## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – AGENDA**

Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 19, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Village Hall, 2697 Sunnyside Road, Anmore, BC



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# 1. Call to Order

# 2. Approval of the Agenda

Recommendation: That the Agenda be approved as circulated.

#### 3. Public Input

\*Note: The public is permitted to provide <u>comments</u> to Council on any item shown on this meeting agenda. A two-minute time limit applies to speakers.

# 4. <u>Delegations</u>

None.

# 5. Adoption of Minutes

# Page 4 (a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 5, 2021

Recommendation: That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October

5, 2021 be adopted, as circulated.

# 6. <u>Business Arising from Minutes</u>

# 7. Consent Agenda

None.

# 8. <u>Items Removed from the Consent Agenda</u>

# 9. <u>Legislative Reports</u>

# Page 11 (a) Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw

Report dated October 15, 2021 from Lena Martin, Manager of Financial Services.

# 10. Unfinished Business

# 11. New Business

# Page 21 (a) Village of Lytton Recovery Contribution

Report dated October 15, 2021 from Lena Martin, Manager of Financial Services.

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

None.

# 13. Mayor's Report

# 14. Councillors Reports

# 15. Chief Administrative Officer's Report

# 16. Information Items

# Page 25 (a) Committees, Commissions and Boards – Minutes

Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting held on May 12, 2021

# Page 27 (b) General Correspondence

Metro Vancouver Board in brief for meetings held on September 24, 2021

# 17. <u>Public Question Period</u>

\*Note: The public is permitted to ask <u>questions</u> of Council regarding any item pertaining to Village business. A two-minute time limit applies to speakers.

# 19. Adjournment

#### **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES**

Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at Village Hall, 2697 Sunnyside Road, Anmore, BC



#### **ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT**

**ABSENT** 

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

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Juli Halliwell, CAO Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services

# 1. Call to Order

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

# 2. Approval of the Agenda

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R131/21 That the Agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

# 3. Public Input

Andrew Simpson, Anmore regarding Metro 2050 and urban containment boundary.

<u>Jody Summers</u>, Anmore regarding Metro 2050 and support of rural Anmore.

Nancy Maloney, Anmore regarding support of Anmore rural land designation.

<u>Bill Cooke</u>, Anmore regarding request to hold off until after election for any decisions regarding Anmore South land designation.

<u>Dick Cresswell</u>, Anmore regarding support for rural designation.

<u>Lynn Burton</u>, Anmore regarding Metro 2050 priorities and Anmore OCP and loco Special Study area.

# 4. <u>Delegations</u>

# (a) Metro Vancouver

Sean Galloway, Director of Regional Planning and Electoral Services, provided an introduction of the draft Metro 2050. James Stiver, Division Manager of Growth Management and Transportation provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the draft Metro 2050 which is included as Attachment 1 and forms part of the original minutes. Discussion points included regional growth strategies, scope and overview of Metro 2050 update, and opportunities to provide comments to Metro Vancouver.

# (b) TransLink

Vincent Gonsalves, Manager, Community Engagement provided a PowerPoint presentation from TransLink regarding Transport 2050 which is included as Attachment 2 and forms part of the original minutes. Discussion points included information of Transport 2050, engagement timeline, and draft goals and actions.

# 5. Adoption of Minutes

(a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 14, 2021

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R132/21 That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on

September 14, 2021 be adopted, as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

# 6. <u>Business Arising from Minutes</u>

# 7. Consent Agenda

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R133/21 That the Consent agenda be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

# (a) Resolution Update – January to July 2021

Recommendation: That Council receive the Regular Council Meetings resolution

update for the period January 2021 to July 2021, for information.

# (b) Waste Reduction Week 2021

Recommendation: That Council proclaim October 18 through October 24, 2021 as

Waste Reduction Week in the Village of Anmore.

# (d) Childcare BC New Spaces Fund

Recommendation: That Council receive the communication from Ministry of Children

and Family Development dated September 13, 2021 regarding

Childcare BC New Spaces Fund, for information.

# (e) Appointment of Directors to Regional Board

Recommendation: That Council receive the communication from City of Langley

dated September 15, 2021 regarding donation to Appointment of

Directors to Regional District Board, for information.

# 8. <u>Items Removed from the Consent Agenda</u>

# (c) Letter re donation to Village of Lytton

Discussion points included:

- Whether the Village could consider a similar donation based on population
- Desire for any donation to be contributed to those in need in the community
- Staff to determine whether there is a local organization in Lytton that is collecting community donations and report back to council

#### IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R134/21 That Council receive the communication from Regional District of Mount

Waddington dated August 27, 2021 regarding donation to Village of

Lytton, for information.

Carried Unanimously

# 9. Legislative Reports

# (a) Anmore Procedure Bylaw – Electronic Meetings

Ms. Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services provided an overview the staff report which outlines the new legislation related to the ability for Council to hold electronic meetings.

#### IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R135/21 THAT Council direct Staff to prepare an amendment to Anmore

Procedure Bylaw No 541-2016 to enable electronic council meetings to

be held in emergency circumstances.

Carried Unanimously

# 10. Unfinished Business

# 11. New Business

# (a) Village of Anmore Special Events Status 2021

Ms. Juli Halliwell, CAO, sought input from Council on the 2021 Halloween fireworks event that would typically be held at Spirit Park and whether Council would like to consider additional funding for the Christmas light display in Spirit Park for this year from the existing special events budget.

