



## **For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, December 13, 2013**

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## **Greater Vancouver Regional District**

### **2014 Board Election**

Metro Vancouver's Board of Directors acclaimed City of Port Coquitlam Mayor Greg Moore as the Board's 2014 Chair and City of Vancouver Councillor Raymond Louie as the 2014 Vice-Chair.

### **Head Office West Wall Water Ingress Remediation**

**Approved**

The Board approved the use of Corporate Reserve funds, up to \$705,000 (exclusive of GST), to repair a water ingress problem at Metro Vancouver's Head Office, at 4330 Kingsway in Burnaby. The water ingress problem is located on the southwest corner of the building's second floor.

### **Metro Vancouver Donations Policy**

**Approved**

The Board directed staff to prepare a policy dealing with donations to Metro Vancouver, for consideration by the Board. At its November 22, 2013 meeting, the Finance Committee inquired about the allocation of a financial bequest recently received by Metro Vancouver for parks programs and projects and about the guidelines dealing with donations to Metro Vancouver.

### **Renewal of the Federal Homelessness Partnering Strategy Program 2014-2019 - Metro Vancouver's Role**

**Approved**

Through the Regional Steering Committee on Homelessness (RSCH) and Homelessness Secretariat, Metro Vancouver acts as a "Community Entity" in the federal Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS), administering funding for homelessness reduction programs in the region. About \$8.2 million has been provided annually under various federal programs from 2000 to present.

The Board approved the submission of an application for Metro Vancouver to continue to serve as the Community Entity for the region, administering the federal program for an additional five years from April 2014 to March 2019. This approval was given subject to consideration and final review of the HPS contract terms and conditions by the GVRD Board in early 2014.



**Proposed Port Alberni Trans-shipment Hub and Potential Short-sea Shipping Service to Metro Vancouver**

**Approved**

Short-sea shipping may provide an opportunity to supplement goods movement infrastructure in the Metro Vancouver region, as well as reduce port-related air emissions in this region.

The Board will provide a letter to the Port Alberni Port Authority expressing support for their further evaluation of a proposed Port Alberni trans-shipment hub that could provide short-sea shipping service to the Metro Vancouver region.

**GVRD Temporary Borrowing Authority – Bylaw No. 1195, 2013**

**Approved**

The bylaw authorizes the borrowing from the District's Banker or others in the course of the calendar year 2014, for a total of no more than \$10 million at any one time, for all Metro Vancouver entities.

## **Greater Vancouver Water District**

**GVS&DD Temporary Borrowing Authority**

**Approved**

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

**GVWD Temporary Borrowing Authority**

**Approved**

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