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THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**CITY OF WHITE ROCK**  
15322 BUENA VISTA AVENUE, WHITE ROCK, B.C. V4B 1Y6



June 24, 2020

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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 **MONDAY, JUNE 29, 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. Please see agenda Item 1.3 for further details.

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T. Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration

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## **A G E N D A**

### **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 June 29, 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 June 29, 2020 as circulated.

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

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

**4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

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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 [ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca) 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

***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., June 29, 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.*

**4.1 CHAIRPERSON CALLS FOR SPEAKERS TO QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

**5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS**

**5.1 DELEGATIONS**

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**5.2 PETITIONS**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receive 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”.*

**6. PRESENTATIONS AND CORPORATE REPORTS**

**6.1 PRESENTATIONS**

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

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

## **6.2 CORPORATE REPORTS**

### **6.2.1 COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC (VERBAL UPDATE)**

The Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief to provide a verbal update regarding the COVID-19 global pandemic.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receives the June 29, 2020 verbal report from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief regarding the COVID-19 global pandemic for information.

### **6.2.2 STREET SWEEPER REPLACEMENT PURCHASE**

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Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations titled “Street Sweeper Replacement Purchase”.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve the purchase of a 2020 Elgin Whirlwind Pure Vacuum Street Sweeper from Vimar Equipment Ltd. in the amount of \$413,685 (excluding GST).

### **6.2.3 DEFER 2020 PROPERTY TAX SALE AND EXTEND PROPERTY TAX SALE**

#### **REDEMPTION DATE**

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Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Financial Services titled “Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date”.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receives the corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Financial Services titled “Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date”.

***Note:** The subject Bylaw (Bylaw 2348) is on the agenda under Item 8.1.2 for consideration of the first three (3) readings.*

### **6.2.4 PARKING ENFORCEMENT**

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Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Financial Services titled “Parking Enforcement”.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council:

1. Approve an increase of \$10K in equipment operating costs for additional parking enforcement to be funded from the operating contingency budget; and
2. Consider the possibility of a city wide parking review through its strategic planning discussions.

**6.2.5 DOGS ON THE PROMENADE PILOT PROJECT SURVEY RESULTS Page 43**  
Corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Director of Development Services titled “Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey Results”.

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council:

1. Direct 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. Authorize 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.

**7. MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES**

**7.1 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

None

**7.2 STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

None

**8. BYLAWS AND PERMITS**

**8.1 BYLAWS**

**8.1.1 BYLAW 2287 – WHITE ROCK ZONING BYLAW, 2012, NO. 2000, AMENDMENT (CD-62 – 1453 STAYTE ROAD) BYLAW, 2019, NO. 2287 Page 98**

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.*

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

**8.1.2 BYLAW 2348 – WHITE ROCK DEFERRAL 2020 PROPERTY TAX SALE AND EXTENSION OF PROPERTY TAX SALE REDEMPTION DATE BYLAW, 2020, NO. 2348 **Page 107****

Bylaw 2348 proposes to defer the 2020 Property Tax Sale and 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.

**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council give first, second, and third reading to “*Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date Bylaw, 2020, No. 2348*”.

**8.2 PERMITS**

None

**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.*

***Note:** Council may wish to refer this matter to staff for consideration and response.*

- 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). **Page 108**

- 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. **Page 109**

***Note:** The City’s letter dated May 29, 2020 to the School Board is attached for reference purposes.*

- 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: **Page 112**

WHEREAS our society has been plagued by homelessness and a lack of support systems for those affected by addictions and mental illness for generations;

AND WHEREAS the state of homelessness in our region has only worsened over the course of decades and throughout multiple Provincial and Federal Governments;

AND WHEREAS an inevitable economic rebuild is a good opportunity to make positive upgrades to our society;

BE IT RESOLVED:

**THAT Council considers a return to the “normal” state of homelessness in our region, province, and nation after the COVID emergency fundamentally unacceptable;**

**AND THAT Council call on the Government of Canada, the Government of BC, and the Metro Vancouver Regional District to use the post-COVID recovery as an opportunity to “upgrade” our society by eliminating homelessness;**

**AND THAT Council supports a return to large-scale supportive housing arrangements for those afflicted by mental illness, such as a revived facility at Riverview.**

**10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

**10.1 MAYOR’S REPORT**

**10.2 COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

**10.2.1 METRO VANCOUVER BOARD IN BRIEF**

**METRO VANCOUVER BOARD IN BRIEF – MAY 29, 2020**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receives for information the May 29, 2020 Metro Vancouver Board in Brief document.

**11. MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION**

**11.1 MOTIONS**

None

**11.2 NOTICES OF MOTION**

None

**12. RELEASE OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED COUNCIL MEETINGS**

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.*

**13. OTHER BUSINESS**

**14. CONCLUSION OF THE JUNE 29, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Kristjanson (Deputy Mayor)  
Councillor Chesney  
Councillor Fathers  
Councillor Johanson  
Councillor Manning  
Councillor Trevelyan

**ABSENT:** Mayor Walker

**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. Lemire, Fire Chief  
G. Newman, Manager of Planning and Development Services  
K. Pauls, Staff Sergeant White Rock RCMP  
S. Lam, Deputy Corporate Officer (via electronic means)

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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**

Deputy Mayor Kristjanson 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.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

2020-337

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT the Corporation of the City of White Rock Council amends the agenda for its Regular meeting scheduled for June 15, 2020 by adding the following “On-Table” Items:

- Item 4. Question and Answer Period Update & Late Submissions (summary question/comments and responses to date); and
- Item 6.1a White Rock RCMP 2020-2023 Strategic Plan summary

AND THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a) June 8, 2020 – Special meeting

2020-338

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

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

- a) June 8, 2020 – Special meeting

**CARRIED**

**4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

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2020-339

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council receives:

- 1) The following correspondence submitted by 8:30 a.m., June 10, 2020, as circulated, with respect to Question and Answer Period:
  - a) Heather C., expressing concerns regarding the increase of cars and trucks along North Bluff Road and requesting the RCMP increase surveillance along the hospital corridor
  - b) M. Desmarais, requesting the City provide statistics by the City / RCMP regarding the number of tickets issued for speed and noise violations since the City’s request for increased enforcement
  - c) R. Wallace, requesting the City permit the “Artist Walk” be reinstated with physical distancing measures in the City of White Rock
  - d) T. Erwin, requesting Council consider implementing an “Empty Commercial Space” fee (it was noted that the City does not have this authority)

Letter sent to UBCM April 2020 was noted (include in the On Table Package please) it was read out in full ; and

- 2) The “On-Table” summary of questions and staff answers to various Question and Answer Period correspondence.

**CARRIED**

**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.

**5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS**

**5.1**

**DELEGATIONS**

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**5.2**

**PETITIONS**

None

**6.**

**PRESENTATIONS AND CORPORATE REPORTS**

**6.1**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**6.1a**

**2020 - 2023 RCMP STRATEGIC PLAN**

Staff Sergeant Kale Pauls was in attendance to provide a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2020-2023 RCMP Strategic Plan.

The following discussion point was noted:

- The additional RCMP presence around the community has been noticed and it is appreciated

**6.2**

**CORPORATE REPORTS**

**6.2.1**

**COVID-19 GLOBAL PANDEMIC (VERBAL UPDATE)**

Verbal update from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief with respect to the COVID-19 global pandemic.

The Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief provided an update on COVID-19 stats both globally and locally.

A Joint Municipal News Release has been issued informing that municipalities are working regionally on re-openings where it is possible. Each municipality is unique and are working in varied circumstances.

The City is continuing to work with business on areas where the City can help.

The following discussion points were noted:

- Parking and the Pier were noted in relation to further consideration of re-opening

2020-340

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council:

1. Directs the White Rock Pier be re-opened over the upcoming next week; and
2. Endorses the Mayor be given the authority on Council's behalf to close the White Rock Pier should it be felt an emergency to do so where social distancing has become of concern.

**CARRIED**

Deputy Mayor Kristjanson voted in the negative

**Note:** It was clarified that the fencing would remain in the waterfront area so it may be utilized quickly if needed.

**Subsequent Motion**

2020-341

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council directs staff to re-open all parking at the waterfront with the exception of the City's parkade and the hours permitted would be returned to 4-hour parking / the parking limits prior to COVID closures.

**CARRIED**

Councillors Chesney and Johanson voted in the negative

2020-342

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council directs staff report back on cost and implications on the following:

- cross walk at Parker Street and Marine Drive
- information on the three (3) parking stalls on east side being permit only; and
- a speed bump at Kent Street and Keil Street.

**CARRIED**

2020-343

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council receives the verbal report from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Fire Chief regarding the COVID-19 global pandemic.

**CARRIED**

6.2.2

**PLANNING PROCEDURES BYLAW AMENDMENT - ELECTRONIC PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR LIQUOR AND CANNABIS LICENCE REFERRALS AND DELEGATION OF LIQUOR PRIMARY CLUB LICENCES**

Corporate report dated June 15, 2020 from the Director of Planning & Development Services titled "Planning Procedures Bylaw Amendment - Electronic Public Hearings for Liquor and Cannabis Licence Referrals and Delegation of Liquor Primary Club Licences".

The Manager of Planning presented a Power Point outlining the corporate report.

2020-344

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council recommends Appendix B as appended to the corporate report dated June 15, 2020, titled “Planning Procedures Bylaw Amendment - Electronic Public Hearings for Liquor and Cannabis Licence Referrals and Delegation of Liquor Primary Club Licences” be referred for consideration of adoption under the Bylaws section of the June 15, 2020 regular Council meeting agenda.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Trevelyan and  
Deputy Mayor Kristjanson voted in the negative

6.2.3

**APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR PRIMARY CLUB LICENCE,  
14560 NORTH BLUFF ROAD (LL 20-002)**

Corporate report dated June 15, 2020 from the Director of Planning and Development Services titled “Application for Liquor Primary Club Licence, 14560 North Bluff Road (LL 20-002)”.

The Manager of Planning presented a Power Point outlining the corporate report.

2020-345

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council endorse Option 3 as outlined in the June 15, 2020 corporate report: titled “Application for Liquor Primary Club Licence, 14560 North Bluff Road (LL 20-002):

Pending amendments to the Planning Procedures Bylaw described in a separate corporate report, allow the Director of Planning and Development Services to obtain public input through written comment and respond directly to the LCRB, including in the response that if the liquor primary club licence application at 14560 North Bluff Road is approved that it be subject to the following conditions:

- that the hours of liquor service be limited to the period of time between 3:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., Sunday to Saturday, inclusive;
- that, notwithstanding the above-noted hour of liquor service, the service of liquor shall be prohibited when children are attending scheduled classes or are receiving services offered at the White Rock and Cobble Hill Montessori; and
- that the “service area” be limited to the clubhouse and the abutting patio.

**CARRIED**

7. **MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES**

7.1 **STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

None

7.2 **STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

- a) The following document titled “2018 City of White Rock Fire Underwriters Survey” has been bought forward for Council’s information in response to the **Water Community Advisory Panel** recommendation dated March 10, 2020. Council endorsed this recommendation at the April 20, 2020 regular Council meeting:

*THAT Council directs staff to work with the authors of the 2018 Fire Underwriters Report and bring back to Council what can be made public.*

**Note:** The document as included in the agenda was provided to the City’s Fire Chief following review and being redacted by SCM - Opta Information Intelligence – information provider.

2020-346

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council endorses staff forwarding the “2018 City of White Rock Fire Underwriters Survey” as reviewed and redacted by SCM - Opta Information Intelligence – information provider to the Water Community Advisory Panel for information purposes.

**CARRIED**

**8. BYLAWS AND PERMITS**

**8.1 BYLAWS**

**8.1.1 BYLAW 2347 - PLANNING PROCEDURES BYLAW AMENDMENT, BYLAW NO. 2347**

Bylaw 2347 proposes to revise the Planning Procedures Bylaw as outlined in the corporate report noted on this agenda as Item 6.2.2. Council will determine, under this item, which bylaw will be considered for readings (Appendix A or Appendix B)

**RECOMMENDATION #1: FIRST THREE BYLAW READINGS**

2020-344

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council gives first, second, and third reading to “*City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234, Amendment (Liquor and Cannabis Public Input) Bylaw, 2020, No. 2347*”, included and circulated in the June 15, 2020 regular Council agenda package as **Appendix B** under Item 6.2.2.

**CARRIED**

**Note:** In accordance with Ministerial Order No. M139, local governments may consider third and final reading on the same evening.

**RECOMMENDATION #2: FINAL READING**

2020-345

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council gives final reading to “*City of White Rock Planning Procedures Bylaw, 2017, No. 2234, Amendment (Liquor and Cannabis Public Input) Bylaw, 2020, No. 2347*”, included and circulated in the June 15, 2020 regular Council agenda package as **Appendix B** under Item 6.2.2.

**CARRIED**

**8.2 PERMITS**

None

**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.*

2020-346

**It was MOVED and SECONDED**

THAT Council receives the following correspondence as circulated in the agenda:

- 9.1.1** Email dated June 6, 2020 from John Lawson, Chair, SurreyCares Community Foundation, regarding Grants available to Charities in White Rock

**CARRIED**

**10. MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

**10.1 MAYOR'S REPORT**

None

**10.2 COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Kristjanson noted the following community events / information:

- June 8, Province of B.C. COVID-19 Town Hall
- June 12, WRSS Chamber COVID-19 Town Hall
- On behalf of the Mayor, noted that the City of White Rock embraces diversity and inclusion and supports a safe workplace for all staff and our community
- June is Pride month

Councillor Manning noted the following community events / information:

- June 9, White Rock South Surrey (WRSS) Chamber Chat session
- June 12, WRSS Chamber COVID-19 Town Hall

Councillor Chesney noted the following community events / information:

- June 9 & June 16, Lunch Program at the corner of Johnston and Russell
- June 10, Ocean Beach Hotel and restaurant tour

Councillor Johanson noted the following community events / information:

- May 28, Democracy climate change webinar
- May 29, WRSS Chamber Town Hall
- June 1, Climate Caucus
- June 4, Climate Caucus & David Suzuki Foundation webinar
- June 9, B.C. Healthier Communities webinar on age friendly communities
- June 10, CAO performance review
- June 15, Climate Caucus webinar on pension wealth and planet health

Councillor Trevelyan noted that he met with various businesses.

**10.2.1**            **METRO VANCOUVER BOARD IN BRIEF**  
None

**11.**                **MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTION**

**11.1**              **MOTIONS**  
None

**11.2**              **NOTICES OF MOTION**  
None

**12.**                **RELEASE OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
None

**13.**                **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Deputy Mayor requested clarification in regard to bus stop planning.

Concern noted in regard to a new pad (larger than usual size to accommodate accessibility) being constructed on Marine Drive. It was noted that on the south side of the road there is only a grassed area so it does not make sense to have one side without the other.

Is this the correct way to spend City funding?

Staff noted the City's share for this particular job was approximately \$3,500 and TransLink paid the other half.

Would like to see ridership numbers; and it was questioned:

- How bus stops are designated?
- Who makes the decision?  
Staff noted that TransLink does this.

**14.**                **CONCLUSION OF THE JUNE 15, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

The Chairperson declared the meeting concluded at 8:41 p.m.

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Deputy Mayor Kristjanson



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Tracey Arthur, Director of  
Corporate Administration

**PRESENT:** Mayor Walker  
Councillor Chesney  
Councillor Fathers  
Councillor Johanson  
Councillor Manning  
Councillor Trevelyan

**ABSENT:** Councillor Kristjanson

**STAFF:** G. Ferrero, Chief Administrative Officer  
T. Arthur, Director of Corporate Administration  
C. Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services  
G. Newman, Manager of Planning (at the White Rock Community Centre)  
S. Lam, Deputy Corporate Officer

***Note:** White Rock City Council participated from the City Hall Council Chambers at 15322 Buena Vista Avenue, and heard from the public located at the Community Centre through electronic means. Members of the public not wishing to attend in person were able to provide written submission(s) to Mayor and Council up to noon on Monday, June 22, 2020 (details noted in the Public Hearing notice included in this package as page 5).*

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**BYLAW NO. 2287: White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment  
(CD-62 – 1453 Stayte Road) Bylaw, 2020, No. 2287**

**SUBJECT PROPERTY: 1453 Stayte Road**

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

The Director of Corporate Administration read a statement regarding the procedure for the evening and reported the following details regarding the Public Hearing advertising/notification”

- Notice was posted on the City’s Public Notice Posting Place and the website on Wednesday, June 10, 2020
- Notice was published in the Peace Arch News in the June 11 and 18<sup>th</sup> editions
- **151 notices** were mailed to properties within the 100 metre radius of the subject property.

As of 12:00 p.m. noon June 22, 2020, **37 submissions** were received. It was noted that the six submissions published in the agenda package will be renumbered as **C-1, letters “A” through “F”**.

The “On-Table” package includes the remaining submissions and will remain numbered, as noted, for the record.

The thirty seven (37) submissions have the following breakdown:

Three (3) petitions/form letters, as follows:

- 16 form letters in opposition, all signatories noted as residents
- One (1) petition containing 70 signatures in opposition, all signatories noted as residents
- One (1) petition containing 12 signatures in opposition, all signatories noted as residents

Twenty Nine (29) submissions residing in White Rock with the following breakdown:

- Four (4) support
- Twenty (20) opposed
- Five (5) comments

Five (5) submissions with an undisclosed city of residence with the following breakdown:

- One (1) support
- Four (4) opposed

The Chairperson invited the Director of Planning and Development Services presented the proposed bylaw through a PowerPoint presentation.

The Chairperson invited those in attendance at the White Rock Community Centre (WRCC) to present their comments (to be streamed live via electronic means to Council at White Rock City Hall).

- B. Shigetomi, project Architect, reviewed the application process and noted changes the application had undergone.
- K. Jones, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application noting concerns with the following: spot zoning, density, height, more noise and street traffic. Would like to see White Rock as a “greener” city and a place where single family homes are protected.
- Janet Mah, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application noting concerns with the following: the application site size is smaller than the nearby four (4) level complex it is being compared to, shadowing / loss of sunlight, loss of privacy, how the elevations have been presented (the project will loom over us), height, additional traffic, fire concern with a large wooden structure, noise and does not like the building appearance.
- Colleen North, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application noting concerns with the following: spot zoning, Community Amenity Contribution (CAC) appears to be low for the proposed density, adversely impacts our property nearby, density, height, would like to see something built in keeping with the current neighbourhood, nearby building being compared to is on a larger footprint.
- F. MacDermid, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application noting the area is mainly single family homes and town houses. Concern noted with spot zoning and the impact it will have on nearby property values.
- G. Wolgemuth, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application noting concerns with the following: height (2.6 times higher than the current zoning), density, additional traffic, spot zoning, building design and the CAC that was negotiated. Stated the proposal will loom over the nearby development and it does not fit in with the neighbourhood, would like to see town houses / something on a smaller scale for the site.
- P. Petrala, White Rock, BC, noted concern that the current Official Community Plan (OCP) should be applied to the site, would like to see low rise in this area and concern with increased traffic.

- R. Fairburn, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application noting concerns with the following: project does not fit with the area, the project zoning, density and with additional traffic for the area (volume, accidents, aggressive driving already an issue) at minimum would like to ensure there is a traffic plan in place.
- D. Buhlin, White Rock, BC, in support of the application noting the public do not appear to like change. Stated that the traffic on Stayte Road already is busy and should be addressed by the city.
- M. Kennedy, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application.
- B. Joyas, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application would prefer brownstone, town houses or single family homes for the site / area. Stated that Stayte Road is narrow and has concerns with additional traffic / location for this development is not right.
- R. Tracy, White Rock, BC, in support of the application stating that this is the type of development that the public are looking for. Further there are current issues with Stayte Road traffic / not a result from this development.
- S. Brown, White Rock, BC, spoke on behalf of the applicant outlined the thought process of the design - trying to bring a diverse form of housing to the City of White Rock. Stated that wood construction enables the developer to keep the prices lower enabling others to come to live in White Rock.

**Speaking a second time:**

- G. Wolgemuth, White Rock BC, not in support of the application stating that residents want something that fits into the current neighbourhood, does not like the building design - would like to see the use of wood, brick and earth tones. Town houses would be a good fit for the site (zoned for this), would like to see something on the lot but the right building / concept.
- F. MacDermid, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application noting concern with the amount of change in the City of White Rock and when it will stop. Concerned with the proposed height in a single family area and noted that apartments are small in size. The OCP needs to be finalized.
- P. Petrala, White Rock, BC, stated there are towers being built right now in the City (authorized by the previous Council) this is not a tower but there are mixed messages with the rendering. Would like see what the public wants for the site. Concerned that the CAC may impact Council's decision on this. This type of development appears to be better suited for the Blackwood /North Bluff area. All types of housing should be considered, there are many older complexes in White Rock that will need to be replaced.
- K. Jones, White Rock, BC, not in support this application stating the proposal is not compatible to the location / not appropriate.
- B. Joyes, White Rock BC, not in support of the application stating that property taxes do not go down when there is new development, concerned with saturation in the market (appears to be many units in White Rock that are built and left empty). Not the right time and not the right place for this.
- J. Mah, White Rock, BC, not in support of the application not against development just against the type of application for this area, would like to see town homes on this site. Noted concern with the City's tree canopy count.

The Chairperson inquired if there were any further speakers. The Chairperson confirmed that there were no further submissions.

As there were no further speakers / submissions, the Chairperson concluded the Public Hearing for Bylaw 2287 at 8:25 p.m.

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Mayor Walker

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Tracey Arthur, Director of  
Corporate Administration

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**From:** [C.S](#)  
**To:** [Clerk's Office](#)  
**Subject:** Q&A  
**Date:** June 16, 2020 1:01:49 PM

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What is being done to get Coldicutt Ravine open again? Timeline?

Are you having q&a online?

Possibility of speed bump(s) on Nichol Rd just off Marine (btwn Marine and North Bluff) where people have been speeding significantly?

