1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
   1.1 April 15, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda
       That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for April 15, 2020 as circulated.

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES
   2.1 March 11, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
       That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held March 11, 2020 as circulated.

3. DELEGATIONS

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF
   5.1 Capital Projects and Project Delivery
       Designated Speaker: Jerry Dobrovolsky, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer and Cheryl Nelms, General Manager, Project Delivery
       That the GVS&DD Board receive for information the report dated March 31, 2020, titled “Capital Projects and Project Delivery”.

1 Note: Recommendation is shown under each item, where applicable.
5.2 Solid Waste Tipping Fee Deferral/Reduction Request  
**Designated Speaker: Paul Henderson, General Manager, Solid Waste Services and Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services**  
That the GVS&DD Board direct staff to:  
  a) grant an additional 55 days’ interest free payment grace period for all solid waste customer charge accounts for invoices issued prior to May 1, 2020; and  
  b) extend the payment period from 35 days to 90 days for all solid waste customer charge accounts for the period May 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

5.3 Manager’s Report  
**Designated Speaker: Jerry Dobrovolny, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer**  
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee receive for information the report dated, April 3, 2020, titled “Manager’s Report”.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

7. OTHER BUSINESS

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS

9. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING  
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee close its regular meeting scheduled for April 15, 2020 pursuant to the *Community Charter* provisions, Section 90 (2) (b) as follows:  
“90 (2) A part of a 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 regional district and a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.”

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION  
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adjourn/conclude its regular meeting of April 15, 2020.

Membership:

Buchanan, Linda (C) - North Vancouver City  
Dhaliwal, Sav (VC) - Burnaby  
Booth, Mary-Ann - West Vancouver  
Brodie, Malcolm - Richmond  
Coté, Jonathan - New Westminster  
Froese, Jack - Langley Township  
Hurley, Mike - Burnaby  
McCallum, Doug - Surrey  
McCutcheon, Jen - Electoral Area A  
McEwen, John - Anmore  
Stewart, Kennedy - Vancouver  
Stewart, Richard - Coquitlam
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Finance and Intergovernment Committee held at 1:03 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 in the 28th Floor Committee Room, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Chair, Mayor Linda Buchanan, North Vancouver City
Vice Chair, Councillor Sav Dhaliwal, Burnaby
Mayor Mary-Ann Booth, West Vancouver
Mayor Malcolm Brodie, Richmond
Mayor Jack Froese, Langley Township
Mayor Mike Hurley, Burnaby
Mayor Doug McCallum, Surrey (arrived at 1:34 p.m.)
Mayor John McEwen, Anmore
Mayor Kennedy Stewart, Vancouver
Mayor Richard Stewart, Coquitlam

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Mayor Jonathan Coté, New Westminster
Director Jen McCutcheon, Electoral Area A

STAFF PRESENT:
Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer
Janis Knaupp, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 March 11, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for March 11, 2020 as circulated.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2.1 February 12, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held February 12, 2020 as circulated.

CARRIED
3. **DELEGATIONS**

3.1 **Craig Richmond, President and CEO, Vancouver Airport Authority**
Craig Richmond, President and CEO, Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR), and Wayne Wright, Metro Vancouver’s Appointee to the YVR’s Board of Directors, provided members with a presentation on YVR’s 2019 accomplishments and future key activities and focus areas highlighting passenger growth over the last decade, projected passenger decline due to global challenges, terminal expansion, increased airline connections, 2020-2024 Environmental Management Plan goals, transportation priorities, and efforts underway to recruit a new President and CEO following Mr. Richmond’s June 30, 2020 retirement.

In response to questions, members were informed about:
- efforts to encourage workers and shoppers to access YVR’s premium outlet mall by transit to reduce congestion on peak shopping days
- discussions with TransLink on the need to improve transit in key locations in Metro Vancouver to assist commuting airport workers
- employee ride-share and green commuter rebate programs and clean vehicle incentives for taxi services at YVR
- budget and resource impacts resulting from COVID-19

Anne Murray, Vice President Airline Business Development and Public Affairs, YVR, informed members about the *Musqueam Indian Band - YVR Sustainability and Friendship Agreement* highlighting the 30-year term commencing in 2017, employment and contracting, relationship manager and committee, environment and culture, and revenue sharing, support and engagement process, employee workshops and cultural awareness, habitat enhancement and archeology, and Musqueam employment.

