

## Board in Brief

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Actions taken by the  
GVRD Board of Directors  
at its meeting on September 21, 2007

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

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### Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District

#### REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

Demolition, Land Clearing, and Construction Material Disposal Ban

Approved

The GVS&DD Board authorized the Commissioner to implement a ban on the disposal of Demolition, Land Clearing, and Construction material at regional solid waste disposal facilities, with the timing of implementation, and duration of the ban to be determined at the discretion of the Commissioner.

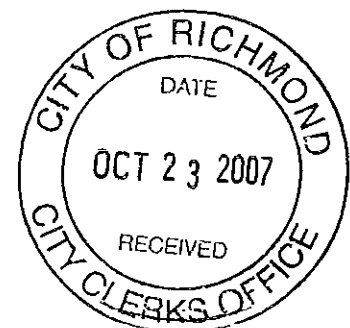
### Greater Vancouver Regional District

#### CONSENT AGENDA

GVRD Response to Environmental Appeal Board Ruling on  
GVRD Wood-fired Greenhouse Permit

Approved

The GVRD Board approved a request that the provincial government expedite the amendment of the Environmental Management Act to clarify GVRD powers, including allowing the GVRD District Director to impose conditions through permits that are different, but not less stringent, than provincial regulation requirements and are necessary to protect human health and the environment in the Metro Vancouver region.



**Request from International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) for GVRD to join Local Action for Biodiversity Project** **Approved**

The GVRD Board voted to decline the invitation from International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) to join the Local Action for Biodiversity Project and direct staff to maintain contact and identify future Metro Vancouver partners for collaboration.

**Metro Vancouver Climate Change Adaptation Initiatives** **Received**

The GVRD Board received the report dated August 28, 2007, titled "Metro Vancouver Climate Change Adaptation Initiatives" for information, and will forward it to the Waste Management, Water, Parks and Land Use and Transportation Committees for consideration in the development of their 2008 programs.

**Sponsorship of Canadian Risk and Hazards Network (CRHNet) Symposium November 6<sup>th</sup> to November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007** **Approved**

The GVRD Board approved "Silver Level" sponsorship funding for the Canadian Risk and Hazards Network Symposium (CRHNet) in the amount of \$2,000.

**World Congress of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)** **Approved**

The GVRD Board authorized the Chair to identify two members of the GVRD Board to participate in an FCM delegation to the World Congress of United Cities and Local Governments in Jeju, Korea, October 28-31, 2007.

**UBCM Launch Event to Announce the Name Change to Metro Vancouver** **Received**

The GVRD Board received the report dated August 29, 2007 titled UBCM Launch Event to announce the name change to Metro Vancouver.

#### **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**Metro Vancouver Growth Strategy Review: Basis for Public Discussion** **Approved**

The GVRD Board:

- a) Authorized staff to initiate public discussions based on the goals and issues presented in the report titled "Metro Vancouver Growth Strategy Review: Basis for Public Discussion";
- b) Requested the GVRD Board Chair to write a letter to the Minister of Community Services advising of the Board's need to have an amending formula before moving forward on the Regional Growth Strategy review, encouraging the Province to communicate with the Board on the work they have underway, and advising the Minister that the Board is working on its preferred approach to an amending formula.

**Funding of Sustainability by Design Project, Phase 2** **Approved**

The GVRD Board directed staff to include \$25,000 to assist in the funding of the Sustainability by Design Project, Phase 2, led by the UBC Design Centre for Sustainability for consideration in establishment of the 2008 budget.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA**

**GVRD Representative on the 2007 2008 UBCM Executive**

Director Steele was acclaimed the GVRD representative on the 2007/2008 UBCM Executive.

**Greater Vancouver Regional District Parks Fees and Charges  
Bylaw Number 1062, 2007**

**Approved**

The GVRD Board adopted "Greater Vancouver Regional District Parks Fees and Charges Bylaw Number 1062, 2007", to come into force and effect at 12:01 am on January 1, 2008.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**BC Ferry Authority Board Nomination Update**

Members were informed that the BC Ferry Authority Board Nomination Committee, a task force to choose a GVRD nominee to the B.C. Ferry Authority Board of Directors, was established and is seeking nominations. The deadline for submissions is October 15, 2007.

