

For Metro Vancouver regular meetings on Friday, June 26, 2026

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Metro Vancouver Regional District

E1.1 Burnaby Lake Regional Park – Draft Management Plan and Public Engagement Process

ENDORSED

This report provides an overview of the draft management plan for Burnaby Lake, the results of the phase 1 engagement, and the proposed process for phase 2 engagement.

The draft plan proposes a 20-year vision for Burnaby Lake Regional Park to protect ecological values, enhance visitor experiences, and strengthen partnerships. It is informed by phase one engagement, best practices, and collaboration with the City of Burnaby.

Phase two engagement will involve First Nations, stakeholders, and the public. Feedback will inform a final management plan to be presented to the Board for approval in 2027.

The Board endorsed the proposed Burnaby Lake Regional Park Draft Management Plan and authorised staff to proceed with the engagement process.

E2.1 Metro 2050 Regional Context Statement – Village of Anmore

ACCEPTED

The Village of Anmore has given initial readings to the draft update to its Official Community Plan (OCP) and submitted a Regional Context Statement demonstrating that the new OCP is consistent with the regional federation’s goals, strategies and actions in *Metro 2050*. The MVRD Board considers acceptance of Regional Context Statements to ensure that local aspirations align with shared regional goals.

The Regional Context Statement supports the regional federation’s vision by advancing:

- Creating a Compact Urban Area: protecting Rural lands and limiting development scale and density consistent with regional designations and servicing capacity;
- Protecting the Environment, Addressing Climate Change, and Responding to Natural Hazards: maintaining significant Conservation and Recreation lands, supporting tree retention and ecosystem protection, and strengthening hazard-related development guidance; and
- Supporting Sustainable Transportation Choices: supporting trail, walking and cycling connectivity and working with TransLink to improve transit access.

Metro Vancouver staff have reviewed the Regional Context Statement and found it is generally consistent with *Metro 2050* where applicable, and that the Village has identified areas for further work in the next Regional Context Statement update. It is recommended that the MVRD Board accept the Village of Anmore’s Regional Context Statement.

The Board accepted the Village of Anmore's Regional Context Statement, directed staff to notify the Village of Anmore of the decision, and to include in the correspondence to the Village of Anmore that future updates to the Official Community Plan and Regional Context Statement be in line with the *Local Government Act's* request to show how the Official Community Plan is to be made consistent with the regional growth strategy over time.

E2.2 Metro Vancouver Housing Data Dashboard Launch and 2026 Data Update

RECEIVED

The Metro Vancouver Housing Data Dashboard summarizes a large collection of regional and municipal-level housing data from a variety of sources, including custom data requests from Statistics Canada, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), and BC Housing. The dashboard replaces the hard copy Metro Vancouver Housing Data Book and provides policy makers, researchers, and members of the public with a comprehensive and more accessible view of the region's housing market.

The 2026 update includes new information on housing construction, rental and ownership housing, and housing need. Key highlights from the update include:

- Housing supply continues to shift toward higher-density forms, with apartments accounting for the majority of new housing starts and completions across the region.
- Overall, housing starts have declined in recent years, while housing completions reached a record high in 2025, reflecting projects initiated earlier in the development cycle coming online.
- Purpose-built rental housing has continued to expand, with rental vacancy rates rising to 3.7 per cent in 2025, the highest level observed in over three decades.
- Rents continued to rise across the region, though the pace of increase slowed compared to recent peak years.

By transitioning to an online dashboard, Metro Vancouver is improving the usability, timeliness, and accessibility of housing data, while continuing to support housing planning across the region.

The Board received the report for information and directed staff to forward a copy of the report to member jurisdictions with an offer of a presentation to Council upon request.

E2.3 2026 Agriculture Awareness Grant Recommendations

APPROVED

This report outlines recommendations to the Regional Planning Committee and MVRD Board to award a total of \$55,000 in Agriculture Awareness Grants to 23 non-profit organizations in 2026. Metro Vancouver has awarded annual grants for agriculture awareness since 2008, supporting the objective of strengthening agricultural viability in the region. Applications are reviewed and recommended by staff and the Metro Vancouver Agricultural Advisory Committee. Programs and outreach supporting local sustainable food production make important contributions to public outreach and education which in turn increases awareness about the importance of agriculture across the region. Funding provided through the Agriculture Awareness Grants is also valuable for community organizations to demonstrate the value of producing or buying food close to home and to share knowledge and support hands-on learning about local agriculture and food systems.

The Board awarded the annual Agriculture Awareness Grants in the total amount of \$55,000 to 23 non-profit organizations.

E2.4 Provincial Budget Impacts on Affordable Housing Delivery in Metro Vancouver

APPROVED

The Metro Vancouver region faces a persistent shortage of affordable rental housing. *Housing 2050: A Roadmap to Implement Metro 2050's Housing Goal* advances regional action through shared data, advocacy, and policy, but progress depends on sustained senior government funding.

