



For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, September 23, 2016

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Greater Vancouver Regional District - Parks

Tynehead Regional Park - Serpentine Enhancement Society Licence Agreement

APPROVED

The Board approved a Licence Agreement between the Greater Vancouver Regional District and the Serpentine Enhancement Society for a five year term commencing October 1, 2016 and ending on September 31, 2021.

The Serpentine Enhancement Society maintains an ongoing program of salmonid and other species enhancement for the Serpentine River and associated tributaries, educates the community about stream habitat and water quality issues, and collaborates with other groups and agencies sharing similar aims and interests.

Regional Parks Outdoor Fire Program

APPROVED

The Board approved the proposed Regional Parks Outdoor Fire Program which includes uniform design standards for fire pits, a public education program, sustainable firewood supply and future planning.

The program proposes incremental actions which will help ensure that Regional Parks' practices begin to align with intended corporate air quality and climate change policies and initiatives.

Greater Vancouver Regional District

Fleet Planning and Acquisition Policy

APPROVED

Metro Vancouver's fleet comprises approximately 400 vehicles and 300 other mobile assets, which provide a wide range of essential functions across the organization. Fuel used by the corporate fleet produced almost 3,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions in 2015, which represents almost half of the corporate total. Staff have prepared the Fleet Planning and Acquisition Policy to provide clear direction and guidance for the planning and acquisition of fleet assets. The Policy aims to minimize fleet greenhouse gas emissions in a financially responsible manner while ensuring operational service requirements are met.

The Board approved the Fleet Planning and Acquisition Policy.



Consultation on Amendments to GVRD Non-Road Diesel Engine Emission Regulation Bylaw No. 1161, 2012

APPROVED

The GVRD Non-Road Diesel Engine Emission Regulation Bylaw No. 1161 is contributing to Metro Vancouver's air quality management goals of protecting public health and minimizing contributions to climate change. However, the Bylaw's low-use engine registration option and its reporting requirements have not served their intended purpose, which is to provide flexibility to registrants who can demonstrate that their use of non-road diesel engines is limited to a maximum of 200 hours within the year. The current Bylaw requires engine owners to apply for low-use registration, but failure to report hours of operation as a condition of low-use registration has resulted in the need for more inspections to confirm compliance with the operating limit for low-use engines. Staff time to conduct these inspections has occurred at the detriment of enforcing other elements of the bylaw.

The Board directed staff to consult on proposed amendments to GVRD Non-Road Diesel Engine Emission Regulation Bylaw regarding provisions for low-use engines as well as administration and overall clarity of the bylaw.

Renewal of the Ecological Health Action Plan – Initiation of Consultation

APPROVED

In October 2011, Metro Vancouver adopted an Ecological Health Action Plan that identified twelve projects within that could be implemented in a two- to five-year timeframe. In order to allow for an assessment of the direction and approach of the Ecological Health Action Plan, the Plan proposed a review within three years of its adoption.

At its June 17, 2015 meeting, the Climate Action Committee directed staff to initiate a review of the Ecological Health Action Plan, and to report back on options for moving forward.

That the GVRD Board direct staff to initiate consultation on an Ecological Health Plan, and to report back with the results of the consultation process.

Greater Vancouver Regional District Air Quality Management Bylaw No. 1082, 2008 – Officer Appointment

APPROVED

The Board, pursuant to the Environmental Management Act and Greater Vancouver Regional District Air Quality Management Bylaw No. 1082, 2008, appointed Metro Vancouver employee Mona Sardashti as an Officer, and rescinded the appointment of former Metro Vancouver employee Susy Marble as an Officer.



Association for Generational Equity Request for Funding – Homes First 2016

APPROVED

The Board approved a \$7,000 sponsorship contribution to the Association for Generational Equity (Generation Squeeze) in support of hosting Homes First: Building on Common Ground.

The Association for Intergenerational Equity, known as Generation Squeeze, advocates on behalf of young people in their 20s, 30s and 40s, based on the premise that government policy and the market disadvantage or ignore the needs of this generation.

Encouraging Agricultural Production through Farm Property Tax Reform in Metro Vancouver

APPROVED

Metro Vancouver staff have prepared a White Paper on agricultural tax reform based on a three year investigation that included three separate consultants' reports, staff analysis and stakeholder input. The White Paper informs decision makers about existing farm property tax policy and the necessity of tax reform to encourage farming on agricultural land in the Metro Vancouver region.

The Board will send a letter to the BC Minister of Community Sport and Cultural Development and the Minister of Agriculture requesting farm property tax reform for the Metro Vancouver region, plus consideration of similar reform for the entire province of British Columbia. The report will also be conveyed to member municipalities, the Fraser Valley Regional District, the Capital Regional District, the Okanagan-Similkameen Regional District, the Central Okanagan Regional District and the Agricultural Land Commission.

Progress Update on the Metro Vancouver Mixed Income Transit-Oriented Rental Housing Study – Transit Ridership Effects

APPROVED

The Board will communicate the transit ridership findings from the Metro Vancouver Mixed Income Transit-Oriented Rental Housing Study to the following parties emphasizing the findings' relevance and timeliness to current and upcoming regional, provincial and federal housing and transportation decisions:

- the Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Communities and Families, Children and Social Development
- the Provincial Minister of Finance, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development and Responsible for TransLink, and Minister of Natural Gas Development and Responsible for Housing
- Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation and TransLink Board of Directors,
- Member local governments
- Other housing and transportation stakeholders in the Metro Vancouver region



2016 TransLink Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund

APPROVED

The Board approved funding for nine projects proposed by TransLink from Federal Gas Tax Funding under the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund. Metro Vancouver will also send a letter to the TransLink Board communicating the importance of considering environmentally sustainable alternative approaches for technologies for its fleet, consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy and regional environmental objectives.

