Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Board of Directors held at 9:06 a.m. on Friday, October 2, 2020 in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Burnaby, Chair, Director Sav Dhaliwal
North Vancouver City, Vice Chair Director Linda Buchanan
Anmore, Director John McEwen
Belcarra, Director Neil Belenkie*
Bowen Island, Director David Hocking
Burnaby, Director Pietro Calendino*
Burnaby, Director Mike Hurley
Coquitlam, Director Craig Hodge
Coquitlam, Director Richard Stewart*
Delta, Director George Harvie
Delta, Director Bruce McDonald*
Electoral Area A, Director Jen McCutcheon*
Langley City, Director Val van den Broek*
Langley Township, Director Jack Froese*
Langley Township, Director Kim Richter*
Lions Bay, Director Ron McLaughlin
Maple Ridge, Director Mike Morden*
New Westminster, Director Jonathan Coté*
North Vancouver District, Director Lisa Muri*
Pitt Meadows, Director Bill Dingwall*
Port Coquitlam, Director Brad West*

MEMBERS ABSENT:
None

STAFF PRESENT:
Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer
Genevieve Lanz, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services
Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer

*denotes electronic meeting participation as authorized by Section 3.6.2 of the Procedure Bylaw
Chair Dhaliwal opened the meeting by offering condolences to those affected by the October 1, 2020 Cleveland Dam spillway incident, and informed the Board that Metro Vancouver is undertaking a full investigation.

A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1. October 2, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda

   It was MOVED and SECONDED
   That the MVRD Board adopt the revised agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for October 2, 2020 as circulated.

   CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1. July 31, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

   It was MOVED and SECONDED
   That the MVRD Board adopt the minutes for its regular meeting held July, 31, 2020 as circulated.

   CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

D. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

At the request of Directors, the following items were removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration under Section F. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda:

1.1 Metro 2040 Urban Centre and FTDA Policy Review Recommendations
4.1 Strata Energy Advisor Pilot Program Results

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the MVRD Board adopt the recommendations presented in the following items as presented in the October 2, 2020 MVRD Board Consent Agenda:

1.2 Metro 2040 Environment Policy Review Recommendations
2.1 Guidelines for Electronic Meetings and Participation by Members
3.1 Widgeon Marsh Regional Park – Grant Funding Application, Canada Infrastructure Program
4.2 Partnering Agreements for Metro Vancouver’s Wood Stove Exchange Program
4.3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Ride-Hailing
5.1 2021 Schedule of Regular Board Meetings

   CARRIED
The items and recommendations referred to above are as follows:

1.2 **Metro 2040 Environment Policy Review Recommendations**
Report dated August 21, 2020 from Laurie Bates-Frymel, Senior Planner, Regional Planning and Housing Services, seeking MVRD Board endorsement of the Metro 2040 Environment Policy Review recommendations.

*Recommendation:*
That the MVRD Board endorse the Metro 2040 Environment policy recommendations as presented in the report dated August 21, 2020, titled “Metro 2040 Environment Policy Review Recommendations” as the basis for Metro 2050 environment related policies.

*Adopted on Consent*

2.1 **Guidelines for Electronic Meetings and Participation by Members**

*Recommendation:*
That the MVRD Board endorse the Guidelines for Electronic Meetings and Participation by Members, as presented in the report dated September 14, 2020, titled “Guidelines for Electronic Meetings and Participation by Members”.

*Adopted on Consent*

3.1 **Widgeon Marsh Regional Park – Grant Funding Application, Canada Infrastructure Program**
Report dated August 14, 2020 from Mike Redpath, Director and Jeffrey Fitzpatrick, Division Manager, Design and Development, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board endorsement of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program grant funding application for Widgeon Marsh Regional Park.

*Recommendation:*
That the MVRD Board endorse the grant funding application of $2,920,000 for Widgeon Marsh Regional Park Improvements through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program - Community, Culture and Recreation.

