

# Board in Brief

**For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, May 25, 2012.**

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## Greater Vancouver Regional District

### Restoration of the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program

**Approved**

The Board requested that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities pass an emergency resolution to restore emergency preparedness funding.

The proposed resolution states:

Whereas, JEPP supports cooperation among the federal and provincial/territorial governments to respond to emergencies of all types with a uniform standard of response;

And whereas funding through JEPP assists with projects aimed at enhancing national emergency response capability;

And whereas the ultimate outcome of JEPP to have a national emergency preparedness capacity enhanced to meet emergencies of all types has not yet been met;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities urge the Government of Canada to fully restore annual JEPP funding to 2009 levels for emergency preparedness and to ensure there is continued, ongoing, effective JEPP funding to build capacity and capability to meet emergencies of all types in Canada.

### Experience the Fraser: Advancing Implementation

**Approved**

Experience the Fraser is a project to connect communities, parks, natural features, historic and cultural sites and other points of interest along the Lower Fraser River by means of 550 kilometres of trails and via the river itself. The Board accepted a \$500,000 provincial government grant for the project Experience the Fraser project and increased the 2012 contribution to the Parks basic facilities capital reserve by \$500,000.



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**Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Project****Approved**

On March 31, 2012, the Province of B.C. announced a \$2.74-million Community Charging Infrastructure Fund that will see 570 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in publicly accessible locations across B.C. These funds will be allocated in the form of grants of up to 75% of the cost of equipment and labour to a maximum of \$4,000 per installation.

The Board directed staff to apply for all pertinent Provincial grant opportunities that support the deployment of electric vehicles in our region.

**Legislative and Jurisdictional Barriers to Utility Servicing Agreements with Non-Treaty First Nations****Approved**

The Board received a report, dated April 25, 2012 and titled "Legislative and Jurisdictional Barriers to Utility Servicing Agreements with Non-Treaty First Nations." It directed staff to: convey the report to the federal Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada and to the provincial Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation for consideration; request the federal Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada and the provincial Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation enter into discussions with the Metro Vancouver Board on the resolution of issues identified in the report so as to enable local governments to enter into utility servicing agreements with non-treaty First Nations. The Board will develop a process to engage non-treaty First Nations on how to jointly address legislative and jurisdictional barriers to utility servicing agreements.

**2012 Agriculture Awareness Grant Recommendations****Approved**

The Board approved agricultural awareness grants to the following nonprofit organizations:

- 1) BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation for the "Take a Bite of BC" project for the amount of \$7,500;
- 2) BC Chicken Grower's Association for the "Poultry in Motion Educational Mini Barn" project for the amount of \$6,000;
- 3) Delta Farmland & Wildlife Trust for the "Day at the Farm" event for the amount of \$3,000;
- 4) Faculty of Education at UBC for the "Cultivating Learning Network" for the amount of \$5,000;
- 5) Growing Chefs for the "Classroom Gardening Program" for the amount of \$4,000;
- 6) Langley Environmental Partners Society for the Seed to Plate: Community Action for a Sustainable Food System" project for the amount of \$3,500;
- 7) Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Agricultural Association for the "Backyard Farming" display at County Fest for the amount of \$1,500;
- 8) North Shore Neighbourhood House for the "Loutet Farm" project for the amount of \$4,500.

**2011 General Local Election: Electoral Area A – Public Notice of Failure to File a Disclosure Statement****Received  
Approved**

Mr Colin Desjarlais, a candidate for the office of Director of Electoral Area A for the 2011 general local election, did not file disclosure statements before the end of the late filing period. Mr. Desjarlais is therefore disqualified from being nominated for, elected to or holding office on a local government until after the next general local election. A Metro Vancouver report about the failure to file disclosure statements will be sent to the B.C. Inspector of Municipalities.

**Village of Anmore Regional Growth Strategy Amendment – Initial Readings**

**Approved**

The Village of Anmore and School District 43 have had longstanding plans to build a middle school at the southern boundary of Anmore, adjacent to the urban area of Port Moody. The school would serve both Anmore and Port Moody students. The GVS&DD Board has previously indicated support for providing sewer services to the school provided that certain conditions were met.

The Board gave first and second reading to Greater Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw No. 1168, 2012. The bylaw will go to a public hearing held by the following Board members: Director Derek Corrigan, Director Harold Steves, Director Mike Clay, Director Jack Froese, Director Linda Hepner, Director Andrea Relmer.

**Greater Vancouver Water District**

**Water Supply and Water Consumption Update for Summer 2012**

**Received**

The existing snow pack and lake levels should be sufficient to ensure adequate water supply for the 2012 summer season. Since 1993, the regional Water Shortage Response Plan has been used to manage lawn sprinkling and other outdoor water use during the June 1 to September 30 period of every year.

In the event of an extreme drought or unusually high demand for water, Metro Vancouver has the ability to increase its use of the Coquitlam source or, if necessary, implement additional demand management measures.

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

**Received**

Tunnel and shaft excavation for both tunnels in the Twin Tunnels Project is complete. Installation of the first phase of shotcrete lining in the central section of the tunnels is complete. The remaining shotcrete work will resume in mid-2012 following installation of the steel liner at the Capilano end of the tunnels.

Delivery of steel liner pipe from the temporary storage area on Annacis Island continues. Installation and grouting of steel liner at the base of the Capilano shafts and at the Capilano end of the treated water tunnel are underway. Final preparations for liner installation in the raw water tunnel continue.

Overall completion is 81%. Projected substantial completion is end of 2013. The projected final cost for the Seymour-Capilano Filtration Project, including the Twin Tunnels project, is approximately \$814 million.

## **Integrated Utility Management Advisory Committee Terms of Reference**

**Approved**

The Board approved the creation of a new Integrated Utility Management Advisory Committee (IUMAC), a high level advisory committee established to monitor and provide advice to Metro Vancouver on the implementation of the Drinking Water Management Plan, the Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan, and the Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan.

The committee will include members representing Metro Vancouver, its member municipalities, senior government agencies, technical and professional interests, public and non-government interests, and business interests.

## **Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District**

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### **Lions Gate and Iona Island Secondary Wastewater Treatment Plants – Project Update**

**Approved**

The Board received an update on the work now underway to complete the project definition phases for the Lions Gate and Iona Island secondary wastewater treatment plant upgrades. The expected cost for the Lions Gate upgrade is \$400 million. The expected cost for the Iona Island upgrade is \$1 billion.

The Board also directed staff to submit an application for the Lions Gate Secondary Wastewater Treatment Plant Project Definition Phase to the Union of BC Municipalities' Gas Tax Agreement Innovations Fund.

### **P3 Canada Application for New Waste-to-Energy Capacity**

**Approved**

The P3 Canada Fund is a merit-based federal program that co-funds public infrastructure projects best delivered via a public-private partnership or P3. The Board directed staff to submit an application to the P3 Canada Fund to help fund new Waste-to-Energy capacity for Metro Vancouver.

In May 2011, the Province of B.C. added packaging and printed paper to its recycling regulation, creating an obligation for industry to design and implement an Extended Producer Responsibility program. An industry agency – Multi-Material BC – was created to manage the development and implementation of the new EPR program.

The Board approved a resolution that requests that the Chair send a letter to Multi-Material BC and the Provincial Minister of Environment highlighting the need to address key local government concerns in the ongoing planning process for the Packaging and Printed Paper Extended Producer Responsibility Program prior to submission of the draft plan to the Minister of Environment.