



To: Richmond City Council **Date:** June 5, 2009
From: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair **File:**
General Purposes Committee
Re: **UPDATE: PORT METRO VANCOUVER – GILMORE LANDS**

The General Purposes Committee, at its meeting held on Monday, June 1, 2009, considered the above matter, and recommends as follows:

Committee Recommendation

- (1) *That the City write Port Metro Vancouver (PMV) a letter emphasizing that:*
 - (a) *The Gilmore lands should continue to be farmed as they are prime farmland;*
 - (b) *Non-agricultural use of the Gilmore lands is not supported as such would be inconsistent with the ALR requirements as the lands are in the ALR, designated Agriculture in the Richmond Official Community Plan, zoned Agriculture (AGI) in the City's Zoning Bylaw, and shown and intended for long term agricultural use in the Richmond Agricultural Viability Strategy;*
 - (c) *PMV should use non-agricultural land to meets its port needs.*
- (2) *That PMV be requested to clarify its land use strategy for all of its property located in the City of Richmond and whether its it considering further purchases; and*
- (3) *That copies of the letter be sent to all Metro Vancouver region Members of Parliament, Members of the Legislative Assembly, the Agricultural Land Commission, the Metro Vancouver Board and municipalities; the Federal Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities; and the BC Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.*

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair
General Purposes Committee

VARIANCE

Please note that Committee added the words "*Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities; and the BC Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure*" to Part (3) of the staff recommendation.