

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for
Tuesday, July 6, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Village Hall, 2697
Sunnyside Road, Anmore, BC



ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor John McEwen
Councillor Polly Krier
Councillor Tim Laidler
Councillor Kim Trowbridge
Councillor Paul Weverink

ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Juli Halliwell, CAO
Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services
Chris Boit, Manager of Development Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services, read a statement regarding meeting procedures which is included as Attachment 1 and forms part of the original minutes.

2. Approval of the Agenda

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R099/21 That the Agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

3. Public Input

Trevor Mueckel commented on Item 9a and requested Council rescind 2nd reading and not go forward with the rezoning.

Ken Juvik commented regarding meeting procedures during COVID.

Kirsten Dumont-Aubrey commented on Item 9b and infill that she does not believe \$150,000 Community Amenity Contribution supports affordable housing or aging in place.

Mario Piamonte commented on the infill report and example property provided.

Tanya Cameron commented on Item 9A requesting that Council leave the zone as is currently.

Stephane Mitchell commented on proposed infill policy changes and Council's rejection of his application.

Bill Crocker commented on Item 9a Bella Terra bylaw amendment that he is not in favour.

4. Delegations

(a) Upland Agricultural Consulting – Tri Cities Food Security Action Plan

Ms. Ione Smith, Upland Agricultural Consulting, provided a presentation regarding the Tri-Cities Region Food Security Action Plan. The presentation is included as Attachment 2 and forms part of the original minutes and included:

- Background and acknowledgement of Cllr. Krier's participation
- Planning process and engagement
- Summary of the Food Security Action Plan

5. Adoption of Minutes

(a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 15, 2021

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R100/21 That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 15, 2021 be adopted, as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

6. Business Arising from Minutes

7. Consent Agenda

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R101/21 That the Consent agenda be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

(a) 2021 Eligible School Sites Proposal Resolution

Recommendation: That Council receive the communication dated June 17, 2021 from School District 43 regarding 2021 eligible school sites proposal resolution.

(b) Child Care in School District 43

Recommendation: That Council receive the communication dated June 22, 2021 from School District 43 regarding childcare in School District 43.

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

9. Legislative Reports

(a) Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 650-2020 – Bella Terra CD6

Ms. Juli Halliwell, CAO, provided a statement regarding Bella Terra rezoning and inaccurate information. The statement is included as Attachment 3 and forms part of the original minutes.

Chris Boit, Manager of Development Services, provided an overview of the report including the additional staff recommendation to remove the reference to the maximum parcel size under section 9.18.2 of the bylaw.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R102/21 That Council amend Anmore Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 650-2021 under section 9.18.2 to remove reference to maximum parcel size, 9.18.3 to amend the table reference to 9.18.3, under section 9.18.4 to amend the table reference to change the interior and exterior side parcel line setbacks and under section 9.18.9 to amend the development plan as attached to the bylaw and reread the bylaw a second time;

And that staff be directed to set a date for a public hearing for Anmore Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 650-2021.

Carried Unanimously

(b) Zoning Bylaw Review

At 7:44 p.m. Mayor McEwen recused himself due to a conflict of interest regarding infill and Cllr. Laidler recused himself due to a conflict of interest as he has an active infill application.

Councillor Trowbridge assumed the Chair.

Chris Boit, Manager of Development Services, provided an overview of the report as it relates to infill. Mr. Boit noted that the examples included in the agenda are for demonstration purposes only and not intended to identify any properties that would be permitted to subdivide under the infill policy.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R103/21 That Council receive the report titled Zoning Bylaw Review dated June 30, 2021 from the Manager of Development Services for information;

And that Council approve the amended Policy No. 61 – Infill Development as attached to this report as amended to include maximum density of 2.04 parcels per acre and to include the provision that only one additional lot shall be permitted.

Carried Unanimously

Discussion points included:

- Following intent of mayors task force to align with zoning requirements
- Ability for Council to review and change policy in future, if required
- Tree Management Bylaw and other Village bylaws must be followed
- Community Amenity Contribution is a target for negotiation not a requirement, and can be reviewed periodically

Mayor McEwen and Councillor Laidler returned to the meeting at 8:24 p.m. and Mayor McEwen assumed the chair.

