

**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 1:01 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 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 Jonathan Côté*, New Westminster
Mayor Bill Dingwall*, Pitt Meadows
Mayor Jack Froese*, Langley Township
Mayor Mike Hurley*, Burnaby (arrived at 1:03 p.m.)
Mayor Doug McCallum*, Surrey (departed at 2:15 p.m.)
Director Jen McCutcheon*, Electoral Area A
Mayor John McEwen*, Anmore
Mayor Richard Stewart*, Coquitlam
Mayor Brad West*, Port Coquitlam

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mayor Kennedy Stewart, Vancouver

STAFF PRESENT:

Jerry W. Dobrovolsky, Chief Administrative Officer
Lauren Cichon, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 May 12, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for May 12, 2021 as circulated.

CARRIED

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

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2.1 April 14, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held April 14, 2021 as circulated.

CARRIED

Members considered a delegation request at this point.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee approve adding delegation Item 3.1 Nathan Davidowicz to its May 12, 2021 Finance and Intergovernment Committee agenda.

CARRIED

In response to a Point of Order, the Committee was informed the above motion was not required as the delegation met the regular requirements to appear to speak before the Committee.

1:03 p.m. Mayor Hurley arrived to the meeting.

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1 Nathan Davidowicz

Nathan Davidowicz spoke to the Finance and Intergovernment Committee requesting Metro Vancouver buy an extra 300 electric buses with the funds from the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund, seek additional funds from senior levels of government, and he emphasized the importance of having electric vehicles on the road.

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

5.1 Update to the 2019-2022 Board Strategic Plan

Report dated April 26, 2021, from Heather Schoemaker, General Manager, Ann Rowan, Division Manager, Collaboration and Engagement, Tess Kitchen, Senior Policy Advisor, External Relations, and Megan Gerryts, Policy Advisor, Regional Economic Prosperity Service, presenting for the MVRD Board's consideration and approval an updated *2019-2022 Board Strategic Plan* based on discussions at the February 26-27 Board Strategic Planning Workshop.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board approve the updated *2019-2022 Board Strategic Plan* as presented in the report dated April 26, 2021, titled "Update to the 2019-2022 Board Strategic Plan."

CARRIED

5.2 2020 Statement of Financial Information

Report dated April 26, 2021, from Dean Rear, Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Financial Services, presenting for the MVRD Board's approval the 2020 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) as part of the reporting requirements of the *Financial Information Act*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board approve the Statement of Financial Information for the year ended December 31, 2020.

CARRIED

Discussion ensued on amortization periods, particularly, related to the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant project.

2:15 p.m. Mayor McCallum departed the meeting.

Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) direct staff to consider an option to look at 30-year amortization terms; and
- b) direct staff to organize a Board workshop on the amortization terms.

Discussion ensued on specifying that the amortization rates are specific to the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant project only.

Amendment to the Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee amend the Main Motion by striking the phrase "at 30-year amortization terms", and by replacing it with the following phrase:

"at a 30-year amortization term for the North Shore's share of the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant Project only;"

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:

- a) *direct staff to consider an option to look at a 30-year amortization term for the North Shore's share of the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant Project only; and*
- b) *direct staff to organize a Board workshop on the amortization terms.*

5.3 Project Delivery Best Practice Response – Capital Project Governance and Stage Gate Framework

Report dated May 3, 2021, from Cheryl Nelms, General Manager, Project Delivery, providing a series of updates on implementation of best practices for capital projects focusing on improvement areas related to project oversight and governance following an interjurisdictional review of practices by organizations delivering large capital programs and the introduction of a stage gate process for key decision points over the lifecycle of capital projects.

Members were provided with a presentation on capital project governance and stage gate framework highlighting updates to Project Delivery continuous improvement, interjurisdictional review, upcoming stage gates, and next steps.

Presentation material titled "Capital Project Governance and Stage Gate Framework" is retained with the May 12, 2021 Finance and Intergovernment Committee agenda.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated May 3, 2021 titled "Project Delivery Best Practice Response – Capital Project Governance and Stage Gate Framework."

CARRIED

5.4 Project Delivery Department – Governance Transition

Report dated May 3, 2021, from Cheryl Nelms, General Manager, Project Delivery, presenting an overview of two projects being delivered by the Project Delivery Department as part of the governance transition of oversight for the highest value, risk, consequence projects to the Finance and Intergovernment Committee.

Members were provided with a presentation on the governance transition highlighting the Project Delivery Department's overview and purpose and current governance structure, and updates to the Northwest Langley Wastewater Treatment Plant Program, and the Second Narrows Water Supply Tunnel Project.

Presentation material titled "Project Delivery Department – Governance Transition" is retained with the May 12, 2021 Finance and Intergovernment Committee agenda.

Members commented on the Finance and Intergovernment Committee's revised Terms of Reference placing major project governance within its purview and expressed value that periodic and timely updates be provided to the Liquid Waste and Water Committees.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee receive for information the report dated May 3, 2021 titled "Project Delivery Department - Governance Transition."

CARRIED

Mayor West absent at the vote.

5.5 Manager's Report

Report dated April 27, 2021, from Jerry Dobrovolny, Commissioner/Chief Administrative Officer, updating members on the Resilient Region Framework and the Committee Work Plan.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee receive for information the report dated, April 27, 2021, titled "Manager's Report."

CARRIED

Mayor West absent at the vote.

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 May 12, 2021 pursuant to the *Community Charter* provisions, Section 90 (1) (a), (c) and 90 (2) (b) 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:

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the regional district or another position appointed by the regional district;
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations; and

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.”

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Finance and Intergovernment Committee adjourn its regular meeting of May 12, 2021.

CARRIED

(Time: 3:02 p.m.)

Lauren Cichon,
Legislative Services Coordinator

Linda Buchanan, Chair