BC's 2026 budget defers \$1.4 billion in previously announced housing investments, including cancelling the 2025 Community Housing Fund call, deferring the Indigenous Housing Fund call, and reducing important rent supplements and operating grants. Member jurisdictions report at least 25 affected projects representing over 3,500 units. Of these, five have been cancelled, 12 paused indefinitely, and eight remain uncertain and seeking alternative funding. These projects represent significant investment by non-profit providers and member jurisdictions, with limited options to proceed, and reflect considerable sunk costs in staff time, pre-development funding, and project advancement incurred prior to the withdrawal of provincial support. Additionally, there is increased uncertainty in the timing of provincial contributions to 854 Metro Vancouver Housing units under a Memorandum of Understanding with the Province of BC, increasing material risks such as cost escalation and delays in delivery of projects.

These funding changes risk reversing recent gains and constrain the ability of the sector to deliver the scale of affordable housing needed for low- to moderate-income households. This report outlines regional impacts and identifies potential response actions.

The Board received the report for information, requested that the Board Chair forward a copy of the report to the Provincial Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs and Minister of Finance, with a request that the Province restore finding programs that have been cancelled or deferred, and requested that staff prepare options for a regional forum on long-term, predictable funding for affordable rental housing for Board consideration.

E3.1 Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Policy – Review Update

ADOPTED

On April 9, 2026, the Governance Committee received for information the report titled “Annual Review of Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Policy”, dated April 2, 2026. The report presented the *Code of Conduct for Elected Policy* to the Committee for its annual review. The Committee discussed and agreed to review the *Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Policy* after additional information is provided by the Province of British Columbia regarding recently tabled legislation that would impact codes of conduct for local elected officials across the province. The Committee requested that in the interim, staff bring back a revised policy to include sections on confidentiality, conflicts of interest, and the acceptance of gifts.

A revised *Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Policy* has been prepared for the Governance Committee and MVRD Board's consideration. The revised policy includes sections on confidentiality, conflicts of interest, and the acceptance of gifts. The section on confidentiality is updated to restrict Board Network access to Board and Committee Members.

At its June 18, 2026 meeting, the Governance Committee considered the report titled “Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Policy – Review Update”, dated May 26, 2026, and passed the recommendation as below.

The Committee discussed proposed provincial legislation, Bill 17, on Codes of Conducts, which received first reading on April 2, 2026. The Legislative Assembly has taken their summer recess, and the next time the Bill could be further considered is after the Legislative Assembly returns on October 5, 2026.

Committee members noted that further consideration of additional revisions to the *Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Policy* should take place once further information is available regarding the provincial legislation, likely in Q1, 2027.

The Board adopted the revised *Code of Conduct for Elected Officials Policy*.

E3.2 Emergency Management Service Delivery by Small Communities

APPROVED

Small communities within Metro Vancouver (ie. Anmore, Belcarra, Bowen Island, Lions Bay, and Tsawwassen First Nation) have raised ongoing concerns regarding their capacity to meet emergency management responsibilities, particularly in light of expanded requirements under the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act* (EDMA). These concerns relate to limited staffing, constrained financial resources, and increasing expectations to plan for, respond to, and recover from complex emergencies. In response to these concerns, and following MVRD Board direction in July 2025 to explore how small communities can collaborate to share resources for emergency management services, Metro Vancouver retained Dave Mitchell and Associates Ltd. to assess current challenges and identify potential service delivery improvements. The resulting consultant report confirms that small communities face significant capacity constraints in meeting EDMA obligations and managing major events independently. The report puts forward three options to improve emergency management service delivery by small communities, and for each one, staff have provided comments that correspond to the MVRD Board recommendations.

1. Centralized Emergency Management Administrative Support Services

The consultant report presents an option of Metro Vancouver providing administrative support for a fee to interested small communities.

- *Staff Comments and Recommendation*

Metro Vancouver's emergency management service is designed to address emergencies that impact regional services and Electoral Area A. It is not structured or resourced to provide administrative support to its member jurisdictions. Providing such support would require additional staff capacity and associated costs, which would need to be funded by the smaller communities requesting these services. Staff recommended writing to the Minister responsible to consider replacing the current competitive grant funding model with stable long-term direct funding to support local communities, including with administrative costs.

2. Sub-Regional Arrangements for Emergency Management

The consultant report makes recommendations for each of the small communities based on an assessment of their current state of emergency planning.

- *Staff Comments and Recommendation*

The consultant report should be reviewed by each small community to consider implementing the recommendations directly. Metro Vancouver staff can facilitate a presentation by the consultant to each small community council.

3. Regional Emergency Management Service Establishment

Anmore, Belcarra, and Lions Bay expressed interest in Metro Vancouver providing emergency management services directly to their municipalities for a fee.