Mr. Chris Boit, Manager of Development Services, provided an overview of the suggested bylaw amendments for Birch Wynde subdivision and C3 Equestrian Zone as outlined in the staff report.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R104/21 That Council direct staff to report back with an amendment to Anmore Zoning Bylaw No. 568-2017 based on the information contained Zoning Bylaw Review dated June 30, 2021 from the Manager of Development Services for information.

Carried Unanimously

(c) 2020 Annual Report Presentation

Ms. Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services, confirmed that following notice of the 2020 Annual Report that no submissions have been received. Mayor McEwen invited those present to provide comment and seeing none:

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R105/21 THAT Council approve the 2020 Annual Report, as attached to the agenda.

Carried Unanimously

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

(a) Communications and Community Engagement Policy 70

Mayor McEwen read a statement regarding social media and Anmore Conversation facebook page. The statement is included as Attachment 4 and forms part of the original minutes.

Mayor McEwen invited members of Council to provide any further comments:

- Councillor Weverink noted Council's role with respect to the vision of the community. He submitted an article to the Anmore Times noting the abuse and lies about Council and that there should be respectful dialogue.
- Councillor Krier noted she has stepped away from social media but that Council acts with the best interest of the Village in mind.

- Councillor Trowbridge noted that ownership of Anmore South has changed recently, however the ownership structure of this or any other property is irrelevant as proposals are considered on merit not ownership, echoed other comments by Mayor and Council and that Council cares deeply about the community
- Councillor Laidler echoed comments by Mayor and Council noted that he has been in Anmore for 30 years and there have been many changes including population growth from 800 to over 2000 in that time and that new housing has been added that may not have occurred if there were opposition from the existing long standing residents.

Ms. Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services, provided an overview of the proposed policy included in the report.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

THAT Council approve Communications and Community Engagement Policy 70.

Council requested copies of neighbouring community policies to review.

Before the question was called:

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R106/21 That Council defer consideration of Communications and Community Engagement Policy 70 to a future Council meeting.

Carried Unanimously

12. Items from Committee of the Whole, Committees, and Commissions

None.

13. Mayor's Report

Mayor McEwen reported that:

- Metro Vancouver Regional Parks has a nature programs guide with various activities for children and families

- The Village continues to address Buntzen Lake parking issues noting the BC Hydro will not allow for passes or staging within the park
- The Village is engaged with Fraser Health regarding recent septic field issue concerns on Ravenswood
- Anmore, Belcarra and Port Moody are in the top percentage for COVID vaccine rates in the Province

14. Councillors Reports

Councillor Weverink reported that

- He is glad to be back to face to face meetings
- He purchased a piece of artwork by Tammy McCormick which was inspired by the recovery of the graves at the Kamloops Residential School and the majority of the money was given to charity

15. Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Ms. Juli Halliwell, CAO, reported that:

- Regarding comments made specific to the structure of the development company for the Anmore South lands and misinformation, she confirmed that comments she made around the structure of the developer during the initial consultation period that ended April 20 were truthful and that a letter was received from Icona on April 21 and submitted as part of the community engagement which was referenced in the April 27 summary report and posted on the Village website along with all of the other individual submissions.
- The tender was issued for the Anmore Community Hub and there are currently 7 prequalified contractors with a closing date of July 20 which may be extended, if requested. It is anticipated that all bids will be received by the end of the month and that there will likely be a special Council meeting at the end of July or beginning of August regarding the contract award and notice will be posted.
- Regarding Buntzen Lake, the Village is working with the RCMP detachment who have been very supportive and they have made large efforts to be available for traffic control.
- The Village has received a FireSmart grant along with Cities of Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam, and Village of Belcarra for \$500,000 for completion of FireSmart activities

- Thanked staff member Tanya Cameron who has retired from the Village and noted that a new Manager of Finance will be joining the Village in the coming weeks.

16. Information Items

(a) Committees, Commissions and Boards – Minutes

- None.

(b) General Correspondence

- Communication dated May 14, 2021 from School District 43 regarding Child Care Task Force
- Communication dated May 20, 2021 from South Fraser Community Rail Society regarding South of Fraser transit survey
- Communication dated May 21, 2021 from Union of BC Municipalities regarding gas tax agreement community works fund payment
- Communication dated June 9, 2021 from District of Peachland regarding BC Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program
- Communication dated June 14, 2021 from City of Pitt Meadows regarding Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action 75
- Tri-Cities Task Force on Childcare minutes from the meeting held on June 16, 2021
- Metro Vancouver Board in Brief for meetings held on June 25, 2021

17. Public Question Period

Ken Juvik questioned the Icona ad in the Anmore Times and what does it mean? It was replied that Council doesn't know because the ad was placed by the developers; that no application has been received and that the Village analysis is a completely separate process.