Thanks,

C.S.  
Ocean Ridge Townhomes  
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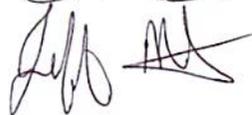
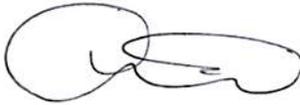
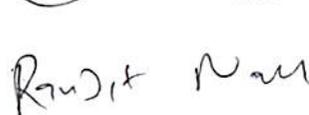
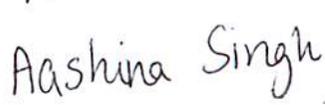
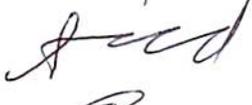
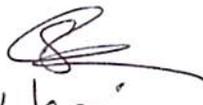
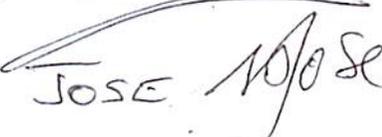
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**PETITION to stop cement being poured and to reverse the Bus Stop Accessibility Improvement at 13805 Marine Drive:**

The project consists of laying down an additional 8m x1.5m 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.

JVSE  
16/2020

1.  Dr. Riz Somani 13805 MARINE DR. W.R.
2.  Kuts Somani 13805 Marine Dr.
3.  Soon Nick 13795 marine Dr.
4.  JEFF NICK 13795 MARINE DRIVE
5.  Preet Nihal 13775 Marine Dr.
6.  Preet Nihal 13775- Mann Dr.
7.  Aashina Singh 13721-Marine Dr.
8.  Steve Kenwood 13629 Marine Dr.
9.  Shocase Ali Khan 13835 Marine Dr.
10.  Husina Masood 13835 Marine Dr.
11.  VERONIKA JOSE JOSE 13845 MARINE DR.
12.  Jacquie Ozgur 13736 Blackburn, AV.

THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**CITY OF WHITE ROCK**  
CORPORATE REPORT



**DATE:** June 29, 2020  
**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**FROM:** Jim Gordon, P. Eng. Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations  
**SUBJECT:** Street Sweeper Replacement Purchase

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**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve the purchase of a 2020 Elgin Whirlwind Pure Vacuum Street Sweeper from Vimar Equipment Ltd. in the amount of \$413,685 (excluding GST).

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The City's current 2011 Johnston VT 650 Street Sweeper is at the end of its ten year life cycle. The street sweeper is used daily for cleaning streets, waterfront parking lots, civic facility lots and catch basins. The sweeper is also used for containment and cleanup of environmental spills. \$350K was included in 2020 in the City's Financial Plan for the replacement of the 2011 Street Sweeper. Staff have since reallocated \$64K from other vehicle replacement projects in 2020 to accommodate the full \$414K for the purchase of this equipment.

The street sweeper provides environmental benefits to the City by reducing the amount of grits, oils and other deleterious substances entering Semiahmoo Bay. Regular sweeping and catch basin cleaning also reduces storm sewer backups and mitigates against dusty conditions that reduce traffic safety and contribute to respiratory issues in some residents.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION**

- City Policy #613 - "Sweeping and Cleaning" calls for street sweeping in the commercial and residential area streets.
- Council Policy #301 - "Procurement Policy" requires Council approval for contracts with values exceeding \$250,000.
- The street sweeper has a replacement cycle of every ten years.

**INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND**

A request for proposal (RFP) for a street sweeper was posted on both BC Bid and the City's website. Three submissions from two separate vendors were received in response to the RFP; only one submission meets the City's RFP requirements.

The Council Policy #301 - "Procurement Policy" requires Council approval for contracts with values exceeding \$250,000.

Although there are similarities between the three proposals received, there were four specifications in the design and operation of the sweeper that are considered significant, given the size and configuration of the streets in White Rock. These are:

1. Model year 2020 or newer Cab Over chassis. This allows for a shorter wheelbase and therefore a smaller curb-to-curb turning radius, essential for the narrow streets and laneways.
2. Single engine operation. One engine operation for both, the chassis and sweeper reduces maintenance costs and fuel consumption.
3. Vacuum sweeper with a center sweep brush. This configuration is essential for picking up heavier debris such as gravel, broken glass, etc. from streets that do not have a flat, unmarked roadway. Regenerative sweepers with no center brush do not have enough suction to pick up heavier debris and will often leave a windrow behind on uneven road surfaces.
4. Automated lubrication system. There are components of a sweeper, which require daily lubrication. Without an automated lubrication system, the operator must be responsible to manually lubricate the machine, which may take 20-30 minutes per day. Rapid failure of components due to lack of lubrication, may result causing a lower amount of up time and increased maintenance costs.

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Vehicle</b>	<b>Submission (excl. GST, incl. PST &amp; enviro fees)</b>	<b>Missing Specification</b>
Rollins Machinery Ltd.	Johnston VS 652	\$405,468	Not a cabover
Rollins Machinery Ltd.	Peterbuilt 220 VT652 (Demo Unit)	\$384,924	Not a single engine
Vimar Equipment Ltd.	Elgin Whirlwind Pure Vacuum Sweeper	\$405,955	None

Vimar Equipment Ltd. submitted a proposal, which meets all four of the above specifications. The other two submissions were missing at least one of these critical specifications.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Cost to purchase the 2020 Elgin Whirlwind Pure Vacuum Street Sweeper:

Purchase Price	\$ 386,486
Provincial Sales Tax	\$ 27,054
Environmental Fee	\$ 145
<b>Total Purchase Price</b>	<b>\$ 413,685</b>

\$350K was originally included in 2020 in the City’s Financial Plan for the replacement of the 2011 Street Sweeper. As the proposal is higher than the 2020 budget, staff have reallocated \$65K from other vehicle replacement projects to accommodate the \$414K purchase price for this equipment.

The Director of Financial Services has reviewed this report and concurs that the funding is available in the 2020 Financial Plan for this purchase. If the purchase of a new street sweeper is approved, the current sweeper will be sold at auction.

## **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Street sweeping and catch basin cleaning will reduce the potential for legal claims related to:

- slippery or dusty conditions contributing to motor vehicle/pedestrian accidents;
- environmental damage in watercourses;
- pollution of Semiahmoo Bay; and
- storm sewer backups.

## **COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Although there hasn't been any recent community engagement related to street sweeping, the City Environmental Advisory Committee and the Semiahmoo First Nation are both advocating for the cleaning of waters discharging into Semiahmoo Bay.

## **INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS**

The Finance Department manages an Equipment Reserve Fund.

## **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

Running a street sweeper with a single engine means fewer emissions. Regular sweeping ensures the storm sewer system is better able to withstand increased intensity storms brought about by Climate Change.

## **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

A sweeping and catch basin cleaning program aligns with the Corporate Vision that “our environment is protected and nurtured” as well as the Corporate Values of excellence, responsibility and accountability.

The program also aligns with the Strategic Priorities related to Semiahmoo First Nation and Marine Drive Task Force.

## **OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES**

### **Option One – Continue with Existing Sweeper**

The costs to maintain the sweeper has increased significantly since 2015 and now averages approximately \$30,000 per year. Also, in order to keep the sweeper operational, the secondary engine will now need to be replaced and the hopper should also be replaced. Estimated cost of these repairs are \$100,000 in addition to the now “routine” annual costs of \$30,000.

The increasing down time with the current sweeper and its inherent performance limitations are negatively affecting service levels.

### **Option Two – Contract Out Street Sweeping and Catch Basin Cleaning**

A neighbouring City investigated annual contracting out for some of its sweeper needs and received quotes ranging from \$14/lanekm to \$56/lanekm. White Rock's estimated costs with the proposed new sweeper are approximately \$18/lanekm which is on the low side of the contract prices. Contracting out reduces flexibility to respond to changing conditions and decreases the emergency response time for spills.

### **Option Three – Discontinue Street Sweeping and Catch Basin Cleaning**

Discontinuation of the Street Sweeping Program will result in increased pollution of Semiahmoo Bay and will further delay the Semiahmoo First Nations wish to resume shell fish harvesting in

the Bay. It will also result in storm sewer backups and dusty, slippery road conditions and increased storm sewer maintenance costs and liability.

**Option Four – Purchase a new Sweeper**

Purchasing a new sweeper in advance of significant maintenance cost increases is advisable. A new sweeper will ensure the City can provide service levels that protect residents and the environment from the deleterious effects of grit, debris and oil accumulations on road services and in the storm sewer system

**CONCLUSION**

Staff recommend purchasing a new street sweeper from Vimar Equipment Ltd. in the amount of \$413,685 (excluding GST).

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Gordon  
Director, Engineering & Municipal Operations Department

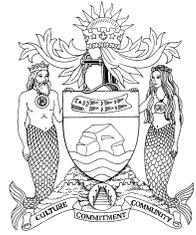
**Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer:**

I concur with the recommendation of this report.



Guillermo Ferrero  
Chief Administrative Officer

THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**CITY OF WHITE ROCK**  
CORPORATE REPORT



**DATE:** June 29, 2020

**TO:** Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Colleen Ponzini, Director of Financial Services

**SUBJECT:** Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date

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**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council receives the corporate report dated June 29, 2020 from the Directory of Financial Services titled “Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date”.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This corporate report seeks Council’s approval to defer the 2020 Property Tax Sale and to extend the Property Tax Sale Redemption Date through bylaw.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION**

N/A

**INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND**

On May 15, 2020, under the *Emergency Program Act*, the Province of British Columbia issued Ministerial Order M159. This Order provides for, by bylaw, deferment of the 2020 Property Tax Sale date and 2020 Property Tax Redemption date to September 27, 2021.

In order to provide relief to property owners who are delinquent for their property taxes and who may be facing financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic, staff are recommending that the City of White Rock defer the 2020 Property Tax Sale date to September 27, 2021 and extend the 2020 Property Tax Redemption Date to September 27, 2021.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

N/A

**OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES**

The City is required to have an annual tax sale by September 28, 2020. If Council decides not to proceed with the recommendation then the tax sale would have to take place on September 28, 2020 and the redemption period for the 2019 tax sale would end on September 30, 2020. The City has one property that to date has not been redeemed and would transfer to the purchaser on Oct 1, 2020 if not redeemed.

**CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the Defer 2020 Property Tax Sale and Extend Property Tax Sale Redemption Date Bylaw, 2020, No. 2348 be approved and adopted to provide relief to property owners who are delinquent for their property taxes and who may be facing financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

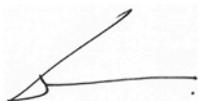
Respectfully submitted,



Colleen Ponzini  
Director of Financial Services

**Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer**

I concur with the recommendation of this corporate report.



Guillermo Ferrero  
Chief Administrative Officer

Appendix A: Ministerial Order No. M159

**ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND  
SOLICITOR GENERAL**

*Emergency Program Act*

**Ministerial Order No. M159**

WHEREAS a declaration of a state of emergency throughout the whole of the Province of British Columbia was declared on March 18, 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND WHEREAS it is in the public interest to ensure that certain financial measures be authorized so that local governments have operating funds during the emergency and the impacts of the emergency are lessened by varying, extending or deferring requirements;

AND WHEREAS section 10 (1) of the *Emergency Program Act* provides that I may do all acts and implement all procedures that I consider necessary to prevent, respond to or alleviate the effects of any emergency or disaster;

I, Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, order that the attached Local Government Finance (COVID-19) Order is made.

May 15, 2020



# LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (COVID-19) ORDER

## Division 1 – General

### Definitions

- 1 In this order:
  - “**board**” has the same meaning as in the Schedule of the *Local Government Act*;
  - “**City of Vancouver**” has the same meaning as “city” in section 2 of the *Vancouver Charter*;
  - “**council**” has the same meaning as in the Schedule of the *Community Charter*;
  - “**Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District**” has the same meaning as “Corporation” in section 2 of the *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act*;
  - “**Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Administration Board**” has the same meaning as “Board” in section 2 of the *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act*;
  - “**Greater Vancouver Water District**” has the same meaning as “Corporation” in section 2 of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*;
  - “**Greater Vancouver Water District Administration Board**” has the same meaning as “Board” in section 2 of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*;
  - “**improvement district**” has the same meaning as in the Schedule of the *Local Government Act*;
  - “**Municipal Finance Authority**” means the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia continued under section 2 [*authority continued*] of the *Municipal Finance Authority Act*;
  - “**municipality**” has the same meaning as in the Schedule of the *Community Charter*;
  - “**regional district**” has the same meaning as in the Schedule of the *Local Government Act*;
  - “**Vancouver council**” has the same meaning as “Council” in section 2 of the *Vancouver Charter*.

### Application

- 2 This order applies during the period that starts on the date this order is made and ends on the date on which the last extension of the declaration of a state of emergency made March 18, 2020 under section 9 (1) [*declaration of state of emergency*] of the *Emergency Program Act* expires or is cancelled.

## Division 2 – Reserve Fund Borrowing

### Reserve fund borrowing – municipalities

- 3 (1) A municipality may, during the 2020 calendar year, borrow from a reserve fund established under section 188 [*establishment of reserve funds*] of the *Community Charter*.

- (2) The money borrowed under subsection (1) of this section
  - (a) may be used for any operational shortfall in the 2020 calendar year, at the discretion of the council of the municipality,
  - (b) must be repaid to the fund from which it was borrowed on or before December 31, 2025, and
  - (c) need not be repaid with interest.
- (3) Any outstanding money that remains unpaid on December 31, 2025 must be added to the 2026 financial plan, budget or estimates, as applicable, of the municipality as a cash transfer to reserves, plus a penalty equal to 5% of the debt outstanding as at December 31, 2025.
- (4) This section applies despite section 189 [*use of money in reserve funds*] of the *Community Charter*.

**Reserve fund borrowing – regional districts**

- 4 (1) A regional district may, during the 2020 calendar year, borrow from a reserve fund established under section 377 [*financial management: application of Community Charter*] of the *Local Government Act*.
- (2) The money borrowed under subsection (1) of this section
  - (a) may be used for any operational shortfall in the 2020 calendar year, at the discretion of the board of the regional district,
  - (b) must be repaid to the fund from which it was borrowed on or before December 31, 2025, and
  - (c) need not be repaid with interest.
- (3) Any outstanding money that remains unpaid on December 31, 2025 must be added to the 2026 financial plan, budget or estimates, as applicable, of the regional district as a cash transfer to reserves, plus a penalty equal to 5% of the debt outstanding as at December 31, 2025.
- (4) This section applies despite section 377 of the *Local Government Act*.

**Reserve fund borrowing – improvement districts**

- 5 (1) An improvement district may, during the 2020 calendar year, borrow from a reserve fund established under section 706 [*renewal of works and related reserve funds*] of the *Local Government Act*.
- (2) The money borrowed under subsection (1) of this section
  - (a) may be used for any operational shortfall in the 2020 calendar year, at the discretion of the improvement district board,
  - (b) must be repaid to the fund from which it was borrowed on or before December 31, 2025, and
  - (c) need not be repaid with interest.
- (3) Any outstanding money that remains unpaid on December 31, 2025 must be added to the 2026 financial plan, budget or estimates, as applicable, of the improvement district as a cash transfer to reserves, plus a penalty equal to 5% of the debt outstanding as at December 31, 2025.
- (4) This section applies despite section 706 of the *Local Government Act*.

**Reserve fund borrowing – City of Vancouver**

- 6 (1) The City of Vancouver may, during the 2020 calendar year, borrow from a reserve fund established under the following sections of the *Vancouver Charter*:
- (a) section 193D (5) (d) and (8) [*single room accommodation permits*];
  - (b) section 201A [*property acquisition fund*];
  - (c) section 306 (7) to (9) [*reserve fund for off-street parking and other transportation infrastructure*];
  - (d) section 523D (16) to (17.1) [*development cost levies*].
- (2) The money borrowed under subsection (1) of this section
- (a) may be used for any operational shortfall in the 2020 calendar year, at the discretion of the Vancouver council,
  - (b) must be repaid to the fund from which it was borrowed on or before December 31, 2025, and
  - (c) need not be repaid with interest.
- (3) Any outstanding money that remains unpaid on December 31, 2025 must be added to the 2026 financial plan, budget or estimates, as applicable, of the City of Vancouver as a cash transfer to reserves, plus a penalty equal to 5% of the debt outstanding as at December 31, 2025.
- (4) This section applies despite the following provisions of the *Vancouver Charter*:
- (a) section 193D (5) (d) and (8);
  - (b) section 201A;
  - (c) section 306 (7) to (9);
  - (d) section 523D (16) to (17.1).

**Reserve fund borrowing –  
Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District**

- 7 (1) The Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District may, during the 2020 calendar year, borrow from a reserve fund established under section 34.1 [*reserve and special reserve funds*] of the *Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District Act*.
- (2) The money borrowed under subsection (1) of this section
- (a) may be used for any operational shortfall in the 2020 calendar year, at the discretion of the Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District board,
  - (b) must be repaid to the fund from which it was borrowed on or before December 31, 2025, and
  - (c) need not be repaid with interest.
- (3) Any outstanding money that remains unpaid on December 31, 2025 must be added to the 2026 financial plan, budget or estimates, as applicable, of the Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District as a cash transfer to reserves, plus a penalty equal to 5% of the debt outstanding as at December 31, 2025.
- (4) This section applies despite section 34.1 of the *Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District Act*.

**Reserve fund borrowing –  
Greater Vancouver Water District**

- 8** (1) The Greater Vancouver Water District may, during the 2020 calendar year, borrow from a reserve fund established under section 57.1 [*reserve funds*] of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*.
- (2) The money borrowed under subsection (1) of this section
- (a) may be used for any operational shortfall in the 2020 calendar year, at the discretion of the Greater Vancouver Water District board,
  - (b) must be repaid to the fund from which it was borrowed on or before December 31, 2025, and
  - (c) need not be repaid with interest.
- (3) Any outstanding money that remains unpaid on December 31, 2025 must be added to the 2026 financial plan, budget or estimates, as applicable, of the Greater Vancouver Water District as a cash transfer to reserves, plus a penalty equal to 5% of the debt outstanding as at December 31, 2025.
- (4) This section applies despite section 57.1 of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*.

**Division 3 – Revenue Anticipation Borrowing**

**Municipal Finance Authority**

- 9** The Municipal Finance Authority may enter into agreements with the following institutions to provide financing for the following purposes, as applicable to the institution, in accordance with section 11 [*interim financing*] of the *Municipal Finance Authority Act* and in the same manner as if each of the following institutions was a public institution under that Act:
- (a) in respect of the City of Vancouver, borrowing under section 263 [*borrowing pending collection of real-property taxes*] of the *Vancouver Charter*;
  - (b) in respect of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District, borrowing under section 35 [*borrowing in anticipation of revenue*] of the *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act*;
  - (c) in respect of the Greater Vancouver Water District, borrowing under section 58 [*borrowing in anticipation of revenue*] of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*.

**Extension of borrowing – municipalities**

- 10** (1) For debt incurred as borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2020 in accordance with section 177 [*revenue anticipation borrowing*] of the *Community Charter* in respect of a municipality, the money must be repaid on or before the earlier of the following dates:
- (a) the date when the anticipated revenue with respect to which the borrowing was authorized is received;
  - (b) December 31, 2021.
- (2) The amount of any outstanding debt from 2020 that remains unpaid in 2021 under subsection (1) does not limit, and need not be included in the calculation of, the

maximum allowable amount of borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2021 in respect of the municipality.

- (3) This section applies despite section 177 of the *Community Charter*.

**Extension of borrowing – regional districts**

- 11** (1) For debt incurred as borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2020 in accordance with section 404 [*revenue anticipation borrowing*] of the *Local Government Act* in respect of a regional district, the money must be repaid on or before the earlier of the following dates:
- (a) the date when the anticipated revenue with respect to which the borrowing was authorized is received;
  - (b) December 31, 2021.
- (2) The amount of any outstanding debt from 2020 that remains unpaid in 2021 under subsection (1) does not limit the maximum allowable amount of borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2021 in respect of the regional district.
- (3) This section applies despite section 404 of the *Local Government Act*.

**Extension of borrowing – City of Vancouver**

- 12** (1) For debt incurred as borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2020 in accordance with section 263 [*borrowing pending collection of real-property taxes*] of the *Vancouver Charter*, the money must be repaid on or before the earlier of the following dates:
- (a) the date when the anticipated revenue with respect to which the borrowing was authorized is received;
  - (b) December 31, 2021.
- (2) The amount of any outstanding debt from 2020 that remains unpaid in 2021 under subsection (1) does not limit, and need not be included in the calculation of, the maximum allowable amount of borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2021.
- (3) This section applies despite section 263 of the *Vancouver Charter*.

**Extension of borrowing –  
Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District**

- 13** (1) For debt incurred as borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2020 in accordance with section 35 [*borrowing in anticipation of revenue*] of the *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act*, the money must be repaid on or before the earlier of the following dates:
- (a) the date when the anticipated revenue with respect to which the borrowing was authorized is received;
  - (b) December 31, 2021.
- (2) The amount of any outstanding debt from 2020 that remains unpaid in 2021 under subsection (1) does not limit the maximum allowable amount of borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2021.
- (3) This section applies despite section 35 of the *Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Act*.

**Extension of borrowing –  
Greater Vancouver Water District**

- 14** (1) For debt incurred as borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2020 in accordance with section 58 [*borrowing in anticipation of revenue*] of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*, the money must be repaid on or before the earlier of the following dates:
- (a) the date when the anticipated revenue with respect to which the borrowing was authorized is received;
  - (b) December 31, 2021.
- (2) The amount of any outstanding debt from 2020 that remains unpaid in 2021 under subsection (1) does not limit the maximum allowable amount of borrowing in anticipation of revenue in 2021.
- (3) This section applies despite section 58 of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*.

**Division 4 – Annual Tax Sales**

**Deferral of tax sale – municipalities**

- 15** (1) A council of a municipality may, by bylaw adopted on or before August 31, 2020, defer the annual tax sale for 2020, provided for under Division 7 [*Annual Municipal Tax Sale*] of Part 16 [*Municipal Provisions*] of the *Local Government Act*, until September 27, 2021, with the effect that the annual tax sale would be on that date in respect of the upset price described in section 649 [*upset price for tax sale*] of that Act.
- (2) If a bylaw is adopted deferring the annual tax sale,
- (a) written notice must be sent within 2 weeks of the bylaw’s adoption to the property owner of a property that is subject to the deferred annual tax sale advising the owner that
    - (i) the annual tax sale for 2020 has been deferred to September 27, 2021,
    - (ii) any taxes that are delinquent will remain delinquent for 2021, with applicable interest charges, and
    - (iii) unless the delinquent taxes are paid before the start of the tax sale on September 27, 2021, the property will be subject to tax sale on September 27, 2021,
  - (b) it is not required to provide public notice of the deferral of the annual tax sale, and
  - (c) for certainty, any taxes that are delinquent, as described in section 246 (1) [*delinquent taxes*] of the *Community Charter*, remain delinquent for 2021, with interest charges that are carried under that Act.
- (3) For certainty, this section does not limit the application of the *Local Government Act* to an annual tax sale in respect of a municipality that does not defer its annual tax sale.
- (4) This section applies despite Division 7 of Part 16 of the *Local Government Act*.

