

**METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
FINANCE AND INTERGOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Finance and Intergovernment Committee held at 9:05 a.m. on Friday, October 12, 2018 in the 28th Floor Committee Room, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair, Councillor Raymond Louie, Vancouver
Vice Chair, Mayor Greg Moore, Port Coquitlam
Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Richmond
Mayor Mike Clay, Port Moody
Mayor Derek Corrigan, Burnaby (arrived at 9:09 a.m.)
Councillor Heather Deal, Vancouver
Mayor Darrell Mussatto, North Vancouver City
Mayor Richard Stewart, Coquitlam (arrived at 9:06 a.m.)
Mayor Richard Walton, North Vancouver District

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Barbara Steele, Surrey

STAFF PRESENT:

Carol Mason, Chief Administrative Officer
Janis Knaupp, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 October 12, 2018 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for October 12, 2018 as circulated.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2.1 September 21, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held September 21, 2018 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

9:06 a.m. Mayor Stewart arrived at the meeting.

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

4.1 **Christine Dacre, Vice President Financial Services and Jeevan Tiwana, Manager Capital Assets and Government Funding, TransLink**

Christine Dacre, Vice President Financial Services, and Jeevan Tiwana, Manager Capital Assets and Government Funding, TransLink, provided members with a presentation on the 2018 *Greater Vancouver Regional Fund (GVRF)* application and Semi-Annual report highlighting 2020 fleet expansion and replacement and rationale for propulsion choices.

9:09 a.m. Mayor Corrigan arrived at the meeting.

Members were further updated on the Semi-Annual Report as of June 30, 2018 including a summary of active projects, use of GVRF and TransLink's 10-Year Vision, policy, and delivery.

In response to questions, members were informed about propulsion choices, fleet expansion of battery electric buses, and timing and process associated with funding approval and procurement.

Presentation material titled "Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund for 2020 Fleet Expansion and Modernization" is retained with the October 12, 2018 Finance and Intergovernment Committee agenda.

4.2 **Linda Lupini, Executive Vice President, BC Emergency Health Services**

Linda Lupini, Executive Vice President, BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS), provided members with a presentation on E-Comm and BCEHS Clinical Response Model (CRM) highlighted BCEHS' mandate and Action Plan, and the CRM including background and approach, changes, pre- and post- results, descriptions, first responder impacts, improved response times by category, and integration of fire services.

In response to questions, members were informed about:

- dispatching protocols and the automatic notification system
- improvements in paramedic training
- liability, resource, and patient implications related to fire services response
- patient consent and privacy considerations
- interest to partner with first responders to improve patient education and on accident prevention

- investments into improvement in patient care
- methods for assessing patient outcomes and service success

Members commented about some communities expressing the need for control over when and how their fire departments are dispatched. Member suggested that E-Comm provide presentations to all Metro Vancouver member councils on the BCEHS Clinical Response Model and E-Comm 9-1-1 Service.

Presentation material titled “Clinical Response Model” is retained with the October 12, 2018 Finance and Intergovernment Committee agenda.

10:14 a.m. Chair Louie left the meeting and Vice Chair Moore assumed the Chair.

4.3 Oliver Grüter-Andrew, President and CEO, E-Comm

Oliver Grüter-Andrew, President and CEO, E-Comm, provided members with a presentation, in response to a request from the City of Delta, on E-Comm’s role, how 9-1-1 works, simultaneous dispatch versus simultaneous call transfer, and on the need for careful consideration to be given to potential changes to existing protocols.

10:15 a.m. Chair Louie returned to the meeting and assumed the Chair.

Presentation material titled “Metro Vancouver Finance and Intergovernmental Committee” is retained with the October 12, 2018 Finance and Intergovernment Committee agenda.

The Committee considered a request to further amend the agenda at this point.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee further amend the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for October 12, 2018, by varying the order of the agenda to consider Items 5.4, 5.5, and 5.6 prior to Item 5.1.

CARRIED

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

Agenda Varied

The order of the agenda was varied to consider Items 5.4, 5.5, and 5.6 at this point.

5.4 TransLink Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund for 2020 Fleet Expansion and Modernization

Report dated September 25, 2018 from Raymond Kan, Regional Planner II, Parks, Planning and Environment, presenting TransLink’s request for federal gas tax funding from the *Greater Vancouver Regional Fund* (GVRF) under Metro Vancouver’s *Federal Gas Tax Fund Expenditures Policy* (GVRF Policy), and seeking Board approval to undertake a review of the GVRF Policy.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) approve \$142.10 million in funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund for the following transit projects proposed by TransLink in its *Application for Federal Gas Tax funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund for 2020 Fleet Expansion and Modernization* as attached to the report dated September 25, 2018, titled “TransLink Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund for 2020 Fleet Expansion and Modernization”:
 - i. Project 1 – Year 2020 Double Decker Diesel Bus Purchases for Fleet Replacement
 - ii. Project 2 – Year 2020 Conventional 60-ft Hybrid Bus Purchases and 40-ft Battery Electric Bus Purchases for Fleet Expansion
 - iii. Project 3 – Year 2020 HandyDART Vehicle Purchases for Fleet Replacement
 - iv. Project 4 – Year 2020 HandyDART Vehicle Purchases for Fleet Expansion
 - v. Project 5 – Year 2020 Community Shuttle Vehicle Purchases for Fleet Expansion
- b) direct staff to undertake a review of the *Federal Gas Tax Fund Expenditures Policy*, in consultation with TransLink and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, and to report back to the Finance and Intergovernment Committee in 2019 with findings and, where appropriate, recommendations.

