

For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, September 22, 2017

Please note these are not the official minutes. Board in Brief is an informal summary. Material relating to any of the following items is available on request from Metro Vancouver. For more information, please contact Greg.Valou@metrovancover.org or Kelly.Sinowski@metrovancover.org

Metro Vancouver Regional District**Memorandum of Understanding between Metro Vancouver and the Agricultural Land Commission Regarding Implementation of Metro 2040** **APPROVED**

The Board endorsed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Agricultural Land Commission regarding implementation of Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future (Metro 2040), the regional growth strategy.

2016 Census of Agriculture Results **RECEIVED**

The Board received an update on the 2016 Census of Agriculture, which provides valuable information for analyzing and evaluating land use, economic and production trends in agriculture. Staff has compiled the 2016 Census of Agriculture data for the Metro Vancouver region so that the results can be readily available to member municipalities, data analysts, researchers, students and others interested in further exploring the data.

A Food Policy for Canada - Metro Vancouver Recommendations **APPROVED**

The Board agreed to send a letter to the Federal Agriculture and Agri-Food Minister providing recommendations for a national food policy, a long term policy and program framework for issues related to food production, processing, distribution and consumption.

Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future – 2016 Annual Performance Monitoring Report **RECEIVED**

The Board received a synopsis of Metro Vancouver's Regional Growth Strategy (Metro 2040) performance monitoring, focusing on Goal 1 measures from plan adoption in 2011 to mid-year 2016, and the cumulative policy and land designation amendments to date. The report will be forwarded to the Province of BC's Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Government Division in fulfillment of Local Government Act Section 452(1)(b), which requires the preparation of an annual report on a regional growth strategy's progress.

Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future 2016 Procedural Report**RECEIVED**

The Board received an update on the Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future 2016 Procedural Report as required under the Regional Growth Strategy Procedures Bylaw No. 1148, 2011.

Consideration of the City of New Westminster's Amended Regional Context Statement**APPROVED**

The Board accepted the City of New Westminster's Regional Context Statement in accordance with Section 448 of the Local Government Act. New Westminster's revised Regional Context Statement is generally consistent with Metro 2040.

City of Maple Ridge – Proposed Amendment to the GVS&DD Fraser Sewerage Area Boundary at 12248 244 Street**APPROVED**

The Board resolved that an application from the City of Maple Ridge to adjust the GVS&DD Fraser Sewerage Area (FSA) boundary within the residential property at 12248 244 Street to accommodate construction of a new single detached is consistent with Metro 2040. The application will be forwarded to the GVS&DD Board for consideration.

City of Maple Ridge – Proposed Amendment to the GVS&DD Fraser Sewerage Area Boundary at 12224 240 Street**APPROVED**

The Board resolved that an application from the City of Maple Ridge to adjust the GVS&DD Fraser Sewerage Area (FSA) boundary adjustment within the Meadowridge School property at 12224 240 Street is consistent with the provisions of Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping Our Future. The application will be forwarded to the GVS&DD Board for consideration.

Request for Metro Vancouver Participation in UrbanSIM Prototype Project**APPROVED**

The Board agreed to write a letter to Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation confirming Metro Vancouver's interest in participating as a partner in the UrbanSIM Prototype project. The UrbanSim modelling system is intended to provide a web-based system to analyze housing, land use and urban infrastructure investments, and to model policy and project impacts on the economy, transportation, and the environment.

2017 and 2018 Homeless Count Reports and Events**RECEIVED**

The Board received a summary of upcoming reports and associated activities related to the 2017 Homeless Count, as well as information on the pending 2018 Homeless Count.

Homelessness Partnering Strategy 2018 - 2019 Social Infrastructure Fund**RECEIVED**

The Board received a summary of the new federal Social Infrastructure Funds allocated to the Metro Vancouver Community Entity for the fifth and final year of the current funding program April 2014 – March 2019.

Homelessness Partnering Strategy Housing First Training**RECEIVED**

The Board received an update on a new program of Housing First Training offered to the Metro Vancouver Community Entity by the Homelessness Partnering Strategy to facilitate broad community and individual organization training, and for introductory level training for the Metro Vancouver Board and its constituent municipal elected officials.

