

**METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
REGIONAL PARKS COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) Regional Parks Committee held at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 in the 28th Floor Boardroom, 4515 Central Boulevard, Burnaby, British Columbia.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair, Mayor John McEwen, Anmore
Vice Chair, Councillor Michael Wiebe*, Vancouver
Councillor Pietro Calendino*, Burnaby
Councillor Diana Dilworth*, Port Moody
Councillor Laurie Guerra*, Surrey
Mayor George Harvie*, Delta
Councillor Craig Hodge*, Coquitlam
Councillor Tracy Miyashita*, Pitt Meadows
Councillor Lisa Muri*, North Vancouver District
Councillor Maureen Nicholson*, Bowen Island
Councillor Darrell Penner*, Port Coquitlam
Councillor Kim Richter*, Langley Township
Mayor Jamie Ross, Belcarra
Councillor Bill Soprovich, West Vancouver
Councillor Mary Trentadue*, New Westminster

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None.

STAFF PRESENT:

Mike Redpath, Director, Regional Parks, Parks and Environment
Morgan Mackenzie, Legislative Services Coordinator, Board and Information Services

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 June 8, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Regional Parks Committee adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for June 8, 2022 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 May 18, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Regional Parks Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held May 18, 2022 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

5.1 Ecological Restoration Projects in Regional Parks

Markus Merkens, Natural Resource Management Specialist, Regional Parks, provided the Regional Parks Committee with a verbal update on the benefits of ecological restoration, the methods of managing natural assets in regional parks and detailed examples of various projects completed in the region.

Presentation material titled “Ecological Restoration Projects in Regional Parks” is retained with the June 8, 2022 Regional Parks Committee agenda.

5.2 MVRD Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1349, 2022

Report dated May 4, 2022, from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, obtaining the MVRD Board’s approval of *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1349, 2022* for the dedication of land acquired for use as regional park.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) give first, second and third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1349, 2022*; and
- b) pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1349, 2022*.

CARRIED

5.3 MVRD Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1345, 2022 – Amends Bylaw 1061, 2007

Report dated May 11, 2022, from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, obtaining the MVRD Board’s approval of a number of administrative amendments to *Greater Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1061, 2007*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) give first, second and third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1345, 2022*; and
- b) pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1345, 2022*.

CARRIED

5.4 MVRD Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1346, 2022 – Amends Bylaw 1076, 2008

Report dated May 11, 2022, from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, obtaining the MVRD Board’s approval of a number of administrative amendments to *Greater Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1076, 2008*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) give first, second and third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1346, 2022*; and
- b) pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1346, 2022*.

CARRIED

5.5 MVRD Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1347, 2022 – Amends Bylaw 1111, 2009

Report dated May 11, 2022, from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, obtaining the MVRD Board’s approval of a number of administrative amendments to *Greater Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1111, 2009*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) give first, second and third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1347, 2022*; and
- b) pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1347, 2022*.

CARRIED

5.6 MVRD Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1348, 2022 – Amends Bylaw 1300, 2020

Report dated May 11, 2022, from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, obtaining the MVRD's Board approval of a number of administrative amendments to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1300, 2020*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) give first, second and third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1348, 2022*; and
- b) pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1348, 2022*.

CARRIED

5.7 MVRD Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1344, 2022 – Amends Bylaw 1319, 2021

Report dated May 11, 2022, from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, obtaining the MVRD Board's approval of a number of administrative amendments to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Bylaw No. 1319, 2021*.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) give first, second and third reading to *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1344, 2022*; and
- b) pass and finally adopt *Metro Vancouver Regional District Dedication of Land as Regional Park Amendment Bylaw No. 1344, 2022*.

CARRIED

5.8 Alternative Transportation Study Part II: Access to Regional Parks Report

Report dated May 10, 2022, from Jamie Vala, Division Manager, Planning and Resource Management, Regional Parks, providing the Regional Parks Committee with the results of the Alternative Transportation Study Part II and a series of actions that Metro Vancouver can pursue to encourage more park visitors to travel to regional parks by bicycle or public transit.

Members were provided with a presentation on the Alternative Transportation Study highlighting the project process, the key insights, the relevant case studies and the next steps.

In response to questions, staff ensured the committee that member municipalities' strategies have been incorporated into the *Regional Greenways 2050 Plan*, which is embedded within the *Transport 2050 Strategy*. Staff also highlighted various capacity management tools used within the regional parks.

Members discussed alternative transportation options including shuttle buses, passenger ferry shuttles and infrastructure for pedal and electric bicycles.

Members expressed concern about the cost of major capital projects, highlighting the need to secure provincial funding.

Presentation material titled “Regional Parks Alternative Transportation Study” is retained with the June 8, 2022 Regional Parks Committee agenda.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the MVRD Board:

- a) receive for information the report dated May 10, 2022, titled “Alternative Transportation Study Part II: Access to Regional Parks”; and
- b) direct staff to share the report with TransLink and member jurisdictions.

CARRIED

5.9 t̄amt̄am̄ix̄ʷt̄ən/Belcarra Regional Park – Joint City of Port Moody and MVRD Bedwell Bay Rd Traffic Study results

Report dated May 11, 2022, from Steve Schaffrick, Division Manager, Central Area, Regional Parks, providing the Regional Parks Committee with a summary of the high level recommendations arising from the City of Port Moody and MVRD’s joint traffic study for Bedwell Bay Road, outlining the next steps in implementation of these recommendations.

Members were provided with a verbal update on the results of the study, highlighting the challenges with congestion issues, the parking lot capacity limits, the infrastructure solutions and the implemented capacity management programs.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Regional Parks Committee receive for information the report dated May 11, 2022, titled “t̄amt̄am̄ix̄ʷt̄ən/Belcarra Regional Park – Joint City of Port Moody and MVRD Bedwell Bay Rd Traffic Study results.”

CARRIED

5.10 Manager’s Report – Regional Parks

Report dated May 18, 2022, from Mike Redpath, Director, Regional Parks, providing the Regional Parks Committee with updates on the bear-human conflict prevention guidelines and the wildlife camera studies from Widgeon Marsh Regional Park.

Members were shown a video on the restoration efforts by staff in Brae Island Regional Park. This video is not retained with the agenda.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Regional Parks Committee receive for information report dated May 18, 2022 titled "Manager's Report – Regional Parks."

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Regional Parks Upcoming Events – June 2022

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 June 8, 2022 pursuant to the *Community Charter* provisions, Section 90 (1) (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:
(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the regional district."

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT/CONCLUSION

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Regional Parks Committee adjourn its regular meeting of June 8, 2022.

CARRIED

(Time: 10:22 a.m.)

Morgan Mackenzie,
Legislative Services Coordinator

John McEwen, Chair

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