Discussion points included:

- Concern of attracting crowds from inside and outside of the community
- Halloween is on a weekend this year which may lead to higher attendance at any events
- Health and safety given uncertain COVID circumstances
- Due to cancellation of events for 2021, there is remaining unspent funds in the special events budget
- Last year, Christmas lights were able to be enjoyed by the community in a safe and distanced manner

## IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED:

R136/21 That Council direct staff to cancel the 2021 Halloween fireworks event and That Council approve a \$4,000 expenditure for the purchase of additional lights for Light up Spirit Park from the Special Events Budget.

Carried Unanimously

# (b) 2021 Community Spirit Award

At the August 31, 2021 Special (In Camera) Council meeting it was resolved:

That Council award the 2021 Community Spirit Award to Mark Roberts and that Council authorize the appropriate release of information.

Mayor McEwen and Council provided comments on Mark Robert's volunteer contributions to the Village, including his work on asset management and strengthening the financial position of the Village.

# 12. <u>Items from Committee of the Whole, Committees, and Commissions</u>

None.

# 13. Mayor's Report

Mayor McEwen reported that:

- He attended a launch event for the Asian Impact Society hosted by Celia Chiang
- He attended the grand opening of the Port Coquitlam Recreation Centre on Saturday October 2
- He attended loco Days on October 3 where Mary Ann Cooper was recognized
- The new Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department sign has been installed at the Anmore Firehall and increases sightlines for traffic
- He participated in an RCMP call today and noted that policing costs will increase due to a new collective agreement and the pressure of the Surrey policing transition
- He will attend the park renaming for Belcarra Regional Park to be known as təmtəmixwtən/Belcarra Regional Park with Metro Vancouver and Tsleil-Waututh Nation on Friday

# 14. Councillors Reports

Councillor Weverink encouraged anyone who is eligible to apply for the BC Youth Parliament opportunity with details included under general correspondence

# 15. Chief Administrative Officer's Report

Ms. Juli Halliwell, CAO, reported that:

- The AGE sewer project is still moving forward and regular project meetings are taking place
- The Village is exploring options to best move forward with the Anmore Community Hub project
- The Village received notification that one of the two grants applied for under

the BC Active Transportation grant for funding for a multi use pathway was turned down

## 16. <u>Information Items</u>

# (a) Committees, Commissions and Boards – Minutes

Minutes of the Public Hearing held on July 29, 2021

#### (b) General Correspondence

- Communication from Ambulance Paramedics dated September 3, 2021 and September 22, 2021
- Communication dated September 10, 2021 from Minister of Children and Family Development regarding celebrating October as Foster Family Month
- Communication dates September 27, 2021 from BC Youth Parliament regarding applications

#### 17. Public Question Period

<u>Jody Summers</u>, Anmore, asked if there would there be funding for traffic study? It was noted that any proponent would pay for a traffic study when an application is received.

<u>Dick Cresswell</u>, Anmore, asked if Anmore South could be designated urban with rest of community rural and what are the intentions of Council? It was noted that this is possible, similar to Anmore Green Estates, and that Council has no intentions regarding designation at this time.

<u>Jubin Jalili</u>, Anmore, asked about previous statements by Mayor McEwen related to regional sewer systems, environmental and traffic concerns and has he changed positions? Mayor McEwen noted that there still are concerns and challenges and that environmental assessments and traffic consultants would be required prior to any considerations for Anmore South.

Nancy Maloney, Anmore requested an update regarding any grant funding for the Anmore Community Hub. It was noted that there has been a delay in the grant announcements due to the federal election. Ms. Maloney also asked about Council making a first nations acknowledgement. It was noted that Council will be having that discussion when all members are present.

<u>Andrew Simpson</u>, Anmore, asked about in camera meetings and number of meetings. It was noted that notices are posted on the Village website and remain in the meeting schedule on the website and meetings are closed to the public in accordance with legislation. Mr. Simpson requested confirmation of timing of correspondence received

by Metro Vancouver in July and when it is posted on an agenda. It was noted that correspondence received is posted on the next agenda available and that the correspondence was received at the end of July and was then placed on the next Regular Council agenda that took place in September.

<u>Doug Richardson</u>, Anmore, asked about the Anmore Community Hub bid amounts. It was noted that the low bid was \$9 million and the high bid was in the \$9.8 million range, including contingency. Mr. Richardson asked if there would be a traffic study before a consideration of a change from rural to urban for Anmore South? It was noted that rural or urban designation does not determine zoning or density.

# 19. Adjournment

It was MOVI	ED and SECONDED:		
R137/21	THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:33	ß p.m.	
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Karen Elrick		n McEwen	
Corporate Officer	Ma	yor	



# VILLAGE OF ANMORE REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date:

October 15, 2021

File No. 3900-30

Submitted by:

Lena Martin, Manager of Financial Services

Subject:

Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw

# Purpose / Introduction

To establish an Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme under section 235 of the *Community Charter*.

# **Recommended Option**

THAT Council give first, second and third readings to Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw No. 652-2021.

# Background

Section 235 (1) of the *Community Charter* (CC), authorizes council, by bylaw, to establish one or more dates on which all or part of the property taxes are due. If the municipality has not established an alternative scheme, the General Tax Collection Scheme under section 234 (CC) applies and property taxes for a year are due on July 2. A 10% penalty on unpaid taxes applies the first day following the due date, as established by The Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992 (Attachment 1) established an Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme, to add 5% penalty on unpaid taxes on July 2nd at midnight, and a 5% penalty on September 30th at midnight. This bylaw came into effect on the first day of January 1993.

