Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Regional Parks Committee held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 4730 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Chair, Mayor John McEwen, Anmore
Vice Chair, Councillor Michael Wiebe, Vancouver*
Mayor Neil Belenkie, Belcarra*
Councillor Pietro Calendino, Burnaby*
Councillor Diana Dilworth, Port Moody*
Councillor Laurie Guerra, Surrey*
Mayor George Harvie, Delta*
Councillor Craig Hodge, Coquitlam*
Councillor Lisa Muri, North Vancouver District*
Councillor Maureen Nicholson, Bowen Island*
Councillor Darrell Penner, Port Coquitlam*
Councillor Kim Richter, Langley Township*
Councillor Bill Soprovich, West Vancouver
Councillor Mary Trentadue, New Westminster* (arrived at 9:04 a.m.)

MEMBERS ABSENT:
Councillor Tracy Miyashita, Pitt Meadows

STAFF PRESENT:
Mike Redpath, Director, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment
Jerry W. Dobrovolny, Chief Administrative Officer
Genevieve Lanz, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 July 15, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Regional Parks Committee adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for July 15, 2020, as circulated.

CARRIED

9:04 a.m. Councillor Trentadue arrived at the meeting.

*denotes electronic meeting participation as authorized by Section 3.6.2 of the Procedure Bylaw
2. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

2.1 **June 17, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes**

   It was MOVED and SECONDED
   That the Regional Parks Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held Jun 17, 2020, as circulated.

   CARRIED

3. **DELEGATIONS**

No items presented.

4. **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

4.1 **Joakim Nilsson Director and Tony Markin, DRBIPA Chair, Derby Reach Brae Island Parks Association**

Joakim Nilsson, Director and Tony Markin, Chair, Derby Reach Brae Island Parks Association, provided members with a presentation on the Derby Reach Brae Island Parks Association, highlighting interactive programming and virtual adaptation as a result of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Presentation material titled “Derby Reach/Brae Island Parks Association” is retained with the July 15, 2020 Regional Parks Committee agenda.

4.2 **Chris McVittie, Director, Boundary Bay Park Association**

This item was withdrawn due to technical difficulties.

5. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF**

5.1 **Derby Reach Brae Island Parks Association Contribution Agreement**

Report dated May 12, 2020 from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board approval of the contribution agreement between Metro Vancouver Regional District and Derby Reach Brae Island Parks Association for a three-year term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2023 in the amount of $45,000.

   It was MOVED and SECONDED
   That the MVRD Board approve the Contribution Agreement between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Derby Reach Brae Island Parks Association for a three-year term in the aggregate amount of $45,000 ($15,000 in 2021, $15,000 in 2022 and $15,000 in 2023), commencing January 1, 2021, ending December 31, 2023.

   CARRIED
5.2 **Boundary Bay Park Association Contribution Agreement**
Report dated May 12, 2020 from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board approval of the contribution agreement between Metro Vancouver Regional District and Boundary Bay Parks Association for a one-year term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021 in the amount of $7,000.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**
That the MVRD Board approve the Contribution Agreement between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Boundary Bay Park Association for a one-year term in the amount of $7,000, commencing January 1, 2021, ending December 31, 2021.

**CARRIED**

5.3 **Burnaby Lake Park Association Contribution Agreement**
Report dated May 12, 2020 from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board approval of the contribution agreement between Metro Vancouver Regional District and Burnaby Lake Park Association for a three-year term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2023 in the amount of $43,000.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**
That the MVRD Board approve the Contribution Agreement between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Burnaby Lake Park Association for a three-year term in the aggregate amount of $43,000 ($13,000 in 2021, $15,000 in 2022 and $15,000 in 2023) commencing January 1, 2021, ending December 31, 2023.

**CARRIED**

5.4 **Colony Farm Park Association Contribution Agreement**
Report dated May 12, 2020 from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board approval of the contribution agreement between Metro Vancouver Regional District and Colony Farm Park Association for a one-year term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021, in the amount of $10,000.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**
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, 2021, ending December 31, 2021.