Jean-Noel Mahy asked if Council learned anything from the Anmore South engagement? It was replied that Council learned that more data is needed in order to provide a financial analysis and the public needs more information including clarification that development and designation change are two different things.

Bill Cook asked Council to hold a referendum for Urban versus Rural

Andrew Simpson questioned whether Council has a mandate and authority for designation change for Anmore South? It was replied that yes there is authority to

proceed without a referendum but that a public hearing would be required for an OCP amendment.

Robert Bradbury had a question for staff regarding infill housing. It was noted that this is an opportunity for questions of Council and that he can email Chris Boit with a staff question.

Susan Mueckel asked why Bella Terra rezoning did not come to the Parks & Recreation Committee? It was noted that any changes to the creek crossing is not part of the rezoning process but part of the subdivision process which falls under the purview of the approving officer. Ms. Mueckel also asked if roadblocks could be set up at Village entrances to deter traffic outside of Anmore from reaching Buntzen Lake or within the Village to allow Anmore residents access to the lake? It was noted that this is not permitted and that both East Road and Sunnyside Road are part of the major road network and flow of traffic can not be prohibited.

Tanya Cameron asked how a crossing would be allowed through parkland for the proposed Bella Terra rezoning and if there have been new technical reports prepared that are available to the public? It was noted that there is no disposal of parkland and the rezoning is intended to correct some inaccuracies within the zoning bylaw and that additional reports would be part of a subdivision application, not the rezoning process.

Trevor Mueckel questioned why meetings were being held online rather than zoom and whether there was a weekend bylaw officer phone number? It was noted that the Village is following public health and provincial guidelines and that Ms. Elrick read a statement regarding in person meetings at the beginning of the meeting. The bylaw number is 778-87-BYLAW (29529) and is on the Village website

Deb Beuk questioned the \$150,000 CAC contribution for infill and her belief that she had the ability to subdivide her property when purchased 30 years ago. It was noted that there are no grandfathering provisions to the zoning bylaw.

Jean-Noel Mahy asked if Council would delay addressing the Anmore South designation until after the next election due to COVID? It was replied that analysis will continue.

Stephane Mitchell questioned what is happening with his rezoning application? It was noted that his application was denied by Council.

18. Adjournment

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R107/21 THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

“Karen Elrick”

Karen Elrick
Corporate Officer

“John McEwen”

John McEwen
Mayor

Attachment 1

Karen Elrick, Manager Corporate Services: Statement Regarding In-person Council Meetings

July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting (At start of meeting)

During the COVID pandemic, the Village has been following the advice and recommendations from Provincial Public Health and Ministry of Municipal Affairs regarding in person and electronic Council meetings.

While there are no legislative requirements to accommodate all persons who wish to attend an open Council meeting, we have taken the following additional measures to ensure accessibility to open Council meetings and enable members of the public to provide input:

- In June 2020, while in person attendance was still permitted under Public Health Orders (as well as the provision to allow for fully electronic meetings), the Village pivoted quickly to move to a hybrid model where meetings were held in person with limited capacity and live streamed through our newly established YouTube channel. Questions or Comments could be posed in person or submitted by email for those who were unable to attend in person. This process continued through to December 1, 2020, after which a Public Health Order was put in place prohibiting members of the public to attend Council meetings.
- Following the December 2, 2020 Public Health Order which prohibited members of the public from attending in person Council meetings, the Village again pivoted to meet the requirements and enable the public to participate by moving meetings to the Zoom platform (which the Province made a temporary allowance to use this platform as it does not comply with FOI requirements of having data stored within Canada). Under this format, question or comments were still permitted by email and the additional provision was made to allow the opportunity for members of the public to ask questions or provide comments during the zoom meeting.
- As of June 30, 2021, the Public Health Order was updated to include the provision for inside events that “no more than 50 persons, or 50% of the seated operating capacity of the place, excluding event staff, whichever number is greater.” As our Council Chambers has a capacity of 100 the capacity is set at maximum of 50 persons.
- Following recommendations from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and in order to comply with the Ministerial Order M192 under the Emergency Program Act which states “A council... must use best efforts to allow members of the public to attend an open meeting of the council or body in a manner that is

