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Actions taken by
the GVRD Board of
Directors at its meeting on
September 23, 2005

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

Delegations

- **Bruce Harris, James Loewen** HEARD

Two delegations were heard regarding the UBC Marine Residence Towers.

- **Charles Kelly, Commissioner General, World Urban Forum** HEARD

Charles Kelly briefed the Board on the execution, management and challenges of agenda development for the upcoming 2006 World Urban Forum.

- **Bob Purdy, Fraser Basin Council** HEARD

Bob Purdy Regional Manager, Greater Vancouver Sea to Sky Region, Fraser River Basin Council, provided an overview and advised members of the purpose and the funding requirements for the operation of the Fraser River debris trap.

Finance

- **2005 Local Government Grants Program** APPROVED

The GVRD Board approved a funding request from the GVRD to the Province under the 2005 Local Government Grants Program for 2 projects under Infrastructure Planning (Study) Grant Program.

Corporate and Intergovernmental Reports

- **World Urban Forum**

APPROVED

The GVRD Board approved a program of activities as GVRD's contribution to and involvement in the 2006 World Urban Forum, and requested that the CAO include in the proposed 2006 budget appropriate resources to support the program and that the CAO provide a status report on WUF to member municipalities including opportunities to participate and demonstrate best practices.

- **Joint Emergency Liaison Committee Funding Direction**

APPROVED

The GVRD Board approved funding of the Joint Emergency Liaison Committee (JELC) as a GVRD program for 2006 in anticipation of an agreement to a formal role for GVRD in regional emergency management.

- **Sustainable Region Initiative Social Action Team Funding Contribution for Social Sustainability**

APPROVED

The GVRD Board approved a funding contribution of \$15,000 to the work of the Sustainable Region Initiative Social Action Team for development of regional social sustainability indicators.

- **First Nations Strategy**

APPROVED

The GVRD Board adopted a First Nations strategy which is directed toward the pursuit of GVRD/GVWD/GVSDD interests in the context of the evolving interpretation of First Nations rights by developing better relationships with First Nations through offering ambassador, liaison committee and Community-to-Community Forum initiatives to selected First Nations as pilot programs, better informal exchanges network with other governments, develop communications materials to assist in creating a better understanding of GVRD/GVWD/GVSDD interests, and continued efforts to reach pragmatic solutions of specific pressing issues. The Chair and the CAO were authorized to pursue meetings, establish committees and take other actions necessary to pilot this strategy. Finally the Board requested the CAO bring forward a budget related to the GVRD-First Nations relationship at the budget process.

- **Liaison with the Musqueam Indian Band**

APPROVED

The Board will convey its interest, in a letter from the Chair, to the Musqueam Indian Band Council for the establishment of a Joint Liaison Committee and, pending confirmation of interest from the Musqueam Indian Band, staff was requested to explore the best option with staff from the Musqueam Indian Band for discussing and/or developing terms of reference for the Joint Liaison Committee's terms of Reference.

- **Results of Alternative Approval Process for “Greater Vancouver Regional District Geospatial Reference System Service Bylaw No.1030, 2005”, and Proposed Final Adoption of the Bylaw** APPROVED

The Board reconsidered, passed and finally adopted the “Greater Vancouver Regional District Geospatial reference System Service Bylaw No.1030.2005”.

Parks Reports

- **Adoption of the Parks and Greenways Plan** APPROVED

The GVRD Board adopted the “Regional Parks and Greenways Plan” dated August 2005 and referred selection of implementation phasing and consequent financial targets to Board budget review process in October 2005.

- **Burns Bog - Vision and Working Objectives for Management Plan** APPROVED

The GVRD Board approved the Vision and the Working Objectives to guide development of the Burns Bog management plan.

Planning and Environment Reports

- **2004 Annual Report on the Livable Region Strategic Plan** ENDORSED

The GVRD Board endorsed the 2004 Annual Report on the Livable Region Strategic Plan in compliance with Section 869 of the Local Governance Act and directed the annual report be released for public distribution.

