

**GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD) Electoral Area Committee held at 9:05 AM on Thursday, April 05, 2012 in the 2nd Floor Boardroom, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

PRESENT:

Chair, Director Maria Harris, Electoral Area A
Director Brenda Broughton, Lions Bay
Director Heather Deal, Vancouver (arrived at 9:07 a.m.)
Director Mae Reid, Coquitlam
Director Deb Walters, Pitt Meadows

ABSENT:

Vice Chair, Director Tim Stevenson, Vancouver
Director Marvin Hunt, Surrey

STAFF:

Jim Rusnak, Interim Deputy Commissioner/Interim Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Administrative Officer's Department
Christina DeMarco, Regional Development Division Manager, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department
Klara Kutakova, Assistant to Regional Committees, Board Secretariat and Corporate Information Department

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- 1.1. April 5, 2012 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee:

- a) amend the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for April 5, 2012 as follows:
 - i. by adding item 5.6 Regional District of North Okanagan - Annexation Impact Study Funding Request;
 - ii. by withdrawing item 6.2 Continuing the Dialogue on UBC Governance Issues;
 - iii. by adding item 7.1 Adventure West Services Application; and
- b) adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES
- 2.1. February 9, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

9:07 a.m. Director Deal arrived at the meeting.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held February 9, 2012 as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

3. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

5.1. Appointment of the Electoral Area Advisory Planning Commission Members

Report dated March 13, 2012 from Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, seeking appointment of Electoral Area Advisory Planning Commission (APC) members for a two-year term starting May 2012.

Members were briefed about challenges surrounding the appointment of a Bowyer Island representative. The APC bylaw stipulates that members of the Commission shall be residents or owners of property within the portion of Electoral Area A. Only one person is eligible as a resident and the unique corporate ownership structure of the lands on Bowyer Island prevents individual share owners to hold the office.

Discussion ensued on other means of representation from Bowyer Island. The Committee proposed that the Bowyer Island resident and share owners be invited to appoint a representative, who would be eligible to participate in discussions but not to vote.

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to send a letter to the Bowyer Island resident and share owners, inviting them to appoint a non-voting member to the Electoral Area Advisory Planning Commission.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board:

- a) appoint the following persons as members of the Electoral Area Advisory Planning Commission for the 2012 - 2014 term:

John Lee	representing Montizambert Wynd
Jane Maisonville-Phillips	representing Ocean Point
John Russell	representing Barnston Island
Elmer Froese	representing Upper Indian Arm
Kelly Petersen	representing Pitt Lake
Jim Huffman	representing Passage Island

- b) request the Chair to write to the previous members of the Advisory Planning Commission thanking them for their work.

CARRIED

5.2. Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Board of Variance Amending Bylaw No. 1166, 2012

Report dated March 7, 2012 from Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, seeking amendment to the Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Board of Variance Bylaw No. 1102, 2008.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board:

- a) introduce and give first, second and third reading to "Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Board of Variance Amending Bylaw No. 1166, 2012"; and
- b) reconsider, pass and finally adopt "Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Board of Variance Amending Bylaw No. 1166, 2012".

CARRIED

5.3. Electoral Area A Website Update

Report dated March 13, 2012 from Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, reporting back on a request made by the Electoral Area Committee to improve communication resources available on the Electoral Area A website.

Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, presented the Electoral Area A website updates.

Presentation material is retained with the April 5, 2012 Electoral Area Committee agenda.

Members suggested the following regarding the website:

- replace the existing three subheadings with a subheading for each Electoral Area A community (create a page for each Electoral Area A community with a community and service profile)
- provide a link to recent Committee and Board decisions pertaining to Electoral Area A

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee receive for information the report dated March 13, 2012, titled "Electoral Area A Website Update" and direct staff to update the Electoral Area A website as suggested by the Committee at its April 5, 2012 meeting.

CARRIED

5.4. Manager's Report

Report dated March 13, 2012 from Christina DeMarco, Regional Development Division Manager, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, providing an update on the Committee's workplan and informing about the following:

- Barnston Island Diking District Annual General Meeting
- Say Nuth Khaw Yum Heritage Park/Indian Arm Provincial Park
- Greater Vancouver Water District Services to University Endowment Lands

Regarding the Barnston Island Diking District, members were informed that a response was not yet received from the Province regarding their involvement in the diking district technical studies.