consistent with any applicable requirements or recommendations made under the *Public Health Act*.” We are moving back to the same hybrid model that was followed by the Village from June 2020 to December 2020 which includes live streaming through the Village’s YouTube channel, allowing in person attendance in compliance with Public Health Orders, allowing for submission of questions or comments via email and we have added the additional measure this evening of providing an outdoor space where speakers amplify the meeting. We do not have the technical capabilities to live stream the meeting via zoom and hold an in-person meeting at the same time.

We will continue to follow Public Health recommendations and orders as we move through the four-step restart plan introduced by the Province.

Juli Halliwell, Chief Administrative Officer: Statement Regarding Bella Terra Rezoning and Inaccurate Information

July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting (Approximately 32 minutes into meeting)

As a result of recent social media posts regarding the Bella Terra rezoning, the Village has obtained some legal advice which has informed the following statement:

Much of the exchange is either misleading or overtly untrue, in part because of a lack of clarity as between subdivision and zoning issues and an unclear understanding of the current project status.

To be clear, what is presently before Council is a re-zoning application that was initiated by Village staff, not the developer.

If that succeeds, then there will in all likelihood be a new subdivision application made to the Approving Officer and the Approving Officer will at the time deal with Bylaw compliance, lot layout, roads and creek crossing issues. These considerations are not part of the re-zoning application. The Approving Officer in his role has an obligation to ensure that all requirements of the bylaw are met, including not land locking adjacent property owners.

As you of course know, the background to this property is that the lands were lawfully rezoned in 2015 and the first of two “phases” was subsequently lawfully subdivided.

As is pointed out in the exchange – zoning is a Council decision and subdivision is a decision of the Approving Officer, which is an independent statutory authority, but that is somewhat overly simplified.

An Approving Officer has the statutory right to consult with others as part of their review of a proposed subdivision application, including Municipal Council. This is what occurred last December when the developer was seeking to pursue an application to amend the PLR and the Approving Officer consulted with Council in order to determine if Council would support a roadway through a park. This was done in a lawfully conducted closed meeting to allow for receipt of legal advice and to discuss land issues, as is authorized under the Community Charter. The outcome of the meeting was then immediately released.

The first phase of the subdivision included dedication of an area as park some time ago. Our understanding is that there is no intention to dispose of or exchange park and so the portions of the posts referencing those provisions in the Community Charter are completely irrelevant. Just to be crystal clear, there is no proposal to remove park land. There is no prohibition against a park containing a portion of a road – indeed, many

parks have roads within their boundaries that in some cases are essential to allow for the most expedient use of the park itself.

Subsequent to the Approving Officer seeking input from both Council and the adjacent property owner, it was determined by the Approving Officer that the subdivision as proposed could not be approved because of an inadvertent inconsistency on the number of permitted lots within the zoning bylaw, which is why the rezoning is before Council at this time.

Underlying these posts is of course some opposition to this project and all of those who deem their interest in property to be affected have a clear legal entitlement to make Council aware of their views on point at the public hearing. However, it is inaccurate to suggest that unlawful "secret" meetings took place in some improper way, nor is it correct to say that there is a lawful impediment to Council approving the re-zoning application if that is what they choose, in their sole discretion, to do.

Mayor John McEwen: Statement Regarding Anmore Conversations

July 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting (approximately 1 hour 30 minutes into meeting)

Over the past few months, all of us on Council have observed an alarming trend in our community involving comments on social media and at our virtual Council meetings that reflect an extreme “NIMBY” – not in my backyard – attitude that seems to be based on elitism.

We understand that there are residents who are critical of Council decisions and disagree with us. You should know that members of Council don’t always agree with one another either.

But we respectfully listen when you share your opinions and when you explain why you don’t like our position on something. That’s all part of the process in local government.

But the **extreme NIMBY and elitist attitudes, accusations of corruption** and even **racism** we are seeing are **not** part of that process — and they’re not even remotely acceptable.

So tonight —at our first in-person meeting since late 2020 — we are speaking out to clearly lay out our concerns about the toxic discourse created online by a small number of citizens and to talk about how we, as a Village Council, are responding.