Members were presented with a video on the *Musqueam Indian Band - YVR Sustainability and Friendship Agreement* which is not retained with the agenda.

1:34 p.m. Mayor McCallum arrived at the meeting.

In response to questions, members were informed about how the agreement process was initiated.

Presentation material titled “Vancouver International Airport 2020 Annual Update” and “Musqueam-YVR Airport Relationship” are retained with the March 11, 2020 agenda.

4. **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**
No items presented.
5. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF**

5.1 **Regional Parkland Acquisition and Development Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 1304, 2020**
Report dated February 10, 2020 from Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services and Mike Redpath, Director, Regional Parks, seeking MVRD Board approval of *Regional Parkland Acquisition and Development Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 1304, 2020* to establish a reserve fund to support Regional Parks land acquisition and park development.

*It was MOVED and SECONDED*  
That the MVRD Board:  
a) establish a new statutory reserve for Regional Parks to receive, hold and provide funds for Regional Park land acquisition and park development; and  
b) give first, second, and third reading to the *Regional Parkland Acquisition and Development Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 1304, 2020*; and  
c) pass and finally adopt the *Regional Parkland Acquisition and Development Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 1304, 2020*.  
*CARRIED*

5.2 **BC Utilities Commission Municipal Energy Utilities Inquiry**
Report dated March 2, 2020 from Jeff Carmichael, Division Manager, Business Development, Liquid Waste Services, seeking that the MVRD Board write a letter to the BC Utilities Commission conveying Metro Vancouver’s position on the regulation of the Municipal Energy Utilities Inquiry.

*It was MOVED and SECONDED*  
That the MVRD Board write to the British Columbia Utilities Commission concerning the Municipal Energy Utilities Inquiry, conveying its position that municipalities should continue to retain core decision making about district energy services, because local governments are well positioned to implement and regulate district energy, and municipal energy utilities occupy a unique and important role for addressing climate change.  
*CARRIED*

5.3 **Manager’s Report**
Report dated March 2, 2020 from Jerry Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer/Commissioner, updating the Finance and Intergovernment Committee on the Committee’s 2020 Work Plan, coronavirus impacts, review of major projects, and impacts from protests.

Members were informed about staff efforts related to business continuity and emergency operations planning in response to COVID-19, and about staff reporting back to the Committee at its April meeting with an update on the review of major projects as directed by the Board.
It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee receive for information the report dated March 2, 2020, titled “Manager’s Report”.

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION ITEMS
No items presented.

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 March 11, 2020 pursuant to the Community Charter provisions, 90 (2) (b) as follows:

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CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adjourn its regular meeting of March 11, 2020.

CARRIED
(Time: 1:50 p.m.)

Reconvene
The Finance and Intergovernment reconvened its March 11, 2020 regular meeting at 1:53 p.m. to further amend the agenda to add a resolution to close the meeting.

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee further amend the agenda for its March 11, 2020 regular meeting, under Section 9. Resolution to Close Meeting, by adding Community Charter Provision Section 90 (1) (i) (the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose).

CARRIED
Adjournment

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adjourn its regular meeting of March 11, 2020.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

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Janis Knaupp,      Linda Buchanan, Chair
Legislative Services Coordinator
To: Finance and Intergovernment Committee

From: Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Commissioner / Chief Administrative Officer
Cheryl Nelms, General Manager, Project Delivery

Date: March 31, 2020
Meeting Date: April 15, 2020

Subject: Capital Projects and Project Delivery

RECOMMENDATION
That the GVS&DD Board receive for information the report dated March 31, 2020, titled “Capital Projects and Project Delivery”.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
In the Fall of 2019, the Board expressed interest in undertaking a review of the way Metro Vancouver delivers major infrastructure projects in order to ensure value for our residents. Responding to capacity needs due to population growth and meeting regulatory requirements have led to a dramatic increase in the scope of Metro Vancouver’s capital project program budget and the scale of projects within this program. The current construction market dynamics coupled with the complex nature of these projects adds additional challenges. In the face of these challenges, Metro Vancouver is undertaking a best practices response, including establishing a Project Delivery department as a Centre of Expertise for the organization on project delivery, engaging a consultant to undertake a high level review of major projects and implementing a forward looking plan.