To assist residents during the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992 was amended on May 5, 2020. Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Amendment Bylaw No. 626-2020 (Attachment 2) established an alternative payment scheme of 2% of the amount unpaid as at midnight on July 2nd and 8% of the amount unpaid as at midnight on September 30<sup>th</sup>. In addition, this bylaw was established to expire as of January 1, 2021.

# Report/Recommendation to Council

Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw October 15, 2021

Under Section 233 (CC) if the municipality has not established an alternative tax collection scheme in a year, property taxes are due in accordance with the general tax collection scheme under section 234 (CC). A 10% penalty on unpaid taxes applies after July 2nd, as established by The Lieutenant Governor in Council.

# Discussion

As the established Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992 was amended and expired, a new alternative municipal tax collection scheme may be authorized. For the 2021 taxation year, the Village applied the historical Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992, to add 5% penalty on unpaid taxes on July 2nd at midnight and a 5% penalty on September 30th at midnight. Staff is seeking Council approval to re-establish this bylaw on an on-going basis.

# Other Options

THAT Council give first, second and third readings to Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw No. 652-2021. (recommended)

Or

THAT Council five first, second and third readings to Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw No. 652-2021 to expire on January  $1^{st}$ , 2022. In 2022 the General Tax Collection Scheme would apply as a 10% penalty on unpaid taxes after July  $2^{nd}$ .

# Financial Implications

The Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 648-2021 included an allowance for an alternative tax collection scheme of 5% after July 2 and 5% after September 30<sup>th</sup>.

# Communications / Civic Engagement

Village of Anmore General Tax Notices established an alternative tax collection scheme of 5% after July 2 and 5% after September 30th.

# Report/Recommendation to Council

Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw October 15, 2021

# Council Strategic Plan Objectives

To provide responsive, efficient, transparent, and engaged service to ensure long term fiscal responsibility.

# Attachments:

- 1. Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992
- 2. Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Amendment Bylaw No. 626-2020
- 3. Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw No. 652-2021

Prepared by:	
Lene Martin	
Lena Martin	
Manager of Financial Services	
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Chief Administrative Officer's Comment/Concurrence	•
	Chief Administrative Officer

# **Attachment 1**

# **VILLAGE OF ANMORE**

# **CURRENT TAX PENALTY PERCENTAGE ADDITION BYLAW**

1. Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992

PLEASE NOTE: This bylaw cannot be amended to change the dates and/or percentage amounts. If you do amend this bylaw it will have been deemed as repealed and have to go back to the 10% penalty only. This is based on Bill 88 – March 30, 2000.

You may need to do further research if this matter arises.

VILLAGE OF ANMORE

#### BYLAW NO. 90-1992

A bylaw to establish the dates and percentage additions to unpaid current taxes

WHEREAS pursuant to the <u>Municipal Act</u>, R.S.B.C. 1979, Chapter 290 and amendments thereto, the Council may be bylaw designate the dates and specify the percentages which may be added to unpaid current taxes, provided that the aggregate of such specified percentages shall equal ten percent (10%) and shall be applied not later than November 30th in any year.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Anmore, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992".
- The Collector shall in each year add to the unpaid taxes of the current year, for each parcel of land its improvements on the property tax roll, five percent (5%) of the amount unpaid as at midnight on the second (2nd) day of July of that year; and shall in like manner add to the unpaid taxes of the current year five percent (5%) of the amount unpaid as at midnight on the thirtieth day of September of that year.

The aggregate of the above specified percentage additions shall equal ten percent (10%).

- 3. The said unpaid taxes with, the penalty amount or amounts added thereto, shall thereafter be deemed to be the balance of the current year's taxes due to December 31st of that year.
- 4. This bylaw shall come into full force and effect on the first day of January, 1993.

READ a first time this 13th day of October , 1992 A.D.

READ a second time this 13th day of October , 1992 A.D.

READ a third time this 13th day of October , 1992 A.D.

Bylaw No. 90-1992 Page 2

RECONSIDERED, FINALLY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of October , 1992 A.D.

MAYOR

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DEPUTY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of "Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992".

November 12th, 1992
DATE

A true copy of By-Law No. 90-1992 registered in the office of the Inspector of Municipalities this 30th day of December 1992.

Deputy Inspector of Municipalities

# **Attachment 2**

# VILLAGE OF ANMORE

#### BYLAW NO. 626-2020

A bylaw to amend Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992

WHEREAS section 235 of the Community Charter, S.B.C., 2003, authorizes municipalities, by bylaw, to establish one or more dates on which all or part of the property taxes under this Part are due.;

**AND WHEREAS** the Local Government Act authorizes a local government to amend its bylaws from time to time;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Municipal Council of the Village of Anmore, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. That this bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Amendment Bylaw No. 626-2020".
- 2. That Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Bylaw No. 90-1992 be amended as follows:
  - a) Add the following to the end of section 2:

For the 2020 Taxation Year, the Collector shall add to the unpaid taxes of the current year, for each parcel of land its improvements on the property tax roll, two percent (2%) of the amount unpaid as at midnight on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) day of July of that year; and shall in like manner add to the unpaid taxes of the current year eight percent (8%) of the amount unpaid as at midnight on the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day of September of that year.

The aggregate of the above specified percentage additions shall equal ten percent (10%).

