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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK



15322 BUENA VISTA AVENUE, WHITE ROCK, B.C. V4B 1Y6

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A REGULAR MEETING of CITY COUNCIL will be held in the CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS located at 15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock, BC, on July 13, 2020 to begin at 7:00 p.m. for the transaction of business as listed below.

The City of White Rock is committed to the health and safety of our community. In keeping with Ministerial Order No. M192 from the Province of British Columbia, City Council meetings will take place without the public in attendance at this time until further notice.

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T. Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration

AGENDA

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1.1. FIRST NATIONS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to recognize that we are standing/working/meeting on the traditional unceded territory of the Semiahmoo First Nation, and also wish to acknowledge the broader territory of the Coast Salish Peoples.

1.2 SPECIAL RECOGNITION: HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS Council to honour Health Care Workers and First Responders who are the heroes of this global pandemic.

1.3 MOTION TO HOLD THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING PUBLIC VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS

RECOMMENDATION

WHEREAS COVID-19 has been declared a global pandemic;

WHEREAS the City of White Rock has been able to continue to provide the public access to the meetings through live streaming;

WHEREAS holding public meetings in the City Hall Council Chambers, where all the audio/video equipment has been set up for the live streaming program, would not be possible without breaching physical distancing restrictions due to its size, and holding public meetings at the White Rock Community Centre would cause further financial impact to City Operations due to staffing resources and not enable live streaming;

WHEREAS Ministerial Order No. 192 requires Council carry a motion in order to hold public meetings electronically, without members of the public present in person at the meeting;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorizes the City of White Rock to hold the July 13, 2020 Regular Council meeting streamed on the City's website, and without the public present in the Council Chambers.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the agenda for its regular meeting scheduled for July 13, 2020 as circulated.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) June 29, 2020 – Regular Meeting

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopt the following meeting minutes as circulated:

a) June 29, 2020 – Regular Meeting

4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

4.1 CHAIRPERSON CALLS FOR SPEAKERS TO QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, Question and Answer Period in-person has been temporarily suspended until further notice. You may forward questions and comments to Mayor and Council by emailing <u>ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca</u> with **Question and Answer Period** noted in the subject line. Your questions and comments will be noted along with answers and placed on the City's website. You will be notified directly once this has been completed. **Page 20**

The following correspondence was received by 8:30 a.m., July 8, 2020, with respect to Question and Answer Period:

- a) F. Hern, question regarding social distancing at the waterfront
- b) Staff response to F. Hern regarding social distancing at the waterfront

Note: there are to be no questions or comments on a matter that will be the subject of a public hearing (time between the public hearing and final consideration of the bylaw).

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive for information the correspondence submitted for Question and Answer Period by 8:30 a.m., July 13, 2020 including "On-Table" information provided with staff responses that are available at the time.

Note: Answers not provided at the meeting will be provided to the person who submitted the question and the information will be placed on the City website with a copy forwarded to City Council.

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5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

5.1 **DELEGATIONS**

Due to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic, <u>in-person</u> Delegations will be temporarily postponed/suspended until further notice. **If you wish to appear as a delegation electronically in the future**, please continue to submit your application to <u>ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca</u> or call 604-541-2212 to register.

5.1a <u>JEAN-PAUL KAMAND, SANDCASTLE FITNESS, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY</u> <u>EMPLOYER PLAN SUPPORTING REOPENING DURING COVID-19–</u> <u>VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS</u>

JP. Kamand, Sandcastle Fitness, to provide a delegation regarding Equal Opportunity Employer Plan supporting Reopening during COVID-19.

5.2 <u>PETITIONS</u>

None

- 6. PRESENTATIONS AND CORPORATE REPORTS
- 6.1 **PRESENTATIONS**

6.1a <u>JANET ANDREWS, NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL</u> <u>REGARDING EMEGENCY FUNDING FOR MUNICIPALITIES AND PUBLIC</u> <u>TRANSIT – VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS</u>

J. Andrews, New Westminster District Labour Council, presenting for Council's consideration a resolution regarding the Emergency Funding for Municipalities and Public Transit.

Note: Correspondence dated June 28, 2020 attached for information purposes.

The proposed resolution reads as follows:

BECAUSE our local city and town councils, big or small, rural or urban are on the front lines of some of the most pressing challenges facing Canada;

BECAUSE municipal workers are on the front lines delivering the public services that keep us safe during the COVID-19 crisis;

BECAUSE municipal revenues are collapsing and unanticipated costs are soaring;

BECAUSE without financial help, cities and towns will be forced to cut vital local services our families and communities rely on;

BECAUSE public transportation makes our communities more livable, accessible and fights climate change;

The City of White Rock strongly urges the federal and provincial governments to provide emergency operating funds to protect vital local services, including public transportation and emergency services.

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6.2 <u>CORPORATE REPORTS</u>

6.2.1 <u>COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC (VERBAL UPDATE)</u>

Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief to provide a verbal update regarding the COVID-19 Global Pandemic.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receives the verbal report from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief regarding the COVID-19 Global Pandemic for information.

6.2.2 <u>REOPENING BEACH FRONT FOOD CART CONCESSIONS ON THE PROMENADE</u>

Corporate report dated July 13, 2020 from the Director of Recreation and Culture titled "Reopening Beach Front Food Card Concessions on the Promenade". Page 26

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve issuing licenses for up to five (5) food cart operators to reopen at the White Rock Promenade effective Wednesday, July 15, 2020.

6.2.3 <u>PLANNING PROCEDURES BYLAW AMENDMENTS FOR ELECTRONIC PUBLIC</u> <u>INFORMATION MEETINGS, AND LIMITED IN-PERSON PUBLIC INFORMATION</u> <u>MEETINGS</u> Page 30

Corporate report dated July 13, 2020 from the Director of Planning and Development Services titled "Planning Procedures Bylaw Amendments for Electronic Public Information Meetings, and Limited In-Person Public Information Meetings".

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

- 1. Provides direction to staff regarding the use of digital/electronic Public Information Meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- 2. Supports the hosting of limited in-person Public Information Meetings subject to the implementation of measures that will uphold public safety and meet restrictions on public gatherings as established by the Province.

6.2.4 CONSIDERATION OF LIQUOR CONSUMPTION AT MEMORIAL PARK PLAZA

Corporate report dated July 13, 2020 from the Director of Planning and Development Services titled "Consideration of Liquor Consumption at Memorial Park Plaza". Page 34

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council direct staff to distribute the corporate report, titled "Consideration of Liquor Consumption at Memorial Park Plaza" to the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force for consideration at its meeting on July 14, 2020, and to seek recommendations from the Task Force.

6.2.5 <u>15894 ROPER AVENUE – COMPLETION OF FINAL ADOPTION PRE-REQUISITES</u> (ZON, MJP & DVP, 18-006) Page 54

Corporate report dated July 13, 2020 from the Director of Planning and Development Services titled "15894 Roper Avenue – Completion of Final Adoption Pre-Requisites (ZON, MJP & DVP, 18-006)".

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive the July 13, 2020, corporate report from the Director of Planning and Development Services, titled "15894 Roper Avenue – Completion of Final Adoption Pre-Requisites (ZON, MJP & DVP, 18-006)."

7. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES

7.1 <u>STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE MINUTES</u>

Governance and Legislation Committee – June 29, 2020
Covid-19 Recovery Task Force – June 30, 2020

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive for information the following standing and select committee meeting minutes as circulated:

- a) Governance and Legislation Committee June 29, 2020; and
- b) COVID-19 Recovery Task Force June 30, 2020.

7.2 <u>STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS</u> None

8. BYLAWS AND PERMITS

8.1 <u>BYLAWS</u>

8.1.1 <u>BYLAW 2348 – WHITE ROCK DEFERRAL 2020 PROPERTY TAX SALE AND</u> <u>EXTENSION OF PROPERTY TAX SALE REDEMPTION DATE BYLAW, 2020,</u> <u>NO. 2348</u> Page 64

Bylaw 2348 proposes to defer the 2020 Property Tax Sale ad to extend the Property Tax Sale Redemption date. This bylaw received first, second and third reading at the June 29, 2020 Regular meeting and is presented for consideration of final reading.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council give final reading to "Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date Bylaw, 2020, No. 2348".

8.1.2 <u>BYLAW 2350 - CITY OF WHITE ROCK PLANNING PROCEDURES BYLAW, 2017,</u> <u>NO. 2234, AMENDMENT (ELECTRONIC PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS)</u> <u>BYLAW, 2020, NO. 2350</u> Page 65

Bylaw 2350 proposes to enable digital Public Information Meetings (PIM) for private property applicants, and also seeks support from Council to schedule limited, in-person, meetings through the implementation of measures that will ensure the health and safety of the public is upheld. This bylaw is presented for consideration of first, second, and third reading.

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council give first, second, and third reading to "*City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw*, 2017, No. 2234, Amendment (Electronic Public Information Meetings) Bylaw, 2020, No. 2350".

8.1.3 <u>BYLAW 2310 - WHITE ROCK ZONING BYLAW 2012, NO. 2000, AMENDMENT</u> (RS-4 – 15894 ROPER AVENUE) BYLAW, 2019, NO. 2310 Page 66

Bylaw 2310 is brought forward for consideration of final adoption as the conditions of the City have been met. The corporate report regarding Bylaw 2310 noted earlier in the agenda as item 6.2.5 confirms the satisfaction of issues necessary in order to advance final adoption of a zoning bylaw amendment and the issuance of a related development variance permit and a major development permit. The applications, if approved, will enable the construction of two single detached dwellings in place of a, recently demolished, duplex.

This bylaw received first and second reading at the September 30, 2019 Regular meeting, was the subject of a public hearing and received third reading at the October 21, 2019 Regular meeting, and is presented for consideration of final reading. This bylaw was the subject of a corporate report noted earlier in the agenda as Item 6.2.5.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council give final reading to "White Rock Zoning Bylaw 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (RS-4 – 15894 Roper Avenue) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2310".

8.2 <u>PERMITS</u>

PERMITS REGARDING 15894 ROPER AVENUE

These following permits are presented for consideration of approval pending Council's decision of **Bylaw 2310** prior to this item. These permits were also subject to the corporate report noted as Item 6.2.5.

a. <u>DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT NO. 424</u>

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 424 for 15894 Roper Avenue.

b. <u>DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 425</u>

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve Development Permit No. 425 for 15894 Roper Avenue.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 CORRESPONDENCE - RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION

Note: Further action on the following correspondence items may be considered. Council may request that any item be brought forward for discussion, and may propose a motion of action on the matter.

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive the following correspondence for information (items 9.1.1-9.1.3):

- 9.1.1 Carbon copy of letter dated June 30, 2020 from Mayor Elliott, District of Squamish, to the Provincial government and the Co-Chair of the Local Government Contract Management Committee, requesting action on reforming funding models for public safety and community health in the Province of B.C.
- 9.1.2 Letter dated July 2, 2020 from D. Grove, President of the Victoria Electric Vehicle (EV) Association, regarding the Right to Charge – Access to EV charging in multiple unit residential buildings (MURBs) and meeting municipal GHG reduction targets
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- **9.1.3** Email dated July 2, 2020 from J. Justason, UBCM, proposing revisions to streamline the City's submitted resolution submitted for the 2020 UBCM Conference regarding a proposed Vacancy Tax for commercial and residential spaces by the City of White Rock on June 30, 2020 Page 92

Staff confirmed with UBCM that revisions to the submitted resolution will not be considered late as the City of White Rock's letter was submitted by the original deadline. **Confirmation of any amendments must be received by the City of White Rock on July 14, 2020**. A copy of the letter sent by the City on June 30, 2020 is attached for reference purposes.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve the proposed revisions to the City of White Rock's submitted resolution regarding a proposed vacancy tax for commercial and residential spaces, as suggested by UBCM in their email dated July 2, 2020:

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver has authority through the *Vancouver Charter* to implement an Annual Vacancy Tax;

WHEREAS other municipalities are the City of White Rock is governed through the *Community Charter* where there is no current authority to implement a Vacancy Tax and it is believed that there are a number of vacant residential and commercial properties in the City of White Rock:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT UBCM work with the Province of British Columbia to amend the authority given to **municipalities** Local Governments through the *Community Charter* permitting municipalities the authority to impose, by 2 bylaw, an annual vacancy tax on taxable residential and commercial properties, and that the criteria and administrative requirements be similar to those of the *Vancouver Charter*.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS

10.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

10.2 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

10.2.1 METRO VANCOUVER BOARD IN BRIEF

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receives for information the July 3, 2020 Metro Vancouver Board in Brief document.

11. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION

- 11.1 <u>MOTIONS</u> None
- 11.2 <u>NOTICES OF MOTION</u> None

12. <u>RELEASE OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED COUNCIL MEETINGS</u> None

- 13. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>
- 14. CONCLUSION OF THE JULY 13, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of City of White Rock Council held in the City Hall Council Chambers June 29, 2020

PRESENT:	Mayor Walker
	Councillor Chesney
	Councillor Fathers
	Councillor Johanson
	Councillor Kristjanson
	Councillor Manning
	Councillor Trevelyan
STAFF:	G. Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer
	T. Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration
	J. Gordon, Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations
	C. Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services
	C. Ponzini, Director of Financial Services
	E. Wolfe. Fire Chief
	S. Lam, Deputy Corporate Officer (via electronic means)
	The City of White Rock is committed to the health and safety of our community. In
	keeping with Ministerial Order No. M192 from the Province of British Columbia, City
	Council meetings will take place without the public in attendance at this time until
	further notice.

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

1.1. FIRST NATIONS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Walker noted the following:

We would like to recognize that we are standing/working/meeting on the traditional unceded territory of the Semiahmoo First Nation, and also wish to acknowledge the broader territory of the Coast Salish Peoples.

1.2

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

Council honoured Health Care Workers and First Responders who are the heroes of this global pandemic.

1.3 MOTION TO HOLD THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING PUBLIC VIA ELECTRONIC MEANS

2020-350 It was MOVED and SECONDED WHEREAS COVID-19 has been declared a global pandemic;

WHEREAS the City of White Rock has been able to continue to provide the public access to the meetings through live streaming;

WHEREAS holding public meetings in the City Hall Council Chambers, where all the audio/video equipment has been set up for the live streaming program, would not be possible without breaching physical distancing restrictions due to its size, and holding public meetings at the White Rock Community Centre would cause further financial impact to City Operations due to staffing resources and not enable live streaming;

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CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2020-351 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council amends the agenda for its June 29, 2020 regular meeting by adding the following:

- Adding to Item 4: Question and Answer Period Responses;
- Adding to Item 9.1.3: Joint letter signed by member municipalities with respect to Homelessness;
- Adding new Item 13.1, under Other Business, letter regarding a proposed UBCM resolution and the White Rock Farmers' Market; and
- Adding to Item Dogs on the promenade. 6.2.5; And adopts the agenda as amended

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a) June 15, 2020 Regular Meeting
- b) June 22, 2020 Public Hearing (Bylaw 2287)

2020-352 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council adopts the following meeting minutes as circulated:

- June 15, 2020 Regular Meeting; and
- June 22, 2020 Public Hearing (Bylaw 2287).

CARRIED

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4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, Question and Answer Period in person has been temporarily suspended until further notice. You may forward questions and comments to Mayor and Council by emailing <u>ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca</u> with **Question and Answer Period** noted in the subject line. Your questions and comments will be noted along with answers and placed on the City's website. You will be notified directly once this has been completed.

The following correspondence was received by 8:30 a.m., June 24, 2020, with respect to Question and Answer Period:

- a) C.S., resident, questions regarding:
 - 1. Reopening of Coldicutt Ravine;
 - 2. Question and Answer Period; and
 - 3. Request to consider installation of speedbumps on Nichol Road off of Marine Drive

2020-353 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receives for information the correspondence submitted for Question and Answer Period by 8:30 a.m., June 29, 2020 including "On-Table" information provided with staff responses that are available at the time.

CARRIED

Staff reported the following information in relation to Coldicutt Ravine:

- Transport Canada does not want people to be on the trail
- Emergency access only by the Fire Department
- It will remain closed until further notice at Council's decision

Staff will report back in the Fall with further details of mitigation and how to move forward.

With respect to speed bumps, it was noted that speed and pedestrian counts are factored into deciding if they are required. These details will be included with the Master Transportation plan.

Note: Answers not provided at the meeting will be provided to the person who submitted the question and the information will be placed on the City website with a copy forwarded to City Council.

4.1 CHAIRPERSON CALLS FOR SPEAKERS TO QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

5.1 <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, Delegations will be temporarily postponed / suspended until further notice. If you wish to appear as a delegation in the future, please continue to submit your application to <u>ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca</u> or call 604 541 2212 and staff will keep you updated on when Delegations will resume.

5.2 <u>PETITIONS</u>

2020-354 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receives the petition dated June 16, 2020 containing 12 signatures under the following statement:

"Petition to stop cement being poured and to reverse the Bus Stop Accessibility Improvement at 13805 Marine Drive: The project consists of laying down an additional 8m x 1.5m cement pad to the existing bus stop. We believe this project is excessive for this bus stop considering it is already wheelchair accessible and the ridership at this stop is very limited since this stop services only one local shuttle bus for the City of White Rock. We petition to stop the any further development here and stop wasting unnecessary taxpayer funds".

CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS AND CORPORATE REPORTS

6.1 <u>PRESENTATIONS</u>

6.1a ALEX NIXON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WHITE ROCK BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION (BIA): COVID-19

A. Nixon, Executive Director, White Rock BIA, provided an update through PowerPoint regarding the impacts of COVID-19 on White Rock businesses and the plan for moving forward/recovery.

It was noted that Council would like to see the "Welcome Package" described in the PowerPoint. Mr. Nixon informed that it is currently in the process of development, they are working with the City and the South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce.

6.2 <u>CORPORATE REPORTS</u>

6.2.1

COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC (VERBAL UPDATE)

The Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief provided a verbal update regarding the COVID-19 global pandemic and noted local and global statistics.

BC is moving into Phase 3 which addresses hotels, camping, and in-province travel.

2020-355 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council directs staff to reopen the Waterfront Parkade. once all requirements to be addressed that the City's internal COVID reopening committee have discussed are addressed.

DEFEATED

Councillors Chesney, Fathers, Johanson and Mayor voted in the negative

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	Chief Wolfe reported that there are a number of public and safety measures be addressed before the West Beach Parkade can open again.	that need to
2020-355	<u>It was MOVED and SECONDED</u> THAT Council directs staff to remove the blue rental fencing from the water Councillors Chesney, Mayor Walker voted in	CARRIED Manning and
2020-355	<u>It was MOVED and SECONDED</u> THAT Council receives the June 29, 2020 verbal report from the Chief Adn Officer and the Fire Chief regarding the COVID-19 global pandemic for inf	
6.2.2	STREET SWEEPER REPLACEMENT PURCHASE Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Engineering and Department Street Sweeper Replacement Purchase".	Municipal
2020-356	<u>It was MOVED and SECONDED</u> That Council approves the purchase of a 2020 Elgin Whirlwind Pure Vacuur Sweeper from Vimar Equipment Ltd. in the amount of \$413,685 (excluding Councillors Kristjanson and Trevelyan voted in	GST). <u>CARRIED</u>
6.2.3	DEFER 2020 PROPERTY TAX SALE AND EXTEND PROPERTY TA REDEMPTION DATE Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Financial Service "Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption I	es titled
2020-357	It was MOVED and SECONDED THAT Council receives the corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the D Financial Services titled "Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Redemption Date".	y Tax Sale
		<u>CARRIED</u>
6.2.4	PARKING ENFORCEMENT Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Financial Service "Parking Enforcement".	s titled
2020-358	It was MOVED and SECONDED THAT Council:	
	 Approves an increase of \$10K in equipment operating costs for addition enforcement to be funded from the operating contingency budget; and Considers the possibility of a city-wide parking review through its strate planning discussions. 	

CARRIED

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6.2.5 DOGS ON THE PROMENADE PILOT PROJECT SURVEY RESULTS Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Development Services titled "Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey Results".