PURPOSE
To provide information regarding current challenges in the delivery of major infrastructure projects and Metro Vancouver’s response.

BACKGROUND
In the Fall of 2019, the Board expressed interest in directing staff to conduct an independent review of the processes and decision-making related to major infrastructure projects and bring forward recommendations to the Board arising from the review.

PROJECT DELIVERY
Metro Vancouver delivers major infrastructure projects that are necessary for providing the services that our residents rely on every day. The region’s increasing population and the need to anticipate and respond to legislative and regulatory requirements requires significant investments to build, maintain and upgrade our infrastructure.

The delivery of these projects present many challenges, including:
- the unprecedented scale;
- layers of complexity; and,
- market influences.
In light of these challenges, Metro Vancouver is undertaking the following best practices response:

- reorganization, including the creation of a Project Delivery department as a centre of expertise;
- engaging a consultant to undertake a high level review of major projects; and,
- implementing consultant recommendations.

Staff will be providing periodic updates to advisory committees, standing committees, and the Board regarding progress on implementing the recommendations of the consultant.

**ALTERNATIVES**  
This is an information report. No alternatives are presented.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**  
There are no financial implications associated with this report.

**CONCLUSION**  
The delivery of major infrastructure projects to continue to deliver core services to the region presents a multitude of challenges. In the Fall of 2019, the Board expressed interest in directing staff to undertake a review of the processes and decision-making related to major infrastructure projects in order to ensure value for our residents. Metro Vancouver staff have taken the initial steps in responding to this request, including the creation of a new department, engaging a consultant to undertake a high level review of major projects. Staff will be providing periodic updates on progress on implementing consultant recommendations.

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To: Finance and Intergovernment Committee
From: Paul Henderson, General Manager, Solid Waste Services
        Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services
Date: April 9, 2020
Meeting Date: April 15, 2020
Subject: Solid Waste System Tipping Fee Deferral/Reduction Request

RECOMMENDATION
That the GVS&DD Board direct staff to:
a) grant an additional 55 days’ interest free payment grace period for all solid waste customer charge accounts for invoices issued prior to May 1, 2020; and
b) extend the payment period from 35 days to 90 days for all solid waste customer charge accounts for the period May 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Metro Vancouver received two requests to reduce solid waste tipping fees and extend payment terms for solid waste account customers. Reducing tipping fees is expected to result in an operating budget deficit for the solid waste function for 2020, and is not recommended. Extending payment terms from 35 days to 90 days for the remainder of 2020 is expected to result in a cost to the solid waste function of approximately $300,000 due to foregone investment income from the deferred revenues. Staff recommend extending payment terms to assist both commercial and municipal solid waste system customers in response to the significant impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

PURPOSE
The purpose of this report is to bring forward to the Board for consideration requests to reduce solid waste tipping fees and extend payment terms for account customers.

BACKGROUND
The Waste Management Association of British Columbia and the Super Save Group have written to Metro Vancouver requesting tipping fee reductions as well as an extension of payment terms (see attached letters).