- 3. If a portion of this bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed and the remainder of the bylaw will remain in effect.
- 4. This bylaw is automatically repealed as of January 1, 2021.

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				MAYOR
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Anmore Current Tax Penalty Percentage Addition Amendment Bylaw No. 626-2020

**CORPORATE OFFICER** 

# **Attachment 3**

## **VILLAGE OF ANMORE**

# BYLAW NO. 652 -2021

A bylaw to establish an Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme

WHEREAS section 235 of the Community Charter, S.B.C., 2003, authorizes municipalities, by bylaw, to establish one or more dates on which all or part of the property taxes under this Part are due.;

**AND WHEREAS** the Local Government Act authorizes a local government to amend its bylaws from time to time;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Municipal Council of the Village of Anmore, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. That this bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Anmore Alternative Municipal Tax Collection Scheme Bylaw No. 652-2021".
- 2. The Collector shall in each year add to the unpaid taxes of the current year, for each parcel of land and its improvements on the property tax roll, five percent (5%) of the amount unpaid as at midnight on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) day of July of that year; and shall in like manner add to the unpaid taxes of the current year five percent (5%) of the amount unpaid as at midnight on the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day of September of that year.
  - The aggregate of the above specified percentage additions shall equal ten percent (10%).
- 3. The said unpaid taxes with the penalty amount or amounts added thereto, shall thereafter be deemed to be the balance of the current year's taxes due to December 31<sup>st</sup> of that year.
- 4. If a portion of this bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed, and the remainder of the bylaw will remain in effect.
- 5. The bylaw shall be established from the 2021 taxation year.

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# VILLAGE OF ANMORE REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date:

October 15, 2021

File No. 1850-20

Submitted by:

Lena Martin, Manager of Financial Services

Subject:

Village of Lytton Recovery Contribution

# Purpose / Introduction

To identify a local charity or fund to which a donation can be contributed, for the Village of Lytton.

# **Recommended Option**

THAT Council authorize a contribution equal to the Village of Anmore population census from Statistics Canada in the amount of two thousand, two hundred and ten dollars (\$2,210) to the Lytton Rebuild Fund to be funded by reallocating funds from the Ma Murray Day events budget

# Background

On June 30th, 2021, the Village of Lytton was destroyed by a fire that swept through the town. Nearly the entire village was destroyed, and residents were forced to flee in separate directions and are displaced across the southern part of the province with little or nothing of their own. The Village of Lytton established the Lytton Rebuild Fund with the following sustainment goals:

- Geothermal Village grid for business and residential support
- Extensive use of green energy
- Fireproof/resistant building materials to protect against future devastation
- Extensive use of drought tolerant plants and tree species
- Photovoltaic road surfaces to reduce heat absorption and to power streetlights
- Passive home building

Residents who have experienced the loss of their primary residence and those under an evacuation order are currently supported under Emergency Management BC (EMBC) until November 30, 2021. Additionally, all residents under evacuation order may receive financial assistance, clean-up kits for their homes, referrals to appropriate local and provincial resources 21

# Report/Recommendation to Council

Village of Lytton Recovery Contribution October 15, 2021

based on their needs, as well as moral support, from the Canadian Red Cross. The Village of Lytton has received several gift cards that were distributed to residents equally through a randomized draw, additional gift cards may be sent to the Village of Lytton. Goods or services may also be donated to the Village of Lytton, through the Province of British Columbia.

# Discussion

At the Regular Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, 2021, a letter was received from the Regional District of Mount Waddington dated August 27, 2021, (Attachment 1) regarding a donation to the Village of Lytton. Staff were asked to research an appropriate local charity for the Village to contribute to the Village of Lytton, utilizing surplus funds from the Village events budget, equal to the current population of the Village. The Census Profile, 2016 Census, for the Village of Anmore, identifies a population of 2,210 (www.statcan.gc.ca).

# Other Options

THAT Council authorize a contribution equal to the Village of Anmore population census from Statistics Canada in the amount of two thousand, two hundred and ten dollars (\$2,210) to the Lytton Rebuild Fund to be funded by reallocating funds from the Ma Murray Day events budget

(recommended)

Or

THAT Council authorize a contribution equal to the Village of Anmore population census from Statistics Canada in the amount of two thousand, two hundred and ten dollars (\$2,210) is donated to the Village of Lytton in cashable gift cards of varied denominations to be funded by reallocating funds from the Ma Murray Day events budget.

Or

THAT Council authorize a contribution equal to the Village of Anmore population census from Statistics Canada in the amount of two thousand, two hundred and ten dollars (\$2,210) is donated to the Village of Lytton, through the Province of British Columbia to be by reallocating funds from the Ma Murray Day events budget.

# Report/Recommendation to Council

Village of Lytton Recovery Contribution October 15, 2021

# Financial Implications

A contribution of \$2,210 from the Village of Anmore surplus Ma Murray Day event budget can be accommodated in the current year budget.

# Communications / Civic Engagement

The Village of Lytton will be advised of the donation, if granted by Council.

# Council Strategic Plan Objectives

We have an engaged community that is immensely proud of Anmore that continues to enhance community events and social engagement.