#### **Deferral of tax sale – City of Vancouver**

- 16** (1) The Vancouver council may, by bylaw adopted on or before August 31, 2020, defer the annual tax sale for 2020, provided for under section 422 [*tax sale each year*] of the *Vancouver Charter*, until November 10, 2021, with the effect that the annual tax sale would be on that date in respect of the upset price described in section 427 [*price to be paid*] of that Act.
- (2) If a bylaw is adopted deferring the annual tax sale,
- (a) written notice must be sent within 2 weeks of the bylaw’s adoption to the property owner of a property that is subject to the deferred annual tax sale advising the owner that
    - (i) the annual tax sale for 2020 has been deferred to November 10, 2021,
    - (ii) any taxes that are delinquent will remain delinquent for 2021, with applicable interest charges, and
    - (iii) unless the delinquent taxes are paid before the start of the tax sale on November 10, 2021, the property will be subject to tax sale on November 10, 2021,
  - (b) it is not required to provide public notice of the deferral of the annual tax sale, and
  - (c) for certainty, any taxes that are delinquent, as described in section 407 [*further warning of tax sale*] of the *Vancouver Charter*, remain delinquent for 2021, with interest charges that are carried under that Act.
- (3) This section applies despite Part XX [*Real-Property Taxation*] of the *Vancouver Charter*.

#### **Deferral of tax sale – improvement districts**

- 17** (1) In this section, “**deferral date**” means, as applicable,
- (a) a date specified for the annual tax sale deferred by a bylaw in accordance with subsection (2), or
  - (b) September 27, 2021, if no date is specified in the bylaw.
- (2) An improvement district board may, by bylaw adopted on or before August 31, 2020, defer the annual tax sale for 2020, provided for under Division 6 [*Tax Sales*] of Part 17 [*Improvement Districts*] of the *Local Government Act*, until the deferral date, with the effect that the annual tax sale would be on the deferral date in respect of the upset price described in section 720 (2) (e) [*tax sale notice to affected owners and charge holders*] of that Act.
- (3) If a bylaw is adopted deferring the annual tax sale,
- (a) written notice must be sent within 2 weeks of the bylaw’s adoption to the registered owner of land that is subject to the deferred annual tax sale advising the owner
    - (i) that the annual tax sale for 2020 has been deferred to the deferral date,
    - (ii) of the applicable deferral date of the deferred annual tax sale,
    - (iii) any taxes that remain owing will remain owing for 2021, with applicable interest charges, and

- (iv) that, unless the upset price, as set under section 720 (2) (e) of the *Local Government Act*, is paid before the start of the tax sale on the deferral date, the land will be subject to tax sale on the deferral date,
  - (b) it is not required to provide public notice of the deferral of the annual tax sale, and
  - (c) for certainty, any taxes that remain owing, as described in section 718 (1) (a) [*tax sale for recovery of taxes*] of the *Local Government Act*, remain owing for 2021, with interest charges that are carried under that Act.
- (4) For certainty, this section does not limit the application of the *Local Government Act* to tax sales in respect of an improvement district that does not defer its annual tax sale.
  - (5) This section applies despite Division 6 of Part 17 of the *Local Government Act*.

### **Division 5 – Tax Sale Redemption Periods**

#### **Extension of redemption period – municipalities**

- 18**
- (1) A council of a municipality may, by bylaw adopted on or before August 31, 2020, extend the expiration of the redemption period for all properties that have a redemption period ending in 2020, provided for under Division 7 [*Annual Municipal Tax Sale*] of Part 16 [*Municipal Provisions*] of the *Local Government Act*, to September 27, 2021.
  - (2) If a bylaw is adopted extending the expiration of the redemption period,
    - (a) written notice, advising that the redemption period has been extended to September 27, 2021, must be sent within 2 weeks of the bylaw’s adoption
      - (i) to the property owner of a property that is subject to a redemption period that has been extended in accordance with subsection (1) of this section, and
      - (ii) to the tax sale purchaser, and
    - (b) it is not required to provide public notice of the extension of the redemption period.
  - (3) For certainty, this section does not limit the application of the *Local Government Act* in respect of a municipality that does not extend the expiration of the redemption period.
  - (4) This section applies despite Division 7 of Part 16 of the *Local Government Act*.

#### **Extension of redemption period – City of Vancouver**

- 19**
- (1) The Vancouver council may, by bylaw adopted on or before August 31, 2020, extend the expiration of the redemption period for all properties that have a redemption period ending in 2020, provided for under sections 422 [*tax sale each year*] to 454 [*period of limitation*] of the *Vancouver Charter*, to November 10, 2021.
  - (2) If a bylaw is adopted extending the expiration of the redemption period,
    - (a) written notice, advising that the redemption period has been extended to November 10, 2021, must be sent within 2 weeks of the bylaw’s adoption

- (i) to the property owner of a property that is subject to a redemption period that has been extended in accordance with subsection (1) of this section, and
  - (ii) to the tax sale purchaser, and
  - (b) it is not required to provide public notice of the extension of the redemption period.
- (3) This section applies despite Part XX [*Real-Property Taxation*] of the *Vancouver Charter*.

## **Division 6 – Annual Reporting and Other Annual Requirements**

### **Annual reporting requirements – annual municipal report**

- 20** Despite the date referred to in section 98 (1) [*annual municipal report*] of the *Community Charter*, the applicable date for the requirements described in that section is August 31.

### **Annual reporting requirements – regional district finances reporting**

- 21** Despite the date referred to in section 376 (1) [*annual reporting on regional district finances*] of the *Local Government Act*, the applicable date for the requirements described in that section is August 31.

### **Annual requirements – *Financial Information Act***

- 22** (1) In this section, “**corporation**” has the same meaning as in section 1 of the *Financial Information Act*.
- (2) This section only applies to a corporation to which a grant or advance may be made, or the borrowings of which may be guaranteed by the government, under the authority of the following enactments:
- (a) the *Islands Trust Act*;
  - (b) the *Local Government Grants Act*;
  - (c) the *Municipal Aid Act*.
- (3) Despite the time period set out in section 2 (2) [*statement of financial information*] of the *Financial Information Act*, a corporation is to comply with the requirements of that subsection on or before August 31, 2020.
- (4) Despite the time period set out in section 2 (3) of the *Financial Information Act*, a corporation is to comply with the requirements of that subsection on or before August 31, 2020.

THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**CITY OF WHITE ROCK**  
CORPORATE REPORT



**DATE:** June 29, 2020

**TO:** Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Colleen Ponzini, Director of Financial Services

**SUBJECT:** Parking Enforcement

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT Council approve an increase of \$10K in equipment operating costs for additional parking enforcement to be funded from the operating contingency budget; and

THAT Council consider the possibility of a city wide parking review through its strategic planning discussions.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report outlines the parking division's efforts to increase enforcement throughout the City as a short term means of addressing increasing volume of parking complaints, particularly in the Town Centre area. Long term solutions will require an in-depth review of the City's overall parking portfolio which involves regulatory, oversight, and technological issues.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION**

During the June 8, 2020 open meeting of Council, discussions regarding parking enforcement in the Town Centre area lead to staff commenting that a report would be forthcoming with a proposal to increase parking enforcement in the City, particularly in the Town Centre area. This proposal is presented as a short term response to address parking issues until long term solutions can be considered.

**INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND**

In 2011 the City moved to an in-house model of providing parking services. Since that time, the complexity of the division has grown in terms of regulated parking spaces, physical parking spaces, and parking software and equipment. During that same time period, the City has experienced significant growth through development, particularly in the Town Centre area. The COVID-19 pandemic has intensified the parking related issues as the City responded to the unprecedented situation through weekly changes to its parking regulations and enforcement.

While this report does recommend an increase in parking enforcement, staff would like to assure Council that parking enforcement is taking place through the following two tables that provide a high level analysis of the parking tickets issued in the first 6 months for 2018, 2019 and 2020.

Table 1 summarizes the parking tickets for the first 6 months of each year. Table 2 summarizes the parking tickets for the months of May and June. Note that the figures for 2020 include data to June 21, 2020, which was the latest available at the time of writing of this report.

**Table 1: Parking tickets issued between January and June**

Description	2020 Tickets (to June 21)	%	2019 Tickets	%	2018 Tickets	%
Tickets Issued	4,792	100%	4,643	100%	5,615	100%
Void - Appeal Granted	574	12%	703	15%	955	17%
Disputed - Denied	145	3%	134	3%	178	3%
Disputed - Unresolved	3	0%	8	0%	5	0%
Valid not disputed	4,070	85%	3,803	82%	4,487	80%

**Table 2: Parking tickets issued between May and June**

Description	2020 Tickets (May - June 21)	%	2019 Tickets (May - June)	%	2018 Tickets (May - June)	%
Tickets Issued	3,330	100%	2,350	100%	2,194	100%
Void - Appeal Granted	464	14%	266	11%	137	6%
Disputed - Denied	86	3%	59	3%	69	3%
Disputed - Unresolved	1	0%	1	0%	2	0%
Valid not disputed	2,779	83%	2,024	86%	1,986	91%

The summary results show that even though the City made some major changes in 2020 to parking regulations and enforcement that would have been expected to result in a decrease in the number of tickets issued, the actual number of tickets logged so far in 2020 is roughly equivalent to the number of tickets logged in the first 6 months of 2018 and 2019. As a reminder, the major changes that impacted parking in 2020 are summarized below.

- 1) Removed pay parking requirements at the waterfront from November 2019 to end of January, 2020.
- 2) Closed parking at the waterfront once the pandemic began with gradual reopening.
- 3) Removed pay parking requirements near the hospital to assist hospital employees and visitors.
- 4) Purposely reduced enforcement throughout the City early on in the pandemic to assist the community.
- 5) Reduced the number of parking officers working during the first part of the pandemic as parking locations were closed.

While there are many conclusions that could be drawn from the analysis, the point being made here is that enforcement is taking place yet complaints continue to stream in. In response, the division is proposing to increase enforcement through the use of budgeted temporary staff. The increase will enable the division to have 2 more parking officers to schedule over the next three months. There are currently 2 parking officers on at one time who perform all parking related functions throughout the City. The additional staff will require some equipment to perform their role which is estimated to cost approximately \$10K for the three months.

### ***City wide parking review***

There are many issues related to parking that staff believe could be explored, discussed and addressed through a city wide parking review that could be completed with the assistance of external expertise. Such a review would consider the current parking regulations, oversight, and technology which are inter related and involve all sorts of topics such as but not limited to signage, bylaws, demand management, equipment, software, rates, enforcement practices, bylaw adjudication, customer service, and management.

The review could assess the current state of parking in the City and provide direction with respect to best practice for parking. Note that the “current state” of parking in the City includes a significant amount of parking stock that has been added since 2014. For instance, the City added twelve city blocks that are now eligible for resident only parking and have updated three pay parking locations, - the hospital, the arena and the new parkade – which are serviced with eighteen new pay stations. This additional parking stock requires enforcement to manage the expectations set by the new parking regulations as well as additional monitoring of the transaction data made available through the implemented new technology.

Although a city wide parking review is not currently budgeted, it would be timely as the City does have funding in the current financial plan for the implementation of license plate reader technology and a master transportation plan which both would play a part in the solutions for parking.

In the meantime, management is exploring the oversight of the parking division within the City to determine if there are other solutions that can help to address the pressures put on to Council, the community and staff with respect to parking related issues.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

It is expected that the increase in parking enforcement over the next three months can be covered through the parking division’s operating budget with the exception of approximately \$10K in miscellaneous equipment that is proposed to be funded through the operating contingency budget.

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

### **INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS**

This report was reviewed by the HR Director and the Planning Director.

### **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

### **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

The recommendation is to consider a city wide parking review through Council’s strategic priority setting discussions.

### **OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES**

This report seeks Council's support to increase parking enforcement in the short term, particularly in the Town Centre area, to address parking issues that are taking place. This proposal is expected to result in increased compliance however, it is not likely to eliminate violations taking place.

With respect to other types of parking issues in the City, staff is asking for Council's consideration of doing a city wide parking review at which time issues related to regulatory, oversight and technology could be explored. The intent of the review would be to improve the City's current parking issues throughout the City that have been evolving over time.

The risk of doing neither the short term increase in enforcement nor the city wide parking review would be that current dissatisfaction levels with city parking will likely continue and possibly increase as developments complete.

### **CONCLUSION**

This report recommends that Council approve an increase in parking enforcement throughout the City as a short term means of addressing increasing volume of parking complaints, particularly in the Town Centre area. The additional enforcement will require approximately \$10K to be funded from the operating contingency budget.

The report also recommends that Council consider an in-depth review of the City's overall parking portfolio through its strategic planning discussions. The review would involve regulatory, oversight, and technological issues related to parking.

In the meantime, management is exploring the oversight of the parking division to determine if there are other solutions that can help to address the pressures put on to Council, the community and staff with respect to parking related issues.

Respectfully submitted,



Colleen Ponzini  
Director of Financial Services

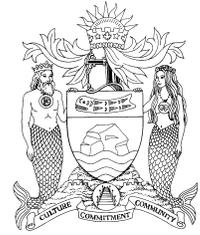
### **Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer:**

I concur with the recommendations of this report.



Guillermo Ferrero  
Chief Administrative Officer

THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**CITY OF WHITE ROCK**  
CORPORATE REPORT



**DATE:** June 29, 2020  
**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**FROM:** Carl Isaak, Director of Planning and Development Services  
**SUBJECT:** Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey Results

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT Council:

1. Direct 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. Authorize 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.
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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Dogs on the Promenade pilot/trial program allowed leashed dogs to be walked on the City’s waterfront promenade between October 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020. On June 24, 2019, Council created a Dogs on the Promenade Task Force (DOTPTF), chaired by Councillor Kristjanson, to determine the approach to be used to assess the relative success or failure of allowing dogs on the promenade prior to the trial period, which would be used to determine if dogs should be allowed on the promenade beyond the pilot/trial period (on a seasonal basis).

One of the methods for assessing the pilot recommended by the DOTPTF, and endorsed by Council, was a survey to determine resident and business opinions regarding the program. This survey was made available on the City’s public engagement platform, [www.talkwhiterock.ca](http://www.talkwhiterock.ca), between March 18, 2020 and May 1, 2020. There were 1,001 respondents for the resident and visitor survey, and 18 respondents (owners, managers and employees) for the business survey.

As the DOTPTF been unable to meet since February 19, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the survey results are being brought directly to Council and published for public information, and staff recommend that this corporate report be given to the DOTPTF for their consideration. Staff further recommend that the DOTPTF term be extended to September 30, 2020, in order to allow additional time for the members to provide input to Council.

If the DOTPTF is unable to meet prior to September 2020, staff recommend that each member of the task force review the information presented in this report and provide a written summary of their observations and recommendations to Council prior to August 31, 2020. The feedback received could then be used by Council to determine whether or not leashed dogs should be

permitted on the promenade on an on-going seasonable basis, and whether additional controls or modifications to the program are required.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION**

<b>Resolution # and Date</b>	<b>Resolution Details</b>
September 30, 2019	THAT Council endorses extending the Dogs on the Promenade Task Force term as noted in their Terms of Reference to April 30, 2020.
September 30, 2019 2019-414	THAT Council directs staff to work with the Task Force to develop a survey for White Rock businesses to determine their feelings with respect to the impact on their business during the trial period.
December 2, 2019 2019-571	THAT Council directs staff to develop a short online survey, to take place the first two weeks of March 2020, to measure public opinion on their experience with the dogs on the promenade trial period.
May 11, 2020 2020-273	THAT Council directs the province be requested to have officers monitor the wildlife area (foreshore) in regard to dogs and social distancing.

**INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this corporate report is to provide Council and the public with the results of the 2020 Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project survey. There were two surveys conducted, one for residents and visitors, and another survey with specific questions for businesses (owners, managers, and employees). The survey was advertised through a variety of media channels, however as participation in the survey was voluntary and not randomized, it should be noted that the results reflect the views of the self-selected participants and not necessarily those of the community as a whole.

The survey primarily asked questions with pre-determined answer options (i.e. ‘closed’ questions) to enable quantitative analysis of the survey results. These quantitative results and related charts are attached to this corporate report as “Appendix A” for the Resident and Visitor Survey, and “Appendix B” for the business survey.

Two questions on the Resident and Visitor Survey (“*How would you rate your experience walking with a dog on the Promenade?*” and “*Would you support dogs being allowed on White Rock’s Promenade each year between Oct. 1 and March 31 (the off-season)?*”) gave respondents an opportunity to provide an open-ended comment as a response. These qualitative responses are attached to this corporate report as “Appendix C.” These comments are included verbatim without any edits to the content, and only personal names have been redacted for privacy reasons.

**Postal Code Specific Results**

The Resident and Visitor survey results attached to this corporate report do not exclude non-resident responses. Of the 1,001 respondents, 555 provided a White Rock (V4B) postal code, 196 provided a South Surrey (V4A) postal code, 172 provided another Surrey postal code, with the remaining 76 respondents primarily from other parts of the Metro Vancouver area.

Of the 555 respondents with a White Rock postal code, 336 (61%) support dogs on the Promenade in the off-season, 201 (36%) did not support, 13 (2%) were unsure, and 5 (1%) gave conditional support (i.e. reduced length of season or additional regulation/enforcement). These

results are broadly consistent though slightly less supportive than the overall survey results, which were 67% supportive, 30% non-supportive, and 2% unsure.

### **Next Steps**

While public and business opinion was one of the major discussion topics for the DOTPTF there were other areas considered for assessment, such as environmental/wildlife impacts, negative dog interactions (e.g. off-leash dogs, dog waste, etc.), that would not be captured by these online surveys. The term of the DOTPTF was extended until April 30, 2020, but the members have not been able to meet to finalize the metrics for the trial and to subsequently make a recommendation to Council regarding the future of dogs on the promenade.

If the DOTPTF is unable to meet prior to September 2020 and provide a recommendation as a group to Council, staff recommend that the DOTPTF members be invited to reflect on the information received and discussed at DOTPTF to date and each submit their written observations and recommendations to Council prior to August 31, 2020. This will allow Council to consider the comments in determining if allowing dogs on the promenade on a seasonal basis should continue. The City's Animal Control Bylaw No. 1959 would need to be amended if Council wishes to discontinue allowing dogs on the promenade between October 1 and March 31.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None related to the survey.

If Council decides to proceed with allowing dogs on the promenade in future years, permanent signs will be required on the Promenade to provide notice of the applicable regulations, and other expenses such as dog waste bags and parks maintenance budget should be considered as part of the Financial Plan process.

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Animal Control Bylaw No. 1959 currently allows dogs on the promenade (on a two-metre leash) between October 1 and April 30. If Council does not amend the bylaw before October 1, dogs will again be allowed on the promenade.

### **COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

An online survey was one of the methods of public engagement to obtain feedback regarding the Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Program. Participation of over 1,000 residents and visitors and 18 businesses is considered a significant response and reflects the high profile nature of the pilot program. Other methods of public input included direct emails to [dogs@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:dogs@whiterockcity.ca) and communication with the Bylaw Enforcement and Parks teams, a summary of which has been provided on a regular basis to the DOTPTF.

The DOTPTF is an advisory body that consists of members of the community who volunteered to participate on the Task Force and provide their input to Council.

While the survey results were generally supportive of dogs on the promenade in terms of the quantitative responses (66% of residents/visitors and 78% of businesses respondents support continuing the off-season program), it is clear from the qualitative comments and previous correspondence that many people who do not support dogs on the promenade are passionate in their opposition and will continue to voice concerns if the program is continued.

### **INTERDEPARTMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS**

The two online surveys and questions were created by the Communications team with input from Planning and Development Services staff. Advertising for the survey was undertaken by the Communications team.

During the pilot program, enforcement of the regulations (e.g. leash requirements, no dogs allowed on the Pier) was conducted by Bylaw Enforcement Officers in the Planning and Development Services department, and park/promenade maintenance including the removal of dog feces was conducted by the Parks crews in the Engineering and Municipal Operations department.

### **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

N/A.

### **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

N/A.

### **OPTIONS / RISKS / ALTERNATIVES**

Council can choose to extend the term of the DOTPTF (until September 30, 2020, or another time) to allow additional time for the group to meet and formulate a recommendation regarding the evaluation of the Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project. If the members are unable to meet due to COVID-19 or achieve a quorum, it may not be possible to receive the input from the DOTPTF before October 1, 2020, when dogs would again be allowed on the promenade.

### **CONCLUSION**

A survey of residents, visitors and businesses was conducted in Spring 2020 to assess opinion regarding the Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Program, which allowed dogs on the promenade between October 1, 2019 and April 31, 2020. Over 1,000 residents and 18 businesses participated in the survey. This corporate report provides Council and the public with the results of the survey. Due to limitations arising as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic the DOTPTF was not been able to meet between February, 2020 and the end of their term on April 30, 2020. With this in mind, staff recommend that the term of the DOPTF be extended until September 30, 2020, that this corporate report be forwarded to the Task Force members with a request that they individually send in written observations and recommendations regarding matters that relate to allowing, or not allowing, dogs on the promenade in the “off-season” (October 1 to April 30) on a permanent basis. This written input would be requested prior to August 31, 2020 in order to allow Council to consider the information and decide whether to amend Animal Control Bylaw No. 1959 regarding the presence of dogs on the promenade.

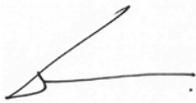
Respectfully submitted,



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

**Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer**

I concur with the recommendations of this report.



Guillermo Ferrero  
Chief Administrative Officer

- Appendix A: Quantitative Results for Resident and Visitor Survey
- Appendix B: Results of Business Survey
- Appendix C: Written Comments from Resident and Visitor Survey

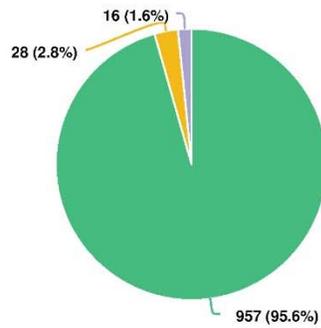
## APPENDIX A

### Quantitative Results for Resident and Visitor Survey

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Residents and Visitors) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

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**Q2** Before reading this survey, were you aware of the Dogs on the Promenade pilot program?