METRO VANCOUVER SOLID WASTE SYSTEM FUNDING
Solid waste tipping fees are set by the Board through the Tipping Fee and Solid Waste Regulation Bylaw No. 306, 2017, as amended (Tipping Fee Bylaw). Tipping fees are typically set annually at a rate per tonne based on expected waste flows to ensure that solid waste system expenditures are fully funded. The majority of solid waste system revenues are generated through tipping fees, with approximately 70% of all tipping fees paid through credit accounts that are billed on a monthly basis and due 35 days following billing.
COVID-19 Impacts on the Solid Waste System
The solid waste system continues to function near normal with some adjustments to services. Waste quantities dropped starting in mid-March, 2020, and overall waste quantities are projected to be approximately 10% lower in 2020 compared to 2019, and approximately 5% lower than the 2020 budget waste quantities. Reduced waste quantities help to advance the region’s per-capita waste reduction targets, but also result in lower revenues in the solid waste system.

Metro Vancouver contracts for contingency disposal with two waste management companies to manage waste in excess of what can be received at the Waste-to-Energy Facility and Vancouver Landfill. Reducing the quantity of waste sent to contingency disposal is the primary cost reduction tool available to respond to reduced waste flows. In response to decreasing waste quantities, contingency disposal has been reduced to contract minimums, which will result in a savings of approximately $50,000 per month for the remainder of 2020.

With 64% of the region’s waste recycled, there is potential for waste quantities to increase if recycling systems, particularly organics processing facilities, stop receiving material or reduce their capacity. To date, recycling systems seem to be functioning normally.

Relationship between Waste Haulers and Municipalities
For most municipalities that contract with waste hauling companies, Metro Vancouver bills tipping fees directly to the municipalities rather than the hauler. For these municipalities, any extended payment terms or reduced fees would directly benefit the municipalities. A small number of municipalities pay the hauler for both collection and disposal with the hauler billed by Metro Vancouver for tipping fees. Municipalities that pay the hauler for both collection and disposal would either need to work with their hauler or alternatively switch to direct billing from Metro Vancouver to benefit from extended payment terms.

Other Jurisdictions
Metro Vancouver is currently not aware of any regional districts or municipalities in British Columbia that have reduced tipping fees or extended payment terms for solid waste account customers. The City of Ottawa has extended payment terms on solid waste accounts.

ALTERNATIVES
1. That the GVS&DD Board direct staff to:
   a) grant an additional 55 days’ interest free payment grace period for all solid waste customer charge accounts for invoices issued prior to May 1, 2020; and
   b) extend the payment period from 35 days to 90 days for all solid waste customer charge accounts for the period May 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.
2. That the GVS&DD Board direct staff to:
   a) grant an additional 55 days’ interest free payment grace period for all solid waste customer charge accounts for invoices issued prior to May 1, 2020;
   b) extend the payment period from 35 days to 90 days for all solid waste customer charge accounts for the period May 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020; and
   c) bring forward recommendations for changes to the Tipping Fee and Solid Waste Regulation Bylaw No. 306, 2017, as amended for the Board’s consideration to reduce solid waste tipping fees by 10% for all waste loads.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
If the Board approves Alternative 1, payment terms for municipal and commercial account customers will be extended from 35 days to 90 days, interest free, until the end of 2020. At the end of 2020, Metro Vancouver would work with account customers to pay any outstanding tipping fee balances over the next six months. Staff have analyzed the financial impact of extending account payment terms to 90 days for 2020 and have estimated the impact at approximately $300,000 based on foregone investment income. Extending the payment terms for municipal and commercial account customers from 35 days to 90 days will impact the overall cash balance for the year, but staff are closely monitoring funding sources for cash sufficiency to carry out Metro Vancouver business.

Metro Vancouver’s expectation is that there may be a slight increase in delinquent solid waste accounts resulting from COVID-19. However, it will likely not have a significant financial impact on the solid waste function since delinquency on solid waste tipping fee accounts is very low (less than 0.1 percent per year of receivables on average). Furthermore, extending payment terms will assist both municipal and commercial customers, particularly small business customers, because all are experiencing near term cash flow challenges that are expected to stabilize later in 2020.