*Adopted on Consent*

4.2 **Partnering Agreements for Metro Vancouver’s Wood Stove Exchange Program**
Report dated August 17, 2020 from Derek Jennejohn, Lead Senior Engineer and Grace Cockle, Senior Permit and Enforcement Officer, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board authorization to participate in the Metro Vancouver wood stove exchange program.
Recommendation:
That the MVRD Board:

a) authorize the participation of wood burning appliance retailers in Metro
   Vancouver’s wood stove exchange program;

b) direct staff to publish Metro Vancouver’s intention to work with wood
   burning appliance retailers listed in (c) below to carry out the program;

c) authorize the Metro Vancouver Regional District to enter into a partnering
   agreement with each of the following retailers to establish the terms and
   conditions of the services provided to Metro Vancouver as part of the
   program:
      i. A&B Technical Services, Surrey, BC
      ii. Encore Fireplaces Ltd., Langley, BC
      iii. Fastgo System (2011) Inc. (doing business as Fireplaces Unlimited),
           Surrey, BC
      iv. GDS Green Home Mechanical Inc., Port Moody, BC
      v. Good Guys Heating Cooling & Plumbing Ltd., Surrey, BC
      vi. Hallmark Heating, Duct and Chimney Services, Surrey, BC
      viii. Northwind Heating Ltd., Surrey, BC
      ix. Real Lighting & Fireplaces Ltd., Surrey, BC
      x. Solace Home Comfort Ltd., Burnaby, BC and Port Coquitlam, BC
      xi. The LM Fireplace Warehouse Ltd., Richmond, BC
      xii. Vancouver Gas Fireplaces Ltd., Vancouver, BC; and

d) authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the partnering
   agreements listed in (c) above.

Adopted on Consent

4.3 Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Ride-Hailing
Report dated September 18, 2020 from the Climate Action Committee seeking
MVRD Board authorization to send a letter to the Minister of Transportation and
Infrastructure supporting the TransLink Mayors’ Council request regarding
greenhouse gas emissions and ride-hailing.

Recommendation:
That the MVRD Board send a letter to the BC Minister of Transportation and
Infrastructure to support the TransLink Mayors Council request that:

a. the regulations governing Transportation Network Services (TNS) be
   amended to establish greenhouse gas requirements on TNS operators and
   that these requirements include:
      i. A future-year emissions reduction and/or zero-emissions target, with
         interim targets;
      ii. A requirement that each TNS operator submit an emissions reduction
          plan outlining the measures to be taken to achieve the targets
          established;
      iii. A requirement to report, at regular intervals, progress towards
           achieving the established targets.
b. consideration be given for equivalent requirements for the taxi industry;
c. a copy of the letter be sent to the BC Ministry of Energy and Mines in order to encourage creation of new funding programs specifically aimed at supporting shared-use vehicles and gig-economy commercial vehicles to transition to clean energy vehicles.

Adopted on Consent

5.1 2021 Schedule of Regular Board Meetings

Report dated July 24, 2020 from Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer, informing the MVRD Board of the schedule of regular board meetings for the year 2021.

Recommendation:
That the MVRD Board receive for information the schedule of regular board meetings, as follows:

a) Meeting Dates
   • Friday, January 29, 2021
   • Friday, February 26, 2021
   • Friday, March 26, 2021
   • Friday, April 30, 2021
   • Friday, May 28, 2021
   • Friday, June 25, 2021
   • Friday, July 30, 2021
   • Friday, September 24, 2021
   • Wednesday, October 20, 2021 (Budget Workshop)
   • Friday, October 29, 2021
   • Friday, November 26, 2021 (Inaugural Meeting)
   • Friday, December 17, 2021

b) Meeting Place and Time
   Metro Vancouver Boardroom, 28th Floor, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby BC, at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise specified on the Metro Vancouver public notice board, the Metro Vancouver website, and the respective agenda, or as authorized by the Procedure Bylaw.

Adopted on Consent

F. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Items removed from the Consent Agenda were considered in numerical order.

1.1 Metro 2040 Urban Centre and FTDA Policy Review Recommendations

Report dated August 24, 2020 from Erin Rennie, Senior Planner, Regional Planning and Housing Services, seeking MVRD Board endorsement of the Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Area Policy recommendations as the basis for updating Metro 2050.