- *Staff Comments and Recommendation*

Metro Vancouver provides assistance to members under the Regional Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement, as capacity allows. It is not within Metro Vancouver's current mandate to consider providing direct emergency management services under EDMA to small community member jurisdictions. To address the underlying challenges that small communities face in complying with EDMA, staff recommended writing to the Minister responsible to consider replacing the current competitive grant funding model with stable long-term direct funding to support local communities.

The Board received the report for information, requested that the Board Chair forward a copy of the report to Anmore, Belcarra, Bowen Island, Lions Bay, and Tsawwassen First Nation with an offer of a presentation to Council upon request, and requested that the Board Chair send a letter on behalf of the MVRD to the Honorable Kelly Greene, Minister of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, with a copy of the report, to request replacement of the current competitive grant funding model with stable long-term direct funding to support local authorities with the implementation of the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act*.

E4.1 Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charges: 2028–2030 Draft Rates for Engagement

REFERRED

Development Cost Charges (DCCs) help to fund growth-related components of essential regional infrastructure that is needed to support the growing region. Metro Vancouver is in the process of a scheduled update to the Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charge (DCC) program for the 2028–2030 period. Staff have completed the technical work required to update the DCC program's underlying structure for allocating growth-related project costs including:

- updated population, dwelling unit, and employment projections;
- refined categories and definitions;
- updated capital plans, and
- updated methodology for allocating growth-related costs.

With the program update complete, Metro Vancouver is ready to engage member jurisdictions, the development industry, and other stakeholders on draft DCC rates for 2028–2030. The draft rates are generally neutral overall, however there are variations across sewerage areas and across different land use categories. The majority of rate changes are as a result of moving to a 1 per cent assist factor in 2029, and growing population in the Fraser Sewerage Area, and the resulting need for associated capital infrastructure affect rates in that sewerage area. Staff will begin consultation in July with a pause during the local election period and engagement resuming in late 2026. Staff will then report back to the Boards in early 2027 summarizing engagement feedback, providing economic analysis, and DCC bylaws for initial readings. Final adoption of the bylaws is anticipated later in 2027, enabling implementation of new rates on January 1, 2028.

The Board referred the report to staff for further consideration.

E4.2 Financial Board Policy Review – Amended Corporate Investment Policy

ADOPTED

This report responds to Board direction to undertake reviews of relevant Board policies over the course of 2026 and 2027. The *Corporate Investments Policy* was adopted in 1997 and last revised in 2020. The policy provides guidelines for investment decisions to ensure the safety of capital, adequate liquidity, and the achievement of a reasonable rate of return. All cash and investments for the entities are held in pooled funds by the Metro Vancouver Regional District on behalf of the four legal entities that comprise Metro Vancouver.

Investment policy objectives have remained consistent; however, the policy has been significantly rewritten to ensure best practices including:

- a) adoption of a modernized governance framework, including updated investment objectives, the prudent investor standard, and a clarified approach to reasonable returns;
- b) consolidation and simplification of investment limits, including updates to credit rating standards, diversification requirements, and the removal of non-applicable investment categories; and
- c) enhancements to investment management practices, including implementation of a best execution approach, updated benchmarking methodology, and improved oversight and reporting processes.

The proposed amendments provide clarification and modernization of existing practices and incorporate best practices. Staff from the Municipal Finance Authority assisted in the review and recommended changes to the policy. In addition, Regional Finance Advisory Committee was consulted on June 5th, 2026 and is supportive of the policy amendments.

The Board adopted the revised *Corporate Investments Policy*.

E4.3 2025 Statement of Financial Information

APPROVED

The Statement of Financial Information Report (SOFI) is produced annually under the *Financial Information Act* and consists of a series of statements and schedules, three of which are an integral part of the 2025 audited consolidated financial statements. The audited financial statements received a clean audit opinion from KPMG and were approved by the Board on April 24, 2026. Seven additional SOFI schedules are included in Attachment 1 of the report. These schedules report on payments of remuneration and expenses for employees and elected officials; and payments to suppliers for goods and services. Board approval of the SOFI schedules completes the 2025 legislated financial reporting requirements.

The remuneration for elected officials was \$1.26 million in 2025, \$350,000 less than 2024, largely due to fewer meetings held in 2025. Expenses for elected officials and employees were \$3.5 million, down \$1.4 million compared to prior year, due to less overall travel. Employee remuneration was \$249.4 million, up \$8.3 million from 2024, largely from increases for step and performance progression per collective agreements and policy. Total payments to suppliers were \$2.4 billion, up 29% from 2024 largely driven by the approved increase in capital expenditure levels.

The Board approved the Statement of Financial Information for the year ended December 31, 2025.

E5.1 Major Projects Strategic Review – 2026 Progress Update to Board

ENDORSED

In 2020, KPMG completed a Major Projects Strategic Review to support Metro Vancouver in strengthening oversight and governance of major capital project delivery. That review identified seven primary focus areas: capability and capacity, governance and oversight, organizational design, commercial strategy, internal stakeholder interfaces, project controls, and technology, systems, and processes.