2020-359 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council:

- 1. Directs staff to distribute the corporate report, titled "Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey Results" to the Dogs on the Promenade Task Force for their consideration at a future Task Force meeting; and
- 2. Authorizes staff to request individual written comments from the members of the Dogs on the Promenade Task Force with their observations and recommendations regarding the future of the dogs on the promenade, to be submitted prior to August 31, 2020.

CARRIED

7. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES

7.1 <u>STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE MINUTES</u> None

- 7.2 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS None
- 8. BYLAWS AND PERMITS
- 8.1 <u>BYLAWS</u>

8.1.1 <u>BYLAW 2287 – WHITE ROCK ZONING BYLAW, 2012, NO. 2000,</u> <u>AMENDMENT (CD-62 – 1453 STAYTE ROAD) BYLAW, 2019, NO. 2287</u> Bylaw 2287 proposes amendments to the White Rock Zoning Bylaw that would allow a 49 unit, four-storey, multi-unit residential building at 1453 Stayte Road.

This bylaw received first and second reading at the April 20, 2020 regular Council meeting and was the subject of a Public Hearing held on June 22, 2020. This bylaw is presented for consideration of third reading at this time.

Council adopted the following resolution requiring conditions be met prior to consideration of final reading of proposed Bylaw No. 2287:

- a) Ensure that all engineering requirements and issues, including registration of a 2.0 metre statutory right of way on the Stayte Road frontage and completion of a servicing agreement, are addressed to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations; and
- b) Registration of a Section 219 restrictive covenant for Community Amenities.

The following comments in opposition were noted by some members of Council:

- Majority of the submissions in response to the application were opposed
- Traffic and parking concerns due to the location of the project
- Not in support of spot zoning
- Would like to see a project with lower heights, such as townhomes
- The proposed units do not fit within the affordable housing component

The following comments in support were noted by some members of Council:

- The development offers a good range of units
- The proposal is a good fit for the area
- Support expressed for the design of the project
- The building is wood-framed, and affordable

2020-360 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council gives third reading to "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CD-62 – 1453 Stayte Road) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2287".

DEFEATED

Councillors Johanson, Kristjanson, Manning and Trevelyan voted in the negative

8.1.2 <u>BYLAW 2348 – WHITE ROCK DEFERRAL 2020 PROPERTY TAX SALE AND</u> EXTENSION OF PROPERTY TAX SALE REDEMPTION DATE BYLAW, 2020, NO. 2348

Bylaw 2348 proposes to defer the 2020 Property Tax Sale ad to extend the Property Tax Sale Redemption date. This bylaw is presented for consideration of first, second and third reading and was the subject of a corporate report noted earlier in the agenda as Item 6.2.3.

2020-361	It was MOVED and SECONDED
	THAT Council gives first, second, and third reading to "Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale
	and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date Bylaw 2020 No. 2348"

CARRIED

8.2 <u>PERMITS</u>

None

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 <u>CORRESPONDENCE - RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION</u>

2020-362 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT Council receives the following as noted in the agenda:

9.1.1 Letter received June 21, 2020 from the Volunteer Cancer Drivers Society advising that the service will be resuming June 22, 2020 following a closure due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, and advising that the organization has developed a "Comprehensive Infection and Control Policy" which can be viewed on the organization's website. Letter also expresses gratitude for the financial support provided by the City (a \$1,500 Grant-in-Aid was awarded to the Volunteer Cancer Drivers Society for 2020);

- 9.1.2 Response to correspondence dated June 15, 2020 from Surrey Schools regarding the City of White Rock's concerns with respect to pick-up and drop-off of students at Earl Marriott Secondary School. This matter has been referred to Surrey Schools staff and they will reach out to the City of White Rock for follow-up; and
- **9.1.3** Resolution and template letter received from the City of Port Moody requesting the City of White Rock's support in passing the same motion and forwarding a copy to the senior levels of government, including the on-table addition:

CARRIED

<u>Note:</u> Mayor Walker noted due to timing the letter requested by the City of Port Moody has been signed and forwarded (a copy was placed "On-Table") for information purposes.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS

10.1 <u>MAYOR'S REPORT</u>

Mayor Walker noted the following community events / information:

- June 21, Joint video-taping for National Indigenous Peoples Day
- June 22, Public Hearing
- June 23, State of All Communities Initiative
- June 23, South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Chamber Chat
- June 23, Facebook Live
- June 23, Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting
- June 25, TransLink Mayors Council
- June 25 South Surrey White Rock Chamber Town Hall
- June 26, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Rail Safety
- June 26, Fraser Health CAO COVID-19 Update
- Reminder: July 1 Canada Day Celebrations

10.2 <u>COUNCILLORS REPORTS</u>

Councillor Manning noted the following community events / information:

- June 16, South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Chamber Chat
- June 16, Facebook Live
- June 19, Governance in the Age Webinar
- June 23, South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Chamber Chat
- June 24, Climate Caucus

Councillor Fathers noted the following community events / information:

- Attended a South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Chamber Chat
- Metro Vancouver meetings
- Met with residents and attended the White Rock Farmers' Market

Councillor Kristjanson noted the following community events / information:

- June 17, Reopening of the Pier
- June 18, South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Chamber Chat
- June 18, Regional COVID-19 discussion with Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Premier
- June 23, South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Chamber Chat
- June 25, Meeting with MLA Redies and MP Findlay
- June 26, South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Chamber Chat and Business Improvement Association (BIA) COVID Town Hall

Councillor Chesney noted the following community events / information:

- June 16 and 23, Attended and Helped with the Free Lunch Program
- June 17, Fraser Valley Regional Library Meeting
- June 25, Meeting regarding Festival of Lights

Councillor Johanson noted the following community events / information:

- June 24, Bi-weekly Climate Caucus
- June 29, Bi-weekly Climate Caucus

Councillor Trevelyan noted the following community events / information:

- June 23, Facebook Live
- June 26, Working Group regarding Rail Safety and Rail Relocation

10.2.1 <u>METRO VANCOUVER BOARD IN BRIEF</u>

METRO VANCOUVER BOARD IN BRIEF – MAY 29, 2020

2020-363 <u>It was MOVED and SECONDED</u> THAT Council receives for information the May 29, 2020 Metro Vancouver Board in Brief document.

CARRIED

11. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION

11.1 <u>MOTIONS</u> None

None

11.2 <u>NOTICES OF MOTION</u>

Councillor Fathers requested the following motion be endorsed and forwarded to Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) for their action:

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2020-364 **It was MOVED and SECONDED** THAT Council considers at this time, due to the UBCM deadline of June 30th and endorses the following: FARMERS MARKETS AS AN ESSENTIAL SERVICE DURING ALL PROVINCIAL AND LOCAL STATES OF EMERGENCY WHEREAS farmers' markets are a key resource in addressing food security during an emergency by providing access to food quickly and efficiently; AND WHEREAS farmers' markets have not been consistently permitted to operate across the province during the COVID-19 pandemic: THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Union of BC Municipalities request that the Province take the necessary steps to ensure farmers' markets are identified as an essential service during all provincial and local states of emergency. CARRIED It was MOVED and SECONDED 2020-364 THAT Council endorses and directs staff to re-submit the resolution forwarded to UBCM for the 2019 conference regarding a proposed vacancy tax for commercial and residential properties for consideration. CARRIED **RELEASE OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED COUNCIL MEETINGS** 12. The following topics were the subject of a closed Council meeting on June 8, 2020. Corresponding materials have been released and are accessible on the City's website under Corporate Report Index: • Recruitment Update Report • 2020 Committee Appointments - COVID-19 Recovery Task Force (The list of appointed committee members can be found on the City's Committee page) The following two (2) topics were the subject of a closed Council meeting held June 22, 2020:

• COUNCIL STRATEGIC PRIORITY SETTING FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT

• CAO REVIEW INITIAL DISCUSSION

The following resolutions were adopted by Council at the June 22, 2020 closed meeting:

THAT Council directs staff to move forward with the following:

- Proceed with developing/updating a strategic plan;
- Hire a facilitator for the initial session; and
- Proceed booking workshops with Council to work on updating the strategic plan.

THAT Council directs staff to organize a governance workshop with Council.

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14. CONCLUSION OF THE JUNE 29, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 9:10 p.m.

Dother.

Deputy Mayor Kristjanson

Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration

From:	FERN HUGH
To:	Clerk"s Office
Subject:	Question and Answer Period
Date:	July 6, 2020 10:45:14 AM

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Wondering what is being done along Marine Drive regarding Social Distancing. In particular along East Beach. Last weekend line ups @ one of the fish n chip outlets, no social distancing was being practised by the business & we were forced to step off the curb into oncoming traffic in order just to by pass the lineup. Even then we were unable to be 2m apart from customers lined up.

I'm not sure if more signage up (reminders of the 2m apart) would help or if the city needs bylaw officers to remind public & businesses, especially on weekends.

Thank you

Sent from my iPad

Hi Jim and Emma,

Here's a draft response:

Bylaw Enforcement Officers do patrol the promenade and along Marine Drive and remind the public regarding practicing safe physical distancing, and the City has installed signage in the area to promote physical distancing. Businesses are encouraged to mark waiting areas and line-ups with safety cones, stickers or other temporary markings on the sidewalk to support physical distancing, and to have staff remind patrons to practice physical distancing between groups.

Marine Drive and the City's waterfront are popular destinations that attract many visitors, which may make it challenging to remain two metres from other people at all times. While outdoor transmission is less likely than indoor transmission, wearing a mask is a good option in situations where you cannot keep a safe distance from others, as noted by the Provincial Health Officer.

If there are particular concerns about a business' practices or their COVID-19 Safety Plan, Bylaw Enforcement Officers can be contacted at <u>bylaw@whiterockcity.ca</u> or 604-541-2146, and can follow up if necessary with WorkSafeBC or Fraser Health Authority depending on the nature of the issue.

Thanks, Carl

From: Jim Gordon
Jordon @whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: July 6, 2020 1:58 PM
To: Clerk's Office
ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Carl Isaak
Clsaak@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: RE: Response Required: Question and Answer Period July 13, 2020

Hi Carl:

I know there are signs up. Not sure what we can do or what the role of the Bylaw officers is??

Jlm

Jim Gordon P.Eng. Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations, City of White Rock 877 Keil Street, White Rock, BC V4B 4V6

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From: Clerk's Office <<u>ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca</u>>
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2020 10:55 AM
To: Jim Gordon <<u>JGordon@whiterockcity.ca</u>>
Cc: Carl Isaak <<u>Clsaak@whiterockcity.ca</u>>
Subject: Response Required: Question and Answer Period July 13, 2020

Good morning Jim,

Would you be able to provide a response to the following question/ comment? We would like to include this in the on-table package for the July 13, 2020 Council meeting so if you could return this back to the Clerk's Office by noon on July 10th that would be appreciated.

"Wondering what is being done along Marine Drive regarding Social Distancing. In particular along East Beach. Last weekend line ups @ one of the fish n chip outlets, no social distancing was being practised by the business & we were forced to step off the curb into oncoming traffic in order just to by pass the lineup. Even then we were unable to be 2m apart from customers lined up. I'm not sure if more signage up (reminders of the 2m apart) would help or if the city needs bylaw officers to remind public & businesses, especially on weekends."

Carl, if you have any additional comments as well please feel free to include them.

Thank you,

EMMA TUSON

Committee Clerk, Corporate Administration 15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock, BC V4B 1Y6 Tel: 604.541.2213 | <u>www.whiterockcity.ca</u>



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Chris Magnus

Sent: June 28, 2020 2:10 PM
To: Darryl Walker
Cc: New Westminster and District Labour Council
Subject: Fwd: Proposed motion for Local Governments - White Rock
Attachments: Emergency Op Funds motion - White Rock.pdf

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Dear Mayor Walker,

I trust this message finds you well.

I'm forwarding the message below from Cheryl Baron on behalf of NWDLC Secretary-Treasurer Janet Andrews along with the attached proposed motion in support of emergency funding for municipalities and public transit. We are hoping this can be presented at an upcoming council meeting.

The services provided by municipal governments are essential to our well being. As a resident of White Rock, I am particularly concerned about our city, but that does extend beyond our city limits to other municipalities in the Lower Mainland and, indeed, throughout Canada. Many municipalities are suffering financially and we must pull together to help each other.

If you or other members of Council or City Staff have any questions regarding this initiative or would like more information, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can also contact Secretary-Treasurer Janet Andrews.

In solidarity, Stephen Crozier

Stephen Crozier President, NWDLC 105-3920 Norland Avenue Burnaby, BC V5G 4K7 Phone: 604-291-9306 Email: presidentnwdlc@shaw.ca www.nwdlc.ca Facebook: nwdlc Twitter: @nwdlc



The New Westminster and District Labour Council (NWDLC) acknowledges that our office is located on the traditional and unceded territory of Coast Salish peoples.

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Please find attached the text of a proposed motion in support of emergency funding for municipalities and transit as requested by the New Westminster & District Labour Council, in conjunction with the Canadian Labour Congress. We would appreciate if you could bring this before an upcoming City Council meeting for consideration. We feel strongly that even if your municipality is not experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19 right now, there are others in the region that are and we do not know how long the pandemic will last. Burnaby City Council did pass this motion at their June 7th meeting, and we are hoping that this motion put forward by many Councils and similar to the one passed at FCN will encourage the federal government to take swift action to ensure safety and financial stability at the local level.

If you have any questions or need more information please contact Janet at 604-767-4195. She is also happy to attend a virtual meeting. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

In solidarity,

Cheryl Baron for Janet Andrews, Secretary-Treasurer She/her/hers



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NEW WESTMINSTER & DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL

Stephen Crozier, President Janet Andrews, Secretary-Treasurer Chartered By The Canadian Labour Congress

June 22, 2020

Proposed Motion for Local Governments

BECAUSE our local city and town councils, big or small, rural or urban are on the front lines of some of the most pressing challenges facing Canada;

BECAUSE municipal workers are on the front lines delivering the public services that keep us safe during the COVID-19 crisis;

BECAUSE municipal revenues are collapsing and unanticipated costs are soaring;

BECAUSE without financial help, cities and towns will be forced to cut vital local services our families and communities rely on;

BECAUSE public transportation makes our communities more livable, accessible and fights climate change;

The City of White Rock strongly urges the federal and provincial governments to provide emergency operating funds to protect vital local services, including public transportation and emergency services.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK CORPORATE REPORT



DATE: July 13, 2020

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Eric Stepura, Director of Recreation and Culture

SUBJECT: Reopening Beach Front Food Cart Concessions on the Promenade

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve issuing licenses for up to five (5) food cart operators to reopen at the White Rock Promenade effective Wednesday, July 15, 2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Council directed staff to close the Pier and Promenade. This closure also necessitated the closure of the White Rock Museum and Archives, the Artist Walk vendors, the watercraft rental businesses and the beach front food cart concessions.

Now that the Pier and Promenade are open, City staff support the re-opening of up to five (5) food cart concessions at designated sites along the Promenade, with COVID-19 prevention safety protocols in place.

This corporate report will provide some background on the beach front food cart concession program, the selection criteria used to select food cart concessions and the COVID-19 prevention safety protocols measures that must be complied with by food cart vendors operating on the Promenade.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

The City of White Rock initiated a Beach Front Food Cart Concession Program as a pilot project, operating from May 1 to October 31, 2013. The success of the pilot program that was based on participation by White Rock merchants only, was very limited. Only two local merchants participated, both of which did not reapply the following year.

On March 10, 2014, City staff presented a corporate report to Council requesting approval to license three (3) food carts on the Promenade. The motion to approve a Beach Front Food Cart Concession Program, with the limitation of three (3) food carts on designated pads and participation being opened up and made available to any vendor in the Lower Mainland, was approved.

In 2017, Council supported a staff recommendation to expand the number of beach front food cart concession licenses from three (3) to five (5) and placing the (2) additional food cart areas on the south side of the Museum Plaza as a way to attract more visitors to the Museum.

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The City of White Rock has operated a beach front food cart concession program since the Spring/Summer of 2013. The food cart program was initiated to enhance the experience of beach visitors and provide food and drink options for the public conveniently located on the Promenade. The quick snacks sold by the food cart merchants are a positive alternative for beach visitors who are not willing to cross the traffic on Marine Drive and wait to be served in a sit down or take-out meal setting.

The food carts also add an attractive and festive vibe to our waterfront. The colorful food cart tents and the appetizing aromas greatly enhance the visitor experience.

The costs to build and equip a food cart range from a few thousand dollars to tens of thousands of dollars depending upon the type of food products being stored and prepared.

The five (5) food cart vendors that staff have selected are very anxious to reopen for business as soon as possible, as the summer months are typically their busiest season for sales.

Food Cart Application and Licensing Process

Each spring, City staff advertise in the local paper and on the City website for Expressions of Interest for food cart concession vendors for the five (5) designated areas along the Promenade.

Vendors are limited to food carts only (no motorized vehicles) and are limited to food and beverage products only, no novelty items. Previous food cart vendors are also notified and encouraged to reapply.

Applications are reviewed by a team of City staff who evaluate the applications based on a weighted selection criteria, including:

- related business experience;
- connection with White Rock business (owned by or affiliated gets higher scoring);
- past history of operating food carts in White Rock;
- type and uniqueness of food snacks and beverage products served (preference is for snack foods not sold at local restaurants);
- type, design and quality of food cart;
- health safety plan (i.e. food permit obtained from Fraser Health);
- ability to meet City's business licensing and insurance requirements;
- payment of food cart pad rental fee of \$4.00/square foot;
- payment of \$100/year flat fee for power use;
- willingness to meet required minimum business operating dates/hours; and
- COVID-19 disease prevention safety plan (effective 2020).

Appendix A is a map showing the locations for the proposed five (5) food cart vendors licensed by the City for the term of July 15, 2020 to July 14, 2021, subject to Council's review and approval.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total revenue to the City from licensing five (5) food carts is \$2,500 (\$500.00/cart/year).

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable.

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CITIZEN/PUBLIC RELATIONSHIPS IMPLICATIONS

All five (5) of the food cart concessions for the 2020/2021 season are either owned by, rent kitchen space from, or buy food products from local White Rock businesses.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS

The City's Reopening Facilities/Resumption of Services Coordination Committee will review each of the food cart COVID-19 Prevention Safety Plans, before being issued a license to operate. This will include measures to prevent line-ups from blocking pedestrians on the Promenade, ensuring proper social distancing is occurring and other actions to reduce the spread of the virus.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

This initiative is in alignment with Council's Waterfront Enhancement strategic priority.

OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES

The following options are proposed for Council's consideration:

1. Not approve issuing licenses for up to five (5) food cart operators to reopen at the White Rock Promenade, effective July 15, 2020.

CONCLUSION

The City's Beach Front Food Cart Program was initiated to enhance the experience of beach visitors, and provide food and drink options for the public conveniently located on the Promenade. The food carts add an attractive and festive vibe to our waterfront and are in alignment with Council's Waterfront Enhancement corporate priority.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Council directed staff to close the Pier and Promenade, which resulted in the closure of the beach front food cart concessions since early March 2020.

Now that the Pier and Promenade are open, City staff support the re-opening of up to five (5) food cart concessions at designated sites along the Promenade, with COVID-19 prevention safety protocols in place, effective July 15, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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Eric Stepura Director of Recreation and Culture

Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer:

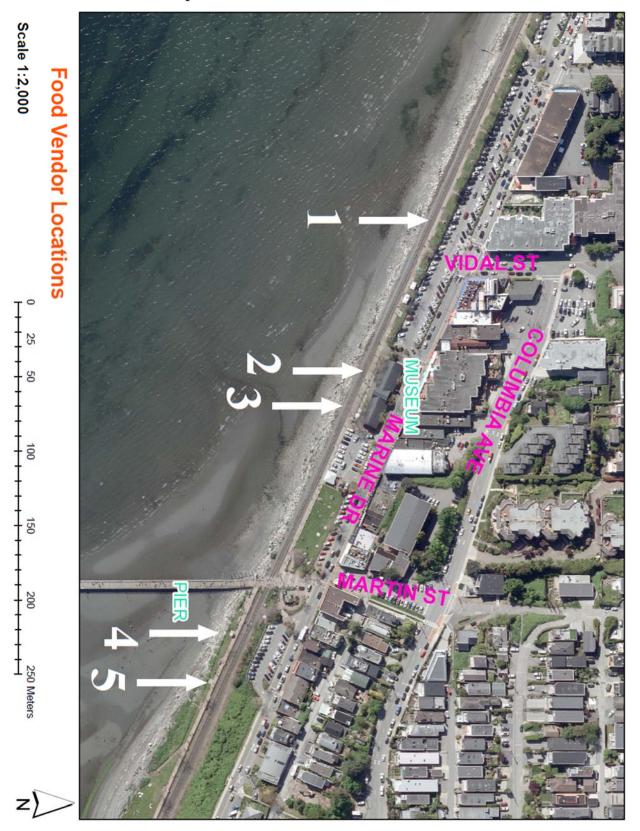
I concur with the recommendation of this corporate report.