CARRIED

- 5.5 2018 Greater Vancouver Regional Fund Semi-Annual Report as at June 30, 2018**
Report dated September 21, 2018 from Raymond Kan, Regional Planner II, Parks, Planning and Environment, presenting TransLink’s status report on active projects funded by the federal gas tax funds through the *Greater Vancouver Regional Fund*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated September 21, 2018, titled “2018 Greater Vancouver Regional Fund Semi-Annual Report as at June 30, 2018.”

CARRIED

- 5.6 E-Comm and British Columbia Emergency Health Services – City of Delta Request**
Report dated October 4, 2018 from Greg Smith, General Manager, Corporate Services, providing information regarding the contract between Metro Vancouver and E-Comm for emergency dispatch services.

Members discussed the presentations provided on the current Critical Response Model and 9-1-1 service and the need to educate municipal councils, as well as roles of Metro Vancouver, BCEHS, and local fire services as it relates to the motion put forward by the City of Delta at the September 28, 2018 MVRD Board meeting.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) receive for information the report dated October 4, 2018, titled “E-Comm and British Columbia Emergency Health Services – City of Delta Request”; and
- b) endorse E-Comm’s current policy and procedures and British Columbia Emergency Health Services Critical Response Model for emergency services dispatch.

CARRIED

Agenda Order Resumed

The order of the agenda resumed with Item 5.1 being before the Committee.

5.1 Financial Management Policy

Report dated September 26, 2018 from Phil Trotsuk, General Manager, Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer, seeking Board approval of the proposed *Financial Management Policy* which will guide the funding of operating and capital expenditures for Metro Vancouver’s four legal entities.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD, GVWD, GVS&DD and MVHC Board approve the *Financial Management Policy* as presented in the attached report dated September 26, 2018, titled “Financial Management Policy”.

CARRIED

5.2 2019 - 2023 Financial Plan – Regional District Service Areas

Report dated September 26, 2018 from Carol Mason, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer and Phil Trotsuk, General Manager, Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer, presenting the 2019-2023 Financial Plan for Regional District Service Areas of E911 Emergency Telephone Service, General Government Service, Labour Relations, Regional Emergency Management, Regional GPS, *Regional Prosperity Initiative*, and Sasamat Fire Protection Service.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee endorse the 2019 - 2023 Financial Plan for the Regional District Service Areas as presented in the report “2019 - 2023 Financial Plan – Regional District Service Areas” dated September 26, 2018 and forward it to the Board Budget Workshop on October 17, 2018 for consideration.

CARRIED

5.3 2019 - 2023 Financial Plan – Centralized Support Program

Report dated September 26, 2018 from Carol Mason, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer, and Phil Trotsuk, General Manager, Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer, seeking Finance and Intergovernment endorsement of the 2019 - 2023 Financial Plan for the Centralized Support

Program including Corporate Services, External Relations, Financial Services, Human Resources and Legal and Legislative Services.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee endorse the 2019 - 2023 Financial Plan for the Centralized Support Program as presented in the report "2019 - 2023 Financial Plan – Centralized Support Program dated September 26, 2018 and forward it to the Board Budget Workshop on October 17, 2018 for consideration.

CARRIED

5.4 TransLink Application for Federal Gas Tax Funding from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund for 2020 Fleet Expansion and Modernization

This item was previously considered.

5.5 2018 Greater Vancouver Regional Fund Semi-Annual Report as at June 30, 2018

This item was previously considered.

5.6 E-Comm and British Columbia Emergency Health Services – City of Delta Request

This item was previously considered.

5.7 Consideration of Reducing GVS&DD Development Cost Charges for Student Housing

Report dated September 27, 201 from Heather McNell, Regional Planning and Electoral Area Services Director, Parks, Planning and Environment, seeking GVS&DD Board approval of *GVS&DD Bylaw, No. 322, 2018* to reduce Development Cost Charges by 50% for student housing, and approval to amend *GVS&DD Development Cost Charge Waiver for Affordable Housing Bylaw No. 314, 2018* to implement this change.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the GVS&DD Board:

- a) approve the reduction of GVS&DD Development Cost Charges for student housing by 50%;
- b) give first, second and third reading to Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Bylaw, No. 322, 2018; and
- b) pass and finally adopt bylaw Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Bylaw, No. 322, 2018.

CARRIED

5.8 Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable Funding Request

Report dated October 1, 2018 from Laurie Bates-Frymel, Senior Regional Planner, Regional Planning, Parks, Planning and Environment, and Jesse Montgomery, Program Manager Environmental Management, Water Services, presenting the MVRD Board with a request from the Cities of Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam for

Metro Vancouver to provide operational funding to the Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable, in the amount of \$34,000 per year for a three-year term.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated October 1, 2018, titled "Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable Funding Request" and direct staff to send a letter to the Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable advising of the requirements to be considered for a multi-year Contribution Agreement.

CARRIED

5.9 Metro Vancouver Board Strategic Plan – 2018 Update

Report dated October 2, 2018 from Megan Gerrys, Corporate Projects Coordinator, CAO Executive Office, providing an update on key actions achieved in 2018 in delivering the strategic directions of the *2015 – 2018 Board Strategic Plan*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated October 2, 2018, titled "Metro Vancouver Board Strategic Plan – 2018 Update."

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee receive for information the following Information Item:

6.1 2018 Finance and Intergovernment Committee Work Plan

CARRIED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

No items presented.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

9. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee close its regular meeting scheduled for October 12, 2018 pursuant to the *Community Charter* provisions, Section 90 (1) (i) and (g) as follows:

"90 (1) A part of the meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:
(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose; and

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the regional district.”

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adjourn its regular meeting of October 12, 2018.

CARRIED

(Time: 10:38 a.m.)

Janis Knaupp,
Legislative Services Coordinator

Raymond Louie, Chair