This 2026 progress update provides a targeted, evidence-based progress update against those 2020 focus areas as related to High Value, Risk, and Consequence projects delivered by the Project Delivery Department.

The Board endorsed the progress made by the Project Delivery Department as laid out in the report.

**G1.1 Metro 2050 Type 3 Proposed Amendment, Bylaw No. 1463, 2026 – City of Surrey
(105 - 175A Street)**

APPROVED

The City of Surrey is requesting a Type 3 amendment to *Metro 2050* to change the regional land use designation of the property located at 105-175A Street from Employment to General Urban to accommodate 20 single-detached homes in the Douglas neighbourhood of South Surrey.

The proposed development involves a single parcel that is already within both the Urban Containment Boundary and Fraser Sewerage Area. The site is surrounded by established residential uses on three sides, including single-detached housing, townhouses, and an RV park, with commercial uses located to the east across 175A Street. The proposed amendment would not result in region-wide planning implications, and would have no meaningful impact on advancing the regional goals included in *Metro 2050*. The proposed Type 3 amendment is supportable as a small, localized adjustment within the existing urban area that is not inconsistent with *Metro 2050's* goals and strategies.

The Board initiated the *Metro 2050* amendment process for the City of Surrey's requested regional land use designation amendment from Employment to General Urban for the property located at 105 - 175A Street, gave three readings to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw No. 1463, 2026*, directed staff to (i) notify affected local governments, (ii) post the application on the Metro Vancouver website for comment on the proposed amendment, and (iii) notify local First Nations via referral offices for comment on the proposed amendment.

**G2.1 MVRD Notice of Bylaw Violation Enforcement and Dispute Adjudication Amendment
Bylaw No. 1449, 2026**

ADOPTED

At its June 12, 2026 meeting, the Air Quality Committee considered the attached report titled "MVRD Notice of Bylaw Violation Enforcement and Dispute Adjudication Amendment Bylaw No. 1449, 2026", dated May 7, 2026. The Committee subsequently passed the recommendation as presented below in underline style. In discussing the proposed Bylaw, the Committee requested more information regarding the current bylaw and the bylaw update, including information on the frequency of contraventions and overall revenue to date.

The purpose of Notice of Bylaw Violation (NBVs) is not to raise revenue, but rather to deter non-compliance. Penalties are avoidable for those who adhere to air quality bylaws. Experience over the past several years has shown that NBVs remain a useful tool, but may no longer be an effective deterrent because many penalty amounts have not been updated since 2010 and are now too low to be effective.

GVRD Notice of Bylaw Violation Enforcement and Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 1117, 2010 is an administrative bylaw that establishes an enforcement tool and process to address non-compliance with specific air quality requirements. The current bylaw applies to nine air quality bylaws mostly affecting industrial and commercial emission sources such as automotive refinishing facilities, gasoline storage and distribution facilities, and non-road diesel engines.

Since the beginning of 2024, about 40 notices of bylaw violation (NBVs) have been issued to regulated businesses and paid for specified violations of air quality bylaws such as ineffective emission controls during operations and obstructing an officer. The associated penalties ranged from \$95 to \$500 for a total of about \$16,000.

Metro Vancouver's bylaws are reviewed regularly to ensure the bylaws remain current, effective, and aligned with provincial legislation. Since 2010, the *GVRD Notice of Bylaw Violation Enforcement and Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 1117, 2010* has been updated seven times regarding air quality bylaw enforcement.

The updates proposed in *MVRD Notice of Bylaw Violation Enforcement and Dispute Adjudication Amendment Bylaw No. 1449, 2026* continue to address air quality issues by updating some penalty amounts modestly and clarifying the specific bylaw violations that they can apply to. The proposed amendments are designed to enhance the effectiveness of NBVs. The updated penalty amounts better reflect today's conditions, while remaining below the maximum allowed under provincial legislation.

The Board gave three readings to and adopted *Metro Vancouver Regional District Notice of Bylaw Violation Enforcement and Dispute Adjudication Amendment Bylaw No. 1449, 2026*.

G2.2 MVRD Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 1448, 2026

ADOPTED

At its June 12, 2026 meeting, the Air Quality Committee considered the attached report titled "MVRD Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 1448, 2026", dated May 7, 2026. The Committee subsequently passed the recommendation as presented below in underline style. In discussing the proposed amendment bylaw, the Committee requested more information regarding the current bylaw and the bylaw update, including information on the frequency of non-compliance and revenue to date. For clarity, the purpose of tickets is not to raise revenue but rather to deter non-compliance. Penalties are avoidable for those who adhere to air quality bylaws.

GVRD Ticket Information Utilization Bylaw No. 1050, 2006 is an administrative bylaw that establishes an enforcement tool and process to address more serious cases of non-compliance with specific air quality requirements. The current bylaw applies to nine air quality bylaws mostly affecting industrial and commercial emission sources such as automotive refinishing facilities, gasoline storage and distribution facilities, and non-road diesel engines.