**It was MOVED and SECONDED**
That the MVRD Board endorse the Urban Centres and Frequent Transit Development Area policy recommendations as presented in the report dated August 24, 2020, titled “Metro 2040 Urban Centre and FTDA Policy Review Recommendations” as the basis for Metro 2050 growth framework updates and associated policies.

**CARRIED**

9:21 a.m. Director McCallum arrived at the meeting.

4.1 **Strata Energy Advisor Pilot Program Results**
Report dated August 14, 2020 from Erik Blair, Air Quality Planner and Jason Emmert, Senior Planner, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board direction to report back with information on the delivery of a region-wide Strata Energy Advisor program.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**
That the MVRD Board:

a) receive for information the report dated August 14, 2020, titled “Strata Energy Advisor Pilot Program results”; and

b) direct staff to report back with options for administration and delivery of a region-wide Strata Energy Advisor Program.

**CARRIED**

G. **REPORTS NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA**

1.1 **Election of the MVRD Representative on the 2020-2021 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Executive**
Report dated July 24, 2020 from Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer, providing information on the election of a member of the MVRD Board to serve as the MVRD representative on the UBCM Executive Board for 2020-2021 term.

Chair Dhaliwal called upon members present for nominations for the office of MVRD Representative to the UBCM for the 2020-2021 term.

Director Hodge was nominated as a candidate for the office and consented to the nomination.

Chair Dhaliwal called for further nominations and after the third call, with there being no further nominations, declared nominations closed.

The Chair declared Director Hodge acclaimed to the office of MVRD Representative to the UBCM for the 2020-2021 term.

H. **MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

No items presented.
I. OTHER BUSINESS

1. MVRD Board Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

   **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
   That the MVRD Board receive for information the MVRD Board Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries, dated October 2, 2020.

   **CARRIED**

2. Local Government Matters

   Members discussed including additional questions in the draft Local Government Matters letter related to affordable housing, Provincial resources to support local governments, and climate change mitigation.

   **It was MOVED and SECONDED**
   That the MVRD Board direct staff to revise the draft Local Government Matters letter to include additional questions seeking clarification on positions and plans related to:
   
   a) supportive housing, including resources for in-house, outreach, addictions and mental health programs;
   
   b) provincial resources for expedited approvals of local government projects;
   
   and
   
   c) greenhouse gas reduction program in alignment with the Metro 2050 climate change strategy and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.
   
   d) commitment to implementing recommendations contained in the BC Rental Housing Task Force, including the elimination of strata bans on rental units.

   **Distinct Propositions**
   Members considered the motion in distinct propositions.

   Proposition a) was before the Board.

   Question was then called on Proposition a) and it was

   **CARRIED**

   Proposition b) was before the Board.

   Question was then called on Proposition b) and it was

   **CARRIED**

   Proposition c) was before the Board.

   Question was then called on Proposition c) and it was

   **CARRIED**

   Proposition d) was before the Board.
Question was then called on Proposition d) and it was **DEFEATED**

**Question on the Main Motion**

Question was then called on the Main Motion and it was **CARRIED**

The Main Motion, with subsections, reads as follows:

*That the MVRD Board direct staff to revise the draft Local Government Matters letter to include additional questions seeking clarification on positions and plans related to:*

a) supportive housing, including resources for in-house, outreach, addictions and mental health programs;

b) provincial resources for expedited approvals of local government projects; and

c) greenhouse gas reduction program in alignment with the Metro 2050 climate change strategy and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.*

**J. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS**

No items presented.

**K. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING**

*It was MOVED and SECONDED*

That the MVRD Board close its regular meeting scheduled for October 2, 2020 pursuant to the *Community Charter* provisions, Section 90 (1), (e), (g), (i) and (j) as follows:

“90 (1) A part of a board meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the board or committee considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district;

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the regional district;

(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and

(j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.*”

**CARRIED**

**L. RISE AND REPORT (Items Released from Closed Meeting)**

No items presented.
M. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED That the MVRD Board adjourn its regular meeting of October 2, 2020.

CARRIED
(Time: 10:11 a.m.)

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Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer     Sav Dhaliwal, Chair