Guillermo Ferrero Chief Administrative Officer

Appendix A: 2020-07-13 Site Map of Beach Front Food Cart Concessions on the Promenade

<u>Appendix A</u>





THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK CORPORATE REPORT



DATE:	July 13, 2020
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TO:	Mayor and Council
FROM:	Carl Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services
SUBJECT:	Planning Procedures Bylaw Amendments for Electronic Public Information Meetings, and Limited In-Person Public Information Meetings

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT Council:

- 1. Provides direction to staff regarding the use of digital/electronic Public Information Meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- 2. Supports the hosting of limited in-person Public Information Meetings subject to the implementation of measures that will uphold public safety and meet restrictions on public gatherings as established by the Province.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This corporate report seeks Council's direction regarding proposed amendments to the Planning Procedures Bylaw to enable digital Public Information Meetings (PIM) for private property applicants, and also seeks support from Council to schedule limited, in-person, meetings through the implementation of measures that will ensure the health and safety of the public is upheld.

Resolution # and Date	Resolution Details
May 25, 2020	THAT Council:
2020-301	 Receives for information the corporate report dated May 25, 2019, from the Director of Planning and Development Services, titled "Proposed Virtual Public Information Meeting for Proposed CR-3A Zoning Amendment"; and
	2. Authorizes staff to conduct a Public Information Meeting for the proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw on a virtual platform, prior to bringing forward the proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw and Off-Street Parking Reserve Fund and Alternative Transportation Infrastructure Reserve Fund Bylaw forward for consideration of bylaw readings

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

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INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The corporate report presented to Council on May 25, 2020, outlined a proposed approach to hosting a digital Public Information Meeting (PIM) related to the proposed CR-3A zoning bylaw amendment. The rationale behind the approach, and the planned approach itself, was summarized in the corporate report as follows:

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the usual Public Information Meeting format is not viable due to public health orders limiting public gathering. Taking this into account, staff recommend that a virtual meeting format be used to obtain feedback on the proposed CR-3A Zone and, in doing so, to test the overall effectiveness of undertaking a digital approach to soliciting community feedback. Further, it is suggested that any lessons learned from this experience be incorporated, by amendment, into the Planning Procedures Bylaw so as to allow a similar format for PIMs to be applied to private applications.

In support of a digital PIM, staff intend to host a one-hour "Live Event" offered via the Microsoft Teams application. The application allows participants to view a livestreaming feed of the meeting which will include, at the beginning and mid-way through the meeting, a pre-recorded presentation (overview) of the proposal. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions of the presenter(s) via text chat during the meeting and by emailing questions in prior to the meeting. A feedback form will also be made available for those participating in the PIM who were perhaps unable to fully express or resolve any areas of interest. The completed forms will be brought to Council prior to consideration of the bylaws. It is noted that members of the public, through notice of the PIM, will also be encouraged to offer feedback to City staff through more traditional means (i.e., email, letter, and telephone).

Based on the direction from the May 25, 2020 meeting, staff held a digital PIM for the proposed zoning bylaw amendment on July 8, 2020. Notice of the digital PIM was posted in the Events Calendar on the City of White Rock webpage (www.whiterockcity.ca/calendar) and within a "Council Next Week" advertisement printed in the Peace Arch News on July 2, 2020. Notice was also circulated by mail to 386 property owners, being those within 100 metres of the two properties which are the subject of the CR-3A rezoning proposal (i.e., 15081 Marine Drive and 14945 Marine Drive) as well as some additional properties just outside of this catchment area (e.g., Victoria Terrace).

Approximately 50 people registered to attend the digital meeting. The meeting was run as a "Live Event" which meant that participants were able to view the presentation and ask questions of the presenters. City staff acted as moderators behind the scenes, allowing otherwise private comments and questions pertaining to the proposal to become visible to all participants; this oversight allowed comments or questions that were off-topic, inappropriate, or perhaps repetitive in nature, to be excluded from the public-facing dialogue.

A verbal update regarding the overall performance of the digital meeting will be provided to Council during the July 13, 2020 meeting. In the Bylaws section of this Regular Council agenda is draft Bylaw No. 2350, which if adopted, would amend Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234, thereby allowing privately-initiated planning applications to host Public Information Meetings as an electronic meeting or one reliant on other communication facilities. Planning Procedures Bylaw Amendments for Electronic Public Information Meetings, and Limited In-Person Public Information Meetings

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Pending Public Information Meetings

The hosting of a Public Information Meeting (PIM) is a requirement of the City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234, applicable to most planning applications. The meeting must occur prior to bringing applications forward to the Advisory Design Panel (ADP) and prior to advancing any presentation of draft bylaws and permits to the City's Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC), when required. In light of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic the City has had to adopt alternative measures to ensure the public can participate in a safe and meaningful review of planning applications while, at the same time, endeavoring to ensure that these applications proceed through the approvals process in a timely manner.

The inability to host public gatherings since mid-March has resulted in a backlog of approximately 12 applications pending a PIM. As conditions pertaining to COVID-19 continue to improve, numerous applicants have expressed a desire to see the City reconvene in-person PIMs or enable alternative methods (e.g., digital meetings) so as to allow subsequent phases of municipal review to continue, as uncertainty around the timing of the application process can create financial challenges. This is noted as staff look to Council, through the recommendations in this corporate report, for support in advancing limited in-person public meeting provided a COVID-19 Safety Plan is in place for the proposed use of the public facility to be used. This would include adhering to any Provincially-established restrictions on gatherings, the requisite use of personal protective equipment (PPE) and controls in how members of the public, and applicants, may effectively communicate with one another in an open house format. Measures that may be employed include controlled access to the public venue within which the PIM would be held, the use of signage and barriers to ensure a one-way flow of foot traffic, the use of PPE including hand sanitizer, face masks and latex gloves, and any other mechanism that will help ensure the health and safety of participants is protected.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Any alternative approach to carrying out the Public Information Meeting will require proactive efforts to raise awareness of the event while also setting clear expectations, in the event of implementing controls, on how those wishing to participate can do so.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

In order for staff to advance Council's Strategic Priorities, it is advantageous to be able to move development proposals forward in the application process. If applications requiring a public information meeting are not able to host this event due to COVID-19 restrictions, it will result in

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the delay in processing of these applications and a large accumulation of applications that want to proceed when restrictions are lifted in the future.

OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES

Council may direct staff to eliminate the Public Information Meeting step in the application process, which is a local requirement and not required by the relevant Provincial legislation. This would reduce the opportunity to provide information to the public and obtain feedback at an early stage in the process.

Council may also consider allowing staff or the applicant to prepare a dedicated project webpage (public information website) for each application and allow a specified public comment period (e.g. one month) before the sending the comments to the applicant for their consideration and allowing the application to move forward to the next stage of the process. This relies on technology that not all residents may be able to access, however it would be supplementing the option of calling or emailing staff directly with comments.

CONCLUSION

This corporate report presents an amendment to the City's Planning Procedures Bylaw to enable electronic Public Information Meetings or those reliant on other communication facilities, which may be considered for first three readings later in the Council agenda. This corporate report also seeks Council direction regarding the potential hosting of controlled, in-person, meetings which may help staff clear the backlog of planning applications pending this early requirement set out in the City's Planning Procedures Bylaw.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Josaak

Carl Isaak, MCIP, RPP Director of Planning and Development Services

Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer

I concur with the recommendations of this corporate report.

Guillermo Ferrero Chief Administrative Officer

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK CORPORATE REPORT



DATE: July 13, 2020

то:	Mayor and Council
FROM:	Carl Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services
SUBJECT:	Consideration of Liquor Consumption at Memorial Park Plaza

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council direct staff to distribute the corporate report, titled "Consideration of Liquor Consumption at Memorial Park Plaza" to the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force for consideration at its meeting on July 14, 2020, and to seek recommendations from the Task Force.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the Special Council Meeting on June 1, 2020, Council was presented with an on-table letter from the White Rock Business Improvement Associated (BIA) supportive of allowing liquor consumption in public places to support and enhance outdoor dining, along with an associated draft motion from staff for Council's consideration. The motion, which was approved, directed staff to prepare a bylaw to allow for the consumption of liquor in Memorial Park plaza and obtain input from the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force on the initiative. Council also received a separate on-table draft motion on acquiring and installing picnic tables on public property, including Memorial Park plaza.

Council discussion at the June 1, 2020 meeting, indicated a desire for further details on both topics, and subsequently on June 8, 2020, a corporate report on the purchase of picnic tables was received and approved. In that corporate report it was noted that there were concerns regarding enforcement of liquor consumption in outdoor public areas, and that Council may consider the liquor consumption in the future through the establishment of a bylaw under section 73 of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*.

The COVID-19 Recovery Task Force had its first meeting on June 30, 2020, and its next meeting is July 14, 2020. As one of the purposes for allowing liquor consumption in public places is to support take-out operations for restaurants in the City, staff suggest that it would be appropriate for the Task Force to provide input on this potential bylaw before Council considers adoption.

If Council is supportive of moving forward in consulting with the Task Force and consider a draft bylaw, which is subsequently approved, staff recommend that public input and observations on the initiative be sought through online feedback at <u>www.talkwhiterock.com</u>, and that the White Rock RCMP be requested to provide a monthly summary of issues related to this initiative to the Director of Planning and Development Services.

Resolution # and Date	Resolution Details
June 1, 2020 2020-323	THAT Council direct staff to bring forward a bylaw to allow for the consumption of liquor in Memorial Park plaza, and that the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force be requested to consider recommending additional potential public places that may be appropriate for allowing consumption of liquor.
June 8, 2020 2020-336	THAT Council direct staff to acquire and install picnic tables and benches for outdoor public use, focusing on the plaza at Memorial Park as well as other appropriate locations in East Beach and the Uptown area, using \$10,000 from operating contingency for the picnic tables and benches, and expand the outdoor seating program if further donations are received from partners.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The purpose of this corporate report is to provide Council with a draft bylaw that would enable the legal consumption of liquor in specified outdoor public areas. The Memorial Park plaza area was recommended, as it located in close proximity to restaurants and accessible public washroom facilities, and has successfully hosted special events in the past which have included beer gardens.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, this type of initiative has been considered in other communities to both support businesses operating under a take-out model as well as allow residents with limited access to outdoor space, a place to socialize while drinking alcohol in a responsible manner. The letter from the White Rock BIA in support of this concept is attached to this corporate report as Appendix A. A report from the City of North Vancouver on this topic is attached to this corporate report as Appendix B, and a draft bylaw based on the City of North Vancouver's approach is attached to this corporate report as Appendix B, and a draft bylaw based on the City of North Vancouver's approach is attached to this corporate report as Appendix C. For discussion purposes, the draft bylaw includes parameters for hours of permitted consumption from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (intended to facilitate liquor consumption primarily as a component of outdoor dining), whereas the City of North Vancouver's bylaw allows consumption from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Given the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is recommended that prior to Council giving any readings to the draft bylaw, that input from the City's COVID-19 Recovery Task Force be solicited, on aspects of the program such as:

- Hours of permitted consumption;
- Signage, and appropriate boundaries for the permitted area;
- Rules for the use of the space in a City park (enforceable under the Parks Regulation Bylaw section 2(w) with a \$100 fine), such as only permitting non-glass containers;
- The potential to deploy a plaza host/ambassador that could:
 - Provide time limits for table use;
 - o Reminder patrons of physical distancing between tables and prevent crowding;
 - Direct patrons to garbage and recycling facilities and washrooms;

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- Ensure the use of non-glass containers;
- o Play soft recorded music; and
- Set up and remove umbrellas;
- Public health implications; and
- Other appropriate locations if the initial program is successful and the COVID-19 physical distancing orders remain in place.

It is noted that the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force includes representation from the Fraser Health Authority, which would provide valuable public health perspective on this program.

Public Consultation and Ongoing Monitoring

If Council approves the consumption of alcohol in a public outdoor area, staff recommend that public input and observations on the initiative be sought through online feedback at <u>www.talkwhiterock.com</u>.

Staff further recommend that the White Rock RCMP be requested to provide a monthly summary of issues related to this initiative to the Director of Planning and Development Services, which they have indicated they are able to do.

Both the public and RCMP feedback would be summarized in a future report to Council in the fall 2020, which could allow Council to cancel or modify the program if there are concerns.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

If the initiative proceeds, additional recycling bins will be located nearby areas where liquor consumption is permitted, in order to reduce the amount of recyclable containers entering the garbage stream or being littered on the waterfront or sidewalks. A small amount of signs would also be required by legislation to mark the area where liquor consumption is permitted.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Section 73 of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* and section 197 of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation* enables local governments to identify public areas where consumption of liquor is permitted.

Section 74 of the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act* prohibits intoxication in a public place, and would remain enforceable by a peace officer if consumption of liquor is permitted. These sections of the act and regulation are attached to this report as Appendix D.

COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

If Council approves the consumption of alcohol in a public outdoor area, staff recommend that public input and observations on the initiative be sought through online feedback at <u>www.talkwhiterock.com</u>, in addition to writing to staff by email or letter. This online feedback can be formatted as on online message board where poster's comments are visible to other users, or in a way that comments are only visible to staff.

Following consideration by the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force, staff would provide further details regarding public opportunities for sharing their input and observations.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS

The Detachment Commander of the White Rock RCMP provided the following comments on

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this proposal:

We have a concern with the public perception of a bylaw allowing for consumption of liquor in a public place that may be interpreted as "all public places." We are supportive of a primary food service business that also sells liquor with food to extend the limits of their liquor consumption area into a nearby defined public area. The hours of consumption and the nature of the consumption with a meal are important to emphasize, as well that it is an accompaniment to a meal and not a primarily liquor consumption area or have the appearance of a beer garden. It is also suggested that liquor be served in nonglass containers if this bylaw is approved. The act of people purchasing food and liquor, then taking this to another non-designated public area may be problematic to control and give the impression that public consumption is widely accepted when not controlled. The *RCMP* will not have the capacity to monitor the compliance of a designated liquor consumption area with any effectiveness, and can only do so on a sporadic basis.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

This pilot program is not directly related to any of Council's 2018-2022 Strategic Priorities, and was initiated by a letter from the White Rock BIA on June 1, 2020.

The Marine Drive Task Force, which is a Council Strategic Priority, ended their term earlier this year. The Task Force's mandate included business viability.

OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES

The following options are proposed for Council's consideration:

- 1. Council can choose to give three readings to the draft bylaw tonight and forward the bylaw to the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force, which would accelerate the program (allowing for final adoption on July 27, 2020) and also give the opportunity for the Task Force to provide additional recommendations on the parameters of the program.
- 2. Council can choose to not refer the draft bylaw to the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force and proceed with giving readings to the draft bylaw without obtaining their input, which would accelerate the program but potentially result in an oversight in the program parameters that could have been avoided through review by the Task Force.
- 3. Council may also choose to not proceed with allowing liquor consumption in at Memorial Park plaza.

CONCLUSION

During the COVID-19 pandemic, some communities in BC are considering allowing consumption of liquor in specified outdoor public areas to provide for additional space to socialize with friends in a safer manner than inside a building, and to support restaurants that have had to shift to a business model more reliant on take-out customers due to reduced capacity in their establishments. The White Rock BIA has requested that Council consider allowing liquor consumption in public places, and staff have drafted a bylaw which could be used to enable this. The Memorial Park plaza area is recommended as it located in close proximity to restaurants and accessible public washroom facilities, has successfully hosted special events in the past which Consideration of Liquor Consumption at Memorial Park Plaza Page No. 5

have included beer gardens, and has recently installed picnic tables to facilitate an outdoor dining experience.

Staff recommend that the draft bylaw and this corporate report be referred to the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force for input on July 14, 2020, so that Council may consider their feedback and potentially provide three readings of the enabling bylaw on July 27, 2020. Consideration of final adoption would be possible at next scheduled Regular Council Meeting on September 9, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carl Isaak, MCIP, RPP Director, Planning and Development Services

Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer:

I concur with the recommendation of this corporate report.

Guillermo Ferrero Chief Administrative Officer

- Appendix A: Letter from the White Rock BIA dated June 1, 2020
- Appendix B: Report on the Public Consumption of Alcohol from the City of North Vancouver dated May 26, 2020
- Appendix C: Draft Bylaw Regarding Public Consumption of Liquor
- Appendix D: Sections 73 and 74 of *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, and Section 197 of *Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation*

APPENDIX A

Letter from the White Rock BIA dated June 1, 2020



White Rock Business Improvement Association

June 1 2020

To: Mayor Walker & Councillors City of White Rock

Re: Liquor in White Rock Public Spaces

Dear Mayor & Council:

I hope that you and your families are safe and healthy during these challenging times.

As you're aware, businesses are struggling during the Covid-19 pandemic. In particular, restaurants are challenged by strict capacity limitations that severely limit their potential revenues. While the Provincial policy guidelines around patio extensions will help, additional measures are needed for restaurants to survive the pandemic.

To that end, the White Rock Business Improvement Association requests that the City of White Rock use Section 73.2 of the Liquor Control and Licensing Act to allow for consumption of liquor in designated public spaces around White Rock.

Many White Rock restaurants have shifted their business models to offer take-out, and many of our community are now enjoying takeout in public places. However, alcoholic beverages are typically the highest margin items, and restaurants depend on their sale to meet expenses. Designating public spaces where alcohol could be consumed would allow customers to enjoy an alcoholic beverage with their take-out, thus increasing the effective potential revenues of the restaurants. This would help restaurants survive this very challenging business environment.

There are several public spaces around White Rock that would be suitable to be designated, and would allow restaurants in each district of our community to be supported. The allowed spaces could be delineated by public picnic tables and/or seating areas, an idea that has picked up steam in our community.

Designating public spaces would in no way change the laws around public intoxication or the bylaws around noise and public space schedules. All it would do is make it legal for customers enjoy an alcoholic beverage in, say, Memorial Park in the same way that they would across the street on the patio of, say, Uli's Restaurant or Charlie Don't Surf.

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White Rock Business Improvement Association

The White Rock BIA would be thrilled to work with City of White Rock Council & Staff to identify appropriate areas around our community, and to help communicate the changes and regulations to our members and the public-at-large. This is a powerful, virtually cost-free way to support White Rock restaurants that is directly under the City of White Rock's purview.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. Please reach out to me should you have any questions or wish to discuss this further.

Kind Regards,

Alex Nixon Executive Director, White Rock BIA alex@whiterockbia.com

cc: Guillermo Ferrero, CAO, City of White Rock Carl Isaak, Director of Planning, City of White Rock

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APPENDIX B

Report on the Public Consumption of Alcohol from the City of North Vancouver dated May 26, 2020

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To:	Mayor Linda Buchanan and Members of	REPORT
From:	Paul Duffy, Manager, Bylaw Services L. R. Orr, Deputy Director, Community	and Partner Engagement
Subject:	CONSUMPTION OF LIQUOR IN A PU	BLIC PLACE BYLAW
Date:	May 26, 2020	File No: 09-3900-02-0001/2020
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2. Liquor (Control and Licensing Act Section 73 (Doc Control and Licensing Regulations Section Nation of Liquor in a Public Places Bylaw,	n 197 (Doc <u>#1914229</u>)
SUMMARY		
On May 11 ^t	^h , 2020, Council resolved:	
temp	T staff be directed to develop an expedite orary patios into public spaces and repor umption of liquor in certain public spaces	t back on the feasibility of the
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BACKGROUND

The emergence of COVID-19 as a public health emergency by the World Health Organization has led to a number of precautionary measures such as quarantines, physical distancing or in some cases total lockdown in regions or countries around the world. Anxiety, as well as loneliness, are some of the mental health consequences that will persist long after the pandemic ends. The increased feelings of depression and stress, especially during a time of uncertainty, may have serious impacts on public health, increasing people's vulnerability to poor health and weakening society as a whole. Social isolation should not become a norm, even if some specific circumstances require physical distancing.

