METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Board of Directors held at 9:02 a.m. on Friday, July 30, 2021 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 Jamie Ross* 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 Dylan Kruger* Electoral Area A, Director Jen McCutcheon* Langley City, Director Gayle Martin* 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* (arrived at 9:03 a.m.)

Port Moody, Director Rob Vagramov* (arrived at 9:03 a.m.) Richmond, Director Malcolm Brodie* Richmond, Director Harold Steves* Surrey, Director Linda Annis* Surrey, Director Doug Elford* Surrey, Director Laurie Guerra* Surrey, Director Mandeep Nagra* Surrey, Director Allison Patton* Tsawwassen, Director Ken Baird* Vancouver, Director Christine Boyle* Vancouver, Director Adriane Carr* Vancouver, Director Melissa De Genova* Vancouver, Director Lisa Dominato* Vancouver, Alternate Director Pete Fry* for **Kennedy Stewart** Vancouver, Director Colleen Hardwick* Vancouver, Director Michael Wiebe* West Vancouver, Director Mary-Ann Booth* White Rock, Director Darryl Walker*

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Surrey, Director Doug McCallum

STAFF PRESENT:

Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer Amelia White, Legislative Services Supervisor, Board and Information Services

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

A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1. July 30, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for July 30, 2021 as circulated.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1. June 25, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board adopt the minutes for its regular meeting held June 25, 2021 as circulated.

CARRIED

C. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

D. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

9:03 a.m. Directors West and Vagramov arrived at the meeting.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 2.1 Municipal Director Appointment Process
- 4.2 Proposed Updates to the Sustainability Innovation Fund Policies

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board adopt the recommendations presented in the following items as presented in the July 30, 2021 MVRD Board Consent Agenda:

- 1.1 Local Government Responses to the Discovery of an Unmarked Burial Site Near Kamloops Indian Residential School
- 3.1 Colony Farm Regional Park Colony Farm Park Association Contribution Agreement
- 3.2 Kanaka Creek Regional Park Kanaka Education and Environmental Partnership Society Contribution Agreement
- 3.3 Pacific Spirit Regional Park Pacific Spirit Park Society Contribution Agreement
- 4.1 Metro Vancouver's Achievement of Carbon Neutrality in 2020
- 4.3 Next Phase of Engagement on a Cannabis Production and Processing Emission Regulation

The items and recommendations referred to above are as follows:

1.1 Local Government Responses to the Discovery of an Unmarked Burial Site Near Kamloops Indian Residential School

Report dated July 9, 2021 from the Indigenous Relations Committee together with the report dated June 25, 2021, from Marino Piombini, Program Manager, Indigenous Relations, Legal Services and Indigenous Relations, providing the MVRD Board with an update on the local government responses to the discovery of an unmarked burial site near Kamloops Indian Residential School.

Recommendation:

That the Board Chair write the Prime Minister urging the federal government to fully implement the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action attributed to the Government of Canada, particularly any additional supports needed to address Calls to Action 71 to 76 relating to information on missing residential school children and burial records.

Adopted on Consent

3.1 Colony Farm Regional Park - Colony Farm Park Association Contribution Agreement

Report dated July 2, 2021, from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, seeking MVRD Board approval to enter into a one-year contribution agreement with the Colony Farm Park Association.

Recommendation:

That the MVRD Board approve the contribution agreement between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Colony Farm Park Association for a one-year term in the amount of \$10,000 commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022.

Adopted on Consent

3.2 Kanaka Creek Regional Park – Kanaka Education and Environmental Partnership Society Contribution Agreement

Report dated July 2, 2021, from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, seeking MVRD Board approval to enter into a three-year contribution agreement with the Kanaka Education and Environmental Partnership Society.

Recommendation:

That the MVRD Board approve the contribution agreement between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Kanaka Education and Environmental Partnership Society for a three-year term in the aggregate amount of \$45,000 (\$15,000 in 2022, \$15,000 in 2023 and \$15,000 in 2024), commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024.

Adopted on Consent

3.3 Pacific Spirit Regional Park - Pacific Spirit Park Society Contribution Agreement Report dated July 2, 2021, from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, seeking MVRD Board approval to enter into a three-year contribution agreement with the Pacific Spirit Park Society.

Recommendation:

That the MVRD Board approve the contribution agreement between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Pacific Spirit Park Society for a three-year term in the aggregate amount of \$45,000 (\$15,000 in 2022, \$15,000 in 2023 and \$15,000 in 2024), commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024.

Adopted on Consent

4.1 Metro Vancouver's Achievement of Carbon Neutrality in 2020

Report dated June 22, 2021, from Nav Hundle, Policy Analyst, Parks and Environment Department, informing the MVRD Board of Metro Vancouver's achievement of carbon neutrality as an organization in 2020, as well as implications for meeting the goal of a carbon neutral region by 2050.

Recommendation:

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report titled "Metro Vancouver's Achievement of Carbon Neutrality in 2020", dated June 22, 2021.

Adopted on Consent

4.3 Next Phase of Engagement on a Cannabis Production and Processing Emission Regulation

Report dated June 22, 2021, from Arvind Sarawat, Senior Project Engineer, Esther Bérubé, Division Manager, Air Quality Bylaw and Regulation Development and Laura Taylor, Public Engagement Coordinator, Parks and Environment, presenting feedback received during additional engagement and seeking the MVRD Board approval to carry out the next phase of formal engagement on adjusted proposals to regulate air emissions from cannabis production, processing and extraction operations.

Recommendation:

That the MVRD Board authorize staff to proceed with the next phase of engagement on the proposed approach to regulating air emissions from cannabis production and processing using the draft discussion paper attached to the report titled "Next Phase of Engagement on a Cannabis Production and Processing Emission Regulation", dated June 22, 2021.

