
the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway Project

WHEREAS in 2014 following public engagement, staff presented a concept plan for the Centre Street Walkway Project between Marine Drive and Columbia Avenue.

AND WHEREAS at the February 22, 2021 Finance and Audit Committee meeting Council directed that the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway Project be moved forward.

AND WHEREAS at the February 28, 2022 Regular Council meeting Council approved the Centre Street project be dedicated in memory of Councillor Helen Fathers and directed the project be named with signage to be erected as follows: Helen Fathers Centre Steet Walkway.

AND WHEREAS on March 9, 2021 Council approved a budget for the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway Project and directed staff to commence the initial project steps including the preliminary design.

AND WHEREAS R.F. Binnie and Associates developed two preliminary options for the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway Project which were presented to Council at the Regular Council Meeting on October 4, 2021.

AND WHEREAS on October 4, 2021, Council resolved to:

- (a) Approve R.F. Binnie and Associates' Preliminary Design Option B, as set out in the October 4, 2021 staff report; and
- (b) Direct staff to proceed with the detailed design and construction of Option B;

AND WHEREAS the construction of the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway Project will require that property owners adjacent to the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway Project remove their encroachments on Centre Street;

AND WHEREAS several property owners with encroachments on Centre Street have commenced litigation alleging that Council's October 4, 2021 resolution amounted to a road closure and should have been enacted by bylaw;

AND WHEREAS Council does not agree or concede that the October 4, 2021 resolution amounted to a road closure and ought to have been enacted by bylaw, but considers that it is in the best interests of the taxpayers of the City to avoid the expense associated with the litigation, and therefore adopts this bylaw in accordance with section 40 of the *Community Charter* in the event a bylaw was required to proceed with the design and construction of the Helen Fathers Centre Street Walkway Project;