- **Sustainability by Design: Stakeholder Alliance for Achieving Sustainability** APPROVED

The Board approved the expenditure of \$25,000 to assist in the funding of the Sustainability by Design: Stakeholder Alliance for Achieving Sustainability partnership project led by the UBC Design Centre for Sustainability, and provide these funds through the Sustainable Region Initiative program existing budget.

- **Agricultural Land Commission Response Regarding Decision-Making on Regionally Significant Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) Applications** APPROVED

The Board directed staff to coordinate a meeting to discuss matters associated with the ALR between the Chair of the Agricultural Land Commission, the South Coastal Panel and the Planning and Environment Committee, with representatives from the Communities Committee and GVRD Agricultural Advisory Committee.

- **International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) Conference** APPROVED

The Board approved the payment of expenses of Director David Cadman at the ICLEI Conference held in Salt Lake City, Utah from July 10 to July 13, 2005.

- **Fraser River Flood Management**

APPROVED

The Board will urge the Federal Government to ensure adequate funding for all measures to reduce the risk of Fraser River flooding, including dyke maintenance, extension, dredging debris management and emergency preparedness. In addition staff were directed to report back on an appropriate financial contribution to the program. And finally the GVRD Board Chair and local Mayors will approach the provincial Minister of Finance to urge the province to assume responsibility, including financing, for the Fraser River Debris Trap.

Housing Reports

- **Progress Report in the Regional Homelessness Initiative and Results of the 2005 Homelessness Count - Presentation**

APPROVED

Further to the federal government's commitment to renew the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative (SCPI), the GVRD Board urged the Minister of Labour and Housing, the honorable Joe Fontana, to finalize the renewal by the end of 2005 to ensure continuity of Greater Vancouver's Regional Homelessness Initiative.

Communities Reports

- **Greater Vancouver Regional District Official Community Plan for Part of Electoral Area "A"(UBC Area) Amendment Bylaw No 1026, 2005 Third and Final Reading**

ADOPTED

The Board read for a third time; reconsidered, passed and finally adopted "Greater Vancouver Regional District Official Community Plan for Part of Electoral Area "A" (UBC Area) Amendment Bylaw No 1026, 2005."

- **Greater Vancouver Regional District Barnston Island Fire Service Referendum Bylaw No.1036, 2005**

APPROVED

The Board read for a first, second and third time; reconsidered, passed and finally adopted Greater Vancouver Regional District Barnston Island Fire Service Referendum Bylaw No.1036, 2005.

Information Reports

- **GVTA Revenue Comparison**

RECEIVED

The GVRD Board received for information the report titled "GVTA Revenue Comparison".

Other Business

- **2006 Board Meeting Dates**

DEFERRED

Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District

Reports

- **Lions Gate Waster Water Treatment Plant Raw Sewage Pump Engine Drives replacement – Equipment Pre-Purchase**

APPROVED

The GVS&DD Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$1,300,000 of budgeted capital funds for pre-purchase of equipment for the Lions Gate WWTP Raw Sewage Pump Engine Drives Replacement Project.

- **Participation in BIEAP Partnership Study of Indian Arm Sewage Outfalls**

APPROVED

The GVS&DD Board approved the request for \$10,000 funding to participate in the BIEAP Partnership Study.

Greater Vancouver Water District

Reports

- **Approval of the Drinking Water Management Plan**

APPROVED

The GVWD Board adopted the “Drinking Water Management Plan for the GVWD and Member Municipalities” dated August 2005 and referred the municipal actions to councils of member municipalities for their adoption and requested to forward the financial implications of the Drinking Water Management Plan to the Board Budget Workshop on October 21, 2005.

- **Seymour-Capilano Filtration Project – Energy Recovery Facility Options and Funding**

APPROVED

The GVWD Board authorized staff to proceed with the load displacement energy recovery option subject to securing adequate funding from BC Hydro and authorized the expenditure of up to \$5.1 million of budgeted capital funds to proceed with equipment purchase and construction of the energy recovery works and authorized the Board to do this.

Information Reports

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

RECEIVED

The GVWD Board received for information the report dated August 29, 2005 titled “Seymour-Capilano Filtration Project – Project Status”.

