

# The Board in Brief...

Actions taken by  
the GVRD Board of Directors  
at its special meeting on  
**December 1, 2000**

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MATERIAL RELATING TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING  
ITEMS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.

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## Greater Vancouver Regional District

### Delegations

- **Proposed TransLink Vehicle Levy**

HEARD

Approximately 40 delegations were registered to speak on the levy and the GVRD role in approving the Strategic Transportation Plan funding proposals.

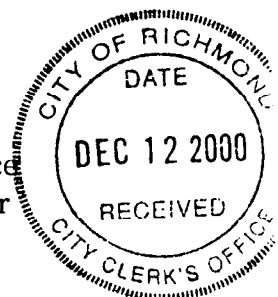
### Reports

- **GVRD Board approval of the GVTA Board's resolution on Strategic Transportation Plan funding**

APPROVED

The board agreed to pursue a federal government contribution to funding for the Strategic Transportation Plan, and will forward a formal request to the provincial government for an increase in the gas tax in the GVRD of one cent per litre in 2001 and an additional four cents per litre in 2002. Also approved was implementation of a vehicle levy in the absence of support from federal or provincial sources.

In approving the vehicle levy option based on vehicle weight and insurance class, the board also moved that the proposed vehicle levy be eliminated or



reduced to the extent that federal support and/or provincial government approval for a gas tax increase is forthcoming. The levy as approved calls for a minimum charge of \$40 and a maximum of \$120, and an average levy for commercial vehicles of \$190.

- **GVRD 2001 Budget and long-range information**

APPROVED

Budgeted expenditures by the Greater Vancouver Regional District, including the Greater Vancouver Water District and the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District, totaling \$357 million in 2001, were approved.

Additional income derived from growth will limit the increase on the property tax rate to 1.2 per cent for regional district programs, although overall GVRD expenditures increase 3.0 per cent (from \$346.8 million this year). For the GVRD's utility functions, the water rate increases 5.8 percent and the sewer levy 3.9 percent. No change is anticipated in the Solid Waste regional tipping fee of \$65/tonne.

**Please note: Greater Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors Inaugural meeting will take place at 9:00 a.m., Friday, December 15, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Boardroom, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby.**