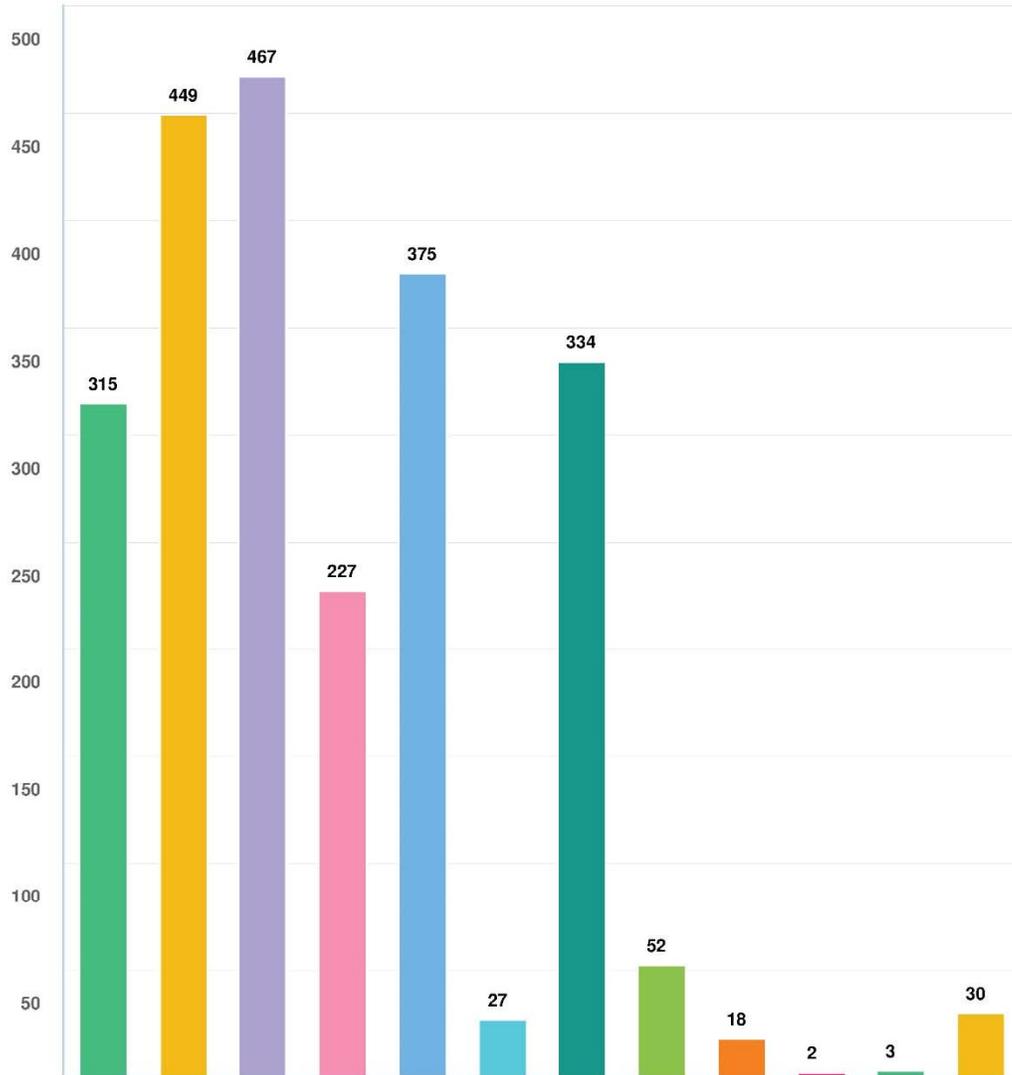
**Question options**

Yes  No  Not sure

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Question type: Radio Button Question*

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**Q3** How did you hear about the Dogs on the Promenade pilot program? Please select all that apply:



**Question options**

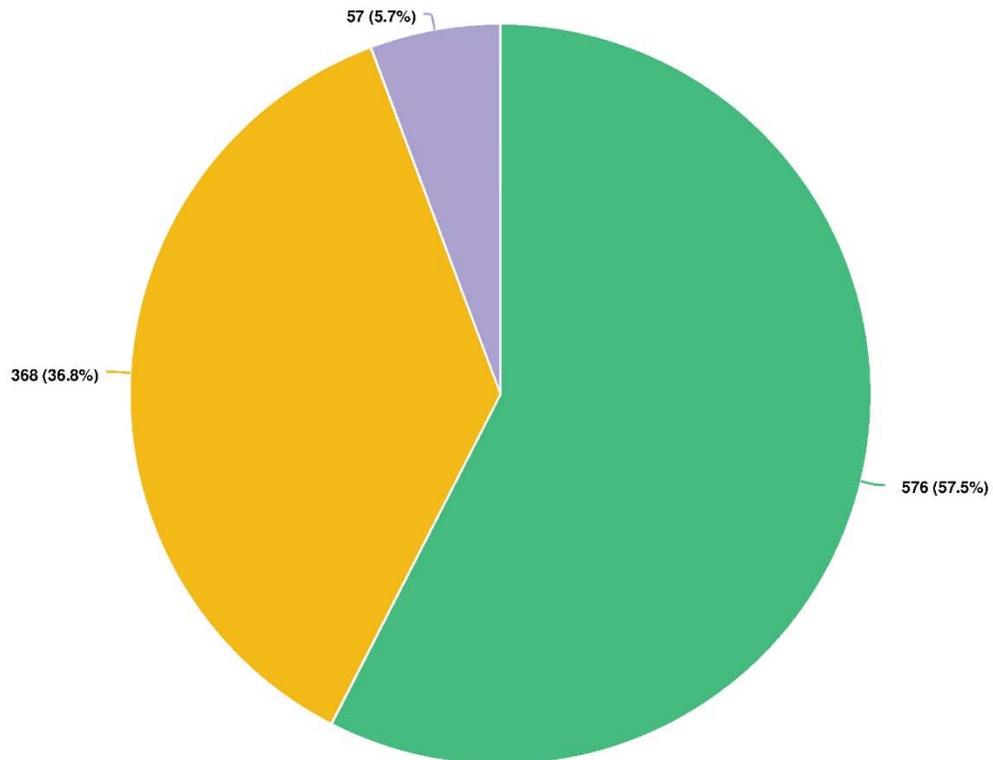
- Signs at the Promenade
- Advertising in the Peace Arch News
- Article in newspaper or online media
- City of White Rock website
- Facebook
- Twitter
- From a friend or family member
- Television
- Radio
- Didn't hear about it
- Don't know
- Other (please specify)

Mandatory Question (1001 response(s))  
 Question type: Checkbox Question

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**Q4** Do you have a dog?



**Question options**

● Yes ● No ● Prefer not to answer

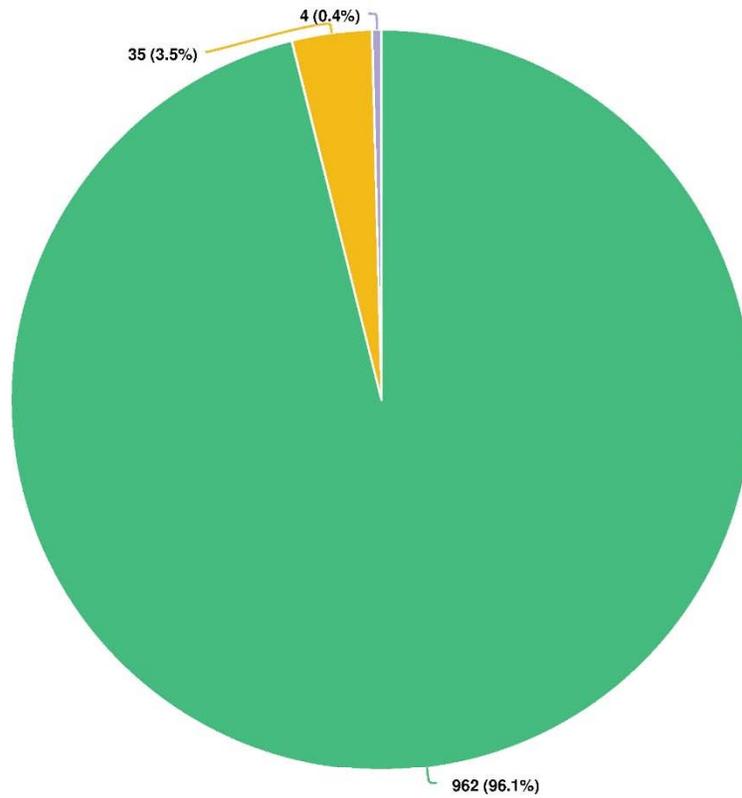
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*Question type: Radio Button Question*

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**Q5** Do you use the Promenade at White Rock's Waterfront?



**Question options**

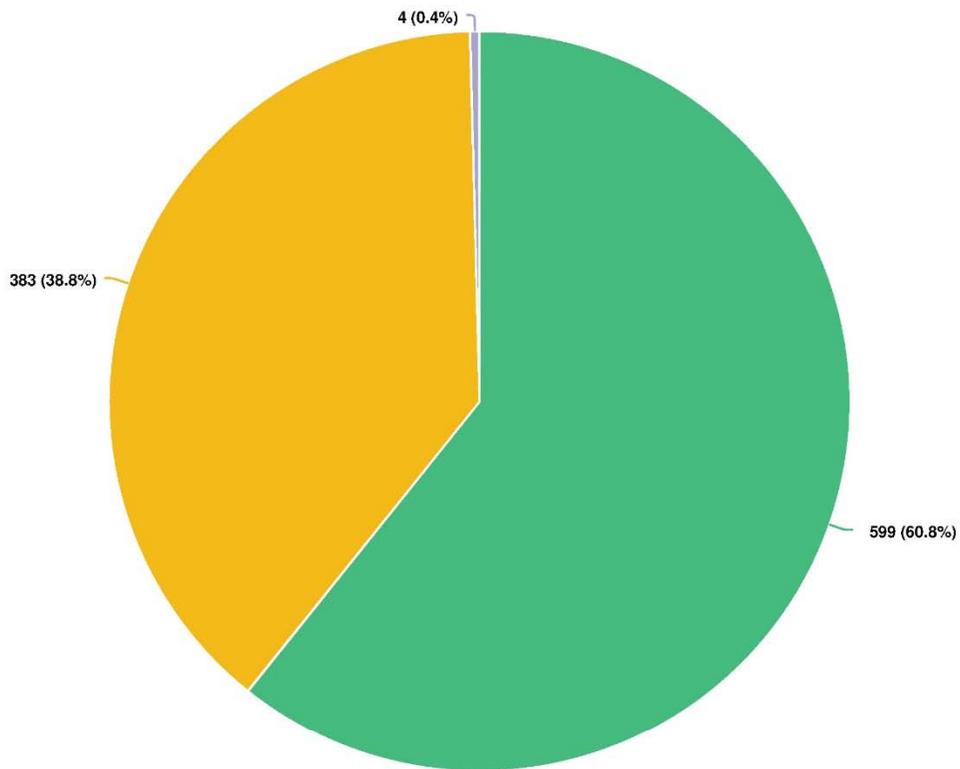
Yes No Not sure

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**Q6** Have you walked a dog, or have you been with a friend or family member who has walked a dog on the Promenade? (If yes, go to #7) (If no, go to #8)



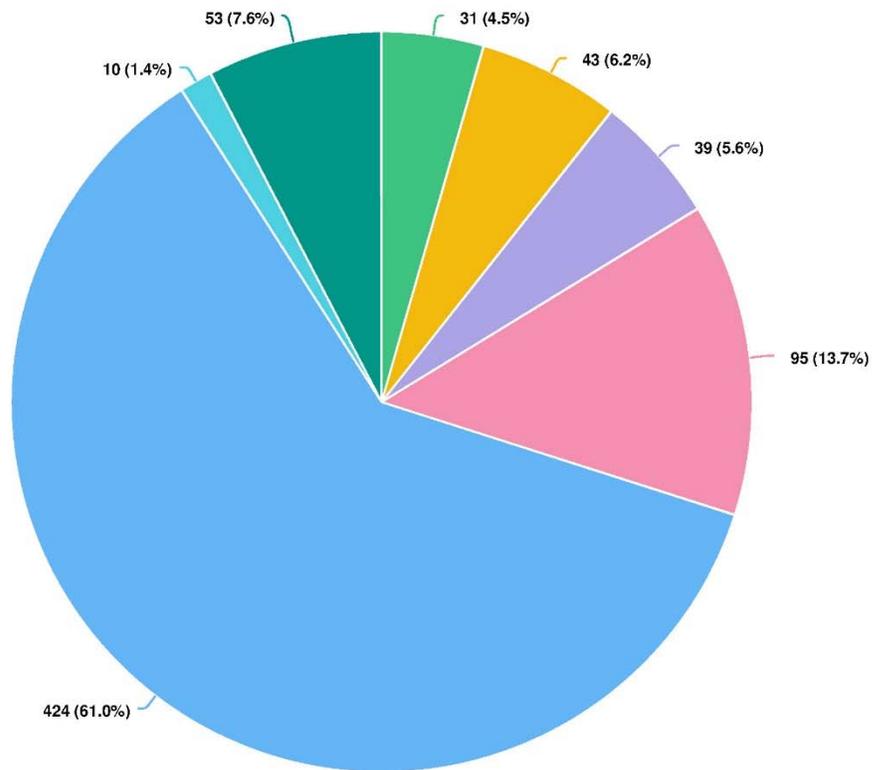
**Question options**

Yes No Not sure

Optional question (986 response(s), 15 skipped)  
Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q7** How would you rate your experience walking with a dog on the Promenade?



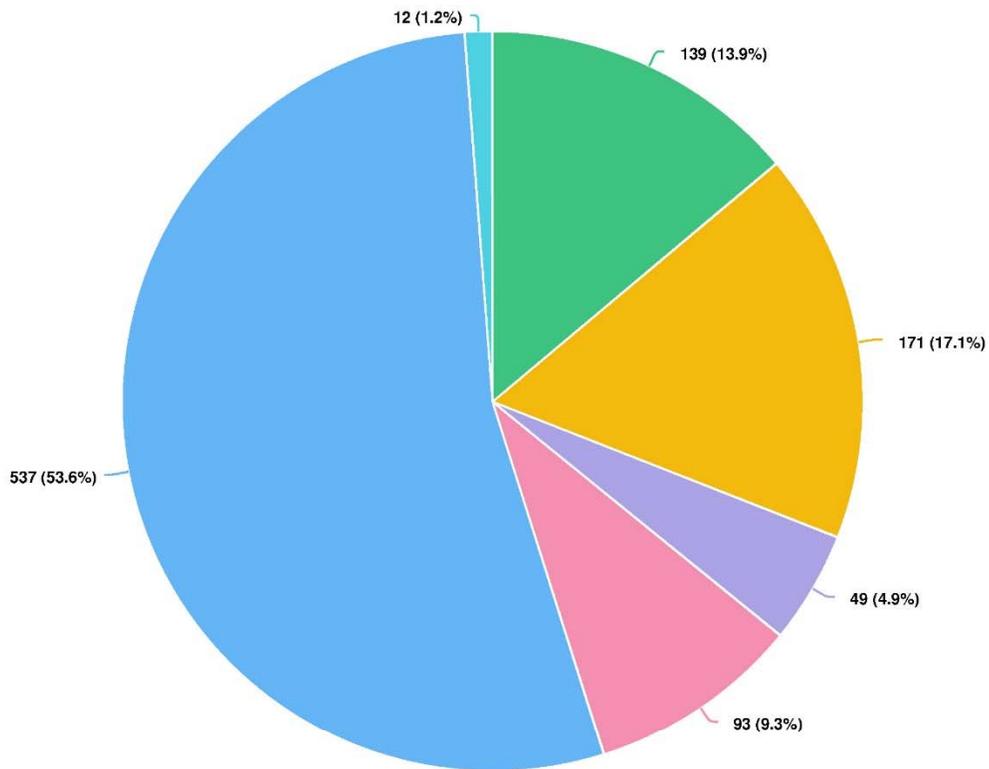
**Question options**

- Very negative
- Negative
- Neutral
- Positive
- Very positive
- Not sure
- Other - Please provide any comments:

Optional question (695 response(s), 306 skipped)  
Question type: Radio Button Question

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Residents and Visitors) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

**Q8** How would you rate your experience between Oct. 1 and March 31 using the Promenade when dogs are present?



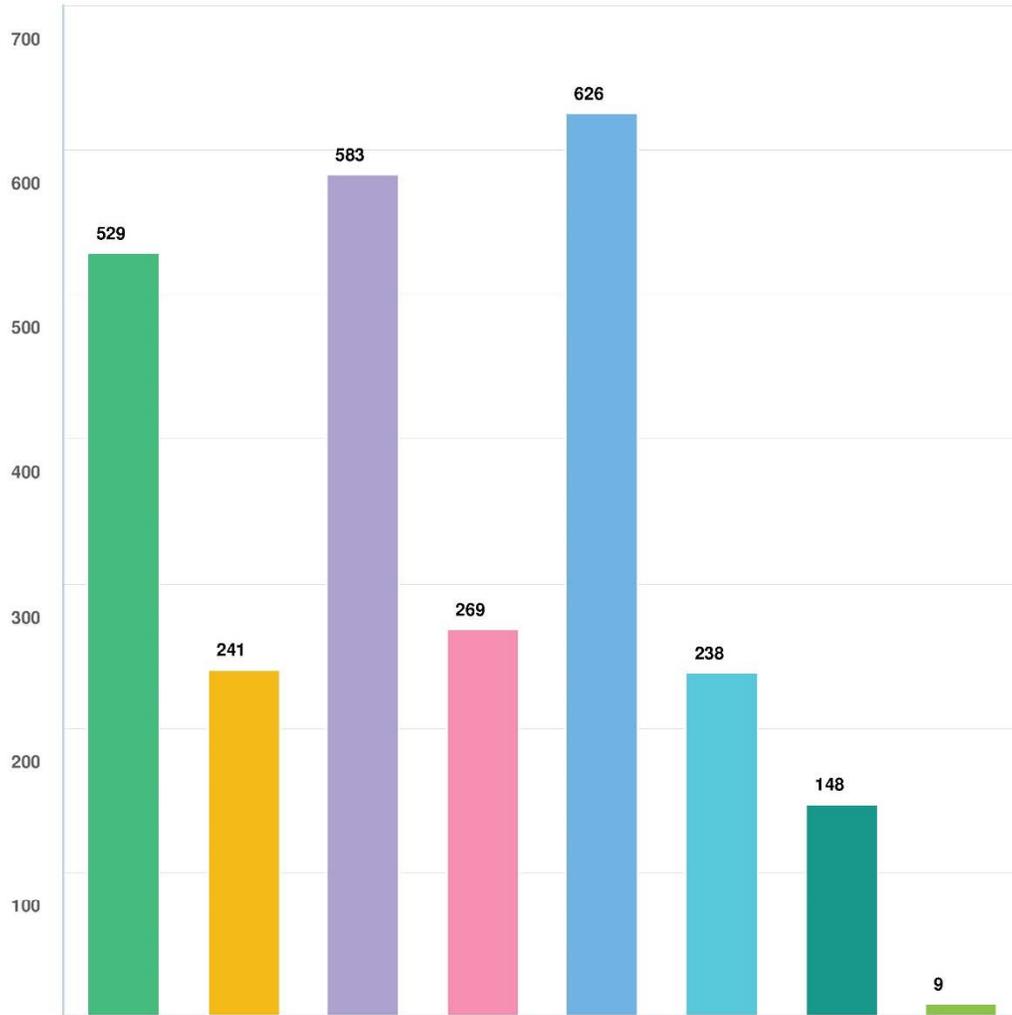
**Question options**

Very negative Negative Neutral Positive Very positive Not sure

Mandatory Question (1001 response(s))  
Question type: Radio Button Question

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**Q9** Which of the following is true for you? Check all that apply. If items are not true, leave them unchecked.



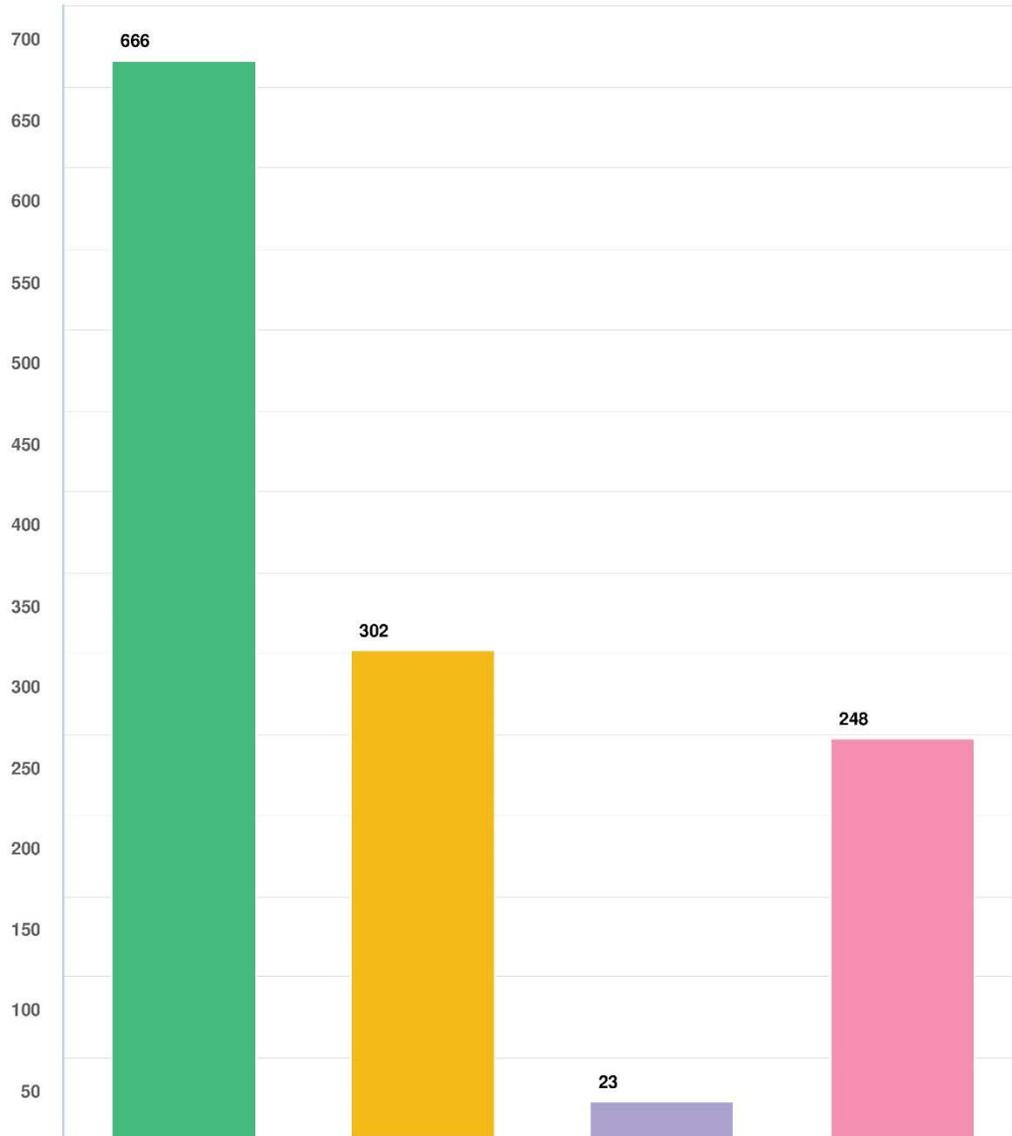
**Question options**

- I came to the Promenade more often because dogs were allowed
- I came to the Promenade less often because dogs were allowed
- I did enjoy seeing dogs on the Promenade
- I did not enjoy seeing dogs on the Promenade
- I observed dogs and their walkers interacting positively with people
- I observed dogs and their walkers interacting negatively with people
- My experience did not change with dogs allowed on the Promenade
- I am undecided

Optional question (996 response(s), 5 skipped)  
Question type: Checkbox Question

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Residents and Visitors) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

**Q10** Would you support dogs being allowed on White Rock's Promenade each year between Oct. 1 and March 31 (the off-season)?



