



For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, April 1, 2016

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Greater Vancouver Regional District

Metro Vancouver Input to the B.C. Climate Leadership Plan, Phase II Engagement

RECEIVED

The Province is currently developing a new Provincial Climate Leadership Plan. Metro Vancouver participated in the initial Phase I engagement process for the plan in the latter half of 2015 and is now participating in Phase II engagement.

The report provided an update on the consultation process for the B.C. Climate Leadership Plan, and outlines the content of Metro Vancouver staff's proposed submission on the plan to the Province in the Phase II engagement period.

The Board received the report for information.

"A New Direction: Advancing Aboriginal and Treaty Rights": Update

APPROVED

In April 2015, then-Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada, the Honourable Bernard Valcourt, released the report titled "A New Direction: Advancing Aboriginal and Treaty Rights." The report provides a comprehensive analysis of the federal government's position on treaty making in Canada, and makes 43 recommendations for developing a new federal reconciliation framework. It recommends that the federal government fast-track treaties now near completion, and provide exit strategies for those with little prospect of settlement.

Metro Vancouver staff analyzed the report, and noted that moving away from the current approach in treaty negotiations in favour of non-treaty agreements could have serious implications for local governments. Staff explained that unresolved outstanding Aboriginal rights and title issues have the potential to affect local government land use planning decisions, land acquisitions, project completion, and investment in local communities.

The Board directed staff to consult with federal staff at the Department of Indigenous and North Affairs Canada on the federal approach to treaty negotiations, and to report back to Metro Vancouver's Aboriginal Relations Committee on the results of those discussions.



Response to the Provincial Consultation on Revisions to the Emergency Program Act **APPROVED**

On January 11, 2016 the provincial Minister of State for Emergency Preparedness sent a letter to local authorities seeking input and feedback on the provincial discussion paper titled "A Discussion Paper on the Legislative Framework for Emergency Management in British Columbia". The Provincial Discussion Paper reviews the current Emergency Program Act, and sets out the key responsibilities and authorities to guide and enable experts at the local and provincial levels in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from emergencies and disasters.

The Province is considering changes to the Act and is seeking stakeholder feedback by April 22, 2016. Requests for input from local governments were solicited through the Regional Emergency Planners Committee (REPC), and responses have been summarized and incorporated into a report from the Committee. A copy of the report has been referred to the Regional Administrators Advisory Committee (RAAC) for additional comment.

The Board endorsed the comments as presented and will forward them to the Minister of State for Emergency Preparedness.

George Massey Tunnel Replacement Project – Information on Provincial and Federal Environmental Review Processes **APPROVED**

The George Massey Tunnel Replacement Project is currently undergoing a provincial environmental assessment process. The Project did not trigger a federal environmental review because it does not overlap with a federally designated wildlife area or migratory bird sanctuary. However, the responsible federal minister may order a federal environmental review "if, in the Minister's opinion, either the carrying out of that physical activity may cause adverse environmental effects or public concerns related to those effects may warrant the designation."

The Board will send a letter to the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change requesting that the Minister, pursuant to section 14(2) of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012, order a federal environmental assessment of the George Massey Tunnel Replacement Project.

GVRD Financial Plan Amending Bylaw No. 1232, 2016 **APPROVED**

The Greater Vancouver Regional District Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1225, 2015 was adopted by the Board on October 30, 2015. The Bylaw must be amended to take into account the changes to the 2016 Labour Relations function budget that the GVRD Board approved on February 26, 2016.

The Board adopted the Financial Plan Amending Bylaw.



Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District

Award of Contract for Phase 2 - Design-Build-Finance Procurement Consulting Services for the Lions Gate Secondary Wastewater Treatment Plant Project APPROVED

An RFP was issued for engineering consulting services for the Consulting Services for the Lions Gate Secondary Wastewater Treatment project. AECOM was the successful proponent and is nearing completion of Phase 1, Pre-Procurement and Design-Build-Finance Procurement Documentation. It is recommended that, in response to this request, the Board authorize the Commissioner and the Corporate Officer to execute the documents required to add Phase 2.

The Phase 1 and Phase 2 consulting services for the Owner's Engineer and other advisors represent less than 1.5 % of the \$700 Million budget. By procuring these services at this time, Metro Vancouver will continue its efforts to meet the regulatory requirements without committing a disproportionate amount of funds in order to advance the Project. This will allow continued discussions with the Province and the Government of Canada over the rest of 2016 to secure a suitable funding agreement prior to awarding the Design-Build-Finance contract, while maintaining Project momentum.

The Board approved the award of contract for Phase 2, Design-Build-Finance Procurement Services, for \$2,385,374 (exclusive of taxes) to the Phase 1 consultant, AECOM Canada Ltd.