Since the beginning of 2024, nine tickets have been issued for specified violations of air quality bylaws such as unauthorized air discharge or violation of requirements in permits and approvals. The associated fines ranged from \$500 to \$1,000 for a total of \$8,250.

Metro Vancouver's bylaws are reviewed regularly to ensure the bylaws remain current, effective, and aligned with provincial legislation. Since 2006, the *GVRD Ticket Information Utilization Bylaw No. 1050, 2006* has been updated nine times regarding air quality bylaw enforcement.

The updates proposed in *MVRD Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 1448, 2026* continue to address air quality issues by updating some fine amounts and clarifying the specific bylaw violations that they can apply to. The updated fine amounts better reflect today's conditions, while remaining below the higher maximum of \$3,000 now allowed under provincial legislation. The proposed increases are intended to maintain the effectiveness of tickets as a deterrent to non-compliance, rather than to generate additional revenue, and to encourage adherence to air quality bylaws.

The Board gave three readings to and adopted *Metro Vancouver Regional District Ticket Information Utilization Amendment Bylaw No. 1448, 2026*.

G3.1 Metro Vancouver Regional District Election Amendment Bylaw No. 1464, 2026

ADOPTED

This report seeks Board approval for proposed amendments to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Election Bylaw No. 1340, 2022* (MVRD Bylaw No. 1340, 2022) to change an advance voting opportunity from the tenth and seventh days before general voting day to the tenth and fourth days, and to address an administrative error.

Metro Vancouver and the City of Vancouver share polling locations for advance and general voting. If the MVRD Board chooses not to adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Election Amendment Bylaw No. 1464, 2026* (MVRD Bylaw No. 1464, 2026), Metro Vancouver staff will need to make alternative arrangements, which will incur additional costs associated with location rental and staffing.

The Board gave three readings to and adopted *Metro Vancouver Regional District Election Amendment Bylaw No. 1464, 2026*.

I1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

RECEIVED

The Board received six information items from five standing committees and one delegation summaries.

Regional Parks Committee – June 10, 2026

Information Items:

E1 2026 Update on Regional District Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects – Regional Parks

Information Items:

This report provides an update on three Regional Parks projects that received Board-approved contributions from the Regional District Sustainability Innovation Fund and are currently in-progress, or have been completed or discontinued since the last update to the designated Standing Committee.

Projects funded by the Sustainability Innovation Fund support regional sustainability, protect the environment, advance resilience, and continuously improve service delivery by allowing Metro Vancouver to explore and implement innovative approaches, and respond to emerging issues and evolving best practices. All three projects described in this report and focused on:

- Future Carbon Storage and Greenhouse Gas Emissions at Burns Bog under Different Management and Climate Scenarios (complete);
- Natural Asset Management in Regional Parks, and Managing Capacity (Complete); and
- Reducing Emissions: Real-time Parking Availability in Regional Parks (In progress).

E3 Backcountry Safety Awareness Update - Lynn Headwaters Regional Park

This report updates the Regional Parks Committee on backcountry safety initiatives at Lynn Headwaters Regional Park in advance of the 2026 summer season opening. The park's backcountry offers valuable recreational opportunities but presents inherent risks due to challenging terrain and variable weather conditions, resulting in safety incidents including injuries, lost hikers, and medical events.

Staff prioritize public safety by working with partners such as North Shore Rescue, AdventureSmart, and adjacent land managers. Wayfinding and signage, informed by incident debriefs, have enhanced navigation and reduced user error. Staff also deliver targeted education and outreach, including social media, visitor centre engagement, and interpretive programming, to support informed trip planning and safer visitor experiences. These combined efforts aim to reduce the frequency and severity of incidents while maintaining recreational access.

Regional Planning Committee – June 11, 2026

Delegations:

- C1 Chris McBeath, Director Development Planning, City of Surrey**
Proposed Regional Growth Strategy Amendment from Employment to General Urban (105 – 175A Street)

Information Items:

E6 Metro 2050 Growth Targets Update – Project Plan

The Metro 2050 Growth Targets Update project will review how much and where Growth Targets should be modified to reflect local priorities and advance regional planning goals. Metro Vancouver staff have developed a plan to deliver the project in line with the scope of work previously presented to the Regional Planning Committee. The project will be delivered in-house and is centred on in-depth member jurisdiction engagement. This will be supplemented by planning research and datasets from Metro Vancouver, and input from TransLink. Updated *Metro 2050* Growth Targets will be reported to Regional Planning Committee and MVRD Board in mid-2027, with a potential *Metro 2050* amendment to follow at the direction of the MVRD Board.

Regional Growth Targets are a key tool in Metro 2050 to support the creation of livable, walkable complete communities, the efficient delivery of transit and infrastructure, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions at the local and regional level. First established in Metro 2040, existing targets aim to direct 40% of dwelling unit growth and 50% of employment growth to Urban Centres, and 28% of dwelling unit growth and 27% of employment growth to Frequent Transit Development Areas (FTDAs) between 2006 and 2041.