Metro Vancouver Legal Entities Name Change

APPROVED

The GVRD Board will petition the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development to amend the letters patent of the GVRD to rename it "Metro Vancouver Regional District".

Food Scraps Campaign Update

RECEIVED

The Board received for information an update on the next phase of the food scraps campaign in support of the Organics Disposal Ban and increasing food scraps recycling. The 2016 campaign will feature two new items – grease and chopsticks – as items that can be put into the green bin. The campaign will be promoted across the region in collaboration with members who will be able to use and leverage the creative in their communities and across their own advertising and online channels.

Delegations Received at Committee September 2016

RECEIVED

The Board received for information summaries of delegations received at committees:

Regional Planning Committee - Dr. Paul Kershaw, Founder, Generation Squeeze

Intergovernment and Finance Committee - Craig Richmond, President and Chief Executive Officer; Wayne Wright, Metro Vancouver Nominee; and Marion Town, Director Environment, YVR Vancouver Airport Authority.

Adoption of Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1231, 2016

APPROVED

The Board finally adopted the GVRD Electoral Area A Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1231, 2016 to revise certain definitions and references, and to amend the Strachan Point Residential Zone - RS-3.



Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future Amendment – Sewerage Extension Provisions

APPROVED

Sewerage extension provisions under Metro 2040 provide an important tool for managing urban containment, implementation to date indicates that the provisions would be enhanced by including more specific policy content and an implementation guideline to address sewerage extension applications.

The Board approved a proposed Type 2 amendment to Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future (Metro 2040) to amend Metro 2040 provisions for the extension of regional sewerage services.

Proposed Amendments to the Board and Committee Remuneration Bylaw 1057 – Additional Information

APPROVED

The Board considered amendments to the Remuneration Bylaw at its July 2016 meeting, and subsequently referred the Bylaw back to the Intergovernment and Finance Committee for further consideration of remuneration for the Board Chair and Vice Chair when appointed to a standing committee. Proposed changes in the bylaw include limiting the number of standing committee meetings that a Chair or Vice Chair would receive remuneration as committee members to a maximum of 18 standing committee meetings per year.

The Board approved the updated GVRD Board and Committee Remuneration Amending Bylaw No. 1235, 2016.

Greater Vancouver Water District

Metro Vancouver Legal Entities Name Change

APPROVED

The GVWD Board will petition the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development to amend the Greater Vancouver Water District Act to rename it “Metro Vancouver Water District”.

Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District

Metro Vancouver Legal Entities Name Change

APPROVED

The GVS&DD Board will petition the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development to amend the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act to rename it “Metro Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District”.



East Fraser Sewerage Area Servicing Plan

APPROVED

In view of the significant GVS&DD capital expenditures required to address projected population growth, a comprehensive servicing and facility planning assessment was recently completed for the eastern portion of the Fraser Sewerage Area.

The Board endorsed implementation of the East Fraser Sewerage Area Servicing Plan.

Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sewer Use Bylaw No. 299, 2007 – Staff Appointments

APPROVED

The Board, pursuant to the Environmental Management Act and Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sewer Use Bylaw No. 299, 2007, appointed Metro Vancouver employee Mona Sardashti as a Municipal Sewage Control Officer; and rescinded the appointment of former Metro Vancouver employee Susy Marble as a Municipal Sewage Control Officer.

Award of Phases B and C, Detailed Design Services and Construction Management Services: Gilbert Trunk Sewer Twinning

APPROVED

The Board authorized award of a contract for Phase B - Detailed Design Services for the Gilbert Trunk Sewer Twinning project, to the Phase A consultant, AECOM, at a sum of \$2,862,216 (exclusive of taxes).

Award of Contract Resulting from Invitation to Tender No. 16 - 034: Sapperton Pump Station Replacement Project

APPROVED

The Board authorized award of a contract for an amount up to \$38,566,000 (exclusive of taxes) to NAC Constructors Ltd. resulting from Tender No. 16 - 034 for the construction of the replacement of Sapperton Pump Station.

Award of Contract Resulting from RFP No. 16 - 114 for Maple Ridge and Langley Transfer Stations Operating and Maintenance Services Agreement

APPROVED

The Board authorized award of a contract for operation and maintenance of the Maple Ridge and Langley Transfer Stations to SSG Holdings Ltd. as a result of RFP No. 16 - 114 for an anticipated value of \$17,677,000 (exclusive of taxes) over a seven year term.



Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Material Regulatory Bylaw – Staff Appointments

APPROVED

The Board, pursuant to the Environmental Management Act and Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Material Regulatory Bylaw No. 181, 1996, appointed Metro Vancouver employee Mona Sardashti as an Officer, and rescinded the appointment of former Metro Vancouver employee Susy Marble as an Officer.

Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Dispute Resolution Procedure

APPROVED

The Board approved the “Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Dispute Resolution Procedure” as presented and directed staff to send the report to the BC Ministry of Environment Regional Director.