The rapid implementation of physical distancing was necessary to flatten the coronavirus curve and prevent the current pandemic from worsening. Just as the coronavirus fallout threatens to cause economic uncertainty, it also may cause a collapse in social contact among our residents. Utilizing public places is a central part of moving forward and getting people out of their residence, which in turn will support local businesses.

DISCUSSION

British Columbia has announced a four phased "Restart Plan" which will involve the government lifting restrictions on the community and businesses in phases, gradually allowing for more social and economic activity. The City wants to support and contribute to rebuilding an economically thriving and sustainable economy while complying with the "Restart Plan" and Provincial Health Orders. The City also recognizes that public spaces enhance community and creating shared social spaces could reduce loneliness. These are strong social and economic arguments that the City can influence through policy and Bylaws.

To minimize a resurgence in infection and to recover equitably, the City must think more about how all kinds of outdoor, everyday spaces can fulfill people's daily needs. One option would be to permit the public consumption of liquor in certain public places to provide residents with the opportunity for an informal, safe outdoor place to socialise with family and friends while supporting local businesses.

The Liquor Control and Licensing Act, Section 73 (Attachment # 1) and the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations, Section 197 (Attachment # 2) allow municipalities to designate by Bylaw, a public place, or part of it where liquor may be consumed. The Bylaw does not require a Public Hearing but does require that a public place(s) be designated, the hours during which liquor may be consumed must be indicated and the boundaries of the designated public space must be identified by posting signage.

Designating public places to consume liquor requires careful management and oversite. The City will have a significant role in supporting this initiative but it also relies on people adopting, using and managing the public place with regard to physical distancing and respectful consumption of liquor.

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Other than the Province of Quebec, no other province has permitted people to consume liquor in public. In 2018, the City of Vancouver began to consider consuming liquor in their parks and beaches, however the initiative was stalled as most parks and beaches fall under the jurisdiction of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation ("Parks Board"). Further work was required to confirm that the Parks Board could enact a bylaw under the Liquor Control and Licensing Act. Staff understand that the City of Vancouver and the Parks Board are continuing to pursue this initiative. There is no other municipality in BC that has enacted a bylaw pursuant to this legislation.

When used in moderation, liquor consumption can be enjoyable for people and facilitate social interaction. Allowing public consumption of liquor in public spaces would be a significant shift in liquor policy in the City and the City would be the first municipality in British Columbia to permit public consumption of liquor. Under normal circumstances, this shift in policy would include consultation with the community, health officials and our enforcement partners, however, these are not normal times.

Staff have consulted with the RCMP and received the following comments and recommendations:

- They want to support the community and businesses rebuild economic and social activity and recommends that this initiative start as a small pilot
- They believe this initiative will result in more calls for service
- They will provide on-going feedback and statistics on calls for service at any of the designated locations
- They recommend that washroom facilities and park maintenance be available/enhanced
- They recommend that any designated area not be located near schools

This is an opportunity to provide informal, safe outdoor places for family and friends to socialize while supporting local businesses. This initiative will form a part of the City's economic recovery efforts along with the Open Streets Action Plan and the Temporary Patio Expansion Initiative.

This initiative is also consistent with the Principles for Adaptation and Recovery that guided the Pandemic Scenario Planning work that Council adopted on May 25, 2020:

1. Put People First

Actions and decisions should focus on equitably protecting the safety and wellbeing of City residents, businesses and visitors.

This initiative provides residents, particularly the majority of our residents who live in multi-family housing and don't have access to yards, with the opportunity to safely socialise outdoors with family and friends where physical distancing can be maintained.

2. Increase Our Resilience

Actions and decisions should aim to increase the City's resiliency to effectively respond to future shocks and impacts.

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This initiative supports food and beverage businesses, particularly businesses that are not able to have outdoor patios due to street or property limitations, by creating more business opportunities and thus supporting the recovery of our local economy.

3. Play to Our Strengths

Actions and decisions should focus on what the City has influence and authority over and draw on partnerships and collaboration as much as possible.

Municipalities have limited opportunities to support local businesses due to legislative and financial restrictions. This is one action the City has influence and authority over that can help businesses while at the same time provide social support to our residents.

4. Think Outside the Box

Actions and decisions should draw on innovative ideas and make use of pilots to facilitate quick actions.

This initiative has never been implemented in BC and as a time limited pursuit, allows the City to test out an innovative idea that will support a struggling economy. Monitoring of the initiative will provide information for Council to evaluate its effectiveness and consider possible extension of the pilot.

5. Support Longstanding Goals

Actions and decisions should not compromise the City's ability to achieve key strategic goals and objectives.

The inclusion of Lonsdale Avenue in this proposed Bylaw is consistent with the Open Streets Action Plan and the Temporary Patio Expansion initiative. Both of these initiatives provide opportunities to reallocate City streets and rights-of-way using temporary measures to quickly and cost-effectively provide improved access to business services while facilitating the health and safety of residents through design considerations for physical distancing. The Open Streets Action Plan will identify areas on Lonsdale Avenue that will benefit from City managed temporary parklets (areas where physical restrictions do not allow individual business to have patios). Including Lonsdale Avenue in this Bylaw allows the City to designate these parklets for public consumption of liquor through signage thus allowing people to purchase take out food and liquor from area restaurants and have their meals on these parklets.

Staff therefore recommend the following:

- 1. That this be a pilot project ending on October 15, 2020 which will include an evaluation and report back to Council;
- Council must designate the public places by Bylaw to clearly state where liquor may be consumed;
- 3. Consumption of liquor can occur between the hours of 11:00am to 9:00pm, seven days a week in designated public places;
- 4. Enforcement of procedures and penalties regulated by the RCMP pursuant to the provisions of the Liquor Control and Licensing Act;

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- Signage be used to identify boundaries of specific locations within designated public spaces and to provide information on hours when liquor may be consumed; and
- 6. Ongoing community and RCMP feedback on the initiative through web-based submissions to be reported back to Council at the end of the pilot as part of an evaluation.

The areas designated in Schedule "A" of proposed "Consumption of Liquor in Public Place Bylaw" No. 8781 were identified through consultation with Engineering, Parks and Environment staff, the RCMP and the City's Financial Recovery Task Force. The criteria staff considered in determining which areas to recommend included:

- proximity to washrooms
- proximity to food and beverage businesses
- proximity to multi-family housing
- open/accessible areas busy with people which promotes prosocial behaviour
- areas popular for picnicking
- a mix of soft and hard landscaped areas

In order to add or remove a designated area, a Bylaw amendment must be brought before Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Currently, washroom facilities in the City are closed between 7pm and at 10pm, depending on the location. During a normal summer, the busiest locations close at 11:00pm. If this Bylaw is adopted, staff may need to review the opening hours of public washrooms which may have some cost implications.

Parks staff have seen a significant increase in litter in parks due to restaurant take-out containers and a general increase in attendance. Staff expect this initiative will add to the litter in parks which may require more garbage collections. Any additional resources required for garbage collection can be charged to the Eco Levy under the Solid Waste Utility Reserve so it won't impact the operating budget.

Signage to delineate the areas will cost approximately \$7500 for printing and installation.

The need for additional RCMP and Bylaw resources are not known at this time but staff will be monitoring the designated areas as part of regular shift patrols.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

This report has had input from the RCMP, Engineering Parks and Environment, City Solicitor, Shipyard Commons staff and the City's Financial Recovery Task Force. Staff also discussed the report with the Policy Section of the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch.

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STRATEGIC PLAN, OCP OR POLICY IMPLICATIONS

People who have easy access to safe and verdant outdoor space are going to feel more comfortable in public. This Bylaw would be a responsible, progressive way to increase the enjoyment of public space users and could assist in changing the culture around liquor. The goal is to promote practices that encourage moderate consumption of liquor in a social setting. The Bylaw will be an important tool for influencing the social norms around drinking behaviours, while increasing the utilization of our parks to enhance the mental health of our residents and support our local businesses.

This initiative is consistent with the following Council Strategic Plan priorities:

- A City for People
- A Liveable City
- A Vibrant City
- A Prosperous City

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Paul Duffy Manager, Bylaw Services

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L.R. Or Deputy Director, Community and Partner Engagement

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BYLAW NO. 8781

A Bylaw to establish "Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw"

The Council of The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. This Bylaw shall be known and cited for all purposes as "Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2020, No. 8781".
- 2. Definitions

In this bylaw:

"Boulevard" has the meaning ascribed to it in "Street and Traffic Bylaw, 1991, No. 6234";

"Bylaw Enforcement Officer" means an individual who has been designated as a bylaw enforcement officer pursuant to "Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw, 2018, No. 8675";

"Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw" means the City of North Vancouver "Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw, 2018, No. 8675";

"City" means the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver;

"City Property" means a parcel, lot, block, strata lot, public park or other area of land that is located in the City of North Vancouver and which is either owned or occupied by the City, or in which the City has vested interest pursuant to a statute, and includes a Highway;

"Highway" has the meaning ascribed to it in "Street and Traffic Bylaw, 1991, No. 6234" and, for greater certainty, includes Lanes, Boulevards, Sidewalks and Roadways;

"Liquor" means, subject to the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations, beer, wine, spirits or other product that is intended for human consumption and that contains more that 1% of alcohol by volume;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Act" means the *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, SBC 2015, Chapter 19, as amended;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations" means the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, B.C. Reg.241/2016, as amended;

"Peace Officer" means an officer as defined in the Police Act or a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police who is deemed to be a provincial constable under the Police Act;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that has been designated by Council by this Bylaw as a place where liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle or other installation within the Public Place unless this has been specifically designated by Council in this Bylaw;

The Corporation of the City of North Vancouver Bylaw, 2020, No. 8781

Page 1 Document: 1913836-v1 "Public Place" includes a place, building or vehicle to which the public is invited or has or is allowed access;

"Sidewalk" has the meaning ascribed to it in "Street and Traffic Bylaw, 1991, No. 6234";

"Sign" has the meaning ascribed to it in the "Sign Bylaw, 1992, No. 6363";

- 3. Designation of Permitted Spaces / Hours
 - A. The Public Places or parts thereof listed in Schedule A to this Bylaw and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where liquor may be consumed.
 - B. The hours that liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are from 11:00am to 9:00pm, seven (7) days a week.
 - C. Liquor may not be consumed in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw.
- 4. Sign Specifications
 - A. The City Engineer or their delegate must post signs setting out the boundaries of each Permitted Space and the hours during which liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Space.
 - B. Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where liquor may be consumed must:
 - (1) be a consistent size of 24 inches by 36 inches;
 - (2) have at least four (4) signs to designate the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
 - (3) state the hours that liquor may be consumed; and,
 - (4) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.
- 5. Enforcement

Offences set out in the Liquor Control and Licensing Act will apply to persons in violation of this Bylaw.

6. Offences and Penalties

A Person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw or does any act or thing which contravenes any provision of this Bylaw.

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7. Severability

If any part, section, subsection, clause or sub-clause of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, it will be severed and the validity of the remaining provisions of this Bylaw will not be affected.

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MAYOR

CITY CLERK

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APPENDIX C

Draft Bylaw Regarding Public Consumption of Liquor

The Corporation of the CITY OF WHITE ROCK BYLAW 2349



A Bylaw to establish "Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw"

The CITY COUNCIL of the Corporation of the City of White Rock, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS as follows:

1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Consumption of Liquor in Public Places Bylaw, 2020, No. 2349".

2. **INTERPRETATION**:

In this bylaw:

"City" means the Corporation of the City of White Rock;

"Highway" has the meaning ascribed to it in "Street and Traffic Bylaw, 1999, No. 1529," and, for greater certainty, includes Boulevards, Lanes, Roadways and Sidewalks;

"Liquor" means, subject to the Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations, beer, wine, spirits or other product that is intended for human consumption and that contains more than 1% of alcohol by volume;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Act" means Liquor Control and Licensing Act, SBC 2015, Chapter 19, as amended;

"Liquor Control and Licensing Regulations" means the "Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation, B.C. Reg. 241/2016, as amended;

"Permitted Space" means a Public Place or part of a Public Place that has been designated by Council by this Bylaw as a place where liquor may be consumed, but does not include a building, structure, vehicle or other installation within the Public Place unless this has been specifically designated by Council in this Bylaw;

"Public Place" includes a place, building or vehicle to which the public is invited or has or is allowed access;

"Sidewalk" has the meaning ascribed to it in the "Street and Traffic Bylaw, 1999, No. 1529;"

"Sign" has the meaning ascribed to it in the "White Rock Sign Bylaw, 2010, No. 1923."

3. DESIGNATION OF PERMITTED SPACES / HOURS

- a. The Public Places or parts thereof listed in Schedule A to this Bylaw and further identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw are hereby designated as Permitted Spaces where liquor may be consumed.
- b. The hours that liquor may be consumed in any of the Permitted Spaces are from 4:00pm to 9:00pm, seven (7) days a week.
- c. Liquor may not be consumed in parts of Public Places that are outside of the boundaries of the Permitted Spaces identified by signage posted in accordance with this Bylaw.

4. **SIGN SPECIFICATIONS**

- a. The City Engineer or their delegate must post signs setting out the boundaries of each Permitted Space and the hours during which liquor may be consumed in the Permitted Space.
- b. Signs posted in Permitted Spaces designating where liquor may be consumed must:
 - (1) be a consistent size of 0.6 metres (24 inches) by 0.9 metres (36 inches);
 - (2) have at least four (4) signs to designate the boundaries of the Permitted Space;
 - (3) state the hours that liquor may be consumed; and,
 - (4) be posted on posts or affixed to other items forming the boundary of the Permitted Space.

5. SEVERABILITY

If any section, clause, sub-clause or phrase of this bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this bylaw.

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RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED on the	day of	, 2020

Mayor

Director of Corporate Administration

SCHEDULE "A"



APPENDIX D

Sections 73 and 74 of *Liquor Control and Licensing Act*, and Section 197 of *Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation*

Liquor Control and Licensing Act

Unlawful possession or consumption of liquor

73 (1) A person must not consume liquor, or possess liquor in an open container, in a place other than

(a) a residence,

(b) a private place,

(c) a service area in respect of which a licence, authorization or permit allows consumption,

- (d) as provided under section 11,
- (e) as provided under subsections (2) to (4) of this section,

(f) an assisted living residence, community care facility, hospital or other prescribed facility as provided in section 9, or

(g) in a liquor store as allowed under the *Liquor Distribution Act*.

(2) Subject to subsection (3) and the regulations, a public place, or part of it, may be designated, by a bylaw of the municipality or regional district that has jurisdiction over the public place, as a place where liquor may be consumed.

(3) A bylaw under subsection (2) must contain the hours during which liquor may be consumed.

(4) Without limiting subsection (2), regulations under that subsection may provide that a bylaw referred to in that subsection may not designate

- (a) a specified public place, or
- (b) a specified public place for a specified period of time.

Intoxication in public place

74 (1) A person who is intoxicated must not be or remain in a public place.

(2) A peace officer may arrest, without a warrant, a person whom the peace officer believes on reasonable grounds is contravening subsection (1).

Liquor Control and Licensing Regulation

Content of bylaws

197 A bylaw of a municipality or regional district under section 73 (2) of the Act designating a public place as a place where liquor may be consumed must

- (a) require the person responsible for the public place to post signs setting out
 - (i) the boundaries of the public place, and
 - (ii) the hours that liquor may be consumed, and
- (b) describe the number and size of the signs and how they are to be posted.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK CORPORATE REPORT



DATE:	July 13, 2020	

то:	Mayor and Council
FROM:	Carl Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services
SUBJECT:	15894 Roper Avenue – Completion of Final Adoption Pre-Requisites (ZON, MJP & DVP, 18-006)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive the July 13, 2020, corporate report from the Director of Planning and Development Services, titled "15894 Roper Avenue – Completion of Final Adoption Pre-Requisites (ZON, MJP & DVP, 18-006)."

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This corporate report confirms the satisfaction of issues necessary in order to advance final adoption of a zoning bylaw amendment and the issuance of a related development variance permit and a major development permit. The applications, if approved, will enable the construction of two single detached dwellings in place of a, recently demolished, duplex.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION

Resolution # and Date	Resolution Details
October 21, 2019 2019-481	THAT Council gives third reading to "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (RS-4 – 15894 Roper Avenue) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2310."

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

On September 30, 2019, Council gave first and second readings to Bylaw 2310, being a bylaw to amend City of White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, and considered a Major Development Permit, and a Development Variance Permit for the construction of two single detached homes in place of a (now demolished) duplex at 15894 Roper Avenue. During the same meeting Council directed staff to host the statutory public hearing and the public meeting required with the rezoning and development variance permit applications, respectively.

A public hearing / meeting was held on October 21, 2019, and third reading of the zoning bylaw amendment was given on the same day. The following issues were to be resolved by the

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Applicant prior to bringing this proposal back to Council for final adoption of the bylaw:

- a) Ensure that all engineering requirements and issues including servicing agreement completion are addressed to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations; and
- b) Demolition of existing buildings and structures to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Development Services.

The Applicant has now resolved these issues to the satisfaction of staff and Council may consider final adoption of Bylaw No. 2310, and the issuance of Development Variance Permit No. 424 and Major Development Permit No. 425. Note that staff are concurrently processing an application for subdivision of the subject property the approval of which is dependent on the approval of the applications noted in this corporate report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications tied to this corporate report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS

The original rezoning, development permit, and major development permit applications were circulated to internal City departments and comments requiring a response / resolution by the proponent have been addressed.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

The application will enable the modest intensification of a mature neighbourhood thereby lessening the demand for outward sprawl otherwise necessary to accommodate growth.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

The proposal is generally aligned with the Corporate Vision established as part of Council's Strategic Priorities, particularly with respect to protecting the environment, and supporting a community where people can live, work and play in an enjoyable atmosphere.

OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES

There are no identifiable risks to proceeding with final adoption of the Bylaw and issuing the Major Development Permit and the Development Variance Permit.

CONCLUSION

This corporate report confirms that the Applicant has completed the development pre-requisites necessary prior to final adoption of the bylaw and issuance of the Major Development Permit and the Development Variance Permit. Council may now consider final adoption of Bylaw No. 2310 and the issuance of Development Variance Permit No. 424 and Major Development Permit No. 425.

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The bylaw and permits appear later in the Regular Council agenda.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Jesaak

Carl Isaak, MCIP, RPP Director of Planning and Development Services

Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer

This corporate report is provided for information purposes.

Guillermo Ferrero Chief Administrative Officer

Minutes of a Governance and Legislation Committee meeting City of White Rock, held in the Council Chambers June 29, 2020

- PRESENT:Councillor Manning, Chairperson
Councillor Chesney
Councillor Fathers
Councillor Johanson
Councillor Kristjanson
Councillor TrevelyanABSENT:Mayor WalkerSTAFF:G. Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration
D. Kell, Manager of Communications and Government Relations
 - S. Lam, Deputy Corporate Officer (via electronic means)

The City of White Rock is committed to the health and safety of our community. In keeping with Ministerial Order No. M192 from the Province of British Columbia, City Council meetings will take place without the public in attendance at this time until further notice.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1.1

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

2020-G/L-049 It was MOVED and SECONDED

WHEREAS COVID-19 has been declared a global pandemic;

WHEREAS the City of White Rock has been able to continue to provide the public access to the meetings through live streaming;

WHEREAS holding public meetings in the City Hall Council Chambers, where all the audio/video equipment has been set up for the live streaming program, would not be possible without breaching physical distancing restrictions due to its size, and holding public meetings at the White Rock Community Centre would cause further financial impact to City Operations due to staffing resources and not enable live streaming;

WHEREAS Ministerial Order No. 192 requires Council carry a motion in order to hold public meetings electronically, without members of the public present in person at the meeting;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Governance and Legislation Committee (including all members of Council) authorizes the City of White Rock to hold the June 29, 2020 Governance and Legislation Committee meeting to be video streamed on available on the City's website, and without the public present in the Council Chambers.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2020-G/L-050 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Governance and Legislation Committee adopts the agenda for June 29, 2020 as circulated.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES

June 10, 2020

2020-G/L-051 <u>It was MOVED and SECONDED</u> THAT the Governance and Legislative Committee adopts the following committee meeting minutes: June 10, 2020.