The current *Metro 2050* Growth Targets were established under *Metro 2040* and carried forward into *Metro 2050* without modification due to timeline constraints. *Metro 2050* includes a commitment to work with member jurisdictions to review and update these targets through a future amendment, to ensure they reflect current conditions, local plans and priorities, and evolving policy context.

Air Quality Committee – June 12, 2026

Information Items:

E4 2026 Update on Regional District Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects – Air Quality and Climate Action

This report provides an update on 12 projects related to air quality and climate action that received Board-approved contributions from the Regional District Sustainability Innovation Fund and are currently in-progress or have been completed/discontinued since the last update to the designated Standing Committee.

Projects funded by the Sustainability Innovation Fund support regional sustainability, protect the environment, advance resilience, and continuously improve service delivery by allowing Metro Vancouver to explore and implement innovative approaches, and respond to emerging issues and evolving best practices. Of the 12 projects described in this report, six have been recently completed, five are in progress, and one has been discontinued. Recently completed projects include: an assessment of carbon capture potential in the Metro Vancouver region; the retrofit accelerator initiative that supports owners of existing buildings; an innovative stakeholder engagement strategy; and technical policy research on reducing transportation emissions, all of which contribute to continuous improvement in service delivery. A project to evaluate options to provide electrical power to the film industry in Metro Vancouver parks was discontinued after the initial assessment and business casing indicated that building an electrical power kiosk would be cost-prohibitive.

Electoral Area Committee – June 17, 2026

Information Items:

C1 Emergency Management Service Delivery by Small Communities

At its June 17, 2026 meeting, the Electoral Area Committee considered the attached report titled “Emergency Management Service Delivery by Small Communities,” dated May 29, 2026.

After the meeting, staff received an updated Attachment 1 to this report, which is a revised consultant report from Dave Mitchell and Associates, Ltd. with a minor correction to how Anmore’s internal staff structure is described by the consultant. In the sections regarding Anmore, references to “Manager of Program Services” have been changed to “Manager of Corporate Services”. The correction request came from the Anmore Chief Administrative Officer, and it does not change any Metro Vancouver related matters. Attachment 1 to the report has therefore been updated.

Governance Committee – June 18, 2026

Information Items:

E3 MVRD Board April 24, 2026 Referral of Notice of Motion from Director Kooner

At the MVRD Board meeting held on April 24, 2026, the MVRD Board passed the following resolution: *“THAT the Notice of Motion from Director Kooner dated March 27, 2026 be referred to the Governance Committee.”* (“Notice of Motion”)

Director Kooner’s Notice of Motion requests that the MVRD Board engage KPMG to conduct a comprehensive review of Metro Vancouver’s Procurement Policy, including signing authorities and the treatment of change orders that cumulatively may cause projects to exceed the \$10 million approval threshold; assess existing financial policies for potential risks to the taxpayer, including analysis of open contractual liabilities as of December 31, 2025, and the projected 10 Year financial outlook; provide recommendations that will continue to strengthen governance, enhance transparency, and align policies with best practices informed by benchmarking against comparable large regional districts with similar asset bases, growth trajectories and debt and revenue structures.

Greater Vancouver Water District

E1.1 Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charges: 2028–2030 Draft Rates for Engagement

REFERRED

Development Cost Charges (DCCs) help to fund growth-related components of essential regional infrastructure that is needed to support the growing region. Metro Vancouver is in the process of a scheduled update to the Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charge (DCC) program for the 2028–2030 period. Staff have completed the technical work required to update the DCC program’s underlying structure for allocating growth-related project costs including:

- updated population, dwelling unit, and employment projections;

- refined categories and definitions;
- updated capital plans, and
- updated methodology for allocating growth-related costs.

With the program update complete, Metro Vancouver is ready to engage member jurisdictions, the development industry, and other stakeholders on draft DCC rates for 2028–2030. The draft rates are generally neutral overall, however there are variations across sewerage areas and across different land use categories. The majority of rate changes are as a result of moving to a 1 per cent assist factor in 2029, and growing population in the Fraser Sewerage Area, and the resulting need for associated capital infrastructure affect rates in that sewerage area. Staff will begin consultation in July with a pause during the local election period and engagement resuming in late 2026. Staff will then report back to the Boards in early 2027 summarizing engagement feedback, providing economic analysis, and DCC bylaws for initial readings. Final adoption of the bylaws is anticipated later in 2027, enabling implementation of new rates on January 1, 2028.

The Board referred the report to staff for further consideration.

G1.1 Update on Stage 3 Water Restrictions

RECEIVED

The Board received for information a verbal update from the Commissioner.

Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District

North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant Program – Independent Review

APPROVED

The Board approved the Proposal for the Independent Review of the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant Project received from the independent review team, led by Rob Andrews of EXP Engineering.