Adopted on Consent

4.4 Board Appointment of Enforcement Officers

Report dated June 18, 2021, from Kathy Preston, Program Manager, Environmental Regulation and Enforcement, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board approval to appoint Metro Vancouver employees as Board-designated officers.

Recommendation:

That the MVRD Board:

- a) pursuant to the *Greater Vancouver Regional District Air Quality Management Bylaw 1082, 2008* and the *Environmental Management Act*:
 - appoint Metro Vancouver employees Eugene Lee and Rei Van as officers;
 and
- b) pursuant to section 28 of the *Offence Act*:
 - i. appoint Metro Vancouver employees Eugene Lee and Rei Van for the purpose of serving summons under section 28 of the *Offence Act* for alleged violations under the *Greater Vancouver Regional District Air Quality Management Bylaw 1082, 2008*.

Adopted on Consent

F. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

Items removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration under Section F. were considered in numerical order.

2.1 Municipal Director Appointment Process

Report dated July 9, 2021 from the Mayors Committee together with the report dated June 18, 2021, from Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer, outlining the process and procedures related to the appointment of municipal directors to the Metro Vancouver board.

Discussion ensued regarding the value of having the Mayor represent a municipality at the Metro Vancouver Board and Committee meetings.

Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to amend the *Local Government Act*, in section 198 [appointment and term of office for municipal directors], as necessary to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as the municipal director to the regional district board.

A member noted that the word "the" should be removed from the Main Motion.

Amendment to the Main Motion It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board amend the Main Motion, following the phrase, "or the Mayor's designate, as", by striking the word, "the".

CARRIED

Question on the Main Motion as Amended

Question was then called on the Main Motion as amended and it was

CARRIED

Director Richter voted in the negative.

The Main Motion as amended now reads as follows:

That the MVRD Board request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to amend the Local Government Act, in section 198 [appointment and term of office for municipal directors], as necessary to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as municipal director to the regional district board.

4.2 Proposed Updates to the Sustainability Innovation Fund Policies

Report dated June 25, 2021, from Megan Gerryts, Senior Advisor, Regional Economic Prosperity Service and Roger Quan, Director, Air Quality and Climate Change, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board approval for the proposed updates to the three Sustainability Innovation Fund policies.

Discussion ensued regarding the future financial implications, the annual budget approval process and the timing of the proposed policy updates.

Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board approve the proposed updates to the Regional District Sustainability Innovation Fund as presented in the report dated June 25, 2021, titled "Proposed Updates to the Sustainability Innovation Fund Policies".

Members expressed interest in reviewing the allocation of the Sustainability Innovation Fund on an annual basis.

Amendment to the Main Motion It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board amend the Main Motion, after the phrase, "'Proposed Updates to the Sustainability Innovation Fund Policies'", by adding ", subject to the annual budget approval".

CARRIED

Question on the Main Motion as Amended

Question was then called on the Main Motion as amended and it was

CARRIED

The Main Motion as amended now reads as follows:

That the MVRD Board approve the proposed updates to the Regional District Sustainability Innovation Fund as presented in the report dated June 25, 2021, titled "Proposed Updates to the Sustainability Innovation Fund Policies", subject to the annual budget approval.

G. REPORTS NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA

1.1 MFA Fall 2021 Borrowing for Surrey – MVRD Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1323, 2021

Report dated June 14, 2021, from Joe Sass, Deputy Chief Financial Officer/Director, Financial Planning and Operations, seeking the adoption of a Security Issuing Bylaw to authorize a borrowing request from the City of Surrey in the amount of \$150,600,000 for the Fall 2021 MFA long term debt issue.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) give consent to the request for financing from the City of Surrey in the amount of \$150,600,000 pursuant to Sections 182(1)(b) and 182(2)(a) of the *Community Charter*; and
- b) give first, second and third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1323, 2021* being a bylaw to authorize the entering into an Agreement respecting financing between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Security Issuing Bylaw No. 1323, 2021;* and forward it to the Inspector of Municipalities for Certificate of Approval.

CARRIED

2.1 Board and Committee Electronic Meetings – Next Steps

Report dated July 21, 2021, from Jerry Dobrovolny, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer, seeking direction from the MVRD Board on possible

amendments to the *Metro Vancouver Regional District Procedure Bylaw* that would authorize board and committee meetings to be held electronically on a permanent basis.

Discussion ensued regarding the potential options for members to attend Committee and Board meetings electronically and the need for flexibility in the amended procedure.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board direct staff to bring forward amendments to the *Metro Vancouver Regional District Procedure Bylaw* to authorize electronic meetings and participation by board and committee members at those meetings on a limited basis, as described in the report dated July 21, 2021, titled "Board and Committee Electronic Meetings – Next Steps".

CARRIED

2.2 MVRD Mosquito Control Service Amending Bylaw No. 1320 Final Adoption

Report dated July 15, 2021, from Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer and Mike Redpath, Director, Regional Parks, seeking final adoption of *Metro Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Service Amending Bylaw No. 1320, 2021* that will add the City of Richmond as a Participating Area in the Metro Vancouver Nuisance Mosquito Control Program.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Mosquito Control Service Amending Bylaw No. 1320, 2021.*

CARRIED

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 July 30, 2021.

CARRIED

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 July 30, 2021 pursuant to the *Community Charter* provisions, Section 90 (1) (c), (e), (j), (k) and (m) 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:
 - (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
 - 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;
 - (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*;
 - (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a regional district service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the board or committee, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district if they were held in public; and
 - (m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting."

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 July 30, 2021.

CARRIED (Time: 10:26 a.m.)

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Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer	Sav Dhaliwal, Chai

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