METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
COVID-19 RESPONSE TASK FORCE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) COVID-19 Response Task Force held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2020 in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Chair, Board Chair Sav Dhaliwal, Burnaby
Vice Chair, Mayor Linda Buchanan, North Vancouver City*
Chief Ken Baird, Tsawwassen*
Mayor Neil Belenkie, Belcarra*
Mayor Mary-Ann Booth, West Vancouver*
Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Richmond*
Mayor Jonathan Coté, New Westminster*
Mayor Bill Dingwall, Pitt Meadows*
Mayor Jack Froese, Langley Township*
Mayor George Harvie, Delta*
Councillor David Hocking, Bowen Island*
Mayor Mike Hurley, Burnaby*
Mayor Mike Little, North Vancouver District*
Mayor Doug McCallum, Surrey*
Director Jen McCutcheon, Electoral Area A*
Mayor John McEwen, Anmore*
Mayor Ron McLaughlin, Lions Bay*
Mayor Mike Morden, Maple Ridge*
Mayor Kennedy Stewart, Vancouver*
Mayor Richard Stewart, Coquitlam*
Mayor Rob Vagramov, Port Moody*
Mayor Val van den Broek, Langley City*
Mayor Darryl Walker, White Rock*
Mayor Brad West, Port Coquitlam*

MEMBERS ABSENT:
None.

STAFF PRESENT:
Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer
Janis Knaupp, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

*denotes electronic meeting participation as authorized by Section 3.6.2 of the Procedure Bylaw
1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

1.1 **May 6, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda**

   **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
   That the COVID-19 Response Task Force adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for May 6, 2020 as circulated.

   **CARRIED**

2. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

2.1 **April 22, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes**

   **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
   That the COVID-19 Response Task Force adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held April 22, 2020 as circulated.

   **CARRIED**

3. **DELEGATIONS**

   No items presented.

4. **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

   No items presented.

5. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF**

5.1 **Regional Information Sharing**

   Jerry Dobrovolny, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer updated members on ongoing staff efforts to monitor staff health, move forward with gradual return to work protocols for staff working remotely, and to ensure physical distancing in the work place, on regular meetings by regional/local staff advisory committees to share information, and on some municipal councils who have adjusted tax rates and penalty dates.

   Members were informed that the proposed tax rate adjustment for Bowen Island reflected in the on-table attachment should read “7.6% → 4.7%”.

   On-table attachment titled “Regional Information Sharing” is retained with May 6, 2020 agenda.

   **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
   That the COVID-19 Response Task Force receive for information the May 6, 2020 verbal update from Jerry Dobrovolny, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer, and related on-table attachment titled “Regional Information Sharing”.

   **CARRIED**
6. INFORMATION ITEMS
   No items presented.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 COVID-19 Response Roundtable of Issues by Members
   Members commented on the need to focus on immediate financial issues facing local government and the need for future discussions on climate change and social issues facing vulnerable and at-risk populations.

   In response to comments, members were informed that staff will be bringing forward discussions on climate- and housing-related matters to the Climate Action Committee and Housing Committee.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS
   No items presented.

9. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

   It was MOVED and SECONDED that the COVID-19 Response Task Force close its regular meeting scheduled for May 6, 2020 pursuant to the Community Charter provisions, Section 90 (2) (b) as follows:

   “90 (2) A part of a meeting must be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to one or more of the following:
   (b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the regional district and a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.”

   CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

   It was MOVED and SECONDED that the COVID-19 Response Task Force adjourn its regular meeting of May 6, 2020.

   CARRIED

   (Time: 1:26 p.m.)

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Janis Knaupp,      Sav Dhaliwal, Chair
Legislative Services Coordinator