CARRIED

4.

<u>PRESENTATION - BRIEF REVIEW OF POLICE STREET CHECKS IN</u> <u>WHITE ROCK</u>

Staff Sergeant Kale Pauls gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining their process and some aspects they have addressed while conducting police street checks in White Rock. It was noted that street checks are being conducted for a purpose consistent with community expectations.

The following discussion points were noted:

- Suspicious activity could trigger an RCMP officer to conduct a street check
- Persons should call the RCMP if they observe suspicious activity
- Street check files are generated when an officer initiates an interaction with a person for a justifiable check. This is typically a pedestrian, cyclist, or a person(s) in a parked car. This does not include traffic enforcement related stops, street checks are conducted due to reports from the public or general community / police interactions.

MEDIA RELEASES AND ADVERTISING POLICY

Councillor Fathers requested that the topic of a Media Releases and Advertising Policy be included on the agenda for discussion purposes.

<u>Note:</u> Council Policy No. 134 – Press Releases, and Council Policy No. 135 – Recognition and Strategic Messages, are included in the agenda for reference purposes.

The following discussion points were noted:

• City hosted special events should be staffed in order to address having a photographer, or designated staff person taking photos. It was recognized that additional resources / funding may be required

5.

- A photograph with all members of Council present at an event should be taken, noting that this has not been taken in the past. Photos with a complete Council should be used in publications / advertisements (eg: newspaper)
- Suggested that when there is a committee hosted event, that the Council Liaison should be highlighted. Recognition could be made through a photo, quote, or noted contact information
- Council liaison could also consider writing an update to forward to the Communications Department for media / news or social media release

Staff reported that media releases must address significant news (and new content), adding that highlighting existing news could be done through social media channels.

2020-G/L-052 It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Governance and Legislative Committee directs staff to bring forward a report that outlines considerations for the City to engage a professional photographer for suggested special events (costs and suggested events to be included in the information).

CARRIED

The Committee requested if the press release policy is amended in the future that the following changes be considered when brought forward:

- Press releases regarding work of an advisory body of Council may include a quote from the Council liaison if they are available by the deadline Staff provided a reminder that Advisory Bodies are conducting work on behalf of Council, adding that any decision or direction is ultimately given by Council
- It was noted that work and tasks are assigned to Advisory Bodies by Council, noting that outcomes are ultimately due to Council's direction vs. the Committee

6.

<u>COUNCIL POLICY – 165 HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES TERMS OF</u> <u>REFERENCE</u>

Draft Terms of Reference: Healthy Community Partnership Committee Council Policy – 165

<u>Note:</u> On March 9, 2020 Council received a delegation from Fraser Health regarding the Healthier Community Partnership and adopted the following motion (#2020-102).

THAT Council directs staff to bring forward a Terms of Reference for Council consideration on implementing a Healthier Community Advisory Committee.

Discussion ensued and it was noted that there is an existing external Committee regarding Healthier Communities, and that there may be some overlap with respect to the goals and outcomes with a proposed City led Healthier Communities Committee.

Concern was noted in regard to possible duplication and clarification is required. The request by Fraser Health may be addressed by having a member of Council appointed as a representative and it may not be needed to create a further City committee.

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2020-G/L-053 <u>It was MOVED and SECONDED</u> THAT the Governance and Legislative Committee directs staff to bring forward information in regard to what the City is currently doing in relation to their participation in the Healthier Community Committee/function.

CARRIED

- 5. OTHER BUSINESS / FURTHER TOPICS None
- 6. CONCLUSION OF THE JUNE 29, 2020 GOVERNANCE AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING The Chairmerson declared the meeting concluded at 6:10 n m

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 6:10 p.m.

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Councillor Manning Chairperson Tracey Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration

PRESENT:	 S. Crozier, Community Member T.J. Dhillon, Community Member B. Hagerman, Community Member (exited meeting at 4:54 p.m.) E. Klassen, Community Member (exited the meeting at 5:15 p.m.) D. Northam, Community Member K. Bjerke-Lisle, Representative from White Rock Museum and Archives E. Daly, Representative from Fraser Health Authority A. Nixon, Representative from White Rock Business Improvement Association (exited the meeting at 5:15 p.m.) D. Young, Representative from Sources Community Resource Society
COUNCIL:	Councillor S. Kristjanson (Chairperson) Councillor E. Johanson (Vice-Chairperson)
ABSENT:	R. Khanna, Representative from SS/WR Chamber of Commerce Representative from White Rock Branch of the Fraser Valley Regional Library Representative from Semiahmoo First Nation Representative from Explore White Rock
STAFF:	 G. Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer C. Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services S. Lam, Deputy Corporate Officer D. Johnstone, Committee Clerk
1.	CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.
2.	ADOPTION OF AGENDA
2020-CRTF-01	It was MOVED and SECONDED THAT the COVID-19 Recovery Task Force adopts the June 30, 2020 agenda as circulated.
3.	INTRODUCTIONS Roundtable introductions were conducted.
4.	COMMITTEE ORIENTATION/ ELECTRONIC MEETING PROCEDURES Corporate Administration provided an orientation for the Task Force. Advisory Body meeting procedures and electronic meeting procedures were discussed.
5.	REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE The Director of Planning and Development Services discussed the Task Force Terms of Reference. It was noted that the Task Force would be working towards developing a work plan, which would then be forwarded to Council for their approval.

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6. ESTABLISHING DIRECTION

Councillor Kristjanson, Chairperson, conducted a goals and priorities brainstorming session.

The following focus areas were discussed:

- Economic recovery for local businesses short and long term;
- Social aspects
 - o Mental health
 - o Isolation
 - o Depression
 - o Economic factors
 - Effects on seniors, youth and children
 - o Homelessness
 - Visible and non-visible disabilities;
- Advocacy to other levels of government;
- Community resiliency and exacerbation of pre-existing trauma;
- Affordability housing and commercial space (across a spectrum of income earners);
- Potential exacerbation of the Opioid Crisis; and,
- Racism.

Note: B. Hagerman left the meeting at 4:54 p.m.

The Task Force was directed to 'rate' the focus areas to determine which items were the most important to them. Through this discussion the Task Force determined their top three (3) priority areas:

- Affordability for housing and commercial space;
- Economic recovery; and,
- Racism.

The following general discussion points were provided:

- The Task Force could look into reasons as to why affordability is an issue in White Rock and what could be done to help alleviate this.
- Concerns were noted with a number of factors (construction, pier-closure, and COVID-19) and their effects on local businesses (along Marine Drive as well as in other areas on the community). Staff noted that Council had appointed a Marine Drive Task Force to provide advice on the development and implementation of a Marine Drive/ Waterfront Enhancement Strategy, and that their term had completed in March, 2020.

<u>Action Item</u>: Committee Clerk to distribute list of recommendations provided by the Marine Drive Task Force to the Task Force for information.

• Businesses are in a difficult position, as many still have not re-opened, or have re-opened with reduced hours.

• Hiring staff during this time has been identified as an issue, particularly for those in the service industry.

Note: A. Nixon and E. Klassen left the meeting at 5:19 p.m. and quorum was lost.

6. 2020 MEETING SCHEDULE

7.

The Task Force to review and will consider the proposed meeting dates for 2020 at the next meeting:

- July 14;
- July 28;
- August 11;
- September 22;
- October 20; and,
- November 17.

CONCLUSION OF THE JUNE 30, 2020 MEETING

Quorum was lost at 5:19 p.m. and the Chairperson declared that the meeting be concluded.

Councillor Kristjanson, Chairperson

D. Johnstone, Committee Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK BYLAW 2348



A bylaw to Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date

The Council of the City of White Rock, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. In accordance with Provincial Ministerial Order No. M159::
 - a) The 2020 Property Tax Sale date has been deferred until September 27, 2021; and
 - b) The 2020 Property Tax Sale redemption period date has been extended until September 27, 2021.
- 2. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "*White Rock Deferral 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extension of Property Tax Sale Redemption Date Bylaw, 2020, No. 2348*".

RECEIVED FIRST READING on the	29	day of	June, 2020
RECEIVED SECOND READING on the	29	day of	June, 2020
RECEIVED THIRD READING on the	29	day of	June, 2020
ADOPTED on the		day of	

MAYOR

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

The Corporation of the CITY OF WHITE ROCK BYLAW 2350



A Bylaw to amend the "City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234" as amended

The CITY COUNCIL of the Corporation of the City of White Rock, in an open meeting assembled, ENACTS as follows:

- 1. That the text of the "City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234" be amended:
 - (1) by amending subsection a) of Schedule E to read:
 - a) The meeting is to be conducted by City staff in a public venue and all costs related to the meeting are to be assumed by the Applicant. Alternative to hosting the meeting in a public venue, the meeting may be conducted as an electronic meeting or one reliant on other communication facilities. The option to host an electronic meeting shall only be available in instances when the Province or another body of government has established restrictions on public gatherings so as to protect the health and safety of the public.
- 2. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234, Amendment (Electronic Public Information Meetings) Bylaw, 2020, No. 2350".

RECEIVED FIRST READING on the	day of
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ADOPTED on the	day of

Mayor

Director of Corporate Administration

The Corporation of the CITY OF WHITE ROCK BYLAW 2310



A Bylaw to amend the "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000" as amended

The CITY COUNCIL of the Corporation of the City of White Rock, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS as follows:

1. Schedule "C" of the "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000" as amended is further amended by rezoning the following lands:

Lot 196 Section 11 Township 1 New Westminster District Plan 34131 (15894 Roper Avenue) PID: 004-510-666

as shown on Schedule "1" attached hereto from the 'RT-1 Two Unit (Duplex) Residential Zone' to the 'RS-4 One Unit (12.1m Lot Width) Residential Zone'.

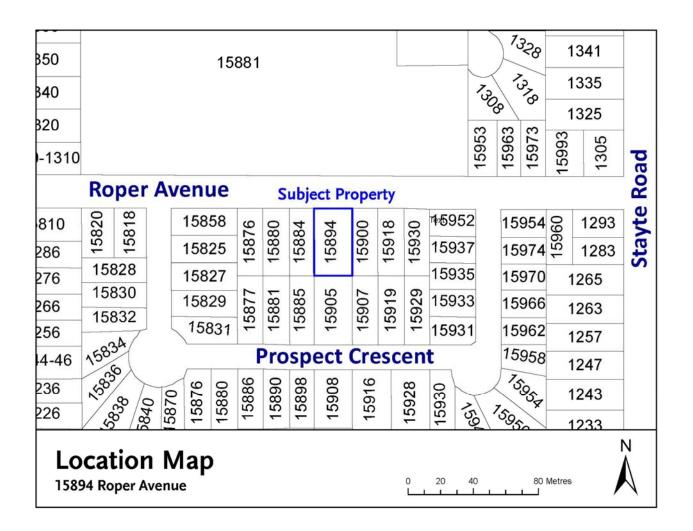
2. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "White Rock Zoning Bylaw 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (RS-4 – 15894 Roper Avenue) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2310".

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING on the	15^{th}	day of	August, 2018
RECEIVED FIRST READING on the	30^{th}	day of	September, 2019
RECEIVED SECOND READING on the	30^{th}	day of	September, 2019
PUBLIC HEARING held on the	21 st	day of	October, 2019
RECEIVED THIRD READING on the	21 st	day of	October, 2019
RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED on the		day of	, 2020

Mayor

Director of Corporate Administration

Schedule "1"



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK



DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT NO. 424

1. Development Variance Permit No. 424 is issued to **Rosie Saluja** as the owner and shall apply only to ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of White Rock, in the Province of British Columbia, and more particularly known and described as:

Legal Description:

Lot 196 Section 11 Township 1 New Westminster District Plan 34131 (15894 Roper Avenue)

PID: 004-510-666

As indicated on Schedule A - Subject Property Location Map

- 2. Development Variance Permit No. 424 is issued pursuant to the authority of Section 498 of the *Local Government Act*, R.S.B.C. 2015, Chapter 1 as amended, and in conformity with the procedures prescribed by "White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234" as amended.
- 3. The provisions of "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000 as amended, is varied as follows:
 - (a) Section 6.4.2 is varied to reduce the minimum lot width from 12.1 metres (39.7 feet) to 11.9 metres (39 feet).
- 4. Said lands shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this Development Variance Permit and any plans and specifications attached to this Development Variance Permit which shall form a part hereof.

Terms and Conditions:

- (a) The development shall generally conform to the drawings attached hereto as Schedule B.
- (b) This permit expires in the event that the constructed development is demolished. Any new buildings or structures will be required to meet the Zoning Bylaw requirements in place at the time of the building permit application.
- 6. Where the holder of this Development Variance Permit does not receive final approval of a building permit for the proposed development within two (2) years after the date this Permit was issued, the Permit shall lapse, unless the Council, prior to the date the Permit is scheduled to lapse, has authorized the extension of the Permit.

Development Variance Permit No. 424 - 15894 Roper Avenue (18-006)

7. This Development Variance Permit does not constitute a building permit.

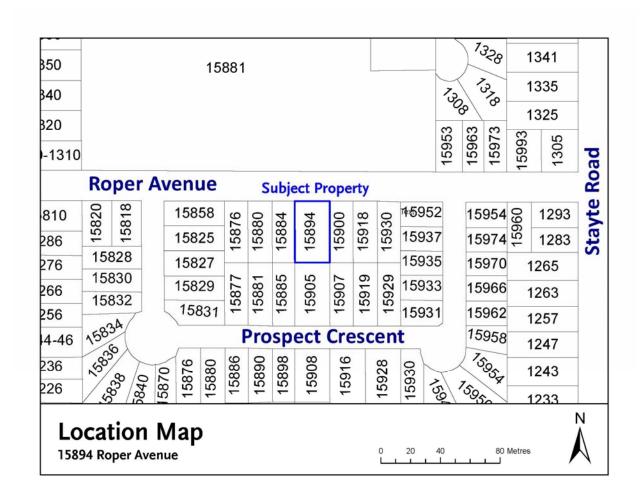
Authorizing Resolution passed by the City Council on the day of , 2020.

This Development Variance Permit has been executed at the City of White Rock, British Columbia, the _____ day of _____, 2020.

The Corporate Seal of THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

Mayor – Darryl Walker Authorized Signatory

Director of Corporate Administration – Tracey Arthur Authorized Signatory



Schedule A – Subject Property Location Map



Schedule B – Building Elevations



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK



DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 425

1. This Development Permit No. 425 is issued to **Rosie Saluja** as the owner and shall apply only to ALL AND SINGULAR those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of White Rock, in the Province of British Columbia, and more particularly known and described as:

Legal Description:

Lot 196 Section 11 Township 1 New Westminster District Plan 34131 (15894 Roper Avenue)

PID: 004-510-666

as indicated on Schedule A

- 2. This Development Permit No. 425 is issued pursuant to the authority of Sections 490 and 491 of the *Local Government Act, R.S.B.C. 2015, Chapter 1* as amended, the "White Rock Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2017, No. 2220" as amended, and in conformity with the procedures prescribed by the "City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234" as amended.
- 3. The terms, conditions and guidelines as set out in "White Rock Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2017, No. 2220" as amended, that relate to "Mature Neighbourhood Infill Development Permit Area" shall apply to the area of land and premises hereinbefore described and which are covered by this Development Permit.
- 4. Permitted Uses of Land, Buildings and Structures
 - Land, buildings, and structures shall only be used in accordance with the provisions of the "RS-4 One-Unit (12.1m Lot Width) Residential Zone" of the "White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000" as amended.
- 5. Dimensions and Siting of Buildings and Structures on the Land

All buildings and structures to be constructed, repaired, renovated, or sited on said lands, following subdivision into two lots, shall be in substantial compliance with the Plans prepared by Creative Spaces and Huckleberry Landscape Design respective to each new lot and attached hereto in accordance with the provisions of Section 491 of the *Local Government Act*:

Schedule B	Landscape Site Plan
Schedule C	Building Elevations
Schedule D	Renderings

These Plans form part of this development permit.

- 6. <u>Terms and Conditions:</u>
 - a) The applicant shall enter into a Servicing Agreement to provide frontage improvements and works and services in accordance with Section 506 and Section 507 of the *Local Government Act*, to the acceptance of the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations; and
 - b) The applicant shall provide landscaping for the development in substantial compliance with the Landscape Plan (Schedule E) to the acceptance of the Director of Planning and Development Services and the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations.
- 7. In the interpretation of the Development Permit all definitions of words and phrases contained in Sections 490 and 491 of the *Local Government Act, R.S.B.C. 2015, Chapter 1* as amended, and the "White Rock Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2017, No. 2220", as amended, shall apply to this Development Permit and attachments.
- 8. Where the holder of this Permit does not obtain the required building permits and commence construction of the development as outlined in this Development Permit within two years after the date this Permit was authorized by Council, the Permit shall lapse, unless the Council, prior to the date the Permit is scheduled to lapse, has authorized further time extension of the Permit.
- 9. This permit does not constitute a subdivision approval, a tree management permit, a demolition permit, or a building permit.

Authorizing Resolution passed by the Council for the City of White Rock on the _____ day of _____, 2020.

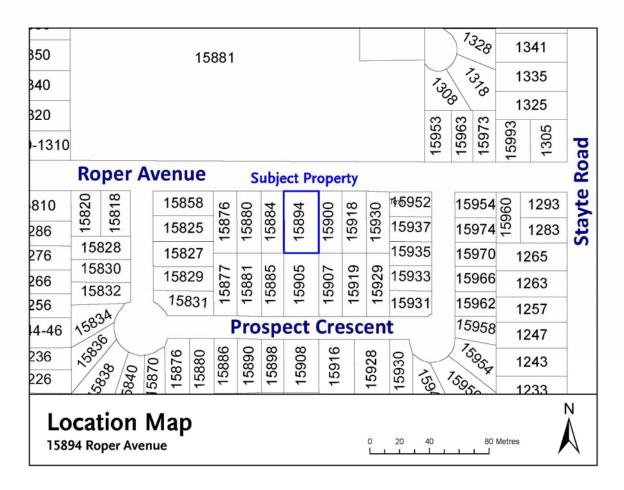
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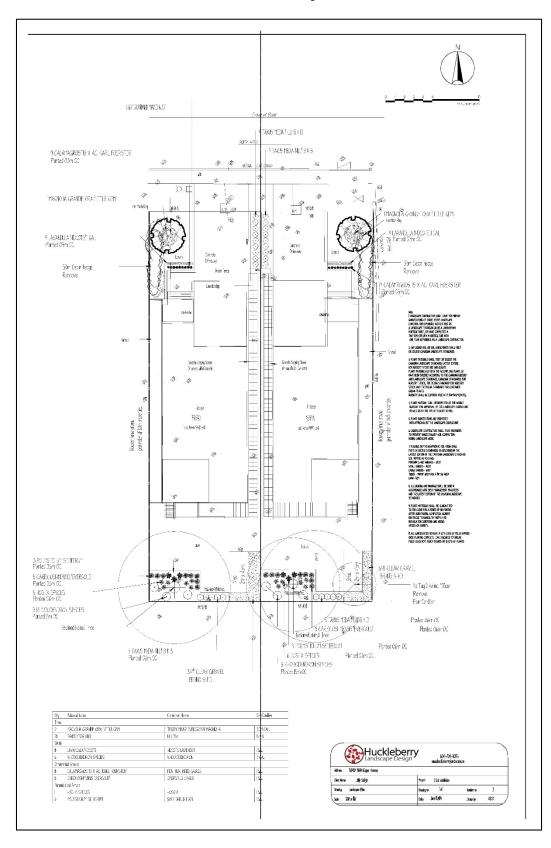
day of _____ 2020.