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Actions taken by the  
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at its meeting on October 5, 2007

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## Greater Vancouver Water District Board

### CONSENT AGENDA

#### Fisheries Issues on the Capilano River

Approved

The GVWD Board directed staff to include in the 2008 budget remedial short-term measures consisting of trapping and trucking the salmonid smolts to increase their rate of survival in migrating past the Cleveland Dam on the Capilano River. They also directed staff to approach the Provincial and Federal Governments regarding cost-sharing of the remedial short-term measures on the Capilano River consisting of trapping and trucking the salmonid smolts to increase their rate of survival in migrating past the Cleveland Dam and direct staff to work with senior governments on long-term solutions of the issue.

#### GVWD Bulk Water Rates and Agricultural Water Use

Approved

The GVWD Board directed staff to advise interested parties that, based on cost of service analyses, the GVWD cannot justify reducing GVWD bulk water rates for agricultural water use.

#### Coquitlam UV Disinfection Project – Detailed Design

Approved

The GVWD Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$5.75 million of capital funds for detailed design of the Coquitlam Ultraviolet (UV) Disinfection Project.



## ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

### Seymour-Capilano Filtration Project – Project Status

Received

The GVWD Board received the report titled "Seymour-Capilano Filtration Project – Project Status", dated August 29, 2007, for information.

## Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District

### CONSENT AGENDA

#### MicroSludge Biogas Technology at Lulu Island WWTP

Approved

The GVS&DD Board approved supporting Paradigm Environmental Technologies Inc. in their application for senior government funding for the use of the MicroSludge technology and an advanced reciprocating engine system to produce heat and electricity for the Lulu Island Wastewater Treatment Plant. Staff were directed to include one third of the cost of the co-generation and gas cleanup equipment, up to a maximum of \$1 million, in the capital budget for 2008 as the GVS&DD project contribution – subject to the project receiving senior government funding. The Commissioner was authorized to enter into any sole-source contracts required to allow the project to proceed.

#### Ministry of Environment's Consultation on New Stewardship Programs

Approved

The GVS&DD Board will convey the report dated August 28, 2007, titled "Ministry of Environment's Consultation on New Stewardship Programs" to the Minister of Environment with the following comments:

The proposed timeline for developing new stewardship programs is too long. Existing programs should be expanded but not counted as "new" programs. Metro Vancouver's priorities for new programs include large appliances, mercury-containing products, batteries, construction & demolition waste (gypsum) and packaging.

Antifreeze and hydraulic fluid, which could be collected through the oil stewardship program, should be moved to the list of existing programs that would be expanded. The Ministry of Environment is encouraged to develop a public education program to promote product stewardship programs, as well as an incentive and recognition program for producers who significantly reduce waste through the design of their products, for example by requiring less packaging.

#### Amendment – Fraser Sewerage Area Boundary – South of 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue and East of Glover Road – Township of Langley

Approved

The GVS&DD Board approved the expansion of the Fraser Sewerage Area to include only the future building footprints on the currently vacant properties located south of 64 Avenue and east of Glover Road, identified as Lots A, B, C, and D, Group 2, NWD, Plan NWP 2239 as shown on Plan SA-2376, Sheet 31 subject to the following conditions:

- a. Use and development on the subject properties proceeds according to the current RU-3 zoning or other agricultural zone permitted by the Township of Langley Official Community Plan; and
- b. Prior to the Township of Langley approving a sanitary sewer connection for the subject properties, a covenant under Section 219 of the Land Titles Act be registered on title for each of the applicable properties. The covenant would specify the Fraser Sewerage Area footprint for each property and limit the sewer connection to a size consistent with the land uses allowed by current zoning.

**Amendment – Fraser Sewerage Area Boundary –  
5434 – 164 Street and 3632 Elgin Road, City of Surrey**

**Approved**

The GVS&DD Board approved the expansion of the Fraser Sewerage Area to include the following properties in the City of Surrey described in report titled "Amendment – Fraser Sewerage Area Boundary – 5434 – 164 Street and 3632 Elgin Road, City of Surrey" dated July 24, 2007:

- a) the footprint of the existing residential building at 5434 – 164 Street as shown on Plan SA-2376, Sheet 33; and
- b) 3632 Elgin Road as shown on Plan SA-2376, Sheet 37.

**Pre-purchase of Steel Pipe and Valves for Jervis Forcemain No. 2 –  
Planetarium Section**

**Approved**

The GVS&DD Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$2.3 million of budgeted capital funds for pre-purchase of steel pipe and valves for the Jervis Forcemain No. 2 – Planetarium Section.

**Invitation to Present to Ottawa City Council**

**Approved**

The GVS&DD Board endorsed the participation of Director Ralph Drew as the presenter to Ottawa City Council on Metro Vancouver's future solid waste management strategies and directions.

