

Board in Brief

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Actions taken by the
GVRD Board of Directors
at its meeting on November 30, 2007

MATERIAL RELATING TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST
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Greater Vancouver Water District Board

CONSENT AGENDA

2008 GVWD Capital Projects **Approved**

The Board approved the list of projects outlined in Attachment 1 of the report "2008 GVWD Capital Projects" for implementation in 2008.

Seymour-Capilano Filtration Project – Project Status **Received**

The Board received the report dated November 2, 2007, titled "Seymour-Capilano Filtration Project – Project Status", for information.

Draft Metro Vancouver Districts' 2008 Budget **Approved**

The Board approved the 2008 Revenue and Expenditure Budgets, use of Reserves, and Capital Expenditures as shown in the following schedules:

- A1 Revenue and Expenditure Summary
- A4 2008 Budget - Proposed Application of Reserves
- B19 GVWD 2008 Budget
- B20 GVWD Capital Programs & Project Details

The Board set the Water Rate for 2008 at:

\$0.4347 per cubic metre for June through September; and
\$0.3477 per cubic metre for January through May and October through December.



2007 Phase-Out Payment in Lieu of Property Taxes

Approved

The Board approved the payment of a phase-out grant in lieu of taxes to member municipalities totaling approximately \$518,000 and will request that the Province of BC allow the 2007 payment as a phase-out grant in lieu of property taxes.

Village of Belcarra Membership in the GVWD

Approved

The Board approved the addition of the Village of Belcarra as a member of the Greater Vancouver Water District subject to the following conditions:

- The Village of Belcarra will enter into a legally binding agreement with the District of North Vancouver, in a form satisfactory to the Commissioner, for the supply of GVWD water from the District of North Vancouver water system.
- Belcarra will enter into an Entry Agreement with the GVWD on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Commissioner.
- Belcarra will confirm the Entry Agreement by bylaw.

The Board authorized the Commissioner to execute an Entry Agreement with the Village of Belcarra on behalf of the GVWD.

Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District

CONSENT AGENDA

2008 GVS&DD Capital Projects

Approved

The Board approved the new projects as listed in Attachment No. 1 of the report dated November 2, 2007 titled "2008 GVS&DD Capital Projects" for implementation in 2008, with the following project exceptions in Solid Waste:

- Replacement for Cache Creek Landfill
- Archaeological Work at Ashcroft.

2008 Solid Waste Budget – Funding for Supplementary Solid Waste Capital

Approved

The Board approved a \$40 million addition to the 2008 Solid Waste Capital Budget and a corresponding \$2 increase in Solid Waste Tipping Fee to \$68 per tonne.

Draft Metro Vancouver Districts' 2008 Budget

Approved

The Board approved the 2008 Revenue and Expenditure Budgets, use of Reserves, and Capital Expenditures as shown in the following schedules:

- A1 Revenue and Expenditure Summary
- A4 2008 Budget - Proposed Application of Reserves
- B14 GVS&DD 2008 Budget
- B15 GVS&DD Capital Programs & Project Details (Revised 07/11/22)
- B16 Solid Waste 2008 Budget
- B17 Solid Waste Capital Programs & Project Details
- B18 Solid Waste – Wastech Services Capital Plan

The Board set the regional Solid Waste Tipping Fee at \$68 per tonne.

Solid Waste Management and Air Emissions

Approved

The Board invited the Fraser Valley Regional District Board to identify a representative to participate in the development and review of the Request for Proposals for non-landfill disposal options that focus on resource and energy recovery.

Delegations' Executive Summaries Presented at Committee – November

Received

The Board received for information the report dated November 22, 2007, titled "Delegations' Executive Summaries Presented at Committee - November".

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Non-Refillable 15 Litre Water Containers

Approved

The Board will request that the Minister of Environment ban the sale of large non-refillable polyethylene terephthalate (PET) containers. A representative from Metro Vancouver will meet with the Minister of the Environment to outline the region's priority needs for waste reduction initiatives, and/or invite the Minister to come to meet with the Waste Management Committee or the Board.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA

**Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District
2008 Cost Apportionment Bylaw 241, 2007**

Adopted

The Board adopted the "Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District 2008 Cost Apportionment Bylaw No. 241, 2007" governing the distribution of the GVS&DD tax levy for 2008.

Greater Vancouver Regional District

AWARDS

Heard

Staff from Metro Vancouver and its engineering consultants - Hatch Energy and Klohn Crippen Berger - were acknowledged for having won a national "Award of Excellence" for Metro Vancouver's **Seymour Falls Dam Seismic Upgrade Project** from the Association of Consulting Engineers of Canada.