The Corporate Seal of THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WHITE ROCK was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

Mayor Authorized Signatory Director of Corporate Administration Authorized Signatory

Schedule A – Location Map





Schedule B – Landscape Site Plan



Schedule C – Building Elevations





Schedule D – Renderings

June 30, 2020

Hon. Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General PO Box 9290 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9J7 <u>PSSG.Minister@gov.bc.ca</u>

Brenda Butterworth-Carr, Assistant Deputy Minister and Director of Police Services, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General PO Box 9285 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9J7 <u>SGPSPB@gov.bc.ca</u>

Councillor Craig Hodge, City of Coquitlam, Co-Chair, Local Government Contract Management Committee 3000 Guilford Way, Coquitlam BC V3B 7N2 <u>chodge@coquitlam.ca</u>

Dear Minister Farnworth, ADM Butterworth-Carr and Councillor Hodge,

I am writing on behalf of my Council, to call for your attention and action on reforming the funding models for public safety and community health in the Province of British Columbia. I would like to acknowledge at the outset, that the District of Squamish and our local RCMP leadership acknowledge systemic racism exists and we are committed to working together to eliminate it both locally and through our advocacy, more broadly. We have implemented many leading practices in the District of Squamish, but acknowledge that we can always do better.

The discourse on systemic racism and police misconduct is being elevated across the globe ignited by the horrific and senseless killing of George Floyd by a Minneapolis police officer. George Floyd was but one of many tragic stories of systemic racism and overuse of police force - and these incidents are not unique to the United States.

There is a growing body of evidence that shows that anti-Black and anti-Indigenous racism and violence in policing are notable issues across Canada, including British Columbia. A 2018

investigation by the CBC¹ that analysed details of the 461 fatal police encounters in Canada from 2000-2017 highlights some glaring facts and trends:

- The number of fatal police encounters increased over the 17-year time window, even when adjusted for population growth
- More than 70.3% of victims of a fatal police encounter had mental health or substance abuse problems
- British Columbia had the highest per capita rate of police-involved fatalities in Canada
- Black and Indigenous peoples are overwhelmingly over-represented in police-involved fatalities, both nationally and provincially.

These numbers and trends should be alarming to anyone who reads them, but as community leaders and decision makers they should also move us to reflect on our current system, learn how we can do better for our communities, and act to make change.

This issue is complex and multi-facetted. The over-representation of Black and Indigenous peoples in fatal police encounters speaks loudly to the fact that systemic racism exists within the RCMP and police departments – a fact recently acknowledged, although belatedly, by RCMP Commissioner Brenda Lucki. The fact that more than 70% of victims of fatal police encounters had mental health or substance abuse issues speaks to our society's failure to provide the socio-economic supports needed to care for all of our community members with compassion rather than force.

The funding mechanisms and siloed jurisdictional authorities that have been established for protective services, mental health and addictions, poverty reduction, health, and housing further complicates a cohesive, human-centered approach to public safety. As a municipal government, we recognize that a simple call to defund the police is not a solution. In fact, if we reduce our local governments police budget that money would not go to mental health and addictions services – as that is Provincial jurisdiction – but rather to roads, sewers, and other programs within our own jurisdiction. That said, as our local RCMP officers are called to respond to ever more mental health and overdose related calls, we are in effect funding mental health and addictions services through our police force.

In recognition of the complexity and multi-jurisdictional nature of this issue, the Council of the District of Squamish is writing to: 1) request that a process be initiated in consultation with local government that allows us as a Province to reimagine how we provide public safety and community health services; and 2) to call for transformative investments in the delivery of public safety.

Some of the fundamentals that should be considered as we reimaging and reinvest in public safety include:

¹ Morcoux, J. & Nicholson, K. 2018. Dead Force – Fatal encounters with police in Canada: 2000-2017. CBC News. [Accessed 13 June 2020]. <u>https://newsinteractives.cbc.ca/longform-custom/deadly-force</u>

- Funding for mobile mental health crisis units (e.g. psychiatric nurse) that would support
 the RCMP and carry out activities such as wellness checks. These should be made
 available for all communities, regardless of size, and tailored to their specific community
 needs based on local statistics of Mental Health Calls for Service attended by police. If
 local governments are willing to fund the officers, it would seem reasonable that the
 Province can provide the funds for a mental health practitioner.
- Training for all RCMP officers and leaders in BC on systemic racism and the impacts of colonialism that go far and beyond the current online course and look to successful experiential workshops such as *Building Bridges Through Understanding the Village* which we require locally for all RCMP working in the District.
- A review of the current de-escalation training for new recruits and the refresher course required every three years for RCMP members to ensure that scenarios challenge racial profiling and systemic bias and ensures that fatal police-involved encounters decline.
- Improve the diversity of the police force through active recruitment and community building. This means prioritizing and making a significant investment in BC RCMP recruitment along with any required budget increase so that efforts can be made to reach more diverse candidates.
- Make a decision as soon as possible on whether auxiliary police officers will be allowed one way or the other and in what capacity, and invest in recruitment of community volunteers, both of which can contribute to enabling RCMP members to focus on true criminal activity.
- Provide annual public reporting of RCMP interactions (arrests, use of force interactions and lethal force interactions) that include the incident details needed to track socio-economic dimensions of response (i.e. race, ethnicity, gender identity, etc.)
- Leadership has a significant influence on the actions and attitudes of RCMP members. Provide annual public reporting on the statistics for each Officer in Charge (OIC) on RCMP interactions (arrests, use of force interactions and lethal force interactions) in their region that include the incident details needed to track socio-economic dimensions of response (i.e. race, ethnicity, gender identity, etc.). These statistics could be published along with the number of public complaints and the crime severity index for each OIC's region. Together these statistics would be used to identify where intervention and additional oversight may be needed to ensure a consistent leadership focus on eliminating systemic racism.

In parallel, we request that the following programs and policies be considered by relevant Ministries:

- Use the COVID pandemic recovery to accelerate supportive housing initiatives across the province, by adopting a housing first approach.
 - Ensure that all youth in crisis have a safe place to go in their home community
 - Ensure clinical space is provided in supportive housing projects and <u>require</u> health authorities to provide operational funding for primary health care, mental and addictions services on site

- Ensure youth in all communities whether in person or virtually have access to mental health and addictions counselling and crisis support.
- Ensure doctors and pharmacists are trained and enabled across the province to deliver safe supply to those experiencing addiction from substance abuse.
- Establish harm reduction facilities (supervised injection sites) in all communities that ask for them.

Community health and public safety are top priority goals for all levels of government and it will require an all-hands-on-deck, all-of-government approach to achieve the fundamental systems changes needed to realize equitable, inclusive and fair community health and public safety. Although this may be daunting, the COVID-19 response has demonstrated that government can work quickly, in coordination across Ministries and Orders of Government, to achieve systemic changes for the wellbeing of our communities.

Thank you for your consideration and subsequent response as you consider our requests. We hope that this letter will also help to inform the discussions of the all-party committee that will be reviewing the Police Act as announced on June 11th.

Warm regards,

Karen Elliott Mayor, District of Squamish

cc:

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Hon. Adrian Dix, Minister of Health
Hon. Judy Darcy, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
Hon. Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction
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Hon. David Eby, Attorney General
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B.C. Mayors with an RCMP contract for local policing



July 2, 2020

Mayor Darryl Walker and Members of Council City of White Rock 15322 Buena Vista Avenue White Rock, BC V4B 1Y6

Dear Mayor Walker and Members of Council

<u>Re: Right to Charge - Access to Electric Vehicle charging in multiple unit residential buildings (MURBs)</u> - Meeting Municipal GHG reduction targets

At the 2019 meeting of UBCM, Resolution B144 entitled "Electric Vehicle Right to Charge Rules" was endorsed by the UBCM membership. Access to EV charging infrastructure in multiple unit residential buildings is an essential requirement for higher EV sales as demand for EVs is reported to be reduced my as much as 40%¹ without access to home charging.

Attached please find a copy of correspondence dated June 26, 2020 to the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing regarding a request for "Right to Charge" electric vehicle regulations for British Columbia. The correspondence includes an extensive brief on this subject entitled – "Electric Vehicle Right to Charge Backgrounder".

Without Strata Property and Residential Tenancy electric vehicle "Right to Charge" regulations, British Columbia, and its municipalities will not meet their climate action targets that are dependent upon increasing electric vehicle adoption rates.

We are therefore seeking the support of your municipality in any suitable form, to encourage the passage of the necessary regulations to expeditiously facilitate access to EV charging in multiple unit residential buildings.

Respectfully

David Grove, President, The Victoria Electric Vehicle Association <u>info@VictoriaEVclub.com</u>

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June 26, 2020

The Honorable Selina Robinson Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing PO Box 9056 Stn. Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9E2 <u>MAH.Minister@gov.bc.ca</u>

Dear Minister Robinson

Re: - Access to Electric Vehicle charging in multiple unit residential buildings (MURBs) -

A zero taxpayer cost solution to remove an obstacle that will prevent BC from meeting its ZEV sales targets.

British Columbia is a world leader in municipal electric vehicle infrastructure regulations that facilitate the adoption of electric vehicles to address the climate emergency. In 2011 Vancouver was the first City in the world to require EV infrastructure in new residential construction followed by Richmond being first to require 100% residential coverage in 2018. The District of Saanich is on track to become first in the world to tailor EV infrastructure requirements by property use in their zoning bylaw (2020). It would be beneficial if all municipalities amended their zoning bylaws to provide for EV infrastructure in, at least, new residential construction.

BC is also home to the state-of-the-art technology that enables multiple EVs to optimize the sharing of power between EVs and reduce peak building power requirements. Further, BC is also home to the professionals that successfully drafted the changes to the Electrical Codes that were necessary to enable this state-of-the-art EV charging technology. This technology, for the first time, has made large-scale EV charging in MURBs affordable.

However, in BC, there is no requirement for Strata Corporations or apartment landlords to approve access for EV owners to EV charging outlets, either for buildings that already have partial or complete base EV infrastructure¹, or for older buildings that require retrofitting.

With more than 60 percent of the BC urban population in the larger cities living in MURBs, lack of a requirement to enable access to EV charging is a major impediment to EV adoption rates, reducing EV purchasing demand by as much as 40%².

¹ There are a reported 50,000 residential units in Vancouver alone with various degrees of EV readiness

² Simon Fraser University - The Canadian Plug-in Electric Vehicle Study (CPEVS) 2015

Without the ability to charge at home, prospective owners or renters, that otherwise would have purchased an electric vehicle will continue to purchase conventional vehicles.

There is no prospect of British Columbia meeting its ZEV sales targets of 10/30/100% by 2025/2030 and 2040 respectively unless this EV adoption obstacle is removed.

The policy solution to this problem is often referred to as "Right to Charge". As the Ministry is aware, this has the support of the UBCM that passed a resolution to this effect³ in 2019.

We have many records in our case files of requests for EV charging access in MURBs being summarily rejected by Strata Councils, corporations or landlords. In the infrequent successful cases, approval can typically take years. (references are included in the attached "Backgrounder")

Some jurisdictions⁴ have addressed the Right to Charge issue with some success but we believe that BC has an opportunity to implement a "Right to Charge" policy that would be more effective and equitable. There would be no mandatory requirement for the Strata or landlords to contribute financially as the infrastructure could be financed entirely by the EV owners that benefit from access to charging outlets. Installations would still qualify for incentive programs depending on the conditions associated with such programs at the time.

The core principles of the suggested "Right to Charge" policy for Stratas⁵ are as follows:

- 1) A Strata Corporation would be required to enter into an agreement with Electric Vehicle owner(s) on the request of an owner or owners provided that:
 - a. The electrical capacity of the building be determined and a long-range strategy for providing as many EV charging spaces as feasible be presented to the Strata.
 - b. There is no requirement (it is optional) for the Strata to contribute financially to the provision of the EV infrastructure.
 - c. EV owner(s) agree to pay up to 100% of the cost of installation, operation, maintenance and all electricity fees.
 - d. Any amortization plan for the financing of the infrastructure be reviewed as to its viability and sustainability by a Professional Accountant
- 2) That there be expeditious approval requirements including time limits for entering into agreements, responding to requests, and final approvals.
- 3) A Strata Corporation would be permitted to levy supplementary Strata fees to individual strata units that agree to such fees in order to amortize the cost of EV infrastructure over a period of years and internal financing (with interest) would be permitted using capital reserve funds⁶. Subsequent additional EV owners would contribute to the original base infrastructure costs resulting in reduced payments for the initial contributors.
- 4) Strata Corporations may only turn down a request to enter into an agreement under the conditions that; the electrical capacity of the building would be exceeded, as certified by a

³ UBCM Resolution B144 (2019)

⁴ Ontario, California, Hawaii

⁵ The BC Strata Property Act and Regulations

⁶ To reduce financing costs and simplify administration

qualified professional or if the installation would compromise the structural integrity of the building, as certified by a qualified professional.

The core principles of the suggested "Right to Charge" policy for Landlords⁷ are as follows:

- 1) No lease agreement shall include provisions that prohibit, or unreasonably restrict, lessee access to EV charging infrastructure or outlets.
- 2) A requirement that the lessor approve a written request in accordance with specified requirements in a timely manner.
- 3) The specified requirements would include the lessee's responsibilities for installation, operations, maintenance and electricity costs and the lessor's conditions for making modifications to the property.

We would also suggest that the Ministry give consideration to issuing guidance that would encourage municipalities, that have not already done so, to amend their zoning bylaws to provide for EV infrastructure in new residential construction, thereby significantly reducing the cost of retro-fitting new builds in the future.

We are respectfully requesting the consideration of the above to remove this key obstacle to EV adoption rates in British Columbia, as without timely action, BC's EV sales targets and municipal GHG reduction targets will not be met.

Respectfully submitted

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James Locke, President, The Victoria Electric Vehicle Association info@VictoriaEVclub.com

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Electric Vehicle "Right to Charge" Backgrounder

Overview

The importance of home charging Having some EV infrastructure in place does not guarantee access to charging The challenges of deploying electric vehicle charging in multi-unit residential buildings (MURBs) Approval from Strata Council and Owners Approval from Landlords The solution: Right-to-charge legislation Stories from British Columbia EV Owners and Prospective Owners The List of BC municipalities with EV-ready requirements for multi-unit residential buildings

Overview

British Columbia is leading the way with electric vehicle (EV) adoption and under the provincial CleanBC plan, the sale of fossil-fueled light duty vehicles is set to be phased out such that all new vehicles sales will be zero emission by 2040.

For many, the deciding factor for buying an EV is whether they will be able to charge on a daily basis. Given that personal vehicles are typically parked at the place of residence for the longest portion of the day, access to charging at home is critical for widespread adoption, making EVs both convenient and affordable.

Access to charging in multi-unit residential buildings (MURBs) like stratas and apartments can be very difficult due to the nature and processes of strata governance and the use of common property and, in the case of apartments, landlord restrictions on EV charger installations. As many as 60% of larger municipality households in British Columbians live in MURBs, where a significant number of residents find it difficult to get access to EV charging infrastructure. This lack of access works directly against the province's 2040 sales target of 100% zero-emission vehicles.

The Importance of home charging

Given that over 70% of EV charging occurs at home¹, having access to charging at home is critical to EV adoption and countless studies (e.g. Electrifying Vehicles: SFU's Canadian PEV Study and A Review of <u>Consumer Preferences of and Interactions with Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure</u>) have demonstrated the linkage between access to home charging and EV sales.

The Province's light duty vehicle zero emission sales targets of 10/30/100% by 2025/2030/2040 respectively, will not be met without addressing the issue of right of access to EV charging in multi-unit residential buildings

Having some EV infrastructure in place does not guarantee access to charging

Although many progressive B.C. local governments are adopting EV-ready zoning bylaws for new construction (Table 1), the vast majority of the MURBs in BC require either complete retrofitting or various degrees of retrofitting² for EV infrastructure. In the cases of retrofitting, residents are frequently

¹ Charge the North Study <u>https://www.fleetcarma.com/charge-the-north-summary/</u>

² There are a reported 50,000 parking spaces in various stages of EV readiness in Vancouver alone.

denied the installation of EV infrastructure by the Strata or landlords. Currently, a supermajority vote of Strata owners is required even if the EV owners are prepared to fully-finance the acquisition, installation, and operation of the EV charging infrastructure. In the case of apartments, landlords are under no obligation to accommodate any requests for access to EV charging even if the tenant is prepared to pay 100% of the cost.

The challenges of deploying electric vehicle charging in multi-unit residential buildings (MURBs)

Approval from strata council and owners

- Under current rules for common property in stratas, a ¾ strata majority is needed to pass a bylaw to allow the installation and use of EV infrastructure. Strata Councils and owners can, and with few exceptions, vote without cause, against strata resolutions for EV charging infrastructure and access.
- Strata owners prefer not to call Special General Meetings (SGMs) to vote to install EV infrastructure, and the inconvenience could bias owners into voting against such a motion. As a result, the few resolutions that get to this stage are generally limited to Annual General Meetings (AGMs). This leads to long delays (years) for EV charging infrastructure project decisions.
- Currently, it is the strata council and its owners who ultimately determine if a strata owner can install a charging station, even if the EV owner(s) are willing to pay 100% of the cost.
- Through the "tragedy of the commons" it can be difficult to gain the necessary votes to install infrastructure, when other strata owners do not own, or lack interest in, or do not understand, electric vehicles.

Approval from Landlords

- There are currently no requirements In the BC Residential Tenancy Act or Regulations that either; prohibit landlords from including prohibitions of EV charging in standard leasing agreements, or require access if the lessee is prepared to pay the installation cost for the EV charging equipment.
- Although EV charging demand and associated market forces may eventually incentivize more landlords to provide EV infrastructure access, there is an immediate need to ensure that tenants who wish to purchase an electric vehicle can, at their option, and under reasonable conditions, gain access to EV charging infrastructure. Particularly if that all that is required is access to existing low-cost charging outlets³
- The California tenancy model⁴ provides an example of the terms and conditions under which EV charging access can be structured to include the interests of both the landlord and the lessee.

Experience from provincial incentive programs

- In the province's 2017 MURB incentive program, even with a rebate of 75% of costs (up to \$4,000) for the installation of EV chargers, the top reason for applicants to withdraw from the program was their <u>inability to secure the necessary strata votes to proceed with projects</u>.⁵
- The 2018 Charging Solutions and Incentives program application was updated to require project approval from the authorized body (e.g. strata or building owner) in advance of applying, to

³ Such as existing 120 Volt wall receptacles with dedicated circuit upgrades

⁴ California Assembly Bill 2565 Chapter 529 (2014)

⁵ Plugin BC MURB incentive program administrator

reduce the number of expected withdrawals. A number of would-be applicants had to withdraw from the program because they were unable to secure the necessary strata votes to proceed with their projects.⁶

- In both programs, Plugin BC, the program's administrator, collected data on applicants who were initially approved for funding but withdrew their application. The reasons cited for withdrawn applications include (see Appendix A for testimonials from BC EV owners):
 - o Nearer-term financial priorities (e.g. building repairs).
 - An unwillingness to subsidize, or be perceived to be subsidizing, a project that benefits one, or just a few, strata members.
 - Lack of clarity on who pays, and how costs are recovered.
 - Tendency to be risk adverse; uncertainty or lack of understanding makes it easiest to say "no".
 - Strata council not seeing EV charging as a priority, and postponing or not bringing the resolution to a vote at the AGM.
 - The disposition of individual strata residents.
- In cases where applicants were successful, applicants clearly laid out how they would cover expenses and responsibility for the infrastructure installation. This may suggest that stratas may be agreeable to the installation of EV infrastructure, as long as all the costs are borne by the EV owner(s) and/or the terms and conditions are properly defined. Properly drafted right-to-charge could achieve this condition.⁷

The Solution: Right-to-charge legislation

- Other jurisdictions have dealt with this issue by passing what is known as "Right-to-charge" amendments to their respective Strata/Condo and Residential/Tenancy Acts.
- This legislation outlines the conditions under which an installation and management of EV charging can occur and sets the rights and responsibilities of EV owners for EV charging infrastructure.
- Right-to-charge legislation exists in:
 - Ontario, Canada—O. Reg. 114/18, s. 8
 - California—CA Assembly Bill AB2565
 - Colorado—CO Senate Bill SB13-126
 - o Oregon-2015 ORS 94.762
 - Hawaii—HRS 196-7.5
 - Florida—HB 841
- Some common elements for legislation include:
 - A process and requirements for Condo/ Homeowners' Association/Strata owner(s)/Landlords to make an installation application.
 - An agreement between EV owners and the Condo/HOA/Strata/Landlord
 - Timelines in which building owners must respond to the EV owners' request and completion of agreements.