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to follow up with the Province regarding their involvement in the diking district technical study.

Members considered what role should Metro Vancouver take to support farming and the farming community on Barnston Island. The Committee emphasized the importance of gaining a comprehensive understanding of the issue prior to meeting with the residents. It was also reiterated that the discussion should be focused on rebuilding of a vibrant farming community on Barnston Island and Metro Vancouver's role in regards to the regional park.

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to invite the Electoral Area A Director to future meetings with Electoral Area A community groups.

Discussion ensued on the rationale for the 20% mark up for water supplied to University Endowment Lands residents. The Committee agreed to maintain the status quo until after the UBC/UEL governance review is concluded.

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to report back to the Committee on financial implications of the UEL water rate changes for the region and refer the information to the governance review.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee receive for information the report dated March 13, 2012, titled "Manager's Report".

CARRIED

5.5. Final Readings and Adoption of Electoral Area A Zoning Bylaw No. 1144, 2011

Report dated March 30, 2012 from Jason Smith, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, informing of the outcome of the public hearing, proposing minor changes to the proposed Electoral Area A Zoning Bylaw, and recommending final readings and adoption of the bylaw.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board:

- a) Amend Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Zoning Bylaw No. 1144, 2011 by:
 - i. Changing the heading of section 213 from "Setbacks from Non-Tidal Waters" to "Setbacks from Non-Tidal Waters (including Pitt Lake)";
 - ii. Replacing, in section 215, the reference to "Section 302(a)" with "Section 302";
 - iii. Replacing Map 10 – Montizambert Wynd with the corrected version included as Attachment 2;
- b) Give third reading, as amended, to Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Zoning Bylaw No. 1144, 2011; and
- c) Reconsider, pass and finally adopt Greater Vancouver Regional District Electoral Area A Zoning Bylaw No. 1144, 2011.

CARRIED

5.6. Regional District of North Okanagan - Annexation Impact Study Funding Request

On-table correspondence dated March 12, 2012 from Patrick Nicol, Board Chair, Regional District of North Okanagan, to Greg Moore, Chair, Metro Vancouver Board, seeking a contribution of \$900 toward a study on the cumulative impacts of annexations on electoral areas.

Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee support the request from the Regional District of North Okanagan for funding for the annexation study in the amount of \$900, which will be funded from the existing Electoral Area budget.

Amendment to the Main Motion

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee forward the consideration of the funding for the annexation study in the amount of \$900 to the Board and direct staff to provide the Board with additional information on benefits to Metro Vancouver and sources of funding.

DEFEATED

In response to inquiries, members were informed that the study appears to have limited value to the Electoral Area A and would not have any implications to other Metro Vancouver departments.

Question on the Main Motion as Amended

Question was called on the Main Motion as amended and it was

DEFEATED

Request of Staff

Staff was requested to forward the letter to the Board as an information item.

INFORMATION ITEMS

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1. Metro Vancouver - Electoral Area A Director, Membership on Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation

Correspondence dated March 2, 2012 from Maria Harris, Director, Electoral Area A, to the Honourable Christy Clark, Premier of British Columbia, regarding membership of Metro Vancouver Electoral Area A Director on Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation.

6.2. Continuing the Dialogue on UBC Governance Issues

Pursuant to item 1.1 Adoption of the Agenda, this item was withdrawn.

OTHER BUSINESS

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Adventure West Services Application

Members were briefed about a letter received by Lions Bay from the Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resource Operations, advising Lions Bay of their intention to approve Adventure West Services Inc's application for a licence of occupation for the purposes of guided canopy tours. Concerns were expressed that the tenure is planned to be approved without addressing issues raised by Lions Bay.

Concerns were expressed about a Montizambert Wynd road being closed by a filming crew without public signage.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

8. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

No items presented.

ADJOURNMENT

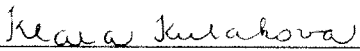
9. ADJOURNMENT

9.1. April 5, 2012 Regular Meeting Adjournment

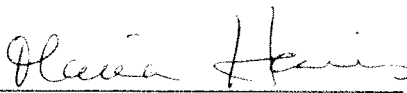
It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee conclude its regular meeting of April 5, 2012.

CARRIED
(Time: 10:36 a.m.)



Klara Kutakova,
Assistant to Regional Committees



Maria Harris, Chair