# Attachments:

1. Letter from Regional District of Mount Waddington

Prepared by:	
Leva Mart	
Lena Martin	
Manager of Financial Services	
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	Chief Administrative Officer

# Attachment 1



# Regional District of Mount Waddington

PO Box 729 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill, BC VON 2RO Telephone (250) 956-3161 Fax (250) 956-3232 Web-site: www.rdmw.bc.ca Email: info@rdmw.bc.ca

File No. 310.01

August 27, 2021

By e-mail to BC Local Governments

Dear Regional District Chairs and Boards, Mayors and Councils:

The people of the Regional District of Mount Waddington (RDMW) are independent, resilient, and compassionate. Although we may be a little geographically and politically isolated, we are caring, and community oriented. When trouble befalls one of our friends, we show up to help.

The Village of Lytton suffered a catastrophic loss this summer. The RDMW would like to remind the population of Lytton and the Thompson-Nicola Regional District that they do not stand alone in their time of need.

To help Lytton rebuild, the Electoral Area Directors of the RDMW will contribute one dollar for every person in their representative areas. In doing so, the Electoral Area Directors of the RDMW wish to challenge all other local governments to make a similar gesture.

This is a time for solidarity and the rebuilding of community, lives, and dreams. The Regional District of Mount Waddington is honoured to contribute.

Sincere

Andrew Hor Chair and Area B Director

James Eurney

Area C Director

Sandra Daniels Area A Director

Rod Sherrell Area D Director

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# **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING - MINUTES**

Minutes for the Public Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. virtually via Zoom meeting



# **MEMBERS PRESENT**

# **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mayor John McEwen, Chair John Burgess Gord McRae Sky Zhu

# **Robert Boies**

# **OTHERS PRESENT**

Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair McEwen called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

# 2. <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u>

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

# 3. MINUTES

(a) Minutes of the Meeting held on March 10, 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the Minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting held on March 10, 2021 be adopted, as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

- 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- 5. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>
- 6. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

# (a) Committee Orientation

Ms. Karen Elrick, Manager of Corporate Services, provided an overview of the committee structure and procedures.

Discussion points included:

- Process for minutes and recommendations to be brought forward to Council
- Clarification of Committee, Staff, and Council roles
- Follow up process for resolutions brought forward to and endorsed by Council

It was agreed by the committee members that Block Watch representatives would be invited to future meetings to provide periodic updates to the Committee.

# 7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

**Certified Correct:** 

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved:

Carried Unanimously

Karen Elrick	Mayor John McEwen
Manager of Corporate Services	Chair, Public Safety Committee



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# For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, September 24, 2021

Please note these are not the official minutes. Board in Brief is an informal summary. Material relating to any of the following items is available on request from Metro Vancouver. For more information, please contact: Greg.Valou@metrovancouver.org.

# **Metro Vancouver Regional District**

#### E1.1 Regional Economic Prosperity Service 2021 Deliverables Highlights

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The Regional Economic Prosperity Service has been actively engaged in establishing the new regional service since the first members of the team were on-boarded in January 2021.

This report presents a summary of the 2021 deliverable highlights to date for information, as well as describes some of the potential key service priorities going into 2022 and beyond. In a short amount of time, the Regional Economic Prosperity Service has established many valuable relationships, connections and partnerships across the region. The team has also developed a new brand identity; identified and activated the four strategic economic development priorities for the region in a fast-changing economy; operationalized the three functional areas as articulated in the business plan; and earmarked seven priority export-oriented industries to target in both capacity building work and investment attraction efforts.

The Board received the report for information.

# E1.2 B.C. Economic Plan: Metro Vancouver Regional Economic Prosperity Service Recommendations

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On July 30, 2021 Metro Vancouver Board Chair Sav Dhaliwal submitted written input into the BC Economic Plan on behalf of REPS staff. Recommendations were informed by barriers to innovation and growth in the region as identified by members and other regional partners. The recommendations emphasize the importance of BC acting on its economic strengths and focusing on areas in which we have specialization. Aiming to address barriers to innovation and growth, the recommendations are focused on data to inform long-term decision-making, early-stage research investment and improvements to technology transfer, the provision of industry-critical physical spaces, and launching a centre to ensure the competitiveness of the province's labour market.

On August 20, 2021, the Vancouver Sun and BC Business published an opinion editorial written by Metro Vancouver Board Chair Sav Dhaliwal. The editorial expands on how public investment in innovation can help the province meet its climate targets and grow its competitiveness. The BC Economic Plan is anticipated to be delivered in the Fall of 2021.

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# **E2.1 Tsleil-Waututh Nation Pilot Guardian Program Report**

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In 2020 Tsleil-Waututh Nation (TWN) and Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) signed the Belcarra Regional Park Cultural Planning and Co-operation Agreement in an effort to formalize the working relationship and common objectives within the area known as Belcarra Regional Park.

Shortly after signing this agreement, TWN approached MVRD about the development of a First Nations Guardian Program in Belcarra Regional Park. TWN and MVRD worked together to develop, fund, and implement a Guardian Pilot Program that was initiated at the end of June 2021. The objectives of the Guardian Pilot Program are to develop strong working relationships between TWN members and MVRD staff, share knowledge between organizations, and to support TWN to apply for funding from additional external sources.

The Board received the report for information.