E1.1 2026 Major Projects Update No. 1 – Liquid Waste

RECEIVED

Metro Vancouver follows best practices related to governance and oversight on all of Metro Vancouver’s capital projects. A key deliverable is to provide regular updates on the portfolio of high value, risk, and consequence capital projects being delivered by the Project Delivery Department.

All of these major projects are on track for schedule and budget for their current project stage with the exception of the Northwest Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Program which experienced significant delays due to archaeological permitting challenges that arose in 2023. These are now resolved and pre-construction recommenced in May 2026. These delays will impact the budget for the upcoming construction stage which will be reviewed as part of Stage Gate 3 approval in 2028.

The Board received the report for information.

E1.2 Award of RFP No. 25-146 for Consulting Engineering Services for the Northwest Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall Project

APPROVED

Delve Underground Consulting Canada ULC's proposal ranked highest overall, had the highest technical score, and demonstrated best overall value for Metro Vancouver.

Metro Vancouver requires consulting engineering services to design a new higher-capacity replacement outfall as a component of the Northwest Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Program. RFP No. 25-146 for Consulting Engineering Services for the Northwest Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall was issued on September 16, 2025, following an RFQ process, to four prequalified proponents. The procurement was executed in accordance with the terms and conditions of Metro Vancouver's Procurement Policy. The RFP No. 25-146 evaluation team has considered the proposals received, and on that basis recommend that the GVS&DD Board award the Consulting Engineering Services for the Northwest Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall to Delve Underground Consulting Canada ULC.

The Board awarded RFP No. 25-146 for Consulting Engineering Services for the Northwest Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall in the amount of up to \$17,019,085 (exclusive of taxes) to Delve Underground Consulting Canada ULC as recommended.

E1.3 Award of RFP No. 25-019 for Gleneagles Forcemain Replacement Phase 2a Pump Station No. 5 Forcemain Construction

APPROVED

Industra Construction Corporation's proposal ranked highest overall, had the highest technical score and demonstrated the best overall value for Metro Vancouver.

The work to be provided under RFP No. 25-019 includes replacing approximately 400 metres of existing 250 millimetre (mm) diameter asbestos cement pipe with 355 mm diameter High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipe via open-cut and trenchless installation methods. The existing pipe has reached the end of its service life and has sustained numerous failures in recent years resulting in increased maintenance costs and sewer spills.

RFP No. 25-019 was issued January 13, 2026 and was advertised publicly. The procurement was executed in accordance with the terms and conditions of Metro Vancouver's Procurement Policy. The RFP No. 25-019 evaluation team has considered the proposals received, and on that basis recommend that GVS&DD Board award RFP No. 25-019 to Industra Construction Corporation.

The Board awarded RFP No. 25-019 for Gleneagles Forcemain Replacement Phase 2a Pump Station No. 5 Forcemain Construction in the amount of up to \$11,871,944,87 (exclusive of taxes) to Industra Construction Corporation as recommended.

E1.4 Award of RFP No. 25-561 for Supply and Delivery of 48% Aluminum Sulphate Aqueous Solution (Liquid Alum)

APPROVED

Chemtrade Chemicals Canada Ltd. (Chemtrade) proposal met all technical requirements and demonstrated good value overall for Metro Vancouver. Chemtrade presented a proposal with a total price that is aligned with Metro Vancouver's estimate, confirming that Metro Vancouver is receiving a value-added technical and commercial proposal. As the incumbent supplier, Chemtrade has a proven track record of reliable performance and brings direct experience delivering these services, which reduces implementation risk and supports continuity of operations.

Liquid Alum is required for use at Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTP) in Chemically Enhanced Primary Treatment (CEPT) and as a coagulant to mitigate risks of regulatory non-compliance.

RFP No. 25-561 was issued on December 22, 2025, and was advertised publicly and the procurement was executed in accordance with the terms and conditions of Metro Vancouver's Procurement Policy. The RFP No. 25-561 evaluation team have considered the proposal received, and on that basis recommend that the GVS&DD Board award RFP No. 25-561 to Chemtrade.

The Board awarded RFP No. 25-561 for Supply and Delivery of 48% Aluminum Sulphate Aqueous Solution (Liquid Alum) in the amount of up to \$29,440,000 (exclusive of taxes) to Chemtrade Chemicals Canada Ltd., for a term of three years with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms, for a total term of five (5) years as recommended.

E2.1 Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charges: 2028–2030 Draft Rates for Engagement

REFERRED

Development Cost Charges (DCCs) help to fund growth-related components of essential regional infrastructure that is needed to support the growing region. Metro Vancouver is in the process of a scheduled update to the Metro Vancouver Development Cost Charge (DCC) program for the 2028–2030 period. Staff have completed the technical work required to update the DCC program's underlying structure for allocating growth-related project costs including:

- updated population, dwelling unit, and employment projections;
- refined categories and definitions;
- updated capital plans, and
- updated methodology for allocating growth-related costs.

