

REPORT TO CITIZENS REGARDING STATUS OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATIONS

REGARDING RECOMMENDATIONS MADE AT THE 2018 REGULAR PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY

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Executive Council is required to consider any recommendations made by resolution of the People's Assembly at its first meeting after a session of the People's Assembly.

It was recommended by the September 2017 People's Assembly that Executive Council commit to responding to recommendations of the People's Assembly at least three months prior to the next regular People's Assembly.

This report is prepared on behalf of the Executive Director in accordance with the policy.

Please find following a table summarizing each People's Assembly recommendation, Executive Council's consideration of each recommendation and action taken in respect of each matter.

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<u>Citizen Motions:</u>	Executive Council Discussion	Status of Motion
Motion: The People's Assembly hereby recommends that Executive Council directs the Huu-ay-aht administration to investigate and study the possibility of increasing the post-secondary living allowance provided to Huu-ay-aht students by at least \$250 per month; and that Executive Council considers the matter of approving a minimum \$250 increase in monthly funding for all Huu-ay-aht post-secondary students, effective no later than August 2019, as part of the 2018-2019 budgeting process.	Discussion	The Post-Secondary Support Program has been updated and has incorporated the increases
Motion: The People's Assembly hereby recommends that Executive Council directs the Huu-ay-aht administration to investigate allowing Post-Secondary students to claim technology as part of their regular textbook budget; and that Executive Council considers the matter of increasing students' "textbook" allowance to \$900/school year, effective no later than August 2019 as part of the 2018-2019 budgeting process.		The Post-Secondary Support Program has been updated and has incorporated the funds for citizens to purchase a computer
Motion: The People's Assembly hereby recommends that Executive Council address the matter of rectifying the inequity between elected officials running for re-election and Huu-ay-aht employees who wish to stand for elected office by either: a) ceasing to provide remuneration for elected officials running for re-election during the campaign period; or b) rescinding the policy of requiring Huu-ay-aht employees running for office to take unpaid leave during the campaign period, so that a solution is in place before April 30, 2019.		Executive Council is having a closer look at the Elections Act
Motion: The People's Assembly hereby recommends that Executive Council directs the Huu-ay-aht administration to undertake a study of the Huu-ay-aht Constitution with the goal of finding ways to make the government structure more accountable and cost efficient through Constitutional amendments; and further, that Executive	Executive Council deferred this to the Law and Policy Development Committee	

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Council directs that the study referred to in the previous paragraph be informed by community engagement and questionnaires mailed out to citizens and that it be completed prior to the next election.		
Motion: The People's Assembly hereby recommends that Executive Council make public the remuneration paid to members of Executive Council and Ḥaw iiḥ Council and the expenses paid by the government for each Councillor.		This has been implemented and will show on the audit.
Motion: The People's Assembly hereby recommends that: 1) Executive Council create a policy regarding the provision of firewood to Elders (the "Elders Firewood Policy"); and 2) the Elders Firewood Policy include a requirement that the firewood to be stacked and accessible to Elders and that, where needed, infrastructure be put in place to keep the wood dry.		Policy is currently being drafted, the Infrastructure Department is working on ensuring elders have the appropriate storage created.
Be it resolved that the People's Assembly hereby recommends that: Executive Council reinstate distributions to Huu-ay-aht citizens on their 60 th Birthdays and provide \$10,000 distributions to all citizens who have turned 60 since the distributions were stopped.		Executive Council decided to keep the increase to the elder's monthly benefits cheque
Be it resolved that the People's Assembly hereby recommends that: Executive Council amend the Distribution Policy so that teenagers are given immediate access to distributions that are less than \$500, rather than having those funds placed in trust.	This was deferred to the Law and Policy Development Committee	