#### E3.1 Metro Vancouver's Clean Air Plan

**APPROVED** 

The Clean Air Plan is Metro Vancouver's fourth 10-year management plan for regional air quality and greenhouse gas management. The Clean Air Plan is strongly linked to Climate 2050, Metro Vancouver's 30-year strategic framework for climate action. Urgent action is needed to accelerate greenhouse gas reductions to meet ambitious, science-based climate targets, while continuing to implement policies and programs to improve regional air quality. The plan is intended to provide deep reductions in regional GHG emissions and yield air quality health benefits estimated at up to \$1.6 billion. It includes 29 foundational "big moves" that need to be started as soon as possible. The plan is strongly aligned with actions and initiatives of others, and reflects feedback from engagement with residents, businesses and others in 2021. Feedback highlights, which were reported at the Climate Action Committee's July meeting and considered in finalizing the Clean Air Plan, included comments on costs, duplication of other governments' initiatives, collaboration, and the ability of small businesses to adjust.

The Board approved Metro Vancouver's Clean Air Plan as attached and will forward it to member jurisdictions, the Provincial Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the region's Chief Medical Health Officers, local First Nations, TransLink, the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, the Fraser Valley Regional District, and other key partners indicating the Board's continuing interest in working with them to reduce regional greenhouse gas emissions and continuously improve air quality in the Lower Fraser Valley air shed. Additionally, the Board directed staff to continue working with member jurisdictions and other partners to implement the actions in the Clean Air Plan.

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Designating the routine, lower risk matters to be handled by Class B and Class C signatories will reduce the burden on Class A signatories. The revised framework ensures there continues to be proper segregation of duty, sound internal controls, and strong governance structure for approvals, while improving the efficiency of the overall processes.

The Board gave first, second and third reading to the Metro Vancouver Regional District Banking Authority Bylaw then passed and finally adopted said bylaw.

## E1.2 MVRD Procedure Amending Bylaw Number 1325, 2021

**APPROVED** 

At the July 30, 2021 MVRD Board of Directors meeting, the Board expressed desire to maintain flexibility in how members attend meetings. During the pandemic, local governments have been authorized to hold electronic meetings under the authority of the COVID-19 Related Measures Act, including Ministerial Order M192. With Ministerial Order M192 set to expire September 28, 2021, an amendment to the Metro Vancouver Regional District Procedure Bylaw will be required if the Board wishes to maintain the ability for Board and Committee members to meet by electronic means.

The Board gave first, second and third readings to the Metro Vancouver Regional District Procedure Amending Bylaw then passed and finally adopted said bylaw. Furthermore, the Board directed staff to bring forward a policy regarding electronic participation at Board and Committee meetings.

#### I 1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

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The Board received information items and delegation summaries from standing committees.

Regional Parks Committee – September 8, 2021

Information Items:

# 5.2 Regional Parks Building Strategy Update

Regional Parks is developing a Buildings Strategy to guide decision making and investment in building maintenance, capital replacement, and new construction. Draft Levels of Service and Historic Building Framework reports have been developed as foundational elements of the strategy. Staff will use these as the basis for development of the final Building Strategy which will be brought forward for MVRD Board consideration in November 2021.

Finance and Intergovernment Committee – September 8, 2021

Information Items:

#### 5.1 2021 Zero Waste Conference

The 2021 Zero Waste Conference, taking place October 28, promises to be a full day of dynamic, curated programming bringing together keynote speakers and panelists who will challenge participants to create a resilient, carbon neutral, and circular future through inspiring stories of changes and initiatives already underway and encouragement to take the bold steps required in transformative times. The virtual



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conference will be co-hosted by Metro Vancouver and the National Zero Waste Council and broadcast from the multimedia studio at the Annacis Research Centre with the opportunity for a small in-studio audience as BC navigates its restart The overarching theme of the Zero Waste Conference is a "Future without Waste".

This year's subthemes are: Unlock the power of imagination and transformation; Step into creative and innovative thinking; Design a resilient, carbon neutral and circular future.

# 5.2 2021 Update on National Zero Waste Council Activities

# Climate Action Committee - September 10, 2021

In 2021, the National Zero Waste Council has a number of projects and initiatives that will advance waste prevention and circularity within Metro Vancouver and across Canada. Included is the Council's foundational work in reducing food waste across the value chain and by households and developing pilot projects to divert asphalt and wood waste while working collaboratively to champion a circular economy for plastics packaging and the creation of circular cities and regions in Canada.

Research analyzing the public health risks of reusables, confirmed the switch to single-use items during the pandemic was not warranted. By being strategic and effective in identifying areas of work, the Council has been able to leverage external funding expanding the capacity of the Council to deliver on its objectives — \$200,000 in 2021 to advance the Council's work in the circular economy and food loss and waste and \$371,500 in campaign partner service fees for Love Food Hate Waste Canada.

# **Delegations:**

# 3.1 Anna Barford, Canada Shipping Campaigner, Stand.earth

Subject: Heavy Fuel Oil and Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems, Air and Water Pollution from Marine Vessels Information Items:

# 5.2 2021 Update on Water Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects

This report provides an update on six projects that were approved for funding in 2018 through to 2020 under the Sustainability Innovation Fund. Of the six projects, the first phase of the Next Generation Snowpack Monitoring is now complete, all other projects are ongoing. Greywater Reuse and Rainwater Harvesting Demonstration: In Progress

- Next Generation Snowpack Monitoring (NGSM): Phase 1 Complete
- Treating Emerging Contaminants at the Seymour Capilano Filtration Plant: In Progress
- UV Transmittance Analyzers for Continuous Monitoring of Disinfection By-Products: In Progress
- Earthquake Early Warning and Strategic Response System Pilot: In Progress
- Enhancing the Data Processing of the Water Flow Metering Network: In Progress