I personally first became concerned during the community engagement process regarding Anmore South when I heard negative comments about the “type of people” who would come to our community if we allowed more affordable housing options such as townhomes.

These are some of the actual comments shared by your neighbours:

- “We don’t want those types of people in our community.” ... Those types of people.
- “If people want other housing options, they can go live somewhere else.”
- “The community will no longer be safe.”
- This “safety” concern was also expressed in joint letter signed by 16 people that was sent to Council and, in referencing a so-called “crime upsurge,” stated:

“[An] influx of population without our own Police Station and crime prevention force puts Anmore and Belcarra residents at much higher risk; Anmore and Belcarra are already becoming targets for burglaries and robberies. **Bringing in thousands of new residents from all walks of life puts an even more noticeable mark on all our homes, another very dangerous and high-risk consideration.**”

Yes, you heard correctly: People from “**all walks of life**” would bring danger to Anmore, according to the letter writers.

- More recently, posters have been put up in the Anmore area and neighbouring communities saying “**Crisis! Lakes at Risk!**” — as though new residents in Anmore would somehow damage the lakes and put public access at risk.
- Finally, at the June 15 virtual Council meeting, a resident expressed his objection to the mere potential for an Urban designation for the Anmore South lands by saying:

“My question is whether the Council believes this is fair to the long-standing residents of Anmore, to see their population multiply by at least three times, and solely to come from spot-zoning of Anmore South. Just to be clear, this means that once this development is fully built out and occupied, the existing Anmore residents will be in the minority.”

Those comments are just part of the reason I am speaking out today.

The discussion around Anmore South has also led to personal attacks on Council – and I don’t mean the usual criticisms that come with the territory of being on Council. I’m talking about comments attacking Council members’ integrity by strongly insinuating that we are corrupt.

I’m going to read a few of the particularly egregious comments:

- “Council is all buddy-buddy and can be coerced and cajoled through friendly insiders on their payrolls.”
- “Is it just me or is the fact that a prior Council member is on the loco Lands Developers TEAM paid by the developer to be LOBBYING (read that as coercing with monetary incentives) by ‘advising’ the current Council members.”
- “Even the best of us are blinded by the opportunity for monetary gain... There is also the new Council advisory group comprised of real estate agents and developers who are at play behind closed doors. The process is fraught with the potential of severe corruption, dereliction of duty and lack of transparency.”
- “I left out corrupt government and brown envelopes under tables, not because it isn’t possible (buying out politicians is always a possibility anywhere in politics in the world), but there’s not obvious proof of that going on.”
- “Has there been (palm greasing)... looks like YES!!!” — and that YES came with three exclamation marks.

This continued stream of innuendo and insinuations led to a question at a virtual Council meeting where a resident said, based on the “apparent partiality of your process to some of us,” he had to ask each member of Council to publicly disclose if they have any relationship with Gilic – the former Anmore South property owner. Council members then responded individually that they are not in any way associated with the property owner or developer – past or current. Even so, comments online have continued to suggest otherwise.

These types of insinuations have been extremely disturbing for us individually and for our families, and our thanks go to the residents who have reached out and supported us.

The attacks have recently extended to include identifiable members of staff, with a resident this past week calling for the “termination” of a staff member saying he “allowed such tree destruction” and made “tragic mistakes” when in fact this staff person did his job correctly. And in the same post, the resident went after other identifiable members of staff, accusing them of being “tragic, pathetic and unaccountable” – again, for doing their jobs correctly. In fact,

eventually, the resident himself acknowledged that nothing untoward had been done, but his comments were already posted and seen by multiple people.

And now, the latest, most disturbing commentary we are seeing involves anti-Asian racism that has left us shocked.

- After a resident posted a link to a blog called “theBreaker”, a resident made a racist comment about the owners of the property who are Chinese referencing the “Claws of the Panda.”
- This then led to a resident at the June 18 virtual Council meeting commenting about the developer of the loco Lands having “close ties to the communist party of China” and asking whether this caused concerns to any members of Council. When a Councillor asked what he was basing his “facts” on, he cited only the blog.

Just as side note – “theBreaker” is a blog – not a mainstream media site with layers of oversight, editing and fact checking– yet this resident and others have used it as a means to advance their NIMBY agenda.