⁶ Plugin BC MURB incentive program administrator

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- Responsibility for installation and operational costs covered by the EV owner(s) and/or strata/landlord.
- o Clear and consistent definitions of what constitutes a reasonable denial.
- Responsibility for maintenance, insurance, and removal.
- Process for dispute resolution.
- Ability for the property owner (Strata/Condo/HOA/Landlord) to propose reasonable modifications (e.g. to support energy management)

British Columbia has the opportunity to join these leading jurisdictions by updating the Strata Property Act and the Residential and Tenancy Acts and Regulations to address the barriers identified above and enable a fairer and faster process for EV owners living in MURBs to access EV charging. Effective Rightto-charge legislation will clear the way to removing this obstruction to meeting the Province's EV sales and GHG emission targets.

Stories from British Columbia EV Owners and Prospective Owners

The following are excerpts of responses when current EV owners and prospective owners where asked what challenges they faced in trying to get access to EV charging in their MURB.

- "A strata council executive member dissuaded me from applying for a station at one of my three business parking spaces as there was no chance of it passing the council."
- "Property management is our main customer base and I have heard on numerous occasions that a strata's demographic is a hurdle in getting car chargers approved "
- "I tried a little more than a year ago, went through several things to get as accurate info as I could, arranged for a rep from [*a supplier*] to talk to strata, a second resident got a new EV, and her son paid to have her own install. Since then I have been told I have to charge off site."
- "Despite my offer to pay for electrical work and power consumption and a letter from [a mayor of a municipality] offering financial assistance as a pilot project for the city. They thought it was unfair to provide access to an outlet for one person, when they could not make that exception for everyone in the building They would rather say no, than discuss a solution."
- "They were confused about costs, and unaware of level 1 vs level 2, quoting \$50,000 costs, despite me only asking for access to a 110V outlet."
- "I had one property management company approve my use of an outlet, and then shut off power to the entire parkade, claiming their hydro bill went up by hundreds of dollars a month."
- "One claimed that my using an existing 110V outlet (I offered to pay to run a dedicated line to it) was a significant change in use and would require an SGM to vote on it."
- "...my Strata is against me plugging the car to any outlet, their main point is 'who is going to pay for the electricity and how'"?
- \circ $\ \ \, \ \ \,$ "I cannot even get a meeting with the (Strata) Council."

Table 1: List of BC municipalities with EV-ready requirements for multi-unit residential buildings (MURBs)

Municipality	Residential Requirement	Policy type
City of Burnaby	100% stalls energized	Zoning bylaw 13903, No 24
City of Coquitlam	1 stall per dwelling unit	Zoning bylaw 4897
Township of Langley	100 % residential stalls	Zoning Bylaw 2500
City of New Westminster	100% stalls energized	Zoning bylaw amendment 8040
City of North Vancouver	20% stalls L2; capacity for remaining 80%	Sustainable Development Guidelines
City of Port Coquitlam	100% stalls "roughed in"	Zoning bylaw 3630, No. 4035
City of Port Moody	100% residential stalls	Zoning Bylaw 2937
City of Richmond	100% stalls energized	Zoning bylaw 8500
City of Victoria	100% stalls energized (pending 07/20)	Bylaw 20-001 and 20-075
City of Vancouver	100% stalls energized	Building bylaw 10908
District of Saanich	100% dwelling energized (pending 07/20)	Zoning Bylaw 8200
District of Squamish	30% off-street parking	Zoning bylaw 2200, No. 2569
City of Surrey	100% residential stalls	Zoning Bylaw 12000
City of Port Moody	100% stalls energized	Zoning Bylaw 2937

Compiled by: The Victoria Electric Vehicle Association, Victoria, BC June 11,2020

Stephanie Lam

Subject:

RE: City of White Rock - Letter to UBCM with two resolutions

From: Jamee Justason <<u>jjustason@ubcm.ca</u>>
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2020 10:24 AM
To: Clerk's Office <<u>ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca</u>>
Subject: Re: City of White Rock - Letter to UBCM with two resolutions

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Good morning Debbie,

We have reviewed the resolution submitted from White Rock titled Vacancy Tax.

We would like to propose a few amendments.

In the second whereas clause, we would remove the specific references to your own community, which will give the resolution a more province-wide application.

In the enactment clause, the *Community Charter* government municipalities, so we would like to change the reference from Local Governments to municipalities in the enactment clause.

Words in bold are to be added. Words struck out are to be deleted.

<u>Current Wording:</u> Whereas the City of Vancouver has authority through the *Vancouver Charter* to implement an Annual Vacancy Tax;

Whereas the City of White Rock is governed through the *Community Charter* where there is no current authority to implement a Vacancy Tax and it is believed that there are a number of vacant residential and commercial properties in the City of White Rock:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM work with the Province of British Columbia to amend the authority given to Local Governments through the *Community Charter* permitting municipalities the authority to impose, by bylaw, an annual vacancy tax on taxable residential and commercial properties, and that the criteria and administrative requirements be similar to those of the *Vancouver Charter*.

Proposed Wording:

Whereas the City of Vancouver has authority through the Vancouver Charter to implement an Annual Vacancy Tax;

Whereas **other municipalities are** the City of White Rock is governed through the *Community Charter* where there is no current authority to implement a Vacancy Tax and it is believed that there are a number of vacant residential and commercial properties in the City of White Rock:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM work with the Province of British Columbia to amend the authority given to **municipalities** Local Governments through the *Community Charter* permitting municipalities the authority to impose, by

bylaw, an annual vacancy tax on taxable residential and commercial properties, and that the criteria and administrative requirements be similar to those of the *Vancouver Charter*.

Please let me know if White Rock agrees to these amendments. We are running a bit short on time to get all the resolutions prepared for inclusion in the Resolutions Book, so if you are able to consider this request and respond soon, that would be most appreciated.

I'm happy to talk with your staff if there are any questions about the proposed amendments.

Thank you, Jamee Jamee Justason Resolutions and Policy Analyst

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Applications are now being accepted for UBCM's <u>2020 Community Excellence Awards</u>. The deadline for applications is July 10, 2020.

For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, July 3, 2020

Please note these are not the official minutes. Board in Brief is an informal summary. Material relating to any of the following items is available on request from Metro Vancouver. For more information, please contact: <u>Don.Bradley@metrovancouver.org</u>.

Metro Vancouver Regional District

E 1.1 Electoral Area A Reserve Funds – Use of Discretionary Reserves

This report explores the possibility of using the Electoral Area A Discretionary Reserves, which stand at \$1.8 million, as additional revenue sources to reduce the need for revenue from tax requisition. In addition to continuing to provide funding for one-time projects, these reserves can be used to smooth future increases to the Electoral Area A property tax levy, and to act as a buffer in the event of future governance changes at the UEL or UBC, which could result in a substantial loss of the Electoral Area's tax base. Maintaining sufficient Discretionary Reserves would allow time to transition the Electoral Area Services function to a smaller tax base if this were to occur.

The Board received the report for information and directed staff to consider maintaining sufficient Electoral Area A Discretionary Reserves to fund the Electoral Area Services function for a minimum of three years as part of the preparation of the Electoral Area Services five-year financial plan.

E 2.1 Metro Vancouver Regional Industrial Lands Strategy – Revised for Approval APPROVED

The Regional Industrial Lands Strategy has been revised to add further reference that solutions to the shortage of industrial lands do not include encroachment onto agricultural lands, and to remove reference to the exploration of a provincial industrial land reserve. Additional minor and non-substantive edits were made for clarity.

The Board approved the revised Metro Vancouver Regional Industrial Lands Strategy as presented and will forward it to member jurisdictions and non-voting Industrial Lands Strategy Task Force member agencies, as well as Squamish-Lillooet Regional District, Fraser Valley Regional District, Vancouver Airport Authority, and Commercial Real Estate Development Association, requesting endorsement and seeking implementation collaboration opportunities.

Additionally, the Board passed a motion directing staff to continue to explore the feasibility of an Industrial Land Reserve and other potential policy measures and initiatives, and report back the findings to a future board meeting.

E 3.1 Food Flows in Metro Vancouver: Study Results

This report summarizes a recent study describing the food commodities that are transported across regional district boundaries. The study looks at international imports and exports through the Port of Vancouver, U.S. border and YVR air cargo, as well as interprovincial food flows and the overall BC food supply.

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Metro Vancouver is a food distribution hub for the province with approximately 78% of the total provincial food supply crossing regional boundaries. While 40% percent of the BC food supply is from international imports, it was estimated that 35% is sourced from within the province and only 14% of the Metro Vancouver food supply is sourced within the region. This study will inform other work related to food distribution, regional planning and emergency management.

The Board received the report for information.

E 3.2 Update on TransLink's Land Value Capture Study and Opportunities for APPROVED Transit-Oriented Affordable Housing

The Board resolved to send a letter to the TransLink Board expressing support for the Land Value Capture Study's recommendation that TransLink prepare a statement of objectives for affordable housing that considers an increased role in supporting transit-oriented affordable housing.

E 4.1 2019 Statement of Financial Information

The Financial Information Act is provincial legislation that requires local governments to annually prepare and submit to the Board for approval a report called the Statement of Financial Information (SOFI). It consists of statements and schedules, three of which were included in the 2019 annual audited financial statements and approved by the Board on May 29, 2020. Seven additional 2019 SOFI schedules were included in the report, outlining payments of remuneration and expenses for elected officials and employees, as well as payments made to suppliers for goods and services.

The Board approved the Statement of Financial Information for the year ended December 31, 2019.

E 5.1 Campbell Valley Regional Park – Draft Management Plan and Public Engagement APPROVED Process

In 2019, work commenced to update the Campbell Valley Regional Park Management Plan. The draft management plan expresses a long term vision to guide the park over a 20-year horizon. The Campbell Valley Regional Park Draft Management Plan is based on the existing park program and uses.

Phase one engagement brought forward public support for ecosystem protection, trails, and a desire to retain the park's character. The draft plan addresses this by providing strategies to enhance the park's cultural and natural heritage and protect ecosystems. The concept plan includes a robust trail system that links to new activity and staging areas.

Phase two public engagement will include alternate and tailored engagement methods to account for the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Board approved the scope of the proposed Campbell Valley Regional Park Draft Management Plan and authorized staff to proceed with the engagement process as presented.

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E 6.1 Annual Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions for the Metro Vancouver Region RECEIVED

Metro Vancouver is developing annual reporting of greenhouse gas emissions as part of Climate 2050. At its May 2020 meeting, the Climate Action Committee received a request from a delegation that Metro Vancouver institute a regional annual measuring and reporting system for greenhouse gas emissions.

The Board received the report for information and directed staff to work with member jurisdictions, the Province and other relevant agencies to implement annual greenhouse gas reporting in an incremental fashion, beginning with the most significant sources of greenhouse gas emissions.

E 6.2 Ecological Health Framework 2019 Progress Report

In 2018, the MVRD Board adopted the Ecological Health Framework to highlight Metro Vancouver's role in protecting and enhancing ecological health as it relates to its services and functions. This report introduces the Framework's inaugural progress report, which describes over 100 corporate initiatives that advanced ecological health across the region in 2019.

Metro Vancouver undertook projects to improve environmental performance in our services and functions, collected and analyzed regional environmental data to inform decision making, designed new facilities to reduce impacts and support ecosystem function, advanced habitat conservation for species and ecosystems, and enhanced green spaces within communities. This report will be posted on metrovancouver.org and several initiatives will be profiled.

The Board received the report for information.

E 6.3 Best Management Practices for Invasive Species: Purple Loosestrife, Reed RECEIVED Canarygrass, Wild Chervil, and Yellow Flag Iris

Building on an existing library of technical guidance for eleven priority invasive species, Metro Vancouver has again worked with the Invasive Species Council of Metro Vancouver, member jurisdictions and other local experts to produce a set of best management practices for purple loosestrife, reed canarygrass, wild chervil, and yellow flag iris. These documents provide information about how to identify, track, report, dispose, prevent further spread and effectively control these species, as well as regulatory requirements, monitoring and restoration tips, references and additional resources. New this year, each best management practice guide also describes how each of these invasive species may adapt to climate change.

The Board received the report for information and directed staff to forward the Best Management Practices to member jurisdictions for information.

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E 6.4 Board Appointment of Enforcement Officer

The Board appointed an Enforcement Officer under the GVRD Air Quality Management Bylaw 1082, 2008. Metro Vancouver employee Ana Nic Lochlainn was appointed as an officer and for the purpose of serving summons under section 28 of the Offence Act for alleged violations under said bylaw.

E 7.1 Metro Vancouver External Agency Activities Status Report – May 2020 RECEIVED

The Board received for information the following reports from Metro Vancouver representatives to external organizations:

- External Agency Status Report for the Delta Heritage Airpark Management Committee
- External Agency Status Report for Fraser Valley Regional Library (FVRL) Board
- Status Report on the Lower Mainland Flood Management Strategy Leadership Committee
- External Agency Status Report for LMLGA
- External Agency Status Report for Municipal Finance Authority of BC
- External Agency Status Report for the Pacific Parklands Foundation Update from September 30, 2019 to May 1, 2020
- External Agency Status Report for Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department Board of Trustees
- External Agency Status Report for UBCM
- External Agency Status Report for Western Transportation Advisory Council (WESTAC)

G 1.1 Affordable Housing Development Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 1309, 2020 APPROVED

During the preparation of the 2020 budget, the Board included in the Affordable Housing budget a \$4.0M tax requisition for the purposes of dedicated funding for new Metro Vancouver Housing (MVH) affordable housing development projects on lands owned by MVRD or by member jurisdictions. The current Affordable Housing Reserve is focused on redevelopment of aging MVHC housing stock, whereas, the proposed Affordable Housing Development Reserve Fund will be focused on construction of new MVHC housing on member owned leased to MVHC or MVRD owned land.

The Board established a new statutory reserve for the Affordable Housing function to receive, hold and provide funds for new affordable housing development, then gave first, second, and third readings to the Affordable Housing Development Reserve Fund Bylaw No. 1309, 2020, before passing and finally adopting said bylaw.

I 1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

RECEIVED

The Board received information items from Standing Committees.

Indigenous Relations Committee - May 28, 2020

Information Items:

5.1 TransMountain Pipeline: Federal Court of Appeal Decision

The Federal Court of Appeal issued a decision on February 4, 2020, regarding the TransMountain Pipeline Expansion Project. This was a judicial review of the federal government's second approval of the Project. Permission to appeal to the Court had been granted on the ground of whether the federal government had adequately fulfilled its duty to consult with Indigenous peoples. The Court reviewed whether the approval of the Project for the second time was reasonable and held that the Governor in Council's determination that the renewed Indigenous consultations carried out by the federal government to address the flaws previously identified by the Court in an earlier 2018 decision were adequate to meet the Crown's duty to consult, was reasonable. The Court upheld the 2019 approval of the project.

5.2 Quarterly Report on Reconciliation Activities

This report provides a summary of reconciliation events and activities undertaken by Metro Vancouver over the past three months. Some of the highlights include: Belcarra Agreement Signing Ceremony with Tsleil-Waututh Nation on February 18, 2020; Metro Vancouver Board Chair and Chief Administrative Officer meeting with Kwikwetlem First Nation Chief and Council and Chief Administrative Officer on April 20, 2020; and Metro Vancouver staff meeting on March 3, 2020, with Katzie First Nation Chief, Council and staff to discuss Widgeon Marsh Regional Park. This report also includes information on upcoming events and activities over the next three months.

Electoral Area Committee – June 10, 2020

Information Items:

5.1 Electoral Area A COVID-19 Impacts and Responses

Like other communities in the region, Electoral Area A is being impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Regarding service provision, Metro Vancouver has continued to provide regular local government services, including building inspection, throughout the pandemic, and staff will be resuming virtual public consultation on the review of the Electoral Area A Zoning Bylaw this summer. In rural communities, the main impact has been on Barnston Island with the temporary closure of Barnston Island Regional Park in response to concerns regarding the increased number of visitors and their impact on residents and the ferry crew. At UBC and the University Endowment Lands, the Electoral Area Director held two virtual town halls to allow residents to ask questions of community leaders about COVID-19 and to discuss how residents can support each other.

Regional Planning Committee – June 12, 2020

Information Items:

5.5 Metro 2050 Q2 2020 Status Update

Staff provide quarterly updates to the Regional Planning Committee on the progress of Metro 2050. At the May 1st 2020 Regional Planning Committee meeting, Committee members requested additional detail on what was meant by the "technical work" being done as part of the Policy Reviews. As a result, this second quarter progress includes: a summary of the engagement activity to date; a summary of each audience group's capacity to engage; and a summary of the technical work underway. Staff will continue to provide monthly and quarterly updates to the Regional Planning Committee to help determine whether it is appropriate to engage with particular audiences at this time on interim Policy Review work and will continue to postpone engagement on any policy review recommendations until the Committee provides direction.

5.6 Developing a Shared Resiliency Framework for Metro 2050 and Transport 2050

As a result of direction from the Regional Planning Committee and in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, Regional Planning staff are working closely with TransLink staff to develop a shared COVID-informed resiliency framework for Metro 2050 and Transport 2050. These two long-range regional plans were in middevelopment when the global pandemic began. This report summarizes three actions staff have taken to further the objective of developing a resiliency lens: assessing COVID impact on Metro 2040 policies; assessing COVID impact on regional population projections; and establishing a working group to develop a Resiliency Framework.

5.7 Metro 2040 Complete Communities Policy Review – Scope of Work

To inform the update to the regional growth strategy, Metro Vancouver is undertaking a Complete Communities Policy Review. Between now and late 2020, the Policy Review will engage member jurisdictions and other stakeholders on the topics of services and amenities that are currently contained within Strategy 4.2 of Metro 2040. It will consider new or emerging policy issues (such as access to child care, green spaces, diverse and affordable housing), evaluate the Metro 2040 Local Centres map, and consider removing any language that is no longer necessary, redundant, dated or ineffective. This policy review has been scoped narrowly as it is a relatively small component of the regional growth strategy and the majority of the policies are seen to be effective and not requiring significant change.

5.8 Climate 2050 and Clean Air Plan Discussion Papers

In October 2019, the Board directed staff to begin an engagement process for the Climate 2050 Roadmaps and the Clean Air Plan, using a series of issue area discussion papers. Staff have completed five Discussion Papers to date (Buildings, Industry, Transportation, Agriculture and Nature and Ecosystems).

Each Discussion Paper includes information on the greenhouse gas reduction, climate adaptation and air quality issues related to that issue area. The Discussion Papers will support public, stakeholder and government engagement for Climate 2050, the Clean Air Plan, Metro 2050 and other associated management plans in 2020 and 2021.

Regional Parks Committee – June 17, 2020

Information Items:

5.2 Climate 2050 and Clean Air Plan Discussion Paper on Nature and Ecosystems

In October 2019, the MVRD Board directed staff to begin an engagement process for Climate 2050 and the Clean Air Plan, using a series of issue area discussion papers. Staff have developed a draft Nature and Ecosystems discussion paper, with linkages to climate change and air quality, including how the health of our region's ecosystems are vulnerable to further degradation, especially with a changing climate.

The nature and ecosystems discussion paper is being presented to the Regional Parks Committee for information, and feedback provided will inform Climate 2050, Metro 2050 and the Clean Air Plan.

Climate Action Committee – June 19, 2020

Information Items:

5.1 Caring for the Air 2020 Report

Caring for the Air is Metro Vancouver's plain language report on regional projects that promote climate action and improve and protect air quality. Published annually, the 2020 edition describes how Metro Vancouver's air quality has continued to improve over time, and focuses on Metro Vancouver's climate leadership and implementation of Climate 2050.