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# E1.1 Coquitlam Sockeye Hatchery – Proposed BC Hydro Facility

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A sockeye salmon hatchery is planned for construction in the Coquitlam Watershed in 2021. The hatchery is funded by BC Hydro and will be located on their fee simple property on the west abutment of the Coquitlam Dam. Sockeye stocks are severely depleted in the Coquitlam River Watershed, primarily due to the loss of spawning and rearing habitat in Coquitlam Lake some 115 years ago upon completion of the first hydro-electric dam. GVWD has worked with the Kwikwetlem First Nation, to whom sockeye restoration represents a critical cultural restoration goal, and agency partners in support of sockeye recovery since 2004. The new hatchery will require a GVWD water connection from the raw water intake pipeline at the base of the Coquitlam Dam and an agreement for that supply will be coming to the Board in the future.

The Board received the report for information.

#### E1.2 Award of Contract Resulting from Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 21-063: Supply and **APPROVED Delivery of Steel Pipe for 2021 Water Services Construction Projects**

Request for Proposal No. 21-063 was issued for the supply and delivery of steel pipe for the 2021 Water Services construction projects, and Northwest Pipe Company was the only pre-qualified supplier that submitted a proposal.

The Board approved the award of a contract in the amount of up to \$16,973,012.00 (exclusive of taxes) to Northwest Pipe Company resulting from Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 21-063: Supply and Delivery of Steel Pipe for 2021 Water Services Construction Projects, subject to final review by the Commissioner; and authorize the Commissioner and the Corporate Officer to execute the required documentation once the Commissioner is satisfied the award should proceed.

# E1.3 Coquitlam Lake Water Supply - Project Update

**APPROVED** 

In October 2018, the Board endorsed the North Intake – Phased Filtration option to be carried forward into Project Definition for the Coquitlam Lake Water Supply Project. This is an important, complex project that is needed to meet projected future water demands, even with increased water conservation measures. Since the 2018 Board option endorsement, Project Definition and Value Engineering have been completed and this project update is part of the new Project Delivery stage gate process. This recent work has determined that the 2018 Board endorsed option, with some minor modifications, is still the preferred option (Option 4 – North Intake Smaller Initial Filtration), which provides some life cycle and capital cost savings compared to the 2018 endorsed option.

Engagement with First Nations, stakeholders and the community has commenced and will continue during the Permitting and Regulatory Phase following the completion of the Project Definition Phase in late 2021. Staff will continue to work with the various ministries at the Province and with the City of Coquitlam with respect to the Environmental Assessment, Water Licence and acquisition of the treatment plant site.

The Board endorsed Option 4 North Intake Smaller Initial Filtration to be carried forward through Permitting and Regulatory Phase into Preliminary Design.



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# I 1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

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Water Committee - September 9, 2021

Information Items:

#### 5.4 Water Infrastructure Projects – Progress Update

Metro Vancouver has successfully achieved significant project milestones on a number of water infrastructure projects, which are key in meeting the goals identified in The Board Strategic Plan 2019 to 2022 for the Water Services function. These projects significantly contribute to Metro Vancouver's goals to secure additional long-term water supply capacity from the Coquitlam source and also ensure that the treatment, storage and distribution components of the water system are expanded, upgraded, strengthened and replaced to allow the continued supply of safe, clean drinking water to the region's residents and businesses.

# **Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District**

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#### I 1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

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Liquid Waste Committee - September 9, 2021

Information Items:

# 5.1 Regional Microfibres Reduction Campaign Launch

Microfibres from laundry are one of the largest sources of microplastics pollution in the ocean. Research has shown that washing in cold water can reduce the microfibres associated with laundry. A regional microfibres reduction campaign will run September 13 to October 31, 2021, with the objective to lower the amount of microfibres released into the aquatic environment when clothes are washed. The campaign targets residents, specifically parents with children under 18, and asks them to reduce microfibre shedding through the small act of washing laundry in cold water. Pre-campaign research showed that while there is high awareness of microplastics issues, people were generally unaware of microfibre impacts but were open to taking an action that fit into their current routine. The campaign's creative theme — "The Environment Thanks You" — features marine animals thanking people for switching to cold. The media strategy includes YouTube, Facebook, Instagram, television, digital billboards and Google adwords.

# 5.2 2021 Regional Unflushables Campaign Results

The 2021 regional Unflushables campaign took place from April 26 to June 20, 2021. A post-campaign survey showed that the number of residents who report flushing wipes and other campaign items has decreased from 49% (2017) to 37% (2021). De-ragging incidents at pump stations have also decreased from 121 events (2017) to 16 events (projected for 2021). The campaign addresses seven key items that cause ongoing problems for the region's wastewater system, with an extra focus on wipes and medications. The campaign included social media, television, radio, Spotify, and placements in grocery stores, medical offices, elevators, and hair salons. The campaign delivered 6.4 million impressions on social media, 433 engagements, 732,000 video views and 2,800 clicks for more information, reaching 361,442 residents with campaign messaging. A second two-week digital flight will run in October 2021, and the campaign will run again in 2022 re-using existing creative materials with tweaks as needed.

