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 am on Friday, February 24, 2023, in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 4515 Central Boulevard, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Delta, Chair, Director George V. Harvie
Anmore, Vice Chair, Director John McEwen
Belcarra, Director Jamie Ross
Bowen Island, Director Andrew Leonard
Burnaby, Director Pietro Calendino
Burnaby, Director Sav Dhaliwal
Burnaby, Director Mike Hurley (arrived at 9:05 am)
Coquitlam, Director Craig Hodge
Coquitlam, Director Teri Towner
Delta, Director Dylan Kruger
Electoral Area A, Director Jen McCutcheon
Langley City, Director Paul Albrecht
Langley Township, Director Eric Woodward
Langley Township, Director Steve Ferguson
Lions Bay, Director Ken Berry* (arrived at 9:16 am)
Maple Ridge, Director Dan Ruimy
New Westminster, Director Patrick Johnstone
North Vancouver City, Director Linda Buchanan
North Vancouver District, Director Lisa Muri
Port Coquitlam, Director Brad West
Port Moody, Director Meghan Lahti
Richmond, Director Malcolm Brodie
Richmond, Director Bill McNulty
Richmond, Director Chak Au
Surrey, Director Linda Annis
Surrey, Director Harry Bains
Surrey, Director Gordon Hepner
Surrey, Director Pardeep Kooner
Surrey, Director Brenda Locke
Surrey, Director Rob Stutt
Tsawwassen, Chief Laura Cassidy*
Vancouver, Director Rebecca Bligh*
Vancouver, Director Adriane Carr
Vancouver, Director Lisa Dominato
Vancouver, Director Sarah Kirby-Yung*
Vancouver, Director Mike Klassen
Vancouver, Director Ken Sim
Vancouver, Director Lenny Zhou
West Vancouver, Director Mark Sager
White Rock, Director Megan Knight

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Pitt Meadows, Director Nicole MacDonald

STAFF PRESENT:

Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer
Dorothy Shermer, Corporate Officer
Natalia Melnikov, Legislative Services Coordinator, 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. February 24, 2023 Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the MVRD Board amend the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for February 24, 2023, by adding:

a) Item C.1 – Roderick Louis;
b) Item C.2 – Ralf Nielsen, TransLink;

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the MVRD Board adopt the agenda for its meeting scheduled for February 24, 2023 as amended.

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1. January 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the MVRD Board adopt the minutes for its meeting held January 27, 2023 as circulated.

CARRIED

2. February 3, 2023 Special Joint Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the MVRD Board adopt the minutes for its special joint meeting held February 3, 2023 as circulated.

CARRIED

9:05 am Director Hurley arrived at the meeting.

C. DELEGATIONS

1. Roderick Louis

Roderick Louis spoke to the MVRD Board regarding Item 1.3 on the agenda, outlining his concerns with the Metro Vancouver 2040 regional growth strategy policy and the ways in which the policy addresses school services, transit, and crime prevention programs.

Presentation material titled "Roderick V. Louis – To Speak to February 24-2023 Meeting of Metro Vancouver Regional District Board" is retained with the February 24, 2023 Board meeting agenda.

2. Kevin Quinn, Chief Executive Officer, Olga Kuznetsova, VP Financial Services, Ralf Nielsen, Director Enterprise Sustainability, TransLink, and Dave Leicester, Fleet Manager – Coast Mountain Bus Company

Kevin Quinn, Chief Executive Officer, and Ralf Nielsen, Director Enterprise Sustainability, TransLink, spoke to the MVRD Board regarding TransLink's Climate Action Plan, highlighting their strategy to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and outlining the transition to low- and zero-emission transit buses, noting that renewable natural gas buses are key to greater GHG emission reduction overall.

9:16 am Director Berry arrived at the meeting.

Presentation material titled "Climate Action Plan and Transition to a Zero-Emission Transit Fleet" is retained with the February 24, 2023 MVRD Board agenda.

D. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

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

3.1 TransLink's Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding for 2023 Fleet Replacement – Part B for 84 Conventional Renewable Natural Gas Buses

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board adopt the recommendations in the following items as presented in the February 24, 2023 MVRD Board Consent Agenda:

1.1 Impacts of E-Commerce on Industrial Lands and Transportation Systems Study
1.2 Metro Vancouver Industrial Lands Portfolio Update
1.3 Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future – 2021 Annual Performance Monitoring Report
1.4 Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future – 2021 Procedural Report
2.1 2023 Invest Vancouver Management Board Meeting Schedule, Work Plan and Invest Vancouver 2023 Annual Plan
2.2 Life Sciences in Metro Vancouver: Shaping a Globally Prominent R&D Hub
2.3 2023 CanExport Community Investment Contribution Award

CARRIED

The items and recommendations referred to above are as follows:

1.1 Impacts of E-Commerce on Industrial Lands and Transportation Systems Study

Report dated January 23, 2023, from Eric Aderneck, Senior Planner, Regional Planning and Housing Services, conveying to the MVRD Board the completed Impacts of E-Commerce on Industrial Lands and Transportation Systems Study.

Recommendation

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated January 23, 2023, titled "Impacts of E-Commerce on Industrial Lands and Transportation Systems Study".