The 2019 edition was promoted using traditional and social media, and at public facilities and community events. Recognizing the current situation with COVID-19, outreach for the 2020 edition will be adjusted, with an initial focus on Metro Vancouver's social media channels.

5.4 Climate 2050 and Clean Air Plan Discussion Paper on Waste Management

In October 2019, the MVRD Board directed staff to begin an engagement process for Climate 2050 and the Clean Air Plan, using a series of issue area discussion papers. Staff have developed a draft Waste Management discussion paper, with linkages to climate change and air quality. The discussion paper will support public, stakeholder and government engagement for Climate 2050 and the Clean Air Plan in 2020. The draft discussion paper is being presented to the Climate Action Committee for information, and feedback provided will be incorporated into the final paper and associated engagement process.

5.5 2020 Update on Liquid Waste Sustainability Innovation Fund Projects

Annually, the Climate Action Committee receives an update on all projects funded under the Sustainability Innovation Funds. This report provides an update on ten projects that were approved for funding from 2016 to 2019 and are in various stages of completion, some with their progress slowed due to COVID-19 related shut-downs of laboratories. Of the ten projects, two are highlighted: The Smart Sewer Wireless Sensor and the Hydrothermal Processing - Biofuel Demonstration Facility.

Greater Vancouver Water District

E 1.1 Award of Contract Resulting from Tender No. 20-021: Construction of Kennedy APPROVED Newton Main 72nd to 63rd Avenue

The Kennedy Newton Main project is a growth project in Metro Vancouver's Capital Long Range Plan and is being constructed in three phases. The 72nd to 63rd Avenue section is the second phase of the project and consists of approximately 2.7 km of 1,800 mm (72-inch) diameter welded steel water main.

The Board approved the award of a contract in the amount of \$18,860,000 (exclusive of taxes) to Pedre Contractors Ltd. resulting from Tender No. 20-021 and authorized the Commissioner and the Corporate Officer to execute the required documentation once the Commissioner is satisfied that the award should proceed.

I 1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries

RECEIVED

The Board received information items from Standing Committee.

Water Committee – June 18, 2020

Information Items:

5.1 2019 GVWD Dam Safety Program Annual Update

GVWD owns and operates five drinking water supply dams that are regulated by the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development Dam Safety Branch. The Water Services Dam Safety Program is fully compliant with the requirements outlined in the Provincial Dam Safety Regulation (BC Reg. 40/2016) as required for all dam owners in British Columbia. There were no significant concerns identified from the 2019 routine surveillance, monitoring, or formal dam inspections.

5.2 GVWD Watershed Wildfire Preparedness Update

Metro Vancouver provides clean, safe drinking water to 2.7 million residents. An integral component of this service is management of the forested lands surrounding Capilano, Seymour and Coquitlam Reservoirs. These water supply lands are closed to the public for protection from pollution and fire, and to ensure they are solely used for drinking water supply.

The watersheds have a low incidence of fire due in large part to these restrictions. Consequently, the primary cause of fire is from lightning strikes during periods of high fire danger. Most fires are extinguished quickly and without incident due to rapid discovery made possible by real-time lightning detection, staff patrols, local air traffic, and public reports. The Water Services Protection Program has staff with expertise in wildfire management, equipment available for strategic deployment, resource sharing agreements, and monitoring stations ready for the 2020 fire season.

Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District

E 1.1 Board Appointments and Rescindments of Bylaw Enforcement Officers

APPROVED

Due to staffing changes, the Board made changes to Bylaw Enforcement Officers under the GVS&DD Sewer Use Bylaw No. 299, 2007.

- The appointment of former City of Vancouver employee Ana Nic Lochlainn as municipal sewage control officer, for the purposes of serving summons for alleged violations under the aforementioned bylaw, was rescinded.
- The appointment of former City of Vancouver employee Mark Schwark as sewage control manager was rescinded.
- Metro Vancouver employee Ana Nic Lochlainn was appointed as a municipal sewage control officer and for the purposes of serving summons for alleged violations under the aforementioned bylaw.
- City of Vancouver employee Upkar Matharu was appointed as a sewage control manager.
- City of Vancouver employee Sarah Wells was appointed as a deputy sewage control manager.

E 1.2 Change in Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Membership RECEIVED

On June 1, 2020 the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia signed an Order-in-Council granting the Village of Anmore membership in the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District effective June 4, 2020, in response to a request by Anmore for membership in the GVS&DD in order to provide regional sewerage services to select local properties. The Board previously resolved to support Anmore's membership request to the Province. As a member of the GVS&DD, Anmore is entitled to representation on the GVS&DD Board. Director John McEwen, being the current Director appointed to serve on the MVRD Board, will serve as the GVS&DD Board member for Anmore and will have one vote. The Board received the report for information.

E 1.3 Award of Contract Resulting from Standing Request for Expression of Interest APPROVED SRFEOI No. 19-283: Biosolids Management

The Board authorized award of a contract in the amount of up to \$8,676,000 (exclusive of taxes) to Arrow Transportation Systems Inc. for biosolids management at Blackwell, resulting from Standing Request for Expressions of Interest No. 19-283: Biosolids Management, subject to final review by the Commissioner.

E 1.4 Award of Engineering Construction Services – Burnaby Lake North Interceptor No. 2 APPROVED – Winston Street Section – Open Cut Resulting from RFP No. 14-163

The Board authorized award of Phase C1, Engineering Construction Services, for an amount of up to \$1,596,888 (exclusive of taxes) to the Phase A and B consultant, AECOM Canada Ltd, for the Installation of Burnaby Lake North Interceptor No. 2 – Winston Street Section – Open Cut, subject to final review by the Commissioner.

E 2.1 2019 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report RECEIVED

The Board received for information the 2019 Biennial Report on the implementation of the Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan, and the region's recycling and waste reduction performance. The Biennial Report was shared with First Nations with interests in the Metro Vancouver region and solid waste stakeholders. Comments were received from four organizations and individuals and Metro Vancouver staff met with Matsqui First Nation upon request. Comments expressed a desire for increased waste reduction and recycling, and concerns regarding waste-to-energy/fuels, plastic waste, materials tracking, and sustainable governance. All feedback is included in the attachment and will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.

E 2.2 Solid Waste Management Plan Independent Consultation and Engagement Panel: RECEIVED Terms of Reference

A comprehensive consultation and engagement program is a critical element in the development of an updated solid waste management plan. To support a robust consultation and engagement process an independent consultation and engagement panel will be formed to advise staff and the Board on consultation and engagement on the development of a new solid waste management plan. A Consultation and Engagement Panel, consisting of three to five members, will be selected by the Board Chair in consultation with the Zero Waste Committee Chair. The Consultation and Engagement Panel will report to the Board throughout its approximately two to three-year term, until a new solid waste management plan is approved. The Board received the report for information.

E 2.3 Board Appointment of Solid Waste Bylaw Enforcement Officer APPROVED

The Board, pursuant to the GVS&DD Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclable Material Regulatory Bylaw No. 181, 1996 and the Environmental Management Act appointed Metro Vancouver employee Ana Nic Lochlainn as an officer and for the purpose of serving summons under Section 28 of the Offence Act for alleged violations under the aforementioned bylaw.

G 1.1 Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sewerage and Drainage Areas APPROVED Boundaries Amending Bylaw No. 338, 2020 – Fraser Sewerage Area – Village of Anmore On March 29, 2019, the Board resolved to accept a revised Regional Context Statement from the Village of Anmore which rezoned a strata property known as Anmore Green Estates from "Rural" to "General Urban" land use. As all properties must be within an established sewerage area in order to receive regional sewer services, Anmore Council requested that Fraser Sewerage Area be amended to include building footprints for the Estates along with the Eagle Mountain Middle School property. All new connection costs would be borne by Anmore.

The Board gave first, second and third readings to the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Sewerage and Drainage Areas Boundaries Amending Bylaw No. 338, 2020; then passed, and finally adopt said bylaw.

G 1.2 Proposed Amendments to Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Cost APPROVED Apportionment Bylaw No. 283, 2014 – Village of Anmore

The Board rescinded third reading of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Bylaw No. 332, 2019 given on November 1, 2019 and amended said bylaw as outlined in Attachment 2 of this report, then gave third reading to the amended bylaw, before passing and finally adopting it.

E 1.1 Committee Information Items and Delegation Summaries RECEIVED

The Board received a delegation summary and information items from Standing Committees.

Liquid Waste Committee – June 18, 2020

Information Items:

5.6 Development of a Review Strategy for the Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan

The regional Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan is due for review and update. Metro Vancouver is required to submit a review strategy to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy by October 30, 2020. Staff are currently developing a review strategy and will seek the Liquid Waste Committee's direction prior to requesting GVS&DD Board approval to submit the review strategy to the Province. It is currently anticipated that the formal plan review and development process, including extensive community engagement, will be initiated in early 2021, subject to the timing and conditions of approval as determined by the Province. Staff estimate that the process will be completed in two to three years.

Zero Waste Committee – June 19, 2020

Delegation Summary:

3.1 Stuart Lilley, Founder/CVO, ReFeed Canada

Information Items:

5.3 Solid Waste Services Innovations Update

Metro Vancouver implemented a number of innovation projects in 2019 and early 2020 to improve solid waste system service, reliability and resilience and reduce costs, including:

- installation of an Encorp Return-It Express & GO beverage container drop-off at the North Shore Transfer Station in April 2020;
- an agreement with RecycleBC to provide funding for the collection of packaging and paper at the Coquitlam Transfer Station;
- implementation of a paperless disposal ban surcharge program;
- a partnership with the Recycling Council of British Columbia (RCBC) to integrate RCBC's database of recycling options in the region into the Metro Vancouver website; and
- installation of web cameras at the transfer stations and the Waste-to-Energy Facility so customers can view current lineups.

5.4 2019 Commercial/Institutional Waste Composition Study

Metro Vancouver monitors the composition of the region's municipal solid waste stream on an annual basis. The 2019 Commercial/Institutional Waste Composition Study focused on commercial/institutional waste as represented by the retail trade, food service & accommodation, manufacturing and business & commercial services industries. The results of the study are presented as a range of probable values to demonstrate the variability of the data. The results indicate that the percentage of organics in business & commercial service establishments has decreased since the Organics Disposal Ban was implemented in 2015. Single-use items, in particular cups and takeout containers, are highest in the food service & accommodation sector. The study is available on Metro Vancouver's website and will help inform future programs and policies for the commercial/institutional sector.

5.5 2019 Disposal Ban Program Update

Garbage loads received at Metro Vancouver and City of Vancouver solid waste facilities are visually inspected for banned materials and surcharges are applied if banned materials are observed in loads. In July 2019, Metro Vancouver implemented a new paperless disposal ban inspection and surcharge process to increase transparency and efficiency. In 2019, a total of 202,521 garbage loads were inspected (28% inspection rate) and 4,294 surcharge notices were issued, representing a surcharge rate of 2.1%. An additional 16,578 loads were found to contain banned materials but were not surcharged, as inspectors were able to give customers the opportunity to safely remove the items and provide alternative recycling options. Electronic waste, corrugated cardboard and mattresses remain the top three banned materials identified in garbage loads. Surcharge revenues totalled \$463,830 and program expenditures totalled \$719,394.

5.7 Update on Metro Vancouver's Engagement with the Love Food Hate Waste Canada Campaign

Food waste is an urgent, but solvable, global challenge. One third of all food produced globally is wasted. Love Food Hate Waste Canada, an initiative of the National Zero Waste Council, engages 10 partners across the country, including two provincial agencies, six local governments (including Metro Vancouver), and two major grocery chains (Walmart and Sobeys).

The combination of national grocers partnered with local and provincial governments, provides a unique opportunity to amplify the issue of food waste with common messaging to inspire and empower people to make food go further and waste less. As a founding partner, Metro Vancouver realizes several benefits, including campaign materials and messaging, access to influencers and celebrity chefs and national media

buys. To date, results of the national campaign include over 7 million impressions and over 281,000 website page views. Metro Vancouver amplifies the campaign regionally through outreach events and a targeted media buy.

Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation

No open agenda items.

Stephanie Lam

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ron Kistritz <ron_kistritz@telus.net> July 10, 2020 10:00 PM Clerk's Office QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

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QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Mayor and Council,

At the June 29th Council meeting, Councillors Chesney, Fathers, Kristjanson, and the Mayor claimed that something needs to be done about enforcing the dog bylaws on the promenade. It would appear that Mayor and Council were genuinely concerned about the spade of comments they were getting from the public about all of the infractions.

Nevertheless, when I heard this, I was absolutely gobsmacked!

In the minutes of the Governance and Legislation Committee Meeting of April 8, 2019, it was moved and seconded that ... "the City changes their current practise in regard to bylaw enforcement, specifically in regard to dogs on the promenade that offenders will be ticketed as opposed staff working with the offender to try and gain compliance first".

And guess who defeated the motion to warn instead of ticket offenders? None other than our esteemed Councillors Chesney and Fathers, who now claim to be so concerned about the lack of ticketing.

This clearly demonstrates the pitfall of making decisions based on public opinion and intuition rather than hard data. If you need hard data, by all means please refer to the data and statistical report on non-compliance that was submitted by me to Council as an on-table item at the June 29th meeting.

The last time I spoke with a bylaw enforcement officers he told me that it had taken years prior to the dog trial to get the public to properly comply with the dog bylaws on the promenade. Now, thanks to Council's decisions, we are in a messy and chronic non-compliance situation with dogs on the promenade. Make no mistake, this problem will take years to correct at considerable cost to the taxpayer.

But since we have to start somewhere,

Will Council immediately take action to reverse their motion of April 8, 2019, and direct staff to step up bylaw enforcement and ticketing for all dog related violations on the promenade?

Sincerely,

Ron Kistritz

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ON TABLE REGULAR - JULY 13, 2020 Item 4.1.c

Ron Kistritz 15870 Columbia Ave. White Rock, BC

White Rock Mayor and Council 15322 Buena Vista Ave. White Rock, BC

July 13, 2020

Dear Mayor and Council,

RE: Dogs on Picnic Tables

Every since the City of White Rock implemented the dogs on the promenade pilot project, a disturbing behaviour has emerged among dog walkers using designated picnic areas on the waterfront.

On July 10, 2020 Dr. Alex Galo observed a dog on top of a picnic table at Memorial Park while the owners were having their meal. As if that wasn't shocking enough, two days later I made a similar observation on the promenade picnic area near Finlay Street entrance (photos attached).

I can't think of anything more irresponsible and revolting than placing a dog on top of a public picnic table. Dogs are known to harbour zoonotic pathogens on their paws, in their saliva, and on their butts.

The promenade and picnic area is **the** premier picnic site in the City. Currently the City of White Rock wishes everyone to have an enjoyable picnic on the waterfront, whilst at the same time putting families at risk of catching a serious disease. Just like with COVID-19, all it takes is **one** careless person and their dog to start a cluster of infectious disease.

When it comes to protecting the health of its residents, the City must adopt a more proactive and precautionary policy. The only way to eliminate this risk is to adopt a policy of **zero tolerance**. Anything else will continue to subject the public to serious health risks.

I have provided some hard data on the severity of the problem concerning dogs in picnic areas in my data report (*Usage and Non-Compliance Statistics on East Promenade*) submitted to Mayor and Council on June 29, 2020.

Therefore, I respectfully request that Mayor and Council ask staff to amend the existing bylaw(s) to include a complete prohibition of dogs from all designated picnic areas on the waterfront.

Sincerely,

Ron Kistritz, M.Sc.

cc: Brenda Anderson, Editor, PAN Fraser Health, Whistleblower Hotline



Photo taken by Dr. Alex Gallo, at Memorial Park, July 10, 2020

Photo taken by Ron Kistritz, on east promenade at Findlay on July 12, 2020



ON TABLE: REGULAR COUNCIL – JUNE 29, 2020 QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD UPDATE & LATE SUBMISSIONS: (ITEM 4)

Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, Question and Answer Period has been temporarily suspended until further notice. The following items were addressed to Mayor and Council by emailing <u>ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca</u> with "Question and Answer Period" noted in the subject line.

Questions, comments, along with the response/information, will be noted on the City's website *following the scheduled Council meeting*. Correspondents will also be provided the response/information when it is ready.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, INCLUDING NOTED <u>ON TABLE</u> WAS RECEIVED BY 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, JULY 13, 2020 (TODAY).

4c (new item):

• Two (2) submissions dated July 10, 2020 and July 13, 2020 received from R. Kistritz reporting concerns regarding dogs on the promenade/waterfront/picnic areas and bylaw enforcement



July 13, 2020 Regular Council ON TABLE Re: Item 6.1a

NEW WESTMINSTER & DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL

Stephen Crozier, President Janet Andrews, Secretary-Treasurer Chartered By The Canadian Labour Congress

Mayor Walker and Council Members,

Thank you for your time today, and your consideration of this motion on Emergency Funding for Municipalities.

My name is Janet Andrews, my preferred pronouns are she/her/hers and I am the Secretarytreasurer of the New Westminster & District Labour Council, which represents 60,000 unionized workers in 14 Metro Vancouver municipalities, including White Rock.

The motion is also supported by our chartering body, the Canadian Labour Congress, which represents approximately 3.3 million unionized workers across Canada. It is part of a larger campaign for pandemic recovery which is targeted at provincial and federal governments to ensure they hear the voices of our communities and take emergency action to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on local governments. We believe this **must** be a priority for senior levels of government, as municipalities receive the least, only 8 cents, of every tax dollar and are also the most constrained in raising and securing extraordinary funding in times like these.

The motion is fairly self explanatory, so I want to pick up on a few points for consideration and then I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

As I stated, this motion is part of a cross-Canada engagement by union members, and is a similar ask to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' and others that the federal government hear our concerns. Many voices together calling for action cannot be ignored.

In his July 11 guest column for the Windsor Star, Mayor Drew Dilkens was entirely correct when he stated that the pathway to economic recovery runs through cities and towns. It runs through White Rock. By supporting you, the federal government is giving you the ability to support us, your constituents and businesses, to ensure that White Rock not only recovers from

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the impacts of the pandemic, but thrives. We do not just want to rebuild, we want the chance to lay a foundation that will mean resiliency and inclusion far into the future.

Data from past economic downturns shows that incomplete or partial support measures from senior levels of government lead to slower and longer recoveries. Senior levels of government, with their ability to borrow at lower rates and other tools must be prepared to provide cities with the means they need to survive and then thrive.

No one knows better than you, when we speak of 'cities' we are talking about your constituents, your staff, your families, friends and neighbours. We have only to look at examples like Detroit MI, to know the long term cost to our communities that failing to support local government will bring. We know there is a better way and we are calling on senior levels of government to make it happen.

As a labour movement, we have a unique perspective to see this need both at the local level and happening simultaneously across the country. This is why we are speaking out. With many voices calling together, the federal and provincial governments must listen and take swift and encompassing action.

The motion encompasses much of the 5 key priorities that we need right now:

- 1. Public infrastructure to create good jobs and build prosperous communities.
- 2. High quality public services and income support programs.
- 3. Public transit and renewable energy to make our cities more livable.
- 4. Good jobs, fair wages and safe working conditions for municipal workers.
- 5. Strategies to support local businesses and good jobs.

Municipalities are an important economic driver in our communities, providing good jobs for workers and vital services like libraries, recreation centres, road construction, policing and fire fighting, garbage and recycling collection. A financial crisis at the local level is a threat to Canada's economic recovery. Working people that are the foundation of many local economies, and good city jobs support other vital jobs and local businesses in our communities. We are truly all in this together.

Lastly I want to touch on public transit. Strong, accessible, affordable public transit allows more people to participate in the local economy, while at the same time addressing climate change. It is long past time for a national transit strategy and stable, predictable funding for transit. We have just witnessed that the current model is not sustainable, nor will it allow us to rebuild, expand and continue to address climate change.

These are just a few of the reasons we believe the Federal and provincial governments must step up and provide financial support to our cities to avoid cuts to local services will hurt all of us and further delay recovery from the pandemic.

The need is urgent, the time is now. I ask for your support of this motion. Thank you!

Janet Andrews, Secretary-Treasurer New Westminster & District Labour Council

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