## 5.3 Continuous Improvement – Innovations Portfolio Management

Some projects funded through the Sustainability Innovation Fund are creating intellectual property assets and have revenue-generating potential. Maximizing value and returns on the utility's exposure to technological and financial risks have highlighted the need to evolve standard business casing methods to a value-proposition approach with the use of the Business Model Canvas. The Business Model Canvas framework considers a broader suite of business elements to help determine whether a project should: proceed, pivot, or terminate based on new results and other information gained during the research and development journey. The quality of the innovation portfolio is strengthened by the application of the



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value-proposition approach and successful projects will influence facility planning and process unit designs for more cost-effective service delivery.

Zero Waste Committee - September 10, 2021

**Delegations:** 

# 3.1 Ben Liegley, Co-Founder & Director, Rethink2gether, and Accredited Consultant The PLEDGE on Food Waste

Information Items:

## 5.1 2020 Disposal Ban Program Update

Garbage loads received at regional solid waste facilities are visually inspected for banned materials, and surcharges are applied if banned materials are present. Metro Vancouver's solid waste facilities received 782,000 loads of garbage in 2020 up 7% from 2019. This increase is associated with an increase in small loads likely resulting from pandemic related impacts. 221,875 garbage loads were inspected (28% of total loads): 27,040 were found to contain banned materials and 6,642 surcharge notices were issued, representing a surcharge rate of 3%. Electronic waste, corrugated cardboard and oversized objects were the top three banned materials identified. The pandemic may have contributed to more electronics in the waste stream due to temporary disruptions in the electronics collection network. Surcharges on mattresses and gypsum decreased in 2020. Total surcharge revenues were \$724,729 and total program expenditures were \$721,902. A temporary disposal ban waiver has been put in place for waxed cardboard as a result of reduced options for recycling waxed cardboard.

# 5.2 Waste-to-Energy Facility Environmental Monitoring and Reporting 2020 Update

The Metro Vancouver Waste-to-Energy Facility operates well within environmental standards. All air emission related parameters monitored during 2020 were in compliance with the Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate. Metal emissions are less than 5% of regulatory limits. Dioxins/furans and trace organics are less than 2% of regulatory limits, with the exception of chlorobenzenes being less than 25% of the regulatory limit. Nitrogen oxides and fine particulate waste-to-energy emissions represent 0.4% and 0.002% of regional air shed totals. The Waste-to-Energy Facility accounts for less than 1% of regional greenhouse gas emissions.

On December 3, 2020, the Operational Certificate was amended to defer the reduction in discharge limits for hydrogen chloride and sulphur dioxide from December 31, 2022 to March 3, 2025. Metro Vancouver installed a new air quality monitoring station immediately adjacent to the Waste-to-Energy Facility and added air quality monitoring equipment to an existing monitoring station near the Waste-to-Energy Facility. Data collected to date shows ambient concentrations of hydrogen chloride and sulphur dioxide are less than 5% of ambient air quality standards, and well below modelling projections.

#### 5.3 Illegal Dumping in Metro Vancouver

In 2020, member jurisdictions reported 47,000 illegal dumping incidents, including 720 incidents of abandoned gypsum. Municipalities spent \$3.6 million on the removal and disposal of abandoned items. In addition, municipalities spent \$2.5 million on large item pick-up programs. COVID-19 restrictions coincided with a temporary decrease in illegal dumping incidents in spring 2020, followed by increases in subsequent months. Overall costs of illegal dumping have increased across the region by on average 4.7%



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per year over the last three years. Some of the increases in the total number of illegal dumping incidents may be a result of improved reporting practices, rather than a true increase in illegal dumping activity. Illegal dumping of gypsum materials continues to be a challenging and costly issue for municipalities. Receipt of residential gypsum at all Metro Vancouver recycling and waste centres as of the fall of 2018 appears to have provided some benefit with respect to reducing illegal dumping of gypsum materials.

Metro Vancouver and member jurisdictions continue to advance a number of initiatives including education, enforcement and enhanced data management to help reduce illegal dumping. Enhanced extended producer responsibility programs for items such as mattresses would help reduce illegal dumping by reducing costs to residents to manage those materials.

# 5.4 Continuous Improvement, Innovation, and Collaboration with Adjacent Regional Districts

Metro Vancouver applies continuous improvement and innovation to consistently increase the value and effectiveness of its facilities, services, and business processes. In 2021, several continuous improvement initiatives have been implemented resulting in both cost savings and enhanced services. Examples of recent innovations include the recycling depot funding strategy, organics management contracts and modernization of weigh scale software systems. Metro Vancouver collaborates with adjacent regional districts to share information and partner on waste reduction projects. A number of foundational studies are underway to support the development of an updated solid waste management plan. To help answer questions posed by Zero Waste Committee members, Metro Vancouver will initiate a new study to assess options to manage residual garbage.

#### 5.5 2021 Reuse and Repair Initiatives Update

As local governments and businesses grapple with global challenges such as waste reduction, climate change and ocean plastics, reuse and repair initiatives provide attractive solutions. Clothing, household goods, takeout containers and bags continue to be key sectors for reuse and repair in the region. In addition, the role of reuse in the built environment is an emerging area of interest for waste reduction and climate action. Metro Vancouver continues to help advance reuse and repair initiatives through data collection, information sharing and behavior change campaigns. Although implementation of further reuse and repair initiatives was put on pause in 2020/2021 due to COVID-19 restrictions, planning for the future continued. An expanded pilot for reuse education at regional recycling and waste centres and several regionally supported repair events are anticipated for 2022.

# 5.6 2021 Update on the National Zero Waste Council Activities

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