**Question options**

● Yes ● No ● Not sure ● Comments:

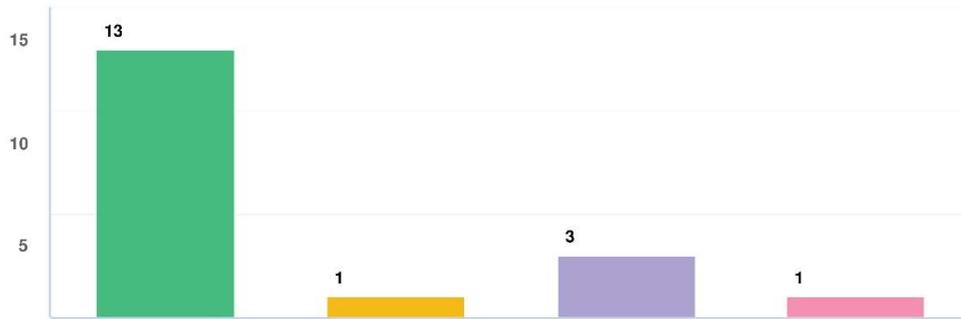
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## APPENDIX B

### Results of Business Survey

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Business) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

**Q1 Please indicate if you are:**

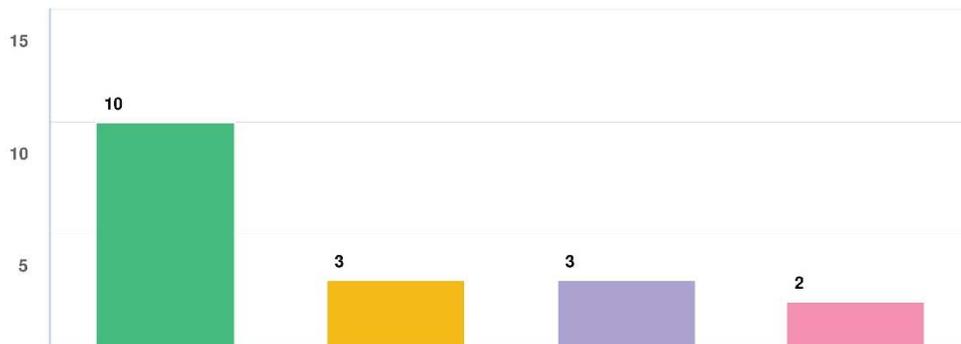


**Question options**

- Business owner in White Rock
- Business operator/manager in White Rock
- Employee of a White Rock business
- Other (please specify)

*Mandatory Question (18 response(s))*  
*Question type: Checkbox Question*

**Q2 Is your business located:**



**Question options**

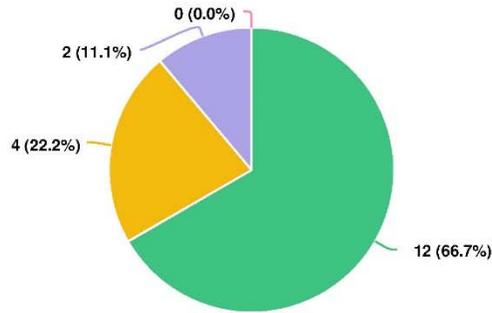
- On or near Marine Drive (Waterfront)
- At 5 Corners
- Uptown
- Other (please specify)

*Mandatory Question (18 response(s))*  
*Question type: Checkbox Question*

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Business) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

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**Q3** Have your customers identified dogs on the Promenade as a reason for coming to the Promenade?



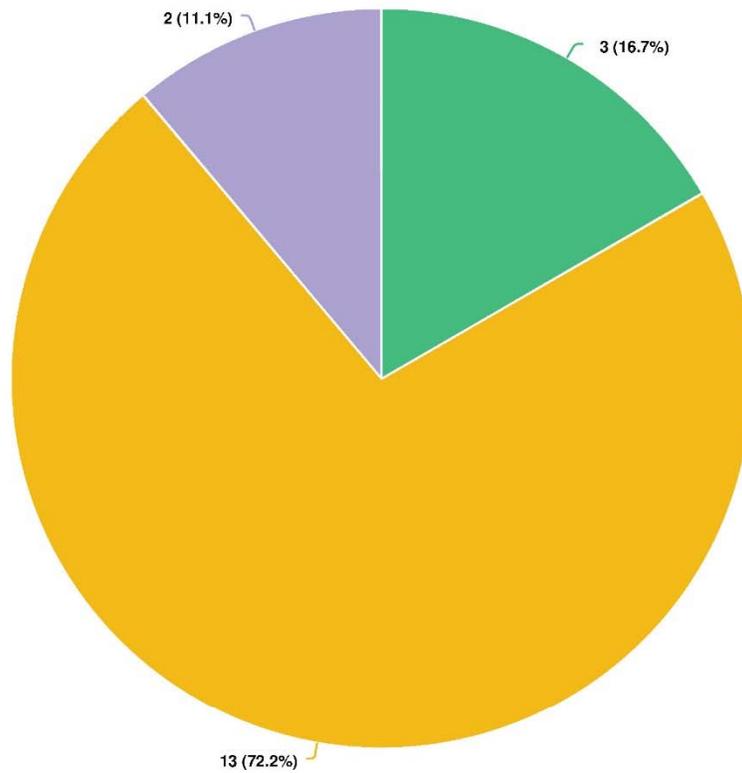
**Question options**

Yes  No  Don't recall  Other (please specify)

*Mandatory Question (18 response(s))  
Question type: Radio Button Question*

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Business) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

**Q4** Have your customers identified dogs on the Promenade as a reason for not coming to the Promenade?



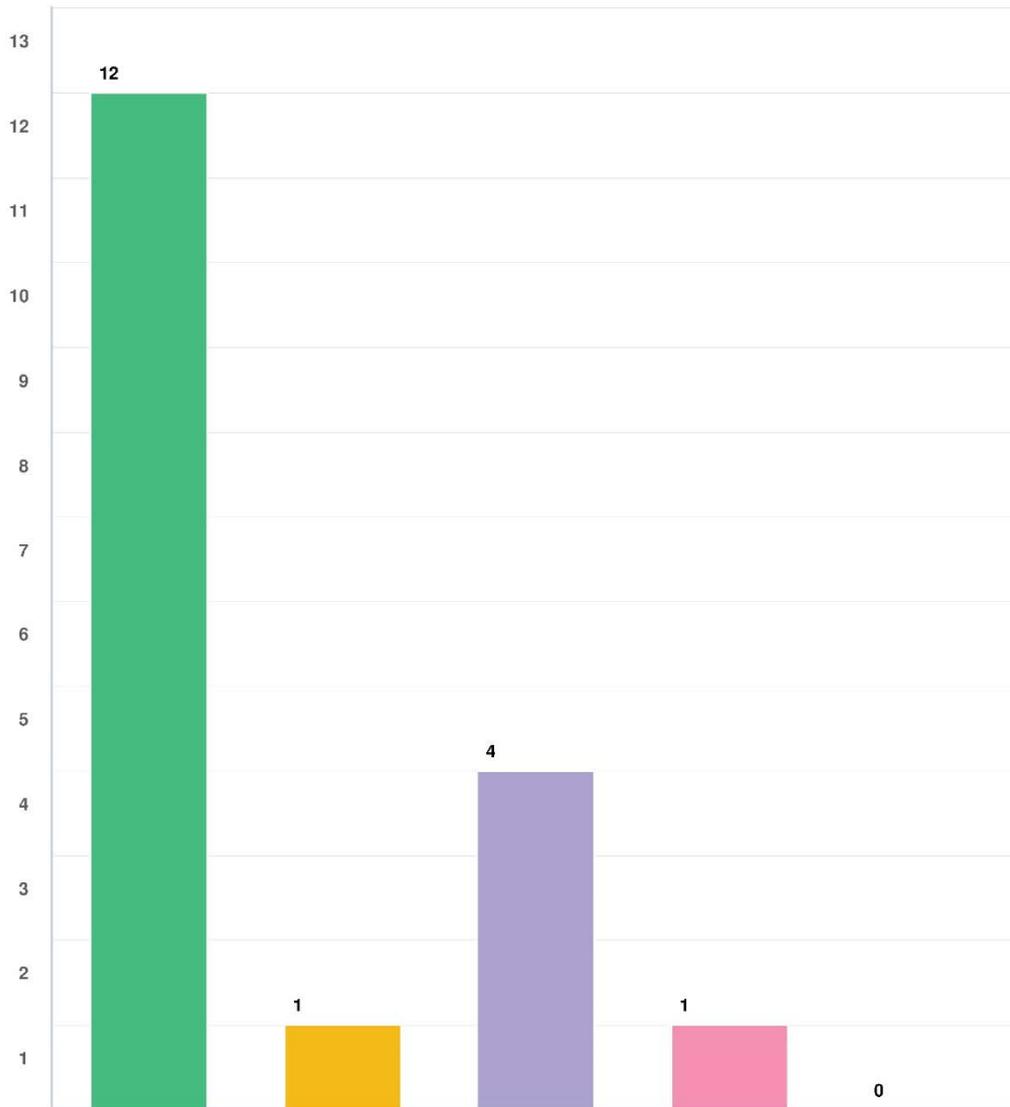
**Question options**

Yes No Don't recall

Mandatory Question (18 response(s))  
Question type: Radio Button Question

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Business) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

**Q5** What impact, if any, do you think the Dogs on the Promenade pilot program has had on your business? Please choose the answer that best reflects your experience.



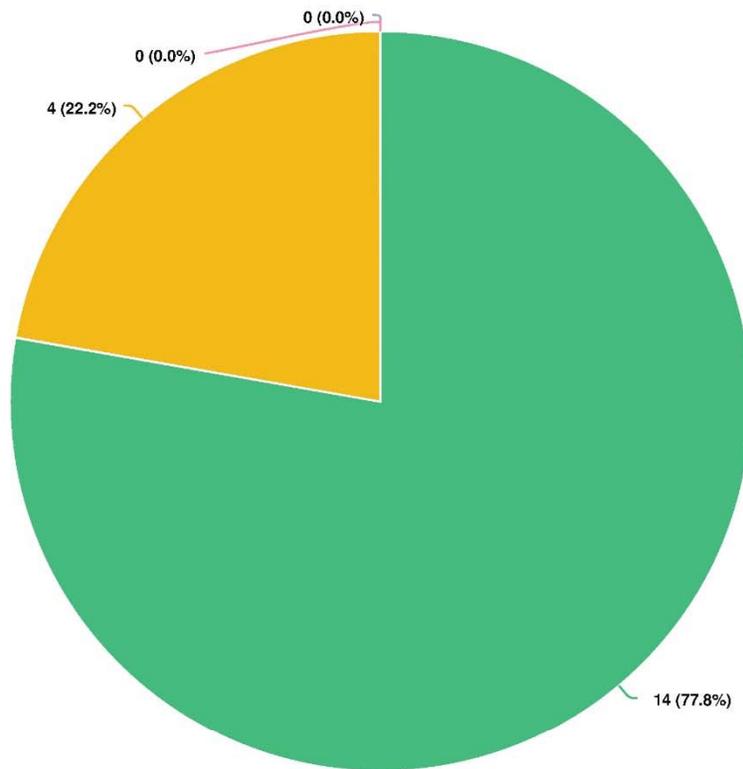
**Question options**

- Positive impact
- Negative impact
- No impact. Business stayed the same as most years.
- Not certain. There were other factors affecting business during this time.
- Other (please specify)

Mandatory Question (18 response(s))  
Question type: Checkbox Question

Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project Survey (Business) : Survey Report for 04 January 2019 to 27 May 2020

**Q6** Would you support dogs being allowed on White Rock's Promenade each year between Oct. 1 and March 31 (the off-season)?



**Question options**

Yes  No  Not sure  Other (please specify)

Mandatory Question (18 response(s))  
Question type: Radio Button Question

## APPENDIX C

### Written Comments from Resident and Visitor Survey

#### **Open-ended responses to “How would you rate your experience walking with a dog on the Promenade?”**

*Note: This question was intended to be ‘skippable’ for respondents who did not walk with a dog, but the survey format made a response mandatory for all participants. Only comments that were related to the question are included below, and responses solely regarding the survey format have not been included.*

- People scared of them
- Previous to the start of the trial and now when I politely tell dog walkers that dog walking on the pier is not allowed, most of them get all angry with me as if I'm the one committing a violation. It is very distressing.
- "Dogs have the whole of White Rock to walk. The promenade was the only place dog free and we should keep it that way.
- I saw instances of feces on the walkway and bird harassment as well as urinating on the trees."
- Well I used to go quite often, but moved to Victoria. Upon returning, it was summer and I was surprised by the no dog signage - it was an unpleasant surprise. I understand not having them on the actual beach, but it's just a walkway?
- Never go there because of negative people's comments in newspaper
- I found it extremely positive albeit frustrating when people would scowl at me and my dog or tell me about their negative opinion towards the dogs.
- Fabulous. Much more friendly and many more people using the promenade now than ever during the trial period.
- The majority of dogs defecate during their time at the promenade. Many people bring a dog to defecate and then return to their car to leave without walking. Also, a group of people walk each morning to remove any unpicked feces, so that the image of the trial is good. This is a picnic area!
- People who walk dogs often stop and chat with each other ... about their dogs, of course. A nice change from the many many many times I've walked the promenade on my own and felt invisible. I support Dogs on the Promenade all year round.
- Some people did not like it and did harass people with dogs
- Walking my dog was pleasant. We always keep our dog on leash and always pick after her. Many people encountered were positive and friendly, but White Rock is filled with sour old complainers who don't want to see dogs on the promenade and so interactions with these people is never pleasant
- I have not personally walked a dog on the promenade
- I would NOT take a dog near oceanfront
- I have a grand dog, who I walk regularly in the forest trails. He is so happy there, with so much to sniff and check out. People walk their dogs on the promenade for their own pleasure, not the dog's.
- Walking along the promenade with my friend's dog was very positive! The promenade area was very clean...cleaner than usual...probably because there was less goose droppings...And I didn't ever see ANY dog poop at all. The waterfront area seemed much more vibrant and friendly. Many people stopped to chat & pet my friend's very cute dog. It was a very social experience. The only negative was that ...on more than one occasion...we had the odd

miserable looking person scowling at us ...Even though the dog was well behaved, on leash, & walking nicely right beside us...it was evident that these people disliked dogs & disapproved of dogs on the promenade...It is really disappointing that we have to encounter people like this ...Narrow minded people who don't want to share the waterfront & have had there way for so long! Probably the same dog hating people who keep writing into the Peace Arch News ...Like [3 names redacted for privacy reasons], etc...etc...These people have been waging an anti-dog agenda for years...Please do not let them continue!

- After the project began, extremely positive! People seem to love having the dogs along the promenade and seem more relaxed and friendly with their presence. I was really struck by that at Christmas season with all the people who came down.
- Leashes tend to block the promenade when the crowds are busy. I have noticed dogs on the pier and dogs running free on the shore.
- very positive, I walk on wet cold nights when there have only been dog owners out.. maybe 10 people on the entire promenade, they are so friendly everyone is.
- Twice I have been with a person who has a dog. Dogs want to greet each other which made us stop and people were irritated that they needed to walk around us. At one point we came across a dog walker and she took up the whole sidewalk. The other time I became uncomfortable when we came across a man with 2 muzzled dogs.
- a number of friends/neighbours have walked their dog on the pier
- How come dog walkers can provide comments but there is no option under #8 for non dog walkers to comment?
- My comments for Q#8. There was dog poop on the promenade which we had to avoid stepping in and we saw dogs OFF leash.
- I have not walked my dog on the promenade as I don't believe that is the proper place for pets. It is a perfect place for people of all ages.... from the elderly to families with small children. Leave this lovely waterfront free from dogs. Too many dogs and their owners are irresponsible. They are other places they can go.
- Who cares what your experience walking a dog on the promenade was? Dogs should have never been there!
- The promenade is crowded enough with people and dogs make it even more difficult to pass people. But worse, is seeing the dogs pee on the grass and even if the poop is picked up from the grass, a residue still remains. And children play on the grassy areas! And people take their dogs on the pier when they must know that they are not allowed to do that.
- I detest having to walk the prom with dogs using the picnic areas, grass and path as a washroom. I hate having to avoid their leashes, especially when the owner is trying to control more than one at a time.I especially get annoyed when people are walking their dog off leash.
- I found that owners were not cleaning up after dogs and leaving them on a long leash so we had to constantly manoeuvre around them
- It was chaotic. Some dogs on leash, some not -- mine was leashed. Too many people and too much going on. Only tried it once and it was not a good experience for either myself or my dog who is a 26lb Frug(Pug+Fr. Bulldog).
- I don't currently own a dog. The Boardwalk is not wide enough for people & dogs!
- I walked my dog there before the pilot project. I had a very negative experience with a bylaw officer just treating badly until I left. On another occasion RCMP ordered me off the promenade because of my dog. I was treated badly by them as well just awful to have to talk to these people.
- NA--no dog walking.....

- Wishing there were other questions for adding feedback. Survey is very limited.
- What I usually saw when dogs were allowed on promenade, were dogs walking on the foreshore as well. Sometimes off leash. Direct impact to birds and beach and violation to provincial laws which I understand cannot be enforced by our city bylaw officers. There were very few ducks or geese at the beach this winter/spring. Saw lots of pooping and peeing by the dogs on the grass and trees. Our beach and promenade are White Rock's treasure. The addition of dogs adds much more cost for clean up, safety and vulnerability of fragile ecosystems. Generally the cost is too high in every way. Dogs have so many other places to be.....lets keep our promenade and beach safe and clean for our residents and guests and creatures. Let's keep it dog free please!
- I have had good and bad experiences with the variety of dogs and owners. Some dogs are too big and strong for their owners should the dog bolt. I was tripped by a smaller dog on a retractable leash and almost tripped 2 other times. I had one huge black dog off leash walking beside it's owner towards me, and then the dog literally jumped up with it's paws on my shoulders. I am lucky it did not knock me off balance..I'm 64. One dog walker was in the West Beach bathroom with 3 pitbulls about 2 months ago...not impressed at all! Another dogwalker has 3 large dogs she walks on the promenade now.. WTF? Their is just not enough room for the dogs and humans at the same time. I would prefer to see no retractable leashes, one dog at a time, no dogs in the bathrooms, walking on the promenade only from Nov. 1 - Feb. 28 and then only Monday through Friday only. I no longer walk barefoot in the grass as there is now dog feces leftovers..not nice at all. There are worms and parasites in dog feces that can spread to people via inhaling dry particles on the windy days as just one example. I am also allergic to most dogs. All dog owners should have a permit and prove of insurance coverage for their dogs behavior. They can still walk on leash on the shoreline though all year round..or they can go the Crescent Beach. I stopped going into the beach restaurants and shops before covid19, as the dog owners have taken over the sidewalks and the promenade.
- Many people who walk their dog walk them on their left side, so when passing the dog is between the owner and myself. With the dog brushing against me, such a narrow space, I am forced to remember being attacked by a dog as a child and as an adult having a dog bite me on the Green Timbers trail. Also dogs barking at other dogs takes away the joy of a peaceful walk.

**Open-ended responses to “Would you support dogs being allowed on White Rock’s Promenade each year between Oct. 1 and March 31 (the off-season)?”**

- No, Comments:;,As seniors, we found it dangerous. The promenade is too narrow for pets and people to pass safely. There is a great danger in being tangled in a retractable leash. Also, dogs pee anytime they wish and also defecate and this is not the place for dogs.
- Yes, Comments:;,Totally! Despite a the very vocal few, this has been very successful in my opinion. People stopped to talk to us with our dogs - both people with and without. I think the presence of dogs has improved the level of interaction and sense of community. The "Negative Nellies" will get over it. Dogs are everywhere else in the world. I only saw one "rogue turd" and only on one occasion, so grabbed a bag and picked it up. Bag dispensers have been empty sometimes (we bring our own anyway) but this might be theft or pilot program sabotage. Please continue!
- "No, Comments:;,Is the City of Vancouver SMARTER than White Rock?
- White Rock politicians are putting their carriers and our health on the line. The coronavirus COVID-19 has affected people worldwide and will hurt tourism in BC and

worldwide. SEE metrovancouver.org , Since dogs are meat eaters, their feces can carry pathogens including coliform bacteria, salmonella and giardia which can contaminate soil and water (and make people sick). Some parasites can linger in soil for years. How is this good for Business in White Rock? With dogs off leash on the beach, dog feces, dog urine and discarded used dog feces bags on the beach infringing on the first nations right to fish in the waters like their ancestors' a health risk to them as well and a possible lawsuit to the City OF White Rock – costing TAX DOLLARS.