**FCM 2007 Community Energy Planning Mission Summary**

**Received**

The GVS&DD Board received for information the report dated August 16, 2007, titled FCM 2007 Community Energy Planning Mission Summary.

**GVS&DD/Wastech Comprehensive Agreement – 2006 Financial Results**

**Received**

The GVS&DD Board received for information the report dated August 14, 2007 titled "GVS&DD/Wastech Comprehensive Agreement – 2006 Financial Results".

**Delegations' Executive Summaries Presented at Committee – September**

**Received**

The GVS&DD Board received for information the report dated September 26, 2007, titled "Delegations' Executive Summaries Presented at Committee – September".

## ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

### **Solid Waste Volumes - Long Term Outlook**

**Received**

Report dated August 9, 2007 from Fred Nenninger, Regional Utility Planning Division Manager, Policy and Planning Department, providing a report setting out the long-term management of solid waste in the region.

Discussion ensued relative to the use of landfills as a solid waste disposal option and the need to use alternative innovations and technology. Members were advised that use of landfills is a last resort after other recycling and waste-to-energy efforts. Residuals generated from waste-to-energy are disposed of at landfills.

In response to a question about imposing residential garbage container limits to encourage recycling, members were advised that residential garbage pick-up is a municipal service and staff could report back on incentives to haulers to encourage a reduction in residential garbage pick-up.

### **Request of Staff**

Staff was requested to advise on incentives for haulers to encourage a reduction in residential garbage pick-up, specifically, limiting the number of garbage containers that haulers service and suggestions for reducing hauling costs.

The GVS&DD Board received for information the report titled "Solid Waste Volumes – Long Term Outlook."

## **Greater Vancouver Regional District**

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

#### **Mary Trainer, Retiree**

**Heard**

Mary Trainer retired from her communications coordinator position at Head Office.

#### **Aileen Johnston**

**Heard**

Aileen Johnston retired from her senior laboratory technician position at the Lulu Island WWTP.

## CONSENT AGENDA

### **Future of the Region Sustainability Dialogues: Culture - People, Places, Values**

Approved

The GVRD Board will forward the report titled "Future of the Region Sustainability Dialogues: Culture – People, Places, Values" to member municipalities, and other related agencies for their information.

### **Environment Committee Initiatives**

Received

The GVRD Board received for information the report dated July 11, 2007, titled "Environment Committee Initiatives."

### **Submission to the CRTC Public Hearing**

Approved

The GVRD Board will make a submission to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) with regards to the CRTC's public hearing notice 2001-10 to comment that the elimination of the regulatory requirement for community channel to be part of basic service would have a detrimental impact on the way Metro Vancouver communicates with its citizens and would limit the political discourse.

## ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

### **Final Report of the Regional Cultural Task Force**

Approved

Director Wyman, Chair, Regional Cultural Task Force, made a presentation on the importance of cultural activity, the relationship to sustainability, and connection to community success. Members were advised that cultural activities bring economic, social, and individual benefits including: urban development; diverse and harmonious communities; a sense of identity, pride and place; public health, youth at risk; and fulfilled, imaginative individuals. A cultural development strategy, specific actions, and future financial implications for the proposed committee were explained.

The GVRD Board deferred the report titled "Final Report of the Regional Cultural Task Force" to the next regular meeting.

## REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA

### **Delegations to the Board – Greater Vancouver Regional District Procedure Amending Bylaw Number 1067, 2007**

Adopted

The GVRD Board adopted Greater Vancouver Regional District Procedure Amending Bylaw Number 1067, 2007 to clarify that hearing delegations is subject to Board approval.



**Greater Vancouver Regional District Regional Board and Committee  
Remuneration Amending Bylaw Number 1072, 2007**

**Adopted**

The GVRD Board adopted Greater Vancouver Regional District Regional Board and Committee Remuneration Amending Bylaw Number 1072, 2007, an amendment to the remuneration bylaw relative to the payment of expenses for air travel.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Pacific Spirit Park Media Release**

**Heard**

Members were advised of a media release regarding a portion of Pacific Spirit Regional Park being transferred to the Musqueam. Directors Martin and Gibson indicated they have received many communications of concern from the public.

**Metro Vancouver Branding**

**Heard**

Members were provided clarification on the identification of the Greater Vancouver Regional District as Metro Vancouver. Until legislation officially changes the names of the three legal boards they will remain identified as the Greater Vancouver Regional District, the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District, and the Greater Vancouver Water District. Metro Vancouver will be used when referring to the organization in non-legal communications.