If the Board approves Alternative 2, and extends payment terms for municipal and commercial account customer from 35 days to 90 days’ interest free and reduces solid waste tipping fees by 10% for all waste loads, Metro Vancouver’s expectation is that the solid waste function would see a deficit in 2020 of approximately $6.5 million on a $114 million budget, resulting in a requirement to use reserves to balance the budget. Even without a tipping fee reduction, expected reductions in waste quantities in 2020 compared to 2019 are expected to result in a reduction in contribution to capital of approximately $5 million, leading to effectively no contribution to capital in 2020. An alternative approach to reducing tipping fees by a fixed percentage would be to reduce fees for all loads to the large load rate of $99 per tonne as suggested in one of the letters requesting tipping fee reductions. This approach would further increase the solid waste function deficit to an estimated $12 million, and is not recommended for the Board’s consideration.

CONCLUSION
Many of Metro Vancouver’s solid waste system customers are impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Metro Vancouver has received two requests to reduce tipping fees and extend account payment terms. Reducing tipping fees is expected to result in a deficit for the solid waste system in 2020 and is not recommended. Staff recommend Alternative 1, that payment terms for account customers be extended from 35 to 90 days for invoices prior to May 1, 2020 as well as the remainder of 2020, which
will have an expected impact on the solid waste function of approximately $300,000 due to foregone investment income.

**Attachments:** [Doc# 38340836)
Letters from Super Save Group and Waste Management Association of British Columbia
March 26, 2020

Mr. Paul Henderson
Metro Vancouver
Metrotower III, 4730 Kingsway
Burnaby, B.C., V5H 0C6

Dear Paul:

As you are aware, COVID-19 has hit numerous businesses in Metro Vancouver hard, with many now faced with little or no revenues, especially in the hospitality and retail industries. Many of those businesses are our waste and recycling customers, and to date over 700 of them have reached out to us to suspend services and invoices during this economic crisis.

Our response has been to fully support them in their request. A few have written to express their appreciation of our response and we attach a sample of one for your review. We also have many commercial tenants in other of our businesses that have sought relief from their monthly rent and common cost payments during the COVID-19 shut down. Again, we have been supportive of their requests.

Despite these lost revenues, our full fleet of trucks and drivers are ready to service any and all remaining customers. With many of our lines of business being considered an essential service by the provinces, our overhead costs also continue to be incurred in full.

Furthermore, the B.C. Government is extending filing and payment deadlines for the employer health tax, provincial sales tax, carbon tax, motor fuel tax and tobacco tax until September 30, 2020.

Clearly, these are unprecedented times and many levels of government are finding ways to support business throughout the crisis. As such, we ask that Metro Vancouver implement a temporary tipping fee reduction and extend payment deadlines on landfill and transfer station fees to September 30, 2020 like the B.C. Government has done on other taxes.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. We are all in the fight against the COVID-19 war together.

Yours truly,

SUPER SAVE DISPOSAL INC.

William D. Vandekerkhove,
President and Chairman of the Board

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Sent: March 26, 2020 8:37 AM
To: Caitlyn Lemay; josh@supersave.ca
Cc: Guy
Subject: Re: Completed: "504401-E Temporary Service Adjustment"

Josh

I just wanted to take a minute to thank-you for working with us through this unprecedented time. It’s a statement of the quality of your organization and we look forward to working with you for many years to come.
Keep well.

Ken

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March 31, 2020

Mr. Jerry Dobrovolny  
CAO, Metro Vancouver  

Re: COVID-19 and the Impact on all Businesses in Metro Vancouver  

Dear Mr. Dobrovolny,  

On behalf of the Waste Management Association of B.C. (WMABC), we are reaching out to you during this challenging time to bring to your attention issues impacting the waste and recycling industry and businesses in Metro Vancouver.

As the impact from COVID-19 sweeps across the Metro Vancouver area, province and country, it is becoming clear that the effects will be felt across the entire business community. All WMABC member customers, big and small, are witnessing first-hand the effects daily as businesses continue to close. Significant change is needed to ensure the survival of many lower mainland business including recycling and waste companies.

The Federal and Provincial governments have introduced several programs to try to assist businesses and individuals and we support those steps. Anything that can be done to protect the viability of all businesses through this challenging time should be given strong consideration.