- No, Comments:;For the past 20 years that I have been a resident of White Rock/ South Surrey I have thoroughly enjoyed a dog less promenade. The presence of especially large dogs on our promenade is disturbing to me and many of my friends and acquaintances. If this becomes a permanent thing (6 months of the year), I will continue to fight it until it is removed. The decision to make Memorial Park open to dogs year round is deplorable. I will continue to fight that too.
- "Comments:;1)Signage - especially on the pier - needs to be much more visible. Fines for bylaw infractions should be significant and the actual \$ amount stated on all signage. Bylaws (and signage) should also include fines for people who discard plastic bags of dog poop anywhere other than at their home. This practice is thoughtless and environmentally ridiculous.

2) ""off season"" needs to be more nuanced. For example, dogs should never be allowed on Saturdays, Sundays and Statutory holidays at any time of year. These days are always busy regardless of time of year. dogs could be allowed from Oct 01 until Mar 31 but only between the hours of 10am and 5pm to give those of us who prefer not to have to walk around dogs and their leashes, time to enjoy the promenade to ourselves. I would support a clearly marked area of east beach being set-up for off-leash dogs – perhaps it could be an alternative to the promenade.

Perhaps in offering times along the waterfront when people can take their dogs for a walk, it's also the right time to instigate clear bylaws against dogs being taken inside restaurants, pubs, grocery stores, etc. We've seen this starting to happen elsewhere and it's better to get ahead of the trend!

Please note: I think dogs can be fun to watch. I don't hate them. I just prefer not to have to mingle with them because often, they sense I am nervous of them (after some bad experiences)."

- Yes, Comments:;The dog owners seemed so pleased to be able to share the promenade with their pets (children) and are more than gracious with those that want to admire the dogs. I did see one owner that did not know how to control her dog when other dogs approached. 100% the dogs are behaved. 99% the owners. Please continue with this initiative as it enhances my morning walks.
- Yes, Comments:;They should be allowed all year round. There are bigger issues to deal with that are more annoying and risks to people using the promenade than dogs. Open liquor, people smoking drugs around young children and families, and litter. Those are the real issues not dogs. I hope this trial has proven to the City of White Rock that dogs should be allowed on the promenade all year long.
- No, Comments:;I have witnessed too many people not picking up after their dog or not honouring the rule to keep dog leashed. I have witnessed two very negative incidents - one was a dog came and urinated on my daughter's backpack which was next to where we were sitting. Second an owner not cleaning up after their dog.
- Yes, Comments:;I would support year-round, honestly!

- Yes, Comments:;,1. I would support dogs on the Promenade all year round, 24-7, no restrictions.  
As long as there is a bylaw against dogs on the Promenade at any time of year, I make it a point to refuse my business to any of the shops and restaurants on the strip. There really is no point in going if not all of us are allowed to go to that area. I would sooner go elsewhere.  
The bylaw is ridiculously archaic.
- Yes, Comments:;,Yes! I actually came to the beach in the winter because of it!
- Yes, Comments:;,Such a great idea to allow dogs on White Rock beach. It's about time! Everywhere else does it, so it makes sense that White Rock does it too. Great way to bring more people to White Rock beach which is so desperately needed!
- No, Comments:;,I think dogs need to go to the dog park.
- "Yes, Comments:;,I think the pilot project was a huge success. I'm sorry to see it end. A BIG thank you to the city for giving this a try - I have noted the negative letters in the PAN and must say the complaints have been completely over blown (but you probably know that). Thanks again
- Not sure, Comments:;,My problem when dogs not kept on short leash when passing people, usually the contractable leash . Dog people and dogs standing in a group and trying to get by them. Many owners think everyone's loves their dog and allow dog to jump up or sniff people
- Yes, Comments:;,It was an amazing experience being able to walk with my best friend, my dog, on the promenade. We met new people from our community and everyone we encountered was friendly, many people stopped us to say hi to our dog, including children and many elderly people. We felt more included in the community and found ourselves watching more sunsets and taking time to appreciate our beautiful city. We also had more opportunities to visit local businesses as we were down on Marine Drive more often than usual. We were careful to keep a respectful distance to others who were out enjoying the promenade, and we not only picked up after our dog, we also took the opportunity to clean up litter left behind by people. We observed other people walking their dogs and saw, and participated in, positive dog to dog interactions. My favourite experience while walking my dog on the promenade, was meeting a gentleman in his 90's who stopped us, asked if he could say hi to our dog, and told us stories about his favourite dog who was no longer with him. He delighted in hearing that, in dog years, our old girl was further on in years than he. This gentleman said he liked knowing that there was hope for him yet. He was a delightfully funny man, and we saw each other a few more times, and each time he stopped to give our old girl some pats, and share stories of White Rock from the past that made me see our beautiful town in a new way. Because of him, I think of who walked here before us, the memories kept safe by members of our small community, and I have hope of meeting new friends and hearing more stories about this place I love so dearly. Thank you for taking a chance on this trial, and for giving me the chance to stumble across new friends that I may never have met, were it not for my walks with my dog on the promenade.
- No, Comments:;,I have two dogs. I love them - not everyone else does - and that's ok. I also have a special needs son who loves the Pier, but is afraid of some dogs. Many taxpayers in White Rock South Surrey do not like dogs or want them around their small children. The promenade should be for them too.  
White Rock council has effectively said they would rather have dogs on the Promenade than seniors, toddlers and special needs persons. That's just not right.

- Yes, Comments:;Dogs should be aloud on the Promenade all the time And be aloud in the water. I have a dog and more often then not people complained. They should have an area on the Beach for dogs. I do not take my dog on the Promenade any more. More dog lovers and dog areas at Crescent Beach. If they were aloud on the Promenade all Year and aloud in the water end if East Beach where there is less people. And they should allow on the Pier. They used to be able too.
- Yes, Comments:;I would allow dogs year round on the promenade - not unlike what is done in other cities in California and Europe. In fact, dogs are allowed in restaurants and bars in Europe, so White Rock is merely catching up to what the rest of the world does.
- Yes, Comments:;Dogs should be allowed on leash on the promenade anytime of year.
- Yes, Comments:;Yes to year round on leash!
- Yes, Comments:;It brings more people down to enjoy the waterfront in the Fall and Winter months
- Comments:; Yes,I support it all year, or at least the 3 off seasons. It would be easier for bylaw enforcement as well.
- Yes, Comments:;This should be year round....
- No, Comments:;Poor enforcement results in many infractions...dogs on the pier, running loose on the beach, chasing geese, leashes that are too long, etc. The promenade is not a dog park.
- No, Comments:;There are lots of places to walk your dog and very few dog free places. I do not enjoy eating my ice cream while sitting on a bench with a dog SITTING ON THE BENCH TOO! The owner did not appreciate my comments about keeping her dog on the ground! The extendable leashes should be banned! Really sucks trying to walk on the promenade and get tripped by one. Good thing I have quick reflexes.... fyi that owner laughed - they thought it was funny their dog almost tripped me. Far too crowded for dogs.
- "Yes, Comments:;I would like to see dogs being allowed on the Promenade extended to May 15th (like Crescent Beach).
- Yes, Comments:;I have met so many new people because of the interaction with fellow dog owners. I have always walked the Promenade and had to rerun back home to walk my dog. Now , I can enjoy it all at once. I never witnessed any negative interactions , picked up someone else's poo only twice( previously when dogs were not allowed I picked up poo far more often). The only negativity I experiment was the odd dirty look by those who don't like dogs. Never saw any frail seniors being tripped by leashed, no environmental disaster, a much more happy and welcoming place. Also, I made an effort at least half of the time to enjoy a coffee or ice cream to try to support the local businesses
- Yes, Comments:;I would extend it to at least the end of May. All year if dogs are on a 4-6 foot leash. I've had better experience with dogs and their owners than some parents and kids and them on bikes. People with mega strollers that think the world is theirs. EVERYONE needs to be respectful and everyone can enjoy the beautiful area.
- Yes, Comments:;We actually bought more coffee from the various businesses than we would normally have done because we were down there more often
- Yes, Comments:;Absolutely! Support without qualification. It is progressive and inclusive thinking.
- Yes, Comments:;The only negative where the looks from people who didn't like dogs on the promenade. I have never seen people react din unkindly

- Yes, Comments:;Every day elsewhere the value of people & dogs interacting peacefully is more accepted as the norm. Their value as companions for personal, physical ,mental, & medical assistance is well documented. Non aggressive, leashed & under control dogs should be allowed as they already are elsewhere. Dogs teach us caring, kindness & unconditional love. Sure there are a few bad owners out there, but there are a lot worse people engaging in activities that a lot more invasive. There is a new law coming similar to one in Ontario, that will not allow discretion for renters with pets . For some, their pet is their only relative.  
It is a no brainer to continue allowing pets in public spaces.  
Even if the " no dogs group" tries to influence decisions by padding out the replies with anyone they know regardless of whether they visit White Rock or not , as they have in the past; we should maintain this greatly appreciated & successful project.
- No, Comments:;ABSOLUTELY NOT! I dislike walking on the promenade with dogs and very seldom go anymore. I am afraid of dogs cutting me off with their leashes causing me to fall. Dog owners think they own the promenade. I dislike all the poop I see and children cannot play on the grass. TERRIBLE TERRIBLE DOGS ON THE PROMENADE IS A BAD IDEA.....THERE IS NOT ENOUGH ROOM FOR PEOPLE & DOGS! on the promenade.
- Yes, Comments:;I spent a lot of days on the waterfront through the winter walking my dog, that I had never done before. Many of those days we stopped for a drink and sometimes had lunch or dinner before heading home. Pretty certain that we would not have been on the waterfront more than a couple of times if it were not for being able to walk our dog down there.
- Yes, Comments:;I would support dogs being allowed on the Promenade year round much like they are on the seawall in Vancouver.
- Yes, Comments:;I would support dogs being allowed on the promenade all year long.
- No, Comments:;I will preface my comments by disclosing that while I do not have a dog I kept an open mind about this pilot project.  
I speed walk and run on the promenade every day. The introduction of dogs accompanied with leashes significantly increased the risk of falling for me. Many times a dog on a long leash would dart out in front of me. The narrowness of the promenade in these situations also left me with no escape route to avoid being tripped. My relaxing walks/runs along the promenade became very stressful and dangerous.  
I fully appreciate dog owners wanting to enjoy the promenade with their pets but the increased risk to others should be considered.
- Yes, Comments:;I would also support dogs being allowed on the Promenade all year long.
- Yes, Comments:;Why not year round like at Centennial Beach in Tsawwassen? Dogs are on leash and it is nice to see them there.
- Comments:;Dogs should be band year round. Why do do owners think it is okay to impose their dog on the public, the wildlife, the environment everywhere public?  
I am scared of dogs. Dog owners are misanthropic, anti-social wildlife and people haters. I don't want dogs sniffing me, touching me, looking at me or getting in my way. I no longer take my elderly parents there as all the long cords (no one uses a leash) are a tripping hazard.  
Boundary Bay Wildlife Management Area is being harmed. The wildlife that use this habitat is being harmed.  
The grassy picnic and play area is now a cesspool of faecal matter and urine and is a safety and health hazard. Signs need to be erected warning people to stay off the grass.

The city encourages dog owners to put their dogs faeces in the garbage bin, the city then sends the faeces to the landfill where it is a health hazard to workers and breaks down into methane, which is the most damaging gas causing global warming. Inviting dogs to the promenade has caused an massive increase of off leash dogs on the beach, in violation of provincial laws. People encourage their dogs to chase birds, against the law. With the increased numbe of dogs urinating and defacating on the beach, the water quality is damaged more and SFN cannot fish safely.

The promenade is too narrow to have dogs and people mising.

Dogs carry and may spread coronavirus, dogs should be banned in public for peoples' safety.

<https://nationalpost.com/news/world/hong-kong-dog-who-tested-positive-for-coronavirus-dies-days-after-quarantine>

Keep the promenade safe for all people, not just another place that misanthropes can impose their mutt on others."

- Yes, Comments:.,I suffer from anxiety, depression and ADHD. I'm also a parent of children with special needs and a full time special education teacher. I'm stressed and overwhelmed most of the time. The best ways to care for myself so I can help others is by being in nature, getting exercise, being present and feeling the uncomplicated/unconditional joy/love/support and comforting presence of my dog. She brings my stress down and helps me stay in the moment. The promenade/White Rock beach is my favourite place to be for it's stunning beauty which also makes me feel grateful to be alive. Also, having a safe, clean, not muddy place to walk my dog in winter increased the frequency we got out. The opportunity this pilot has given me has helped my mental health and well being each time I was to visit. Please continue allowing dogs on the promenade in the off season.
- Comments:.,Should be twelve months a year. Residents and visitors alike have dogs. You cannot leave them in a hot car. Why come without them?
- Comments:.,All year round
- Yes, Comments:.,My preference is for year round access!
- Yes, Comments:.,All year seems like a great idea too
- No, Comments:.,Build a separate dog park at the beach. Too many dogs on the Pier and no enforcement.
- Yes, Comments:.,Dogs bring people together and create a positive environment!
- Yes, Comments:.,I feel dogs should be allowed on the promenade, why cant dog owners enjoy it.

Dog owners are all tarred with the same brush and shouldnt be. People should be respectful...i dont have children but have to put up with incredibly bad behaved children wherever i go..no one bans them. "

- Yes, Comments:.,March 17 there was a dog chasing gulls under the pier on the beach. I blame the owner not the dog, however this is what they are not supposed to do. The owner seemed to be having fun filming it.
- No, Comments:.,It is too crowded as it is and too many bad dog owners who leave poop, have out of control dogs. Just too many people to add dogs to the equation.
- Yes, Comments:.,And it should go beyond March 31st with how well the pilot project went! :)
- Yes, Comments:.,I feel it should be allowed for a longer period.... until May at least if not all year long. Why are pot smokers allowed to walk along the promenade and infect my lungs ? They seem to be a bigger problem than dogs !!!

- No, Comments:;Unfortunately, there are always a few irresponsible dog owners. I was so dismayed at there was insufficient feces cleanup and disposed bags all over the place. Even on the pier! Some dog walkers took up the whole width of the promenade, making navigating around them very difficult. No matter the positives, there were enough negatives that going to the promenade (and Marine Drive businesses) was no longer worthwhile. Such a shame.
- No, Comments:;This area is in a WM area, think of the environment.
- Yes, Comments:;Could be extended to end of April
- Yes, Comments:;I am only ok with it during the off season!
- Yes, Comments:;We're a couple in our late 50s/early 60s and live in the West Beach area and have very much enjoyed being able to take our dog for a walk along the promenade during the pilot. We find we get out for walks more often. Before the pilot, we never walked along the promenade as we only have so much time to walk during the day and that time is spent walking our dog. I feel guilty leaving my dog at home to go out for a walk so either I stay at home or take Mocha to the streets on the hillside or along the sidewalk along Marine Dr.  
Marine Dr. is not a pleasant place to walk. Half the store fronts are empty, so many of the places are run-down, the sidewalks are narrow and can be crowded on a busy day. It's so much more pleasant walking along the promenade. In the early dark nights of winter, I felt a lot safer walking along the well-lit promenade than through the narrow, dark streets on the hillside.  
We have found the other dog owners to be respectful of the space and have not seen any negative interactions between people and dogs. I think local dog owners really wanted the pilot to be a success.  
It's really nice seeing seniors and also people with physical challenges (walkers, wheel chairs, canes) out on the promenade with their dogs. The promenade is a safe, flat, accessible space and seeing people of so many different ages and abilities out with their dogs really gives the impression that White Rock is an inclusive and diverse community. Thanks to the City of White Rock for taking on this pilot project. I hope that it can continue!
- Yes, Comments:;They should always be allowed!!!
- Yes, Comments:;it seems to facilitate personal interaction, starting with "good morning" and a short weather comment and sometimes progressing to actual conversation. that was nice.
- No, Comments:;I observed many dogs interacting negatively with wildlife on White Rock's beaches. This is a designated government protected wildlife area.
- Yes, Comments:;I would support them year round
- Yes, Comments:;Our dogs are part of our family and without them being allowed, we have opted for other locations to visit like Crescent Beach and Boundary Bay parknin South Delta  
We have frequently (2-3 times a week), opted to visit White Rock with this program change and strongly support its continuation "
- Yes, Comments:;I would really support it all year long as long.
- Yes, Comments:;It should be allowed year round. It would get more people out walking and getting exercise
- No, Comments:;I love dogs. I own a dog. I take her to the dedicated dog parks in South Surrey.

The promenade wasn't designed to walk dogs. It's too "linear" for this purpose. I used to walk daily on the promenade, but now avoid weekends and holidays because of the too many dogs. People use long leashes and the dogs have priority passage on the pathway. They are on the dock. There isn't a single day when there isn't at least one dog pile or a discarded filled bag along the pathway or on the train tracks. It isn't uncommon to walk by as a dog is defecating in the middle of the pathway. Yes the owners pick up, but there is more often than not residue left behind. The dogs are allowed to urinate everywhere, on lampposts, garbage cans, sculptures, monuments, water fountains, benches, picnic tables, etc. Lately we've been having sunny dry weather, and the place is starting to smell of urine. Dogs are often off leash on the path and on the beach, chasing the geese, eagles, and herons.

We have been patrons of the restaurants on White Rock beach for years, taking our frequent out of town visitors there. Lately, I've had to apologize and make excuses for the mess on the promenade and the disregard dog owners have for its serenity. Because I avoid the promenade on weekends and holidays, I no longer take my guests to the restaurants and shops there.

White Rock promenade used to be a very unique, clean, peaceful, and relaxing place to walk. The wildlife used to be at peace. Now, it's turned into a free for all where dogs and their owners rule.

Again, I am a dog owner. I love dogs, but I believe people take precedent over them. The promenade should be reserved for people only, all year round. "

- Yes, Comments:;Re question #9. My trips to the promenade was enhanced by the presence of dogs and NEVER did I see dogs feces left by owners. Please continue this allowance of dogs. Even hospitals and care home allow dogs as they give off such positive vibes!
- Not sure, Comments:;I have to say that most dog walkers are respectful but quite a lot are not. My granddaughter is very afraid of dogs and most walkers allow, some even encourage their dogs to come up to anyone. "Oh he/she is just being friendly and wants to meet you" Well I do not want to meet your dog, please respect that. I also have health concerns re dog feces and urine. People will be sitting and picnicking on the same grass that the dog has used re feces urine. If the project goes ahead for next year there needs to be more enforcement re leashes and the length permitted of the leash.
- Yes, Comments:;I have noticed much more interaction between people in a friendly and social manner. People are getting to know one another due to the "ice-breaking" provided by having the Dogs present. I have also noticed much positive socialization between the dogs themselves, which can only help integrate them into our communities. Some would insist that their bowell movements are some kind of huge problem, but we are down walking the entirety of the Boardwalk every day (sometimes twice a day), and have only seen an abandoned poop once (we cleaned it up with the bags provided). Dogs on the Boardwalk have been one of the best community building steps we have yet witnessed.
- Yes, Comments:;Thank you for allowing our four-legged friend to accompany us on our walks on the Promenade. We had over 75 walks on the during the past few months when dogs have been allowed, some with our dog, some without. During those walk, I observed (and picked up) less than 5 "poops" on the grass that borders the walkway. Well done fellow dog owners! I sincerely hope that the City of White Rock allows this practice on an ongoing basis in the future. Thank you! Be safe. Woof Woof!
- No, Comments:;I am convinced dogs are NOT healthy around the water front,,not only for safety around elders & any vulnerable folks,,also due due to Dogs peeing everywhere they can & all the natural effects on birds & our enviroment ...its NOT worth it,,,,.

- No, Comments: As a senior, I have totally stopped walking on the promenade since the dogs were allowed there. My experience is that people walk 2 or 3 abreast, with their dog between them. As I approach I am forced to step aside as there is no room for me to pass especially on West beach where the promenade is more narrow. Even though it's obvious that I'm a senior, they don't seem to notice, much less apologize. My only choice has been to stop walking the promenade.
- No, Comments: I love dogs and our family have many of them. They save dogs from Mexico and find them homes. I think people have rights as well as dogs. Dogs have access to east beach, marine drive and many dog parks. For the 10 good reliable people walking there are 5 who, take up the promenade and people must dodge them and their leashes. Watching for excrement keeps eyes down instead of enjoying the scenery. Little children are subjected to feces and no one would feel comfortable sitting on the grass. Please reconsider this idea. West van has a special fenced off area beside the ocean walk which is one KLM and the city keeps it maintained. A dog can walk in the enclosed area by their owner who is on the walkway. Please consider we taxpayers who would like some areas dog free.
- Yes, Comments: I would support allowing dogs on promenade all months of the year. And I would even support allowing off leash dogs on the beach. I go to Steveston promenade and Gary Point with my family because they live in Richmond and have a dog. Steveston allows dogs on the promenade and at Gary Point year round and there's no problem, I don't see or hear anyone there complaining or suffering over it. I see lots of adults and kids enjoying petting other people's dogs or just seeing dogs romping around. So we go for brunch every weekend in Steveston instead of White Rock after we take their dog for a walk at Gary Point.
- Yes, Comments: Dogs should be allowed Sept. 15 - May 15. ( And you should consider allowing them during summer on "off" hours such as early morning & late at night.) Also ...I really don't see why dogs can't go on the pier during the winter months? It doesn't really make sense. If you are a tourist strolling along the promenade with your dog ( in the allowed season) ...it would be natural to just stroll right onto the promenade ...( And really ...what would be the harm in it?) You wouldn't be looking around for signs to tell you dogs not allowed on pier ...You wouldn't know ( or expect ) that the pier would be off limits unless you were aware of the ongoing saga ...or unless you saw a huge fluorescent sign hanging down from the pier as you approached it...The signage isn't really adequate...There has been reference in the newspaper about dogs being reported on the pier during the trial period...But before you blame the dog owners ...I would hope you would think about it (from the point of view of a tourist) & realize that lack of awareness of the (confusing/non-logical) rules & inadequate signage was the probable reason ....
- No, Comments: Dogs are allowed on the street sidewalks already having one safe & clean place to walk ( the promenade ) without dogs is not a lot to ask .
- Yes, Comments: I have read the many letters in the Peace Arch News regarding dogs and the contaminated walking and picnic areas. I totally agree that if you own a dog, you should be responsible and clean up after it, but unfortunately, there are people that don't feel that applies to them. Although, I'm sure the rain and the time before the warm weather come will wash any of that away. MY CONCERN IS: what happens with all the people that are down at the promenade throughout the spring/summer months that are SPITTING on the ground...and then the bare feet that go running through it and take home those germs? I think public spitting should be more of a concern than dog feces/urine that will be long gone before the bare feet appear.