CONSENT AGENDA

Community Benefit Grant for Search and Rescue Services

Approved

The Board approved providing, on an ongoing basis, an annual grant of \$5,000.00 to the BC Search and Rescue Association to be distributed to the various Volunteer Rescue Teams that serve Metro Vancouver Communities.

Adoption of the Metro Vancouver Affordable Housing Strategy

Approved

The Board adopted the Metro Vancouver Affordable Housing Strategy set out in Attachment A of the report dated November 7, 2007, titled "Adoption of the Metro Vancouver Affordable Housing Strategy" with key implementation priorities to include:

- (a) The development of housing targets and requirements for housing action plans as part of the establishment of a new Regional Growth Strategy;
- (b) Working with municipalities, the Province and others on the development of regulatory tools and fiscal measures to encourage new affordable housing production including advocating for changes in the Federal tax treatment of rental housing; and
- (c) The design and delivery of a community outreach initiative in partnership with member municipalities to demonstrate the benefits and opportunities of promoting increased density and diversity as a means of providing an expanded range of modest cost housing.

Future of the Region Sustainability Dialogues: Drugs and Crime - *Dealing with your drug problem*

Approved

The Board approved forwarding the video synopsis from the Future of the Region Sustainability Dialogues on Drugs and Crime, together with the report dated October 22, 2007, titled "Future of the Region Sustainability Dialogues: Drugs and Crime – *Dealing with your drug problem*" to member municipalities, and other related agencies for their information and comment. The Board also directed staff to arrange a meeting with the Minister of Health to discuss the issues of drugs, crime and mental health.

Clean Air Partnership Conference

Approved

The Board approved the payment of expenses for Director Joe Trasolini, Chair of GVRD Environment Committee, to attend the Clean Air Partnership Conference held September 19 -- 21, 2007 in Toronto, Ontario.

Impact of the 2006 Federal Census Population on Weighted Votes and Director Representation on the Board

Received

The Board received for information the report dated November 19, 2007 titled "Impact of 2006 Federal Census Population on Weighted Votes and Director Representation on the Board."

Order in Council for Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Process

Received

The Board received for information the report dated November 26, 2007, titled "Order in Council for Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Process".

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT

Draft Metro Vancouver Districts' 2008 Budget

Approved

A report dated November 22, 2007 was brought forward by Johnny Carline, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer, seeking approval of the 2008 GVRD budget:

The Board approved the 2008 Revenue and Expenditure Budget, use of Reserves and Capital Expenditures, as presented for Regional Parks, and shown in the following schedules:

- A1 Revenue and Expenditure Summary
- A4 2008 Budget - Proposed Application of Reserves
- B6 Regional Parks
- B7 Regional Parks – Capital Programs and Project Details.

The Board approved the 2008 Revenue and Expenditure Budgets and use of Reserves, as presented for 911 Emergency Telephone Service, Air Quality, General Government, and Strategic Planning, and shown in the following schedules:

- A1 Revenue and Expenditure Summary
- A4 2008 Budget - Proposed Application of Reserves
- B2 911 Emergency Telephone Service
- B3 Air Quality
- B4 General Government
- B8 Strategic Planning
- B9 West Nile Virus
- B13 Regional Global Positioning System.

The Board approved the 2008 Revenue and Expenditure Budget and use of Reserves as presented for Labour Relations, and shown in the following schedules:

- A1 Revenue and Expenditure Summary
- A4 2008 Budget - Proposed Application of Reserves
- B5 Labour Relations.

The Board approved the 2008 Revenue and Expenditure Budget as presented for the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department, and shown in the following schedules:

- A1 Revenue and Expenditure Summary
- B12 Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department

The Board approved the 2008 Revenue and Expenditure Budget as presented for Electoral Area 'A', and shown in the following schedules:

- A1 Revenue and Expenditure Summary
- B10 Electoral Areas
- B11 Electoral Areas – By Service Areas.

GVRD Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1070, 2007

Adopted

The Board adopted "Greater Vancouver Regional District Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1070, 2007".

GVRD Geospatial Reference System Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 1069, 2007

Adopted

The Board adopted "Greater Vancouver Regional District Geospatial Reference System Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 1069, 2007" that outlines the allocation of net service costs and fees charged for private sector usage.

OTHER BUSINESS

Vancouver Airport Authority Report to the Metro Vancouver Board of Directors

Received

The Board received for information a report from Beth Johnson, GVRD's nominee to the Board of Vancouver Airport Authority, titled "Report to the Board of Directors of the Greater Vancouver Regional District."