**CARRIED**

5.5 **Minnekhada Park Association Contribution Agreement**
Report dated May 12, 2020 from David Leavers, Division Manager, Visitor and Operations Services, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board approval of the contribution agreement between Metro Vancouver Regional
District and Minnekhada Park Association for a three-year term, commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2023, in the amount of $42,000.

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the MVRD Board approve the Contribution Agreement between the Metro Vancouver Regional District and the Minnekhada Park Association for a three-year term in the aggregate amount of $42,000 ($12,000 in 2021, $15,000 in 2022 and $15,000 in 2023), commencing January 1, 2021, ending December 31, 2023.

CARRIED

5.6 Board Budget Workshop – Overview and Next Steps for Regional Parks
Report dated June 24, 2020 from Neal Carley, General Manager, Parks and Environment and Dean Rear, General Manager, Financial Services/Chief Financial Officer, providing members with an overview of the 2021 budget process and next steps, highlighting impact to regional parks, phasing of capital projects, and opportunities for infrastructure grant funding.

Members were provided with a presentation on the 2021 Board budget process, highlighting developing a short-term relief program for households due to the impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, asset management and inventory, and next steps.

Members commented on the state of parks assets, development and upgrades, land acquisition, and opportunities to increase revenue sources.

Request of Staff
Staff was requested to provide members with a summary of the cost benefit analysis of regional parks infrastructure and programming.

Presentation material titled “Board Budget Workshop – Overview and Next Steps” is retained with the July 15, 2020 Regional Parks Committee agenda.

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Regional Parks Committee receive for information the report dated June 24, 2020, titled “Board Budget Workshop – Overview and Next Steps for Regional Parks”.

CARRIED

5.7 Regional Greenways 2050 - Draft Plan and Phase 2 Engagement Process
Report dated June 11, 2020 from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, and Craig Sobering, Park Planner, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, seeking MVRD Board endorsement of the draft Regional Greenways 2050 plan and authorization to proceed with the public engagement process.
Members were provided with a presentation on the development of the draft Regional Greenways 2050 Plan, highlighting regional greenway network, implementation framework, market survey highlights, and Phase 2 engagement process.

Presentation material titled “Regional Greenways 2050 Plan Update – Phase 2 Engagement Approach” is retained with the July 15, 2020 Regional Parks Committee agenda.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**
That the MVRD Board endorse the draft Regional Greenways 2050 plan and authorize staff to proceed with the public engagement process as presented in the report dated June 11, 2020 titled “Regional Greenways 2050 - Draft Plan and Phase 2 Engagement Process”.

**CARRIED**

5.8 Regional Parks – State of the Assets Report for Buildings
Report dated June 12, 2020 from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management and Jeffrey Fitzpatrick, Division Manager, Design and Development, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, providing members with a summary of regional parks building assets, highlighting condition, value and maintenance costs.

Members were provided with a presentation on the regional parks asset management program highlighting building inventory and value, asset classes and life cycle forecasting, Facility Condition Index rating scale and risk metric, and 30-year funding models and implications.

Presentation material titled “Regional Parks Current State of Assets – Buildings” is retained with the July 15, 2020 Regional Parks Committee agenda.

Members commented that this report should be included in the upcoming MVRD Board consent agenda and considered a revised motion.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**
That the MVRD Board receive for information the report dated June 12, 2020, titled “Regional Parks – State of the Assets Report for Buildings”.

**CARRIED**

5.9 Regional Parks – Manager’s Report
Report dated July 8, 2020 from Mike Redpath, Director, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment, providing members with an update on the Regional Parks Committee 2020 Work Plan, highlighting carbon credit projects, park management plans, and status of regional tree canopy.
It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Regional Parks Committee receive for information the report dated July 8, 2020, titled “Manager’s Report – Regional Parks”.

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 Regional Parks Committee close its regular meeting scheduled for July 15, 2020, pursuant to the Community Charter provisions, Section 90 (1) (e) 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:

(e) 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.”

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED
That the Regional Parks Committee adjourn its regular meeting of July 15, 2020.

CARRIED

(Time: 10:38 a.m.)

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Genevieve Lanz,      John McEwen, Chair
Legislative Services Coordinator