While we share the confidence in our ability to recover as a province and country, we believe that some specific challenges have yet to be fully recognized in the space in which our member companies operate. We would like Metro Vancouver to pursue some possible temporary remedies to not only assist our industry businesses but also help their customers navigate through this challenging time.

Due to the COVID-19 Crisis, the WMABC would ask that Metro Vancouver consider initially the overarching problem of reduced cash flows for Lower Mainland businesses of all types and the domino effect within a company’s supply chains in which our members exist. We have seen various levels of government implement policies including a regulation aimed at reducing the cost burden as the Region’s economy continues to falter.

To this end, we would request that Metro Vancouver consider a reduction in tipping fees such as reducing the tip fee for all weight loads to the 9 tonnes or more rate at $99 per tonne. This helps to reduce costs to our customers still in operation as we have reduced weight loads due to business closures and would be a temporary measure until the COVID 19 crisis is over.

Secondly we ask Metro Vancouver to defer payment terms for at least 90 days as a means to assist the Region’s businesses and to allow sufficient time for members to work out payment plans with their customers as these small to midsize businesses get back on their feet after the pandemic crisis has passed. We believe these measures would be well received by businesses, multi-family customers as well as the waste service industry that provides these essential services.

Time is of the essence and the WMABC asks that Metro Vancouver seriously consider the two measures listed above. Our industry has been deemed as an essential service and our members continue to support all British Columbians by providing necessary services in all communities in which we operate including Metro Vancouver.
Again, the Federal and Provincial levels of government have recognized the economic challenges and have put measures in place to help businesses and we are asking for the Regional District to consider the same.

We are all in this together and we look forward to working with Metro Vancouver to address these serious issues.

Sincerely,

Per:
Grant Hankins
President

c. Sav Dhaliwal, Metro Vancouver Board Chair
To: Finance and Intergovernment Committee

From: Jerry Dobrovolny, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer

Date: April 3, 2020  
Meeting Date: April 15, 2020

Subject: Manager’s Report

RECOMMENDATION
That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee receive for information the report dated, April 3, 2020, titled “Manager’s Report”.

Finance and Intergovernment Committee Work Plan
Attachment 1 to this report sets out the Committee’s Work Plan for 2020. The status of the Committee’s key priorities is shown as pending, in progress, or complete together with the quarter that each is expected to be considered by the Committee.

Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate Amendment
The Zero Waste Committee was advised at its November 15, 2019 meeting that Metro Vancouver had applied to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy to amend the Operational Certificate for the Waste-to-Energy Facility. The amendment defers a reduction in discharge limits for sulphur dioxide and hydrogen chloride from December 31, 2022 to March 3, 2025. Dispersion modelling and a health risk assessment showed that at current Operational Certificate emission levels, sulphur dioxide and hydrogen chloride are not expected to exceed ambient air criteria. Delaying the reduction of limits for sulphur dioxide and hydrogen chloride would allow for further air monitoring to confirm ambient concentrations. The amendment also includes a clarification of the criteria for defining start-up and shut-down periods for the purpose of emission reporting.

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy has now provided Metro Vancouver with a draft amended Operational Certificate for public comment. Metro Vancouver will post the draft amended Operational Certificate on its website and notify interested parties via email or letter, including property owners and tenants near the Waste-to-Energy Facility, waste haulers, member municipalities, environmental non-governmental organizations and adjacent regional districts. Metro Vancouver will also engage with First Nations in BC with interests in the Metro Vancouver region. Advertisements will be published in the Vancouver Sun and The Province at least 30 days following the email, notifying the public of the opportunity to provide feedback. Publishing the newspaper advertisements triggers a Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy 30-day comment period. Contacting interested parties 30 days before the newspaper ads doubles the normal comment period to 60 days, which staff believe is appropriate given the COVID 19 pandemic. Any feedback on the draft Operational Certificate will be reported back to the GVS&DD Board and the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.

Attachment
1. 2020 Finance and Intergovernment Committee Work Plan
# Finance and Intergovernment Committee 2020 Work Plan

Report Date: April 15, 2020

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