- Yes, Comments:;I walk the full length of the promenade 2 to 3 times a day and have done so for 13 years. Since the dogs have been allowed it's been a much friendlier, busier and happier place. I have yet to witness any case of someone not picking up after their dog or any dogs interfering with any of the people.. As far as the Pier is concerned, putting up a sign announcing a \$300 fine would eliminate any dog walking on the pier. Since dog owners probably paid for the promenade and its repairs as much as non dog owners, and since I believe it would not be possible to demonstrate that the introductions of dogs has in any way been detrimental to the promenade, I would suggest Council seriously consider before doing away with this right. If I were a dog owner, I would probably consider bringing an action against Council if they did so since I believe it would be discriminatory. If Council is seriously concerned with people who litter the promenade, they should take a look at tourists who litter the promenade every weekend with pizza boxes etc. Moreover, not only is the promenade happier and friendlier with the introduction of dogs, they keep the geese off of the promenade and I no longer have to play hopscotch over their droppings. I would suggest respectfully that Council would better spend their efforts getting the coal trains away from the promenade. The coal dust emanating from these trains is affecting the lungs of everybody who walks on the promenade. And if you have any doubts about this, ask the restaurant owners on the promenade how often a day they have to clean coal dust off of their outside tables during the summer. Finally, Council does have an obligation to look after the health of White Rock residents. I would therefore like to know what Council has done about completing an air quality survey. One was promised several years ago for April, and then moved to September during a month when the coal trains stopped running. I was assured by numerous Council members that another test would be run but to date it hasn't been. Nor as far as i know was the result of the earlier compromised test ever published. With respect, do your job.
- No, Comments:;While some dog owners are responsible, many are not. They let their dogs wander wherever they want without controlling them. The owners have the leashes across the entire path because their dogs want to be on one side and the owners want to walk on the opposite side. Other pedestrians had to walk around them. There are also owners who make absolutely no attempt to control their dogs who run at pedestrians or who run up at people sitting at benches, sniffing them and rubbing their noses at them. (This happened to us.) This is no way to behave. Also, in past years there had been issues with large dogs, sometimes pit bulls, who scared seniors and children. We are animal lovers. We love dogs. But we believe it is not the right thing for White Rock.
- No, Comments:;There is virtually no enforcement of the bylaws - I regularly see dogs on the pier and I see no viable reason to allow dogs on the promenade when there are many beautiful areas in surrey, as well as east of east beach, to walk or run the dogs
- unfortunately many dog owners allow their dogs to travel the full length of the leash, which blocks passage of walkers on the promenade, as well as not cleaning up after the dogs  
I have avoided the promenade since dogs have been allowed on the promenade, despite my love of dogs
- "No, Comments:;The problem is some dog owners & no policing of rules. Some owners were great. They kept their dog beside them on a short leash. Others let their dogs go out on long leashes so you could trip over them. Some dog poo on walkway every time I walked. There is never anyone around enforcing the rules.
- Yes, Comments:;I have been coming to the promenade for decades and very much enjoy the views and atmosphere. There was something so special about seeing dogs and their

owners walking along the promenade, enjoying it together. I had more conversations these past few months with people while out on the promenade than ever before thanks to the way dogs put humans at ease and help to open conversations and bridge differences. I truly hope that dogs on the promenade becomes a permanent off-season sight.

- "No, Comments:;I love dogs and have always had them until I moved here years ago. I really believe it is unfair to walk your dog on the promenade. I don't think it is good for the dog at all being surrounded by people. As well the retractable leads that most people use are dangerous to fast walkers/runners like me. Our waterfront should be pristine (well except for the birds and ducks) not a place for dog urine or feces.
- No, Comments:;On a few occasions, I witnessed dog owners not picking up after their dog. Also, some dog owners use a very long leash which on one occasion, I tripped over and fell because I did not see it. The owner was on the promenade and his dog was very far away on the grass and I did not realize the dog was attached to its owner. I could have been seriously injured. Some owners do not have a well behaved dog. One rather large multicolored dog was frequently walked on the promenade and very aggressively growled and lunged at my service dog who, as usual, was minding his own business. The owner had trouble holding on to this very strong dog, instilling fear in me and fear for my dog. On another occasion while I was walking on the promenade without my dog, I ran into this large multicolored dog again and noticed the owner would make a large circle around other dogs he encountered. I have run into other dogs, pit bull type, and other breeds, with my service dog and actually became afraid for my dog and myself due to that similar aggressive barking and lunging. So, for the three reasons mentioned above, irresponsible dog owners not picking up after their dogs, owners using a leash much too long for crowded areas, owners bringing badly behaved and dangerous dogs to the promenade, are the three main reasons why I think this program should be scrapped. I know, some people have lovely, gentle, friendly dogs and they have a 6 ft. leash, and they pick up after their dogs, I being one of them, but not everyone follows the rules. These people can still come to the beach, but can walk their dogs on the sidewalk along Marine Drive. By the way, I have seen dogs on the pier several times. Owners just go by the clearly marked sign and walk on the pier. Same with smokers. Some stand right in front of the sign that states "No Smoking" and light up. But then that is another issue. I have lived in South Surrey for 10 years and an additional 20 years in beautiful White Rock. Don't spoil it for me by allowing dogs on the promenade. Thank you.
- No, Comments:;I feel this trial was pushed through by a very small segment of our population. We used to walk the promenade everyday. We have now made a new non promenade route. We have found the sidewalk along Marine Drive covered in feces dropping, smears and dog pee at many post/benches along the upper sidewalk. Because more dogs are transiting to the promenade along the sidewalk, this mess has become a big problem. On the promenade we have been clotheslined by dog leashes. I do love dogs but I don't think the promenade is the place for them as there is not enough room for them and us, especially on a sunny day. Not to mention the dogs off leash some irresponsible dog owners feel its their right to do. On a busy sunny winter day it was very annoying to have the dogs dodging around our feet. We also don't like the pee on every post/bench and picnic table. Unfortunately for responsible owners the trial was a failure because of a few irresponsible owners. We noticed on multiple occasions that dogs were on the pier. The city did not provide enough enforcers down the promenade and that is not where I want my tax dollars spent. Also, from our observations, the dogs did not increase restaurant business as they cant' go into the restaurants for health reasons and for cleanliness reasons, keep the dogs off the promenade!!!! ALL YEAR ROUND!!!! You

may also want to increase signage regarding dogs on the foreshore. From my house I can see many dogs running around unleashed everyday. Please leave our promenade for the people year round.

- Yes, Comments:;,Would love to see dogs allowed year round.
- Yes, Comments:;,Such a GREAT IDEA!! Finally White Rock is catching up with the rest of the lower mainland. About time!!!!
- "Yes, Comments:;,Thank you so much to the City for being open minded and finding a compromise so everyone can enjoy our beautiful promenade. It was especially nice during this time of social distancing (which is a bit isolating) to walk the promenade in the sun and see and greet others from a safe distance. I saw a lot of healthy happy people.
- Yes, Comments:;,I am a frequent visitor of friends who have a dog and live near the Promenade. I bring my Champion show dog with me and it has been such a delight to be able to wander down and enjoy a lovely stroll along your beautiful waterfront with my friends, their wonderful welcoming neighbours and our dogs. It has added a whole new depth to their lives and to my visits to your charming community. Thank you for allowing this to happen.
- No, Comments:;,I do not think dogs should be allowed on the Promenade. It is getting too busy and they interfere with those of us who walk. They can go to the dog park. There are many dogs that are off leash and often these are the big dogs. There are also dogs on the beach and on the pier and I do not think they should be allowed there. Also, it is difficult if not impossible for the owners to be fined. I think people can walk their dogs elsewhere. It is too crowded and often there are too many dogs that misbehave. I think you are trying to accommodate a small percentage of people who have small dogs that are on leash and behave. These are not a problem. The problem is with the big dogs who are off-leash and their owners who are not responsible for their pet's behavior. I think we need to keep dogs off the Promenade and also off Crescent Beach. Dogs do not belong on the beach. Also, they urinate and defecate everywhere and you never see their owners cleaning up after them.
- Not sure, Comments:;,Possibly if enforcement was consistent the rest of the year when dogs are not permitted.
- Yes, Comments:;,Only times it was negative was when certain people frowned or gave dirty looks when walking the dog. Beach is for everyone's pleasure, not just for the snobby and greater than thou people.
- Yes, Comments:;,I have travelled and lived abroad and I have never encountered such a negative anti dog policy than the one in White Rock. It's strange. In Toronto this year I had dogs joining us on public transit. In Italy two years ago, dogs were permitted in fancy boutiques. In Paris, they are permitted in restaurants. In other words, there is some strange anti dog minority in White Rock that has had undue influence on Council. The pro dog population far outweighs the anti dog population, but the latter is far more vocal and extreme in their views on dogs.
- No, Comments:;,Dogs are often on expandable leashes that extend 10ft or more. I have several pictures on my phone of dog excrement on the promenade and fecal smears. Many dog owners are very inconsiderate of walkers and do not clean up after their dogs. they let them wander in other peoples paths. The path is small enough for humans in peak hours, why are we adding more traffic? It doesnt make sense!! I would be happy to share my pics of many turds on the promenade
- Not sure, Comments:;, No,I enjoying seeing all the different kinds of dogs on my walk. Some even walked with their person. But most appeared to be there for the sole purpose of peeing and pooing on every tree, lamp post, park bench and blade of grass, not

walking at all. It was a bit disgusting to view this on my walks. Not to mention potential for disease with the volume of dogs doing this everywhere. I will think twice about laying a towel on the grass to take in a little sunshine in the coming months.

- Yes, Comments:;,I run daily on the Promenade and try to get another walk in on nice days. Seeing the dogs warms my heart & now greet the faces I've come to know. I've never had to worry about stepping on dog poop. It's the goose poop that I have to watch out for.
- Comments:;,several time i saw dog poo on the Promenade , one one occasion i step on it
- Comments:;,Dogs running in the water is fun to see but we know that means they are off leash. Signs need to be more prominent. Allowing dogs on the promenade does not mean more business for the merchants as dogs can't go inside their stores or restaurants.
- No, Comments:;,We have a beautiful walkway. We enjoy walking, looking out at the water and not necessarily wanting to be on the lookout for feces, dog leashes to get wrapped around, barking , jumping up and god forbid biting. Oh I know that Fido would never do that but they do. People let them off leash to pollute our water . You NEVER see a bylaw officer. EVER. Our grass will also be ruined with urine stains. Do people not have enough dog space by running around their own neighbourhoods and not picking up? Did we not already bend to the demands for off lease parks? Give an inch, take a mile. Special interest groups will always push for more. Up to you White Rock. Dont think the businesses down there can afford any more loss in revenue.
- Yes, Comments:;,Finding a way to enforce the leashes. So many were off leash.
- No, Comments:;,Too many don't pick up after their dog, unfortunately. Allowing the dogs on the promenade contributes to the filth. It's inhygienic.
- Yes, Comments:;,I think dogs should be allowed all year long.
- No, Comments:;,There are too many dog owners who refuse to clean up after their dogs. They ignore the signs warning that dogs are not allowed on the pier. I used to like to picnic at the waterfront but I refuse to eat a meal where dogs go to the bathroom and it's left behind. Dog poop is not fertilizer. Irresponsible owners also allow their dogs to run off-leash and chase wildlife in violation of regulations. I'm sick of wildlife haters forcing their dogs on the rest of us.
- Not sure, Comments:;,Leashes tend to block the promenade when the crowds are busy. I have noticed dogs on the pier and dogs running free on the shore.
- Yes, Comments:;,I picked up one stool that had been left by a very big dog. The only other droppings I ever saw were in one section where the geese congregate. We have taken our little dog to the promenade at least 4 or five time a week and she loves being there as she loves to meet with other dogs.
- "No, Comments:;,I feel sorry for the dogs having to walk in a such small, narrow and crowded area; owners should take them to big parks, the forests, designated areas for dogs where they can run free.
- Yes, Comments:;,why not if there are ""issues"" say before 10am and after 5pm? it's better than nothing and in the winter the only people out are dogwalkers... no true dog lover would take there dog to a crowded path.. it's too much for the dog;;;  
I need to add my brother is very vocal outspoken about dogs on the promenade and has written to the Peace Arch News many times.. it's caused a rift as I'm not now inviting him to my home... if he's going to hate my dog.. he's unreasonable and very outspoken and believes he's so right. AND he puts tennis balls (his work) into the landfill which don't biodegrade.. so he's no better. We need patrols, people need to respect the rules, pick up, NO extended leashes, there is nothing wrong with someone having 3 dogs if they are

under control. no off leash and respect the shoreline. We walk for our sakes not the dogs sake, we love our neighbourhood, and want to enjoy it like others do, it's just that if we have to walk our dogs why not do it somewhere lovely... it's killing two birds with one stone or we have to do an extra walk and we walk so much 20,000 steps most days... patrol, keep the rules, fine, but let us keep it... just like cresc beach thank you"

- Comments:.,Visited. Love dogs but some owners do not respect the land, the wildlife, or the desire of others not to interact with their pet. That is why there is off leash areas. Leave this space for humans only - there are very few of them left!
- No, Comments:.,As most people are fine. Long leashes and some Poor owners not picking up decides. Especially early in the morning. It will take only one child getting bit to remove them from this area
- Comments:.,I have a dog myself and have been coming to the beach for 40 years. I think dogs should be allowed at east beach and leave west side for those who don't want to be around dogs. The walkway is narrow and for young dogs this may be an issue. The beach is busy on nice days. I think there should be a designated area and leave it at that. I don't choose to bring my dog there when busy as it's too much of a hassle with so many people.
- Yes, Comments:.,I think dogs should be allowed year round on the promenade and I have no idea why they aren't able to be there. I understand keeping them off the beach area but the promenade makes no sense to me. The waterfront area would attract far more people if they could walk with their dogs.
- No, Comments:.,The promenade is too small an area for the amount of dogs that use it , both locally and those who come from elsewhere . Leashes are often in the way of walkers especially when an owner has two or more dogs (common) I have also witnessed several dogs running freely on the beach chasing birds though it's a wildlife preserve . I have noticed dog feces along the promenade grassy areas where children play and many need to walk as the width of the promenade is often too narrow for just 4 people to pass . I believe the dogs have several dog parks created just for them , and every other city sidewalk is available to them . Why crowd an area further that is enjoyed by those in wheelchairs and strollers and joggers and walkers . It's simply not big enough to add animals and the hazard of leashes as they criss cross along the promenade. My husband and I are regular walkers of the promenade and though we like dogs we don't feel this is the best environment to walk them .
- No, Comments:.,On regular walks I have seen more dog \$&?! than dogs. Does not make for a memorable walk when you have to dodge or clean up from the messes left by the irresponsible few. I have lived in WR & SS since 1972. Let's keep the Promenade for people!
- Yes, Comments:.,I was on the Promenade a week ago. A non dog person walked into my dogs leash. Initially I thought this was an accident. I apologized and tried to unwind the leash from his legs as he continued to walk. He ignored my apology and my request to stop to give me time to unfurl the leash. It was then that I realized this was intentional on his part. This unpleasant event caused me to head off the Promenade and up the hill toward my home. That said, I do hope that this pilot program turns into a permanent opportunity to enjoy the Promenade with my dog. Thank you for providing the doggie bags.
- No, Comments:.,Nowhere in this survey have you included any questions or answer options regarding the health hazards of dog feces and urine on all the grassy areas, especially the new east beach picnic tables. If people were aware of all the non pick-up bylaw infractions, they would probably answer differently! Trial period is also too long.

It should be Nov. 1 to Feb. 28. The nicer the weather, the more irresponsible non compliant dog walkers by my observations. Why are visitors from all over the world who are non taxpayers given a say in the survey? They won't be paying the costs for this pilot project or any future expenses. The dog owner dominated task force has been a huge disappointment! They are not even following the terms of reference, they have no data and are allowing this to be strictly a PR campaign for the benefit of their dog owning friends.

- No, Comments:;2 main issues:
  - 1: Feces on promenade. Came across a couple instances of runny poop on promenade that was smeared like it had tried to be picked up but couldn't. It would stay until it rained.
  2. Some (not all) dog owners are unaware of other users and let there dog dart across the promenade to interact with other dogs. I was tripped once while running by a dog this winter and cut off abruptly multiple times. Also a couple walking aided by side with a dog next to them takes up nearly the entire width of the promenade even if they are being aware.
- No, Comments:;The vast majority of dog owners are responsible. BUT I have encountered some who are not. The leash is kept extended and the owners do not shorten it when people are coming near. I have been given dirty looks as I stop walking and wait for the owner to shorten the leash. If it hasn't happened already, someone will be tripped and fall. Way to many seniors trying to dodge the dogs of the owners who feel it is their right to let their dog have the right of way. Personally, I'd like to see our beach returned to no dog. Thank you.
- Yes, Comments:;As long as owners keep their dogs on lead and pick up their mess we can all enjoy the promenade.
- No, Comments:;So many dogs owners not respecting the City rules of dogs being leashed while on the Promenade. Many with retractable leash types, let their dogs go to the maximum length of their leash. Many dogs owners let their dogs jumps on pedestrians. Most of dogs owners while on the low tide beach have their dogs unleashes. Had dogs jumps on me while walking on low tides beach. I am totally against allowing dogs on the Promenade & beach at all time of the year.....
- No, Comments:;It doesn't seem right to have an area that is a picnic area with picnic tables and grassy areas where people lay out picnic meals while at the same time having it as a dog-walking area. When a dog has to do it's business it does it either on the grass or pavement, which, to me, is not something that should be allowed in a picnic area. Also....no matter how hard you try, you always get the bad actors..like the young fellow I watched come onto the Promenade with his pit bull...off=leash..and proceed to go sit on a picnic table with his dog up on the table as well. If allowed, it is just a matter of time before the city is involved in a lawsuit because of a dog on the Promenade.
- Not sure, Comments:;My experience has been with poor control of the dogs on the promenade. I walk and jog along the promenade and despite giving dogs and their owners a wide berth, the dogs were not restricted to a short leash and unexpectedly ran into my path. Both the dog and leashes have been tripping hazards and I have stumbled as a result. It is very easy to break an ankle, I found out the hard way. Enforcement of the use of short leashes would be helpful. Dogs movements are unpredictable, when jogging elsewhere I am able to distance myself better. Also, I find people off the promenade seem to be much more aware of others."
- No, Comments:; Not sure,I walk daily at the beach and see dogs urinate on the trees and deficate on the grassy picnic areas. Not a clean place for the picnic anymore. The owners also take them off leash in the water and don't clean up.

- Yes, Comments:;,All year would be the best.
- Yes, Comments:;,I do quite a bit of travelling to major cities around the world and I see people and their dogs walking and enjoying parks , waterfronts and promenades .....but you can't in White Rock ? I can walk my dog in Stanley park see wall ...but not White Rock ? What is wrong with this community?
- No, Comments:;,The dogs were in full command of the walkways. The owners allowed the dogs to spread out and interfered with my walk. Yes, the owners & their dogs interacted but they did so by taking up the whole walkway. They didn't move for others using the walkway. After experiencing this, I purposely chose not to go to White Rock beach anymore.
- "No, Comments:;,Even in off-season the foreshore wildlife is impacted negatively as the proximity to the beach of the promenade allows more ready access to the beach by the dog walkers.  
The trial has shown that not only is the pet feces an issue, dog urine is very noticeable and that can't be picked up."
- Yes, Comments:;,Please allow dogs. Although I do not own a dog I absolutely enjoy the day when interacting with these dogs who are so well behaved. Owners I saw were responsible and very attentive to rules.
- No, Comments:;,There are so many parks in South Surrey and White Rock where dogs are welcome and can run and play. I believe that the promenade is the only place where dogs are restricted. Why does one stretch of 2 km need to be accessible to them also? We are seniors and walk the boardwalk every other day. We enjoy the fact we don't have to worry about tripping over leashes and dogs. Why do dogs take priority over Seniors, wheelchairs, walkers & parents with strollers? I was horrified to see dog feces in the grassy area by the washrooms where young children were rolling around. I understand nowadays people love their pets but they are PETS!
- No, Comments:;,Dogs are permitted in all public parks in South Surrey in White Rock. The Promenade is the only location where they are restricted. I have a greater concern over public safety than feces (although dog poop is also a problem). I personally know of two seniors who have experienced serious injuries this year from falls related to small dogs on lease. One suffered a broken femur the other a broken pelvis. It is only a matter of time until a serious injury results on the Promenade (even from well controlled dogs). I have seen many small dogs at the end of long leases wandering leaving people to avoid them. I have also encountered professional dog walkers with up to 5 on-lease dogs. Unfortunately people break the rules and I expect once the bylaw officers go away dog owners will break the rules on the promenade as well as the protected area of the beach. Keep the Promenade Dog free year round!!
- No, Comments:;,There is an old saying "you give them an inch and they take a mile". Prior to the dog trial period, I frequently walked either by myself or with my elderly 95 year old friend. Since the dog trial, I do not enjoy my walks as much, and my friend no longer wants to walk with me as: 1) owners don't keep a short leash creating tripping hazards, 2) groups of people often stop walking unexpectedly in front of you to bend down to acknowledge someones dog, or young children dart unexpectedly to see a dog, which creates unexpected and significant tripping hazard for all, including elderly who are often unstable on their feet, 3) dogs/owners were trialed to only walk promenade, now they feel righteous, or play "I didn't know" by walking on the pier too, 4) City of White Rock has spent many \$ providing containers for dog feces bags, costs for new signage (which some claim they didn't see) and removal of prior "no dogs allowed" signage, costs of City Bylaw Officers weekdays, although none on weekends; which is when higher

population of dog owners are in infraction of trial rules, 5) owners allowing their dogs off leash once they cross railway tracks (unknown why they do this) and dogs run off aimlessly either in front of me or others, or onto the open beach after wildlife, 6) random bags filled with dog feces are often visible, 7) higher operating costs for City of White Rock receiving and replying to incoming correspondence regarding issues observed; creating dog trial committee/monitoring results. This trial project alone has now loosened boundaries for dog owners, I am assuming beyond March 31, Bylaw Officers will still need to continue monitoring area, as it will take a long period of time to re-train all to NOT bring their dogs to the promenade and pier. Whereas, prior to the dog trial, all visitors knew the rule, and there was rarely an issue related to dogs at the beach. I suggest City of White Rock discontinue allowing owners/dogs in it's entirety. The promenade was the one place I enjoyed walking, and, with my friend, where we didn't have to worry about hazards. It is also stressful to the wildlife who are disrupted from their natural habitat. I suggest the City of White Rock spends funds on other enhancements in the community for all citizens to enjoy, instead of on a select group who are dog owners. There is no benefit to the general public, my friend or I, by allowing dog owners and dogs at White Rock Beach. I anticipate dog owner behaviours and infractions will continue to be a costly issue each year. There are miles of roads that are free/open for dog owners to walk their dogs on in South Surrey. Thank you for this opportunity in providing feedback to the Dog Trial.