These posts, that can lead to further anti-Asian racism, did serve one purpose, though: They were the final impetus for this Council to take a stand — here, tonight — to say we do not support these types of comments. And we don’t want to be associated with conversations that are the antithesis of what makes Anmore a wonderful place to live.

Most of the conversations that have crossed these lines are taking place on the Anmore Conversations Facebook Group.

To be clear, we are not saying everyone who disagrees with an Urban designation in Anmore South is part of this – not at all. But there have been enough people involved that it has significantly shifted the tone and dynamics of the Anmore Conversations Facebook page.

With that said, we want to let our residents know that the Village will no longer be sharing and posting content on Anmore Conversations. We do not want to be seen as endorsing these types of comments and conversations, even if only by association.

We will continue to provide updates to our community via the Village Facebook page and website, notification emails — make sure you sign up at Anmore.com — and through other means. In fact, we will be posting this statement at Anmore.com tonight.


If you have questions about Village activities and services, or what Council is doing – please contact us directly and we will be happy to connect with you.

While I’ve been speaking on behalf of all of Council here tonight, I also want to provide an opportunity for my fellow Council members to share their own perspectives on this issue.


Attachment 2


July 2021

Tri-Cities Region Food Security Action Plan



Final Draft


 Upland Agricultural Consulting

 URBAN FOOD STRATEGIES

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Acknowledgments + Background
- Planning Process + Engagement
- Summary of the Food Security Action Plan
- Council feedback + questions



TRI-CITIES REGION FOOD SECURITY ACTION PLAN 2021

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FUNDERS + PROJECT TEAM

Funder:



Consultants:



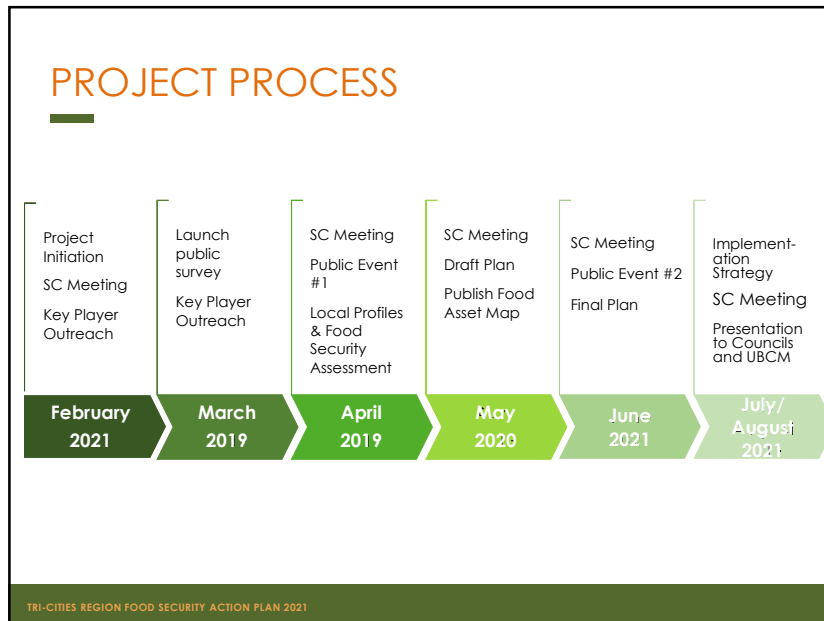
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PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE

Tri-Cities Food Council

- Councillors from all 5 municipalities
- Planning Staff from Port Moody and Coquitlam
- Food Banks and Emergency Food Relief Organizations
- Food Rescue Organizations
- School District 43
- Academic Institutions: SFU, Douglas College
- Fraser Health, Public Health Association of BC
- BC Ministry of Children and Family Development



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KEY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

- Five TCFC Steering Committee meetings
- 20+ one-on-one interviews
- Two virtual community events with ~ 60 total participants
- 151 responses to an online survey in 5 languages

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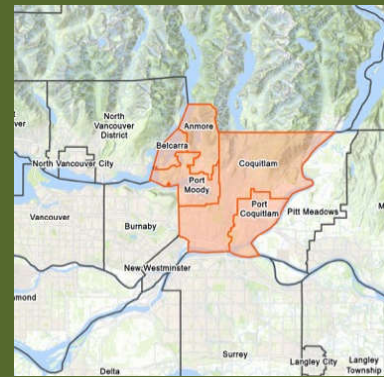
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS



TRI-CITIES REGION FOOD SECURITY ACTION PLAN 2021

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Tri-Cities Region Food Security Action Plan



- Long term
- All 5 local governments
- 1 Vision
- 5 Goals
- 60 recommended actions

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KEY FOCUS AREAS



Household Food Security

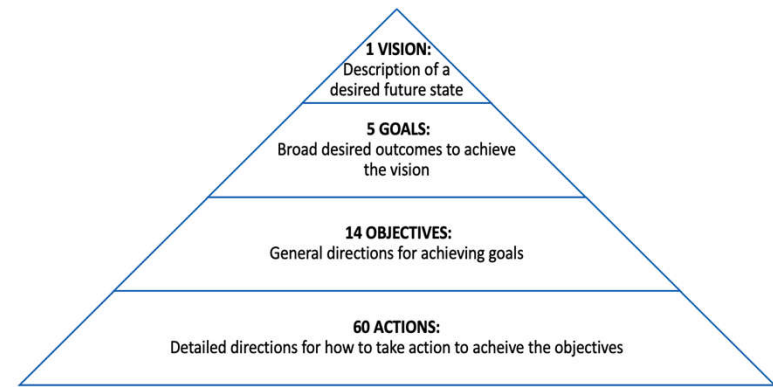
Core issues: Low income and poverty limit ability to buy food that is healthy, of good quality, and is culturally appropriate



Community Food Security

Core issues: Overall disconnect from food systems creates vulnerability.

PLAN STRUCTURE



VISION STATEMENT

Key Themes

- Collaborative approach
- Cost of living
- Zero food waste
- Key partners
- Thriving regional economy
- Celebration and education
- Food accessibility

KEY GOALS

Goal 1

Strengthen Collaboration and Grow Internal Capacity

Goal 2

Support the Work of Local Food System Organizations

Goal 3

Align Policies and Strengthen Regulations for to Improve Food Security

Goal 4

Invest Directly in the Local Food and Agriculture Economy

Goal 5

Elevate the Education and Celebration of the Cultural Diversity of the Tri-Cities Regional Food System

Examples of the 60 Actions

GOAL 1 Strengthen Collaboration and Grow Internal Capacity
Objective 1.1 Increase Internal Food Security Planning Capacity within the Tri-Cities
ACTION 1.1.1: Ensure that municipal staff and Councils read the documents associated with this Plan, endorse the Plan and sign the accompanying Food Charter.

GOAL 2 Support the Work of Local Food System Organizations
Objective 2.1 Increase Regional Food Aggregation and Distribution Infrastructure
ACTION 2.1.1 Seek funding to conduct a feasibility assessment for a regional food aggregation and distribution centre. The centre would be designed to ensure food quality and health and safety standards were met.

TRI-CITIES REGION FOOD SECURITY ACTION PLAN 2021

SHARED RECOMMENDED ACTION EXAMPLES

GOAL 3 Align Policies and Strengthen Regulations to Improve Food Security
Objective 3.1 Integrate Food Security into Existing Policies and Bylaws
ACTION 3.1.2: Develop and/or enhance changes to policies/bylaws as indicated in the Plan's accompanying Community Profiles and Policy Assessment for each local government to reflect household and community food security elements such as housing affordability, food sovereignty, food access, and food literacy.

GOAL 4 Invest Directly in the Local Food and Agriculture Economy
Objective 4.2 Provide Direct Support to Local Food Businesses
ACTION 4.2.1 Use the food asset map as an advertising tool, to connect consumers and local producers. Ensure it is kept up-to-date by reviewing it at least once a year.

TRI-CITIES REGION FOOD SECURITY ACTION PLAN 2021

IMPLEMENTATION SCENARIOS

Collaboration, shared leadership and resourcing, will enable focused efforts on priority actions.

Scenario A: Local Governments Fund Internal Lead

Scenario B: Local Governments Fund External Lead

Scenario C. Non-Profit Organization as Lead

Scenario D. Collaboration Between Governments and a Non-Profit Organization

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FEEDBACK + QUESTIONS?

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TRI-CITIES REGION FOOD SECURITY ACTION PLAN 2021

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