With the program update complete, Metro Vancouver is ready to engage member jurisdictions, the development industry, and other stakeholders on draft DCC rates for 2028–2030. The draft rates are generally neutral overall, however there are variations across sewerage areas and across different land use categories. The majority of rate changes are as a result of moving to a 1 per cent assist factor in 2029, and growing population in the Fraser Sewerage Area, and the resulting need for associated capital infrastructure affect rates in that sewerage area. Staff will begin consultation in July with a pause during the local election period and engagement resuming in late 2026. Staff will then report back to the Boards in early 2027 summarizing engagement feedback, providing economic analysis, and DCC bylaws for initial readings. Final adoption of the bylaws is anticipated later in 2027, enabling implementation of new rates on January 1, 2028.

The Board referred the report to staff for further consideration.

I1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

RECEIVED

The Board received four information items from two standing committees and no delegation summaries.

Zero Waste Committee – June 11, 2026

Information Items:

E1 2024 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report

The 2024 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report (Biennial Report) is a progress report on the implementation of the Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan (2011 solid waste management plan), as required by the Province. This report contains the 2023-2024 implementation status of initiatives in the plan and 2024 annual summary of recycling and solid waste statistics. Following consideration by the Zero Waste Committee, the Biennial Report will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment and Parks.

As reported to the Zero Waste Committee at its February 5, 2026, meeting, the Metro Vancouver region achieved a 65 per cent diversion rate in 2024, consisting of 62 per cent recycled materials and 3 per cent recovered materials. Since approval of the 2011 solid waste management plan, Metro Vancouver's per capita disposal rate has decreased from 0.57 tonnes per capita in 2011 to 0.43 tonnes per capita in 2024: a decrease of 24 per cent.

With the Board's endorsement of the draft updated solid waste management plan on April 24, 2026, and the upcoming submission of the draft plan to the Minister of Environment and Parks, this is expected to be the last biennial report for 2011 solid waste management plan. The updated solid waste management plan expands on performance monitoring with both primary and secondary metrics that will assist in tracking progress towards the goals in the updated plan.

E2 2025 Full-Scale Waste Composition Study

Metro Vancouver's waste composition program includes a series of annual studies to learn about the types and quantities of waste disposed in the region. A full-scale waste composition study, which examines residential and commercial/institutional waste, was conducted at regional facilities over several weeks. The 2025 results indicate the following:

- Compostable organics, paper, and plastic remain the most common materials in residential and commercial/institutional garbage.
- Despite an overall downward trend since 2021, organics, such as yard and food waste, have increased in 2025.
- Plastics have shown a consistent upward trend since 2022. This trend is consistent with the increased use of plastics packaging for food and other products.
- Paper has shown a slight increase since 2023, mainly due to higher amounts of food-soiled paper, non-recyclable paper, and cardboard.

- Many actions in the updated solid waste management plan target these materials: organics (particularly in the multi-family and commercial/institutional sector), plastics and scaling up reuse opportunities to reduce reliance on paper packaging.
- Metro Vancouver’s findings are mostly consistent with those of other organizations, which demonstrate the effectiveness of bans targeting the sale and use of single-use items. Plastic checkout bags, foam cups and foam takeout containers are decreasing, whereas items that are not banned such as plastic and paper cups and takeout containers have increased.
- Trends for straws and utensils are not clear due to high numbers of straws and utensils in a small number of samples from the commercial/institutional sector. For items with low overall proportions in the waste stream such as single use items, sample data from a small number of loads can have significant impacts of overall calculated concentrations.

Liquid Waste Committee – June 17, 2026

Information Items:

E2 2026 Update on Liquid Waste Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects

Liquid Waste Sustainability Innovation Fund and are currently in progress. Projects funded by the Sustainability Innovation Fund support regional sustainability, protect the environment, advance resilience, and continuously improve service delivery by allowing Metro Vancouver to explore and implement innovative approaches, and respond to emerging issues and evolving best practices.

The projects described in this report improve the resilience of infrastructure, enhance resource recovery, produce low-carbon fuels that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and protect the environment:

- Hydrothermal Processing – Biofuel Demonstration Facility
- Advanced Resource Recovery from Sludge – Industrial Research Chair
- Multiphase Composite Coating for Concrete Sewers
- Biorock – Innovative Building Material
- Hydrogen System Integration at LIWWTP

E3 Liquid Waste Revenue Streams Annual Update

External revenue streams help to offset the Liquid Waste Services (LWS) Levy for taxpayers in the region. These revenues come from liquid waste fees, fees paid by permitted industries, facility rentals, and renewable natural gas sales. Revenues are projected to recover approximately \$29.9M in 2026. Since 2010, fees for industry and other directly charged customers have been based on user pay/cost recovery principles as per Board established bylaws. Staff will continue to execute based on these principles until directed otherwise, with ongoing work improving cost recovery and exploring future revenue sources in efforts to further offset costs for taxpayers. This report provides a summary of external revenue sources along with future projections to inform the 2027 budget preparation process.