

**METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
COUNCIL OF COUNCILS COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Council of Councils Committee held at 8:34 a.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2020 in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor John McEwen*, Anmore
Councillor Polly Krier*, Anmore
Councillor Paul Weverink*, Anmore

Councillor Carolina Clark*, Belcarra
Councillor Bruce Drake*, Belcarra
Councillor Liisa Wilder, Belcarra

Councillor Sue Ellen Fast*, Bowen Island
Councillor David Hocking*, Bowen Island
Councillor Maureen Nicholson*, Bowen Island

Mayor Mike Hurley, Burnaby
Councillor Pietro Calendino*, Burnaby
Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Burnaby
Councillor Dan Johnston*, Burnaby
Councillor Colleen Jordan*, Burnaby
Councillor Joe Keithley*, Burnaby
Councillor James Wang*, Burnaby

Mayor Richard Stewart*, Coquitlam
Councillor Brent Asmundson*, Coquitlam
Councillor Craig Hodge*, Coquitlam
Councillor Steve Kim*, Coquitlam
Councillor Trish Mandewo*, Coquitlam
Councillor Dennis Marsden, Coquitlam
Councillor Teri Towner*, Coquitlam
Councillor Chris Wilson*, Coquitlam

Mayor George Harvie*, Delta
Councillor Dan Copeland*, Delta
Councillor Jeannie Kanakos*, Delta
Councillor Dylan Kruger*, Delta
Councillor Bruce McDonald*, Delta

Mayor Val van den Broek*, Langley City
Councillor Paul Albrecht*, Langley City
Councillor Teri James*, Langley City

MEMBERS PRESENT (Continued):

Councillor Gayle Martin*, Langley City
Councillor Nathan Pachal*, Langley City
Councillor Rudy Storteboom*, Langley City
Councillor Rosemary Wallace*, Langley City

Mayor Jack Froese*, Langley Township
Councillor Petrina Arnason*, Langley Township
Councillor Steve Ferguson*, Langley Township
Councillor Bob Long*, Langley Township
Councillor Kim Richter*, Langley Township
Councillor Blair Whitmarsh*, Langley Township

Mayor Ron McLaughlin*, Lions Bay

Councillor Judy Dueck*, Maple Ridge
Councillor Ryan Svendsen*, Maple Ridge
Councillor Ahmed Yousef*, Maple Ridge

Mayor Jonathan Coté*, New Westminster
Councillor Chinu Das*, New Westminster
Councillor Patrick Johnstone*, New Westminster
Councillor Nadine Nakagawa*, New Westminster
Councillor Chuck Puchmayr*, New Westminster

Mayor Linda Buchanan*, North Vancouver City
Councillor Holly Back*, North Vancouver City
Councillor Don Bell*, North Vancouver City
Councillor Angela Girard*, North Vancouver City
Councillor Tina Hu*, North Vancouver City
Councillor Jessica McIlroy*, North Vancouver City
Councillor Tony Valente*, North Vancouver City

Mayor Mike Little*, North Vancouver District
Councillor Jordan Back*, North Vancouver District
Councillor Mathew Bond*, North Vancouver District
Councillor Megan Curren*, North Vancouver District
Councillor Jim Hanson*, North Vancouver District
Councillor Lisa Muri*, North Vancouver District

Mayor Bill Dingwall*, Pitt Meadows
Councillor Mike Hayes, Pitt Meadows
Councillor Nicole MacDonald*, Pitt Meadows
Councillor Bob Meachen*, Pitt Meadows
Councillor Tracy Miyashita*, Pitt Meadows

MEMBERS PRESENT (Continued):

Councillor Gwen O'Connell*, Pitt Meadows
Councillor Anena Simpson*, Pitt Meadows

Mayor Brad West*, Port Coquitlam
Councillor Steve Darling*, Port Coquitlam
Councillor Nancy McCurrach*, Port Coquitlam
Councillor Darrell Penner*, Port Coquitlam

Mayor Robert Vagramov*, Port Moody
Councillor Diana Dilworth*, Port Moody
Councillor Steve Milani*, Port Moody

Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Richmond
Councillor Alexa Loo*, Richmond
Councillor Bill McNulty, Richmond
Councillor Linda McPhail*, Richmond
Councillor Harold Steves*, Richmond
Councillor Michael Wolfe*, Richmond

Councillor Linda Annis, Surrey
Councillor Doug Elford*, Surrey
Councillor Laurie Guerra*, Surrey
Councillor Brenda Locke*, Surrey
Councillor Mandeep Nagra*, Surrey
Councillor Allison Patton*, Surrey

Councillor Rebecca Bligh*, Vancouver
Councillor Christine Boyle*, Vancouver
Councillor Adriane Carr*, Vancouver
Councillor Pete Fry*, Vancouver
Councillor Colleen Hardwick*, Vancouver
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung*, Vancouver
Councillor Jean Swanson*, Vancouver
Councillor Michael Wiebe*, Vancouver

Mayor Mary-Ann Booth*, West Vancouver
Councillor Nora Gambioli*, West Vancouver
Councillor Peter Lambur*, West Vancouver
Councillor Bill Soprovich, West Vancouver
Councillor Sharon Thompson*, West Vancouver
Councillor Marcus Wong*, West Vancouver

Mayor Darryl Walker*, White Rock
Councillor David Chesney, White Rock

MEMBERS PRESENT (Continued):

Councillor Erika Johanson*, White Rock
Councillor Anthony Manning*, White Rock
Councillor Christopher Trevelyan*, White Rock

ABSENT:

