

**GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD) Electoral Area Committee held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2012 in the 2nd Floor Boardroom, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia.

PRESENT:

Chair, Director Maria Harris, Electoral Area A
Vice Chair, Director Tim Stevenson, Vancouver (arrived at 9:18 a.m.)
Director Brenda Broughton, Lions Bay
Director Heather Deal, Vancouver
Director Marvin Hunt, Surrey
Director Deb Walters, Pitt Meadows

ABSENT:

Director Mae Reid, Coquitlam

STAFF:

Delia Laglagaron, Interim Commissioner/Interim 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

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

1.1 February 9, 2012 Regular Meeting Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee:

- a) amend the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for February 9, 2012 by:
 - i. replacing in item 5.1 Electoral Area Committee Priorities for 2012, Attachment 1 – Electoral Area Committee Terms of Reference;
 - ii. adding item 6.1 UBC Regional Context Statement and Local Governance; and
- b) adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2.1 October 7, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee adopt the minutes of its regular meeting held October 7, 2011 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS

No items presented.

4. INVITED PRESENTATIONS

No items presented.

5. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE OR STAFF

5.1 Electoral Area Committee Priorities for 2012

Report dated January 20, 2012, from Christina DeMarco, Regional Development Division Manager, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, providing the Committee with its terms of reference and key priorities for the year 2012.

On-table replacement Attachment 1 - Terms of Reference and presentation material is retained with the February 9, 2012 Electoral Area Committee agenda.

Discussion ensued and/or comments were provided on:

- clarification on a development on the Electoral Area A Lions Bay border
- the need to communicate with neighbouring communities about plans/activities in Electoral Area A that will affect these communities
- enhancements of the Electoral Area A website; users of the website
- issues in various parts of Electoral Area A, such as population growth at UBC/UEL, election issues on Bowyer Island, increasing number of primary dwellings, Montizambert Wynd access road and water service issues, Montizambert Wynd, Ocean Point and Barnston Island fire issues, buildings in a poor state of repair on Barnston Island
- status of Agricultural Land Reserve land on Barnston Island

9:18 a.m.

Director Stevenson arrived at the meeting.

In response to comments, members were informed about the following:

- an overview of the Metro Vancouver regulatory roles in Electoral Area A is provided on the Metro Vancouver website
- riparian setbacks will be regulated through the new zoning bylaw
- with the exception of the UBC/UEL area, fire and water services are not provided in Electoral Area A

Comments provided by members regarding the Electoral Area A web page:

- it is difficult to navigate to the Electoral Area A web page
- it would be beneficial to include on the web page backgrounders on issues considered by the Committee/staff in the past and the outcomes
- the communication on the web page is intended to serve both – the internal and external stakeholders

Committee members were invited to provide the Electoral Area Committee Chair or staff with comments and suggestions on the Electoral Area A web page.

Members agreed to amend the 2012 Electoral Area Committee workplan as follows:

- the 2nd quarter – include “provide an update on communication resources that are available on the Electoral Area A website”
- the 2nd quarter – include “outline a communication plan for Electoral Area A”
- the 4th quarter – include “provide progress report on communication in Electoral Area A”

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee endorse the workplan as set out in Attachment 3 to the report dated January 20, 2012, titled “Electoral Area Committee Priorities for 2012” and as amended by the Committee at its February 9, 2012 meeting.

CARRIED

5.2 Board of Variance Membership Appointments

Report dated January 20, 2012, from Tom Pearce, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, seeking the appointment of Board of Variance members based on recommendations received from the Director of the Electoral Area.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board appoint the following persons as members of the Electoral Area A Board of Variance for a three-year term:

- Brian Collins
- Jennifer Sandy
- Michael Linton

CARRIED

5.3 UBC Liquor Licence Application – Extension of hours at the Gallery Lounge

Report dated January 11, 2012, from Jason Smith, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, commenting on a Liquor Licence Application received from the UBC Alma Mater Society.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Board support the application by the University of British Columbia Alma Mater Society to change the opening hours of operation at the Gallery Lounge to 9:00 a.m., two hours earlier than the current opening time of 11:00 a.m., with the condition that no liquor be served prior to 11:00 a.m.

CARRIED

5.4 Public Hearing for Electoral Area A Zoning Bylaw

Report dated January 16, 2012, from Jason Smith, Regional Planner, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, recommending a public hearing date for the Electoral Area Committee on Greater Vancouver Regional District Bylaw No. 1144, 2011.

Due to a conflict with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board meeting and other commitments, members requested that an alternate date be considered for the public hearing.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee set March 29, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. as the date and time for the Public Hearing on Greater Vancouver Regional District Bylaw No. 1144, 2011.

CARRIED

Director Deal absent at the vote.

5.5 2012 Electoral Area Committee Meeting Dates

Report dated January 17, 2012, from Paulette Vetleson, Corporate Secretary/Manager, Board Secretariat and Corporate Information Department, proposing the 2012 Electoral Area Committee regular meeting dates.

It was suggested that the proposed September 2012 meeting be rescheduled to October.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee:

a) establish the day, hour and place for its 2012 regular meetings as follows:

Day and Hour

Thursday, February 9	9:00 am
Thursday, April 5	9:00 am
Thursday, June 7	9:00 am
Thursday, November 8	9:00 am

Place

Meetings will be held in the 2nd floor boardroom, 4330 Kingsway, Burnaby, British Columbia unless otherwise specified on the Metro Vancouver public notice board, Metro Vancouver website, and the respective agenda.

b) direct staff to canvass Committee members on availability for an October 2012 Electoral Area Committee meeting.

CARRIED

Director Deal absent at the vote.

5.6 Manager's Report

Report dated January 23, 2012, from Christina DeMarco, Regional Development Division Manager, Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks Department, informing about the ministerial response on UBC governance and about the Barnston Island Diking District funding request to the provincial/federal Flood Protection Program and providing an update on the Barnston Island Diking District proposed transfer.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee receive for information the report dated January 23, 2012, titled "Manager's Report".

CARRIED

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 UBC Regional Context Statement and Local Governance

On-table correspondence dated September 6, 2011 from Director Lois E. Jackson, Chair, Metro Vancouver Board, to the Honourable Ida Chong, Minister, Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, regarding challenges regarding the provision of Metro Vancouver comments on the University of British Columbia Regional Context Statement and its approval by the Province on March 1, 2011.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee receive for information the correspondence dated September 6, 2011, titled "UBC Regional Context Statement and Local Governance".

CARRIED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

No items presented.

8. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE MEETING

No items presented.

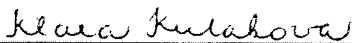
9. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

That the Electoral Area Committee conclude its regular meeting of February 9, 2012.

CARRIED

(Time: 10:11 a.m.)



Klara Kutakova,
Assistant to Regional Committees



Maria Harris, Chair