Electoral Area A Official Community Plan**APPROVED**

The Board gave first reading to the Metro Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Official Community Plan Bylaw 1250, 2017, and referred the Bylaw to adjacent regional districts and municipalities, First Nations, school district boards, greater boards and improvement district boards, and appropriate provincial and federal government ministries.

Metro Vancouver Regional District - Parks**Land Acquisition Strategy Development and Regional Parks Committee Special Meeting Follow Up****APPROVED**

The Board endorsed the Regional Parks Land Acquisition Strategy Key Directions, as presented in the report dated August 9, 2017. Endorsing the key directions will assist the development of the final land acquisition strategy for MVRD Board adoption.

Burns Bog Ecological Conservancy Area - Resource Management and Research Update**RECEIVED**

The Board received an update on Burns Bog Ecological Conservancy Area resource management and research initiatives completed and underway in 2016 and 2017. Metro Vancouver has overall management responsibility for the Burns Bog Ecological Conservancy Area. Regional Park staff work collaboratively with the Corporation of Delta to protect and enhance the natural resources of the bog.

Mines Act Permit Amendment and Mining Lease Extension for Sumas Mountain - FVRD Electoral Area "G" - Sumas Mountain Interregional Park**APPROVED**

The Board agreed to write a letter to the Ministry of Energy and Mines to oppose the application for a Mines Act Permit amendment and Mining Lease extension by 266531 BC Ltd., pertaining to development of an aggregate and decorative rock quarry on Crown Land adjacent to Sumas Mountain Interregional Park. Staff argues the move raises serious concerns for the environmental and social values of the interregional park, as well as for the public's use and enjoyment of the parkland and the trail corridor supporting Experience the Fraser.

Delegations Received at Committee September 2017**RECEIVED**

The Board received a summary of a delegation to the Regional Parks Committee from Mark Allison, Manager, Strategic Initiatives and Sustainability, and Dean Gibson, Director, Parks and Recreation, City of New Westminster.

Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District**Award of Contract Resulting from RFP No. 17-104: Annacis Island Wastewater Treatment Plant Wide Construction Control and Safety Coordination****APPROVED**

The Board awarded a \$4,921,050 contract (exclusive of taxes) to CDM Smith Canada ULC for the Annacis Island Wastewater Treatment Plant Wide Construction Control and Safety Coordination.

Award of Contract Resulting from Tender No. 17-005: Construction of the Annacis Island Wastewater Treatment Plant Cogeneration Backup Power**APPROVED**

The GVS&DD Board awarded a \$17,490,000 contract (exclusive of taxes) to Kenaidan Contracting Ltd., resulting from Tender No. 17-005 for the Construction of the Annacis Island Wastewater Treatment Plant Cogeneration Backup Power Project.

Thermal Energy Sale and Purchase Agreement at North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant**APPROVED**

The GVS&DD approved \$17.9 million to Acciona Wastewater Solutions to install an effluent heat recovery system as part of the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant (NSWWTP) project, and authorized the Commissioner to execute an agreement with Lonsdale Energy Corporation (LEC) for the sale of effluent heat from the NSWWTP. The agreement will acquire enough greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction credits to make the Liquid Waste utility carbon neutral.

The Board also directed staff to review the policy related to carbon credits allocated to Metro Vancouver, and potential to allocate carbon credits to jurisdictions, for effluent heat recovery projects.

2017 Regional Unflushables Campaign - Results**RECEIVED**

The GVS&DD Board received an updated on the results of the 2017 Regional Unflushables Campaign to reduce the flushing of wipes, medications and other materials. Post-campaign results show the campaign generally performed well with over 70% of those who saw the campaign materials indicating they would be less likely to flush the items highlighted in the campaign.

Fraser Sewerage Area Amendment – 1373 200th Street, Township of Langley**APPROVED**

The GVS&DD Board agreed to amend the Fraser Sewerage Area (FSA) to include the property at 1373 200th Street in the Township of Langley. The MVRD Board resolved the request was consistent with the provisions of Metro 2040, while GVS&DD analysis has shown there is a negligible impact on the regional sewerage system and there are no financial impacts to the GVS&DD.