Councillor Timothy Laidler, Anmore
Councillor Kim Trowbridge, Anmore

Mayor, Vacant, Belcarra
Councillor, Vacant, Belcarra

Councillor, Vacant, Burnaby
Councillor, Vacant, Burnaby

Mayor Gary Ander, Bowen Island
Councillor Michael Kaile, Bowen Island
Councillor Alison Morse, Bowen Island
Councillor Robert Wynen, Bowen Island

Councillor Bonita Zarrillo, Coquitlam

Councillor Alicia Guichon, Delta
Councillor Lois Jackson, Delta

Director Jen McCutcheon, Electoral Area A
Alternate Director Michael Feeley, Electoral Area A†

Councillor David Davis, Langley Township
Councillor Margaret Kunst, Langley Township
Councillor Eric Woodward, Langley Township

Councillor Neville Abbott, Lions Bay
Councillor Fred Bain, Lions Bay
Councillor Norman Barmeier, Lions Bay
Councillor Jaime Cunliffe, Lions Bay

Mayor Mike Morden, Maple Ridge
Councillor Kiersten Duncan, Maple Ridge
Councillor Chelsa Meadus, Maple Ridge
Councillor Gordy Robson, Maple Ridge

Councillor Jaimie McEvoy, New Westminster
Councillor Mary Trentadue, New Westminster

† Note: Electoral Area A Alternate Director is appointed and therefore does not constitute quorum.

MEMBERS ABSENT (Continued):

Councillor Betty Forbes, North Vancouver District

Councillor Laura Dupont, Port Coquitlam
Councillor Glenn Pollock, Port Coquitlam
Councillor Dean Washington, Port Coquitlam

Councillor Meghan Lahti, Port Moody
Councillor Amy Lubik, Port Moody
Councillor Hunter Madsen, Port Moody
Councillor Zoe Royer, Port Moody

Councillor Chak Au, Richmond
Councillor Carol Day, Richmond
Councillor Kelly Greene, Richmond

Mayor Doug McCallum, Surrey
Councillor Jack Hundial, Surrey
Councillor Steven Pettigrew, Surrey

Chief Ken Baird, Tsawwassen First Nation
Councillor Louise Ahlm, Tsawwassen First Nation
Councillor Laura Cassidy, Tsawwassen First Nation
Councillor Valerie Cross-Blackett, Tsawwassen First Nation
Councillor Steve Stark, Tsawwassen First Nation

Mayor Kennedy Stewart, Vancouver
Councillor Melissa De Genova, Vancouver
Councillor Lisa Dominato, Vancouver

Councillor Craig Cameron, West Vancouver

Councillor Helen Fathers, White Rock
Councillor Scott Kristjanson, White Rock

STAFF:

Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer
Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer
Lauren Cichon, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

*denotes electronic meeting participation as authorized by Section 3.6.2 of the *Procedure Bylaw*

Welcoming Remarks

Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Chair, Metro Vancouver Boards, Mayor Linda Buchanan, Vice-Chair, Metro Vancouver Boards, and Mayor Mike Hurley, Mayor, City of Burnaby, welcomed members, and introduced the meeting format and agenda.

2021 – 2025 Metro Vancouver Financial Plan Overview

Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer/Commissioner, and Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/ General Manager, Financial Services Department, introduced the 2021 – 2025 Financial Plan highlighting opportunities, continuous improvement, project review, 2021 – 2025 overall household impact, operating and capital budget expenditures, and revenues.

Members commented on:

- savings of hiring in-house positions and the average cost per position
- reviewing the growth assumptions as indicators of demand in the long-range plans
- assessing impact of climate change and rising sea levels
- conserving water supply and measures at municipal levels
- cost associated of the Iona Wastewater Treatment Plant project

Liquid Waste Services

Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services Department, and Richard Stewart, Chair, Liquid Waste Committee, updated members on the financial plan summaries for Liquid Waste Services, and highlighted the aim of high levels of treatment for Liquid Waste Services due to increasing population and micro plastics.

Members commented on flattening differential rates in the sewage areas and increases for households in 2024 – 2025.

Water Services

Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services Department, and Malcolm Brodie, Chair, Water Committee, updated members on the financial plan summary for Water Services.

Solid Waste Services

Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services Department, and Jack Froese, Chair, Zero Waste Committee, updated members on the financial plan summary for Solid Waste Services.

Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation

Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services Department, and Mike Hurley, Chair, Housing Committee, updated members on the MVHC financial plan summary.

Members commented on:

- methods used to determine affordability in different regions
- how MVHC decides on tenant placements
- impacts of COVID-19 (pandemic) on tenants
- any financial support from the provincial and/or federal governments for relief

Metro Vancouver Regional District

Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services Department, and Linda Buchanan, Vice-Chair, Metro Vancouver Board of Directors, updated members on the MVRD 2021 – 2025 financial plan and financial plan summary.

Members commented on:

- available recovery and mitigation efforts of the recent three air quality events (North Richmond, Queensborough and Westminster Pier Park in New Westminster), and the impact on nearby communities
- internal equality and diversity practices
- specifics on increased litigation costs
- background of strategic initiative program
- updates on the liquid waste and solid waste projects on the North Shore

Presentation material titled “2021-2025 Financial Plan Overview” is retained with the October 24, 2020 Council of Councils agenda.

Closing Remarks

Sav Dhaliwal, Chair, Metro Vancouver Board of Directors, and Linda Buchanan, Vice-Chair, Metro Vancouver Board of Directors, offered closing remarks.

Linda Buchanan, Vice-Chair, Metro Vancouver Board of Directors, encouraged members to attend Metro Vancouver’s “Forums on Systemic Racism” occurring on November 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2020.

Adjournment

The meeting was declared concluded at 10:29 a.m.

Lauren Cichon,
Legislative Services Coordinator

Sav Dhaliwal, Chair

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