Adopted on Consent

1.2 Metro Vancouver Industrial Lands Portfolio Update

Report dated January 23, 2023, from Eric Aderneck, Senior Planner, Regional Planning and Housing Services, providing the MVRD Board with an update on the Metro Vancouver Industrial lands portfolio, including market context, policy response, completed projects, and ongoing implementation.

Recommendation

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated January 23, 2023, titled "Metro Vancouver Industrial Lands Portfolio Update".

Adopted on Consent

1.3 Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future – 2021 Annual Performance Monitoring Report

Report dated January 23, 2023, from Diana Jeliazkova, Senior Policy and Planning Analyst, Regional Planning and Housing Services, providing the MVRD Board with the 2021 annual performance monitoring report of the region's performance toward the goals of Metro 2040. This is based on the key summary and context measures in Section G of the regional growth strategy, from plan adoption in 2011 to 2021, and the policy and land use designation amendments to date.

Recommendation

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated January 23, 2023, titled "*Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future* - 2021 Annual Performance Monitoring Report", and direct staff to forward a copy to the Province of BC's Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Local Government Division.

Adopted on Consent

1.4 Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future – 2021 Procedural Report

Report dated January 23, 2023, from Diana Jeliazkova, Senior Policy and Planning Analyst, Regional Planning and Housing Services, providing the MVRD Board with the 2021 Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future Procedural Report for information as required by *Greater Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy Procedures Bylaw No. 1148, 2011.*

Recommendation

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated January 23, 2023, titled "*Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future* - 2021 Procedural Report".

Adopted on Consent

2.1 2023 Invest Vancouver Management Board Meeting Schedule, Work Plan and Invest Vancouver 2023 Annual Plan

Report dated February 13, 2023, from the Invest Vancouver Management Board together with the report dated January 18, 2023, from Jacquie Griffiths, President, Invest Vancouver, providing the MVRD Board with the Invest Vancouver Management Board's Terms of Reference, the 2023 Committee Work Plan, the Invest Vancouver 2023 Annual Plan, and the Annual Committee Meeting Schedule.

Recommendation

That the MVRD Board endorse the Invest Vancouver 2023 Annual Plan as attached to the report dated January 18, 2023 titled "2023 Invest Vancouver Management Board Meeting Schedule, Work Plan and the Invest Vancouver 2023 Annual Plan".

Adopted on Consent

2.2 Life Sciences in Metro Vancouver: Shaping a Globally Prominent R&D Hub

Report dated January 27, 2023, from Lejla Uzicanin, Vice President, Data, Research and Policy, and Gregory Freeman, Senior Economist, Data, Research and Policy, Invest Vancouver, providing the MVRD Board the draft pitch deck and industry gap analysis resulting from Invest Vancouver's investigation into the life sciences industry in the region for discussion and input.

Recommendation

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated January 27, 2023 titled "Life Sciences in Metro Vancouver: Shaping a Globally Prominent R&D Hub".

Adopted on Consent

2.3 2023 CanExport Community Investment Contribution Award

Report dated January 17, 2023, from Katie Fitzmaurice, Vice President, Collaboration, Invest Vancouver, providing the MVRD Board with the information related to the Global Affairs Canada 2023 CanExport Community Investment Contribution Award.

Recommendation

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated January 17, 2023 titled "2023 CanExport Community Investment Contribution Award".

Adopted on Consent

F. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 TransLink's Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding for 2023 Fleet Replacement – Part B for 84 Conventional Renewable Natural Gas Buses

Report dated January 30, 2023, from Heather McNell, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Policy and Planning, and Mark Seinen, Senior Planner, Regional Planning and Housing Services, providing the MVRD Board with an update on the TransLink's postponed application for funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund under Metro Vancouver's *Federal Gas Tax Fund Expenditures Policy* for the MVRD Board's consideration.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board approve $75.24 million in funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund for TransLink's purchase of 84 conventional Renewable Natural Gas buses proposed in its 2023 application for Federal Gas Tax Funding as attached to the report dated January 30, 2023, titled "TransLink Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding for 2023 Fleet Replacement – Part B".

CARRIED

Directors Carr and Muri voted in the negative

G. REPORTS NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA

1.1 Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022 Third Reading and Final Adoption

Report dated February 13, 2023, from Heather McNell, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Policy and Planning, and James Stiver, Division Manager, Regional Land Use Policy, Regional Planning and Housing Services, providing the MVRD Board with the opportunity to consider third reading and adoption of *Metro 2050*, the update to the regional growth strategy (*Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022*).

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board give third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022* as presented in the report dated February 13, 2023, titled "Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022 Third Reading and Final Adoption".

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

a) pass, and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022*;

b) direct staff to notify the Minister of Municipal Affairs that the MVRD Board has adopted *Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022*; and

c) direct staff to notify all affected local governments, local First Nations, and other organizations and government agencies that participated in the development of *Metro 2050* that the MVRD Board has adopted the *Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1339, 2022*.

CARRIED

H. MOTIONS FOR WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

No items presented.

I. OTHER BUSINESS

1. MVRD Board Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

J. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

K. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board close its meeting scheduled for February 24, 2023 pursuant to section 226 (1) (a) of the *Local Government Act* and the *Community Charter* provisions as follows:

90 (1) A part of a council 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 council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

(m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting; and

(2) A part of a council 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 municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

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 meeting of February 24, 2023.

CARRIED

(Time: 9:45 am)

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Dorothy Shermer, Corporate Officer

George V. Harvie, Chair

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