- No, Comments: Although I have been a longtime dog owner in the past and I am a current dog lover, I didn't think it was a good idea to allow dogs on the promenade. I was afraid that many dog owners wouldn't follow the guidelines and, unfortunately, I was proven right many times over. I live on Marine Drive right by the East Beach so I have had lots of opportunity to observe. Although the majority of owners have been responsible, I have witnessed many, many instances of dogs on the pier, dogs off leash on the beach, dog feces on the actual promenade and more often on the grassy areas adjacent to the walkway. I have watched through the months as hundreds (and that is not hyperbole) of even well-behaved dogs pee repeatedly all along the edge of the promenade and around the trees. Well, what else would they do? They're dogs! Honestly, who thought it would be a good idea to contaminate all these wonderful people spaces? I no longer feel comfortable letting my grandchildren play in those areas and I am tired of always having to watch out for dog poop when I take my daily walks. I only hope that it's not too late to walk back this decision now that we opened Pandora's Box with this one. Thanks for giving people the chance to weigh in.
- Yes, Comments: I love seeing dogs and their owners on the promenade. It makes for a much more community feeling. BTW, we have never seen the promenade so clean !!
- No, Comments: I am afraid of large dogs. I am very angry council has allowed this trial. I have experienced dog walkers on the pier get angry at me when I tell them dogs are not allowed on the pier. This trial has made promenade walks very tense for me. Please do not approve this on an annual basis.
- No, Comments: please return the promenade to people only.
- Yes, Comments: Dogs should be allowed year round!
- No, Comments: I have small children who have had negative experiences with other people's dogs. They are afraid of dogs and the promenade is not large enough to allow a comfortable space between them and the dogs. On occasion I saw dogs off leash too which makes me nervous for my kids
- Yes, Comments: Yes 100%. I'd like to see it all year. Or at least till June

Dogs matter. Their part of a family and enjoy being outside too. I find dog owners to be happy and their dogs are wonderful. And if there is the odd time a baggie or poop is left behind, It's not the end of the world people!!! We've all accidentally left garbage or a diaper or something, so stop being judgemental against all dog families. The geese leave far more droppings and we don't mind. "

- No, Comments:;,No, I do not support having dogs walked on the promenade. What I witnessed was people not picking up after their dogs. Another big, BIG concern was that dog owners were taking their dogs down the pier and you are unable to successfully clean up faeces on the pier. Having to dodge and maneuver around dogs and leashes was difficult in a narrow walkway.
- Not sure, Comments:;,I have been a regular walker/jogger on the Promenade for many years now. I have witnessed both positive and negative interactions with dog walkers. I would say the vast majority of Locals walking their dogs have been both very pleasant and respectful. Unfortunately there remains a small percentage approx 5% who DESPITE being confronted, continue to not pick-up after their dogs and continue to go onto the Pier. What has been particularly disturbing is the large number of Visitors with their dogs who completely ignore the rules! I have witnessed a NUMBER of angry confrontations, when these Visitors with dogs have been reminded of the rules. The Visitors often became verbally abusive, and I am very surprised these incidents did not lead to physical violence! ( Unfortunately I believe this will eventually happen). The Dog enforcement patrols were always nowhere to be seen when these situations occurred.  
I was not particularly keen about this project when it started, but I have to say it makes me feel good to see how HAPPY many of the locals are to be given the chance to be on the promenade with their dogs. Unfortunately I don't see a solution to stopping the locals with dogs who continue to refuse to follow the rules despite everything that has been tried. I am increasingly anxious watching the terrible behaviour of Visitors with dogs and escalating confrontations ( which of course will be even worse as the weather improves and more and more visitor come in). Thank you, Jay"
- No, Comments:;,It is almost impossible to enforce bylaws with regards to dogs on the promenade, pier and beach now that city council has taken the lid off Pandora's box. Every single time I go to the beach I witness people openly flaunting these bylaws and the problem is worse since allowing dogs on the promenade. I regularly now see people with dogs on the pier and on the beach - both leashed and unleashed. They urinate on the grassy areas and beach, as well as defecating there. Would you want to sit on that grass or allow your children to play on it? Would you want to sit on the beach and lean against logs upon which dogs have urinated, or worse, accidentally step in their leavings or swim in what's been washed into the shallow tidal zone where there is little exchange of water? Please do everyone a favour and put public health ahead of popularity with dog owners, and permanently ban all dogs from the entire beach area - and step up enforcement of these bylaws.
- No, Comments:;,I saw many dogs off leash and pooping all over the beach. Children play there at all times of year; the poop makes it unclean and unsafe for children. Please put people before animals. Dog owners are not the only ones who pay taxes and walk the promenade and pier. Too many dog owners ignore the rules and I am tired of hearing people make excuses for those disrespectful individuals. They have ruined it for others. Bylaw officers won't make a difference...people are too entitled these days to care about anyone but themselves. I am over it.
- No, Comments:;,I walk the promenade most days. And the majority of dog owners are respectful. More than I would expect are not. Just earlier this week I had my first

altercation with a dog walker whose dog was on a leash, but behind him defecating on the pier. When I told him his dog had made the mess he argued, but ultimately picked it up. I don't normally get involved but this was too much for me to not say anything even though just having to shame him into picking up after his dog was enough to dramatically decrease my enjoyment in that walk. As I said, most dog owners are respectful, but even there, the urinating makes me never want to sit on the grass anywhere and I don't particularly enjoy dogs sniffing me or their leashes getting in the way. All in all, in my opinion, it's a failed experiment.

- Yes, Comments: I would support dogs being on promenade all year round. Maybe in busier season, consider allowing dogs in the mornings before the promenade gets busy. Good for coffee shop owners.
- No, Comments: My husband and I were both born and raised in White Rock and we now have 4 children and live in South Surrey, within walking distance to White Rock Beach. We often go for walks along the promenade, and have been raising our kids with a love of the area; we teach them about the habitat, wildlife, the people and history here, and share our own experiences as we grew up coming to the beach with our families. When our friends and relatives come to visit, we always go down to White Rock beach for fish and chips, a walk along the boardwalk, and ice cream. Since this dogs on the promenade pilot project began last Fall (2019), I have observed numerous dogs at White Rock Beach off leash, on the pier, and every single time we walk down there we see dog feces either on the grass, the sidewalk, or in a plastic baggie just left on the ground! We have been appalled at this and it makes me angry! I am not supportive of dogs on the promenade for mainly two reasons:
  - There is no consistency with dog owners to follow the rules and be respectful of everyone else down at the beach, whether they are residents or visitors to White Rock; and
  - Priority should be given to the rights of the PEOPLE (residents, visitors and business owners of White Rock) to enjoy the natural beautiful beach as it is; pet free! Instead, the City has been allowing dog owners to overrun the boardwalk and take up space and create a feeling of uneasiness with an unpredictable and unsafe environment!

I have never seen any enforcement being done to ensure dog owners are following the rules, nor have I seen any discipline or proactive measures taken place to prevent further discrepancies occur on behalf of the dogs and their owners! I realize there are many responsible dog owners who do follow the rules and who are respectful of others; however, the number of negligent dog owners and infractions have far out-weighted any positives I have observed with this pilot project. It is clear that during the 6 months of this pilot project, not everyone seems to be getting the message, and I firmly believe that such behaviour will continue. There is absolutely no way to monitor and ensure all dog owners are abiding by the rules 100% of the time, and therefore dog owners will take advantage of that and abuse their privilege. Priority should be given to the people and their families (children!) to feel safe when walking along the promenade and to enjoy the beach without having to worry about stepping in dog poo, or avoiding dogs because they are scary-looking, or big, or bark loudly and scare children and adults! I've seen dogs charge at people, bark or bite at them, and dogs fight and bite each other, in front of other people! I have seen dog owners that are not able to control their dogs and also dogs off-leash! I

have seen numerous bags of poo and dog feces on the sidewalk that we have purposely had to avoid and steer around with the stroller and warn the kids not to step in it!

We have not been happy with seeing dogs on the White Rock Promenade, and we have always had a negative experience with dogs at the beach, or observed infractions by the dogs and their owners, every single time we've been at the beach!

As a previous dog owner myself, and with friends and family who all own dogs, we do love dogs and enjoy their company immensely, but they do NOT belong at White Rock Beach on the promenade! It is such a beautiful tourist spot that we are so proud of to showcase to anyone who comes into town! We really take ownership of the beach and love to go down there all year long! We use it weekly and support the businesses there. We want to continue to bring our kids there and enjoy the beach together, and I can only foresee future issues and problems with allowing dogs there, as has been evident in the past 6 months!

There are so many other places people can take their dogs; multiple parks in the area and Crescent Beach has Blackie Spit just for those reasons! I urge council to leave White Rock Beach as a pet-free zone! If people choose to own dogs, then that is great and they can take them to a dog park! It is unfortunate that only those people with dogs have been given a priority over those people without dogs. The beach could be enjoyed so much more by EVERYBODY all year long if dogs were prohibited, like they have always been. It would improve the overall look and feel of our beautiful attraction, and I believe it would encourage and entice more people to come and visit, without the fear and worry of encountering dogs! Please leave White Rock promenade the way it should be; to be used and enjoyed by people, NOT their dogs!

Thank you kindly for reading this and considering my views.

- No, Comments:.,There are many places for dog owners to go with their dogs. I think the White Rock beach and promenade should not be one of those places because their presence negatively impacted the pleasure, safety and use (especially because of the dog poop) of the area. It certainly made it more challenging to bring my kids, who do not like dogs because of a bad experience with one. Although we lived closer until recently, we still go there once or twice each month through the year.
- No, Comments:.,They have so many other areas EAST BEACH etc. Please do not allow them to invade the only area in White Rock that I can walk without stepping over them or their leashes, leaving their urine on grass areas "" that children play on "". The owners always allow them on a long leash that can reach your personal space. Thank you
- Comments:.,Dogs should be allowed on Promenade the whole year as long as they and their owners are abiding the bylaw and behave.
- No, Comments:.,Bylaws have not been enforced, specifically from boat launch to pier. At any given time of day, from my home I observe extendable leashes constantly permitting lack of owner control. Dogs run loose on the beach &/or beach side grass area. These infractions have increased multi-fold since Oct 1. On the north side of the tracks the grass areas have become dog toilets. I look after a family member's dog frequently & never take her to the promenade. It was built for people, not dogs & should remain so.
- No, Comments:.,I use the Promenade and pier for exercise purposes at least twice a week as treatment for a medical condition. No matter how hard we try to accommodate dogs, there are always owners who do not follow the rules. Every time I was walking the Promenade and pier I observed dogs on the beach and pier. I only saw once where people had not picked up after their dog as it was by a tree and therefore out of the way perhaps? The pilot brought out the best behaviour of dog owners and there were still rules being

broken daily. The city provides plenty of dog parks and other walking trails and parks for dogs. Why do we have to accommodate dogs everywhere? They are not more important than people although they are great companions.

- No, Comments:;,As a resident and senior citizen I am not in favour of dogs on the promenade, I am concerned that owners of dogs are in general not following the rules with respect to picking up after their dogs and keeping their dogs on a leash. On more than one occasion I have seen conflict's between dog owners and citizens. I also am concerned with dogs on long leashes and the potential for accidents caused by this.
- No, Comments:;,I LOVE DOGS, BUT...  
Having dogs on a path which is only 5'" wide is not just counter productive to a positive interaction... it gives dog owners a bad name!  
It's impossible to have 2-way pedestrians and dogs on this narrow promenade, as such most interactions become negative.  
Too many owners let their dogs on long leashes (they seem to lack any and all etiquette or common courtesy)... there is also a shocking amount of pittbulls, rottweilers and dobermanns.  
Worse they are always using the entire width of the path and the owners are actually enjoying terrorizing people on the path whom have to step out of the way because the aggressive dogs will bark, growl and lunge for them.  
Some of these owners will actually be laughing at the fear their dogs install in said pedestrians... others owners will walk in the middle of the path with 1 or 2 aggressive dogs on (either) side in an dominant manner like they are caring a weapon and all whom dare stay in front of them will get mowed down!  
Then there is the beach... where ALL dogs run free to jump on people just minding their own business.  
Best case, you get soaked and dirty... worst you get ""attacked"" by one of the aggressive breeds.  
Then there's the total lack of picking up dog poop... it's rampant and appalling!  
In the eventuality you should be brave enough to say something... you will be met with a barrage of profanity or even threats from the dogs owner.  
**THIS HAS TO STOP!!!!**  
Make a section of Bayview park a gated dog park so dog owners can regulate each-other and enjoy their dogs interaction without impacting EVERYONE whom visits the boulevard.
- Yes, Comments:;,Please repeat next year. It's a great change!
- Yes, Comments:;,Only in the off season please.
- Yes, Comments:;,The promenade is such a vital piece of infrastructure that it should be accessible to as many people as possible. I often observed that half the people using the promenade had dogs with them demonstrating that allowing dogs increases the usage of the promenade, which is what the city should want! And for people who don't want to be around dogs they have the pier that they can use. Also, people against dogs on the promenade often cite safety and the environment as reasons to be against. But I have yet to see evidence of this. Vancouver parks board allows dogs and they seem to manage just fine, for example. Let's encourage diversity in who uses the space!!
- No, Comments:;,On Wednesday, March 18, I observed three separate piles of dog excrement on the promenade; one near the pier entrance. Unfortunately some dog owners clearly are not responsible.

- Yes, Comments:;,How nice to see people out with their dogs enjoying their walk. A win-win for both. I have experienced more people I would like banned from the waterfront than dogs.
- No, Comments:;,There are SO few places in this 3rd World suburban dump where one can walk knowing there is a public washroom within reasonable vicinity. I resent its use as an open sewer for the local pet-slaves. I have nearly been tripped by overlong leashes and thwarted by dogs and handlers who must congregate to discuss one another at length. Sick of it! Let them walk the many trails or perhaps bike paths. Keep the pier/promenade clear for pedestrians.
- No, Comments:;,In summertime, large numbers of people, visitors, residents, children, disabled, wheelchairs, walking aids, etc. do not mix with dogs. During trial I observed unruly and noisy dogs; long obstructive leashes; urination on seat sides, statues, grass areas where people and children sit, the information building walls; non picked up faeces; dogs on the pier and on the beach, off leash dogs particularly on the beach - including chasing birds. On weekends and popular times I have now stopped my previously enjoyable walks because of problems related to dogs. Being a wildlife refuge should make this whole area and beach a mandatory no-dogs area.
- No, Comments:;,Some dog owners are responsible but some are not. I walk the promenade almost daily and have had to walk onto the grass when the owner does not keep the dog on a short enough leash. Some owners have two or three dogs. I have to keep my eyes down because there have been times when there has been dog poop on the walkway. Just this morning, March 23rd, when I stepped onto the grass to practice social distancing, I almost stepped in a pile of this. The owner clearly had not picked up. I like dogs, but this is no place for owners to be with them. I am elderly and have almost been tripped by a dog running across in front of me.  
There are are many other places for them to go.  
Thank you for considering my opinions.
- No, Comments:;,Two areas of concern are the amount of feces on the promenade and also the extendable leashes. Often times the dogs cut in front of people on those leashes forcing walkers to stop to avoid them or in the worse case trip them. Elderly people do not have as good a response to those sudden changes when walking.
- No, Comments:;,The promenade is narrow and already crowded with people. Not to mention the safety issues for those using canes, walkers, wheelchairs and parents pushing children in strollers to name a few!  
It less safe for many of us as even leashed dogs dart in and out and around others. Many owners disregarded the rules of on-leash and picking up after their pets. Each time I visited the area there were many dogs off leash both on the sidewalk, grassy areas and beach. There was even poop on the sidewalks as people running with their dogs don't care to pay attention as the dogs run and poop anywhere they like.  
And what about all the urinating on all surfaces!  
The hygiene factor is out the window and dogs and their business make areas previously clean...unsanitary and unusable.  
I love all animals....but they need their own space. And frankly many people and children are afraid of them!  
This area is a gathering place for everyone...allowing dogs limits others ability to use the space at all!  
On leash, dog areas only....not a total run on every aspect of the White Beach promenade!
- Yes, Comments:;,It's about time. Better for people, dogs, parking revenue and businesses.

I walk there 3 or 4 times per week. I saw no negative interactions. In all of this time, I did see one pile of poop not picked up. This was discouraging, but pretty mild given the number of times I was walking the promenade. Way less than I have seen other places I walk. Don't let the minority negative dog people keep this from continuing next year. If there was a referendum, I'm sure that the majority would support dogs on the promenade for the limited months.

- No, Comments:, I walk all ares of the beach East and West as far east as the Little Campbell. I have witnessed many eposodes of dogs chasing wildlife. I have also witnessed countless episodes of dogs urinating freely and dropping feces left unpicked up.

There is no doubt that the beauty and attractiveness of all the green picnic areas along the East and West walkways is adversely affected. This trial must stop before it becomes overwhelming in the warmer summer months.

Thank you.

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- Comments:, Yes,I will admit I was skeptical of this project because when I lived in Richmond prior to moving to White Rock the beautiful dyke was ALWAYS a mess with dog crap and I was afraid the same would happen here.Plesently suprised by the great job dog walkers did cleaning up after their pet,although not perfect.Would like to see extendable leashes band thiugh as my only negative experience was almost being tripped by careless owners allowing pets extended freedom and no concern for others.
- Yes, Comments:,We saw several improvements at White Rock Beach this year. But non can compare to the brave council members who went out on a limb to allow this "pilot" program to happen. Thank you, for making the waterfront area more welcoming for all.
- Yes, Comments:,My Wife & I walk our Daughters Dog (our Grand Dog) on the Promenade. We have never experienced a negative response to either our Grand Dog or others dogs on the walk. We have, however, noticed that a few people were ignoring the signs stating ""No dogs allowed on the Pier"" and when we approached the people with the Dogs on the pier (we were not walking with our Grand Dog at that time) , they, in many cases, ignored our comments and kept walking along the wharf and giving us a dirty look.

I think that there is going to have to be tighter controls and fines issued by the Bylaw Officers by not just standing at the beach end of the pier but walking the full length of the pier to intercept those who choose to ignore the signage.

In conclusion I would say the trial has, for the most part, been positive and allows many seniors to get out and walk their dogs and, at the same time, get some much needed excercise, and stop to converse with other walkers.

I trust that we will have the opportunity to return to the promenade in the fall of 2020 with our Grand Dog. assuming of course, that the Covid 19 Virus has been iradicated by then.

Regards

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- Comments:,I think yes, as long as conditions remain clean as they mostly have this year and that dog owners realize that they must be respectful to walkers and keep their pets on a short leash and realize that not all people want to meet their dogs and that some small children are afraid of dogs.
- No, Comments:,This would have been a great idea if the promenade was 20 feet wide. Until then, no matter the rosy picture that the Task Force presents, the promenade is no

longer a pleasant place to go. Unfortunately, this council does not have the guts to go back on its enthusiastic endorsement of this so we will have to wait until the next election to undo the damage.

- No, Comments:;,As a frequent visitor to White Rock, the introduction of dogs on the promenade is a stupid idea. It is too narrow, doggie bags visible everywhere and having to weave in and out of dog leashes is dangerous. Another example of the 'entitled' mentality that exists in White Rock. Shame on you if you continue with this madness.
- Comments:;,I do love dogs and have enjoyed them enriching my life, although I do not have any now, because I live in a 'no pets' condo. It is for the most part lovely to see dogs on the Promenade. Owners seem to be more responsible in cleaning up after their pets than in the beginning. But I am very concerned with how many off-leash dogs I see most days on the beach. Although most of them are friendly, there have been occurrences with aggressive and territorial dogs leaving my friends and I in an uncomfortable state. In addition, my friends and I have been horrified by the number of owners who have no comprehension of the harm their dogs are doing chasing the cranes and the migrating birds. I have been told at City Hall that by-law officers do patrol, but never once on my daily walks there, have I observed one.  
Pets are like family and it is nice to see them with their people enjoying the fresh air. It is unfortunate that the irresponsible ones ruin this perfect picture."
- Yes, Comments:;,I believe it was a positive experiment. I saw no problems. I can see how it would be difficult in the summer as the Promenade is just not wide enough when it is busy. But let the doggies come in the winter!
- No, Comments:;,Some dog owners are aggressive and expect us to pet their animals, swear when we avoid the dog.  
Dog fecal and urine matter--even when scooped in to a bag-- leaves residue on grasses, walkways, trees. All grounds should be cleaned before children play."
- No, Comments:;,There was always dog feces on the promenade and on the grassy area from bad owners who never picked it up. Dog owners took their dogs on the pier and on the sand when tided is out. Rude owners when you try to educate them on the policy/rules.  
Dogs off leash, not good. Some people are scared of dogs.  
Please do not bring back dogs. They can go to Ocean Park.
- No, Comments:;,I have a dog but would and do not bring him the the promenade. It is too busy and some people don't like or are afraid of dogs, some cultures and some children. The dogs and leashes get in the way when passing slower people when walking. We noticed several poops all over the place and not just on the grass but in the middle of the side walk???. Dogs were consistantly on the pier and if you asked a dog owner to pick up poop or not be on pier... was often met with aggression and very strong negative attitudes. Many times dogs were on the pier with by law not giving fines but warnings???. Many times people were confronting by laws wanting answers as to why they were not writing tickets???. People have many other options to take dogs for walks so... I think it is a terrible idea to have dogs on the promenade. Enough of the equal opportunity and peoples wants. Dogs are not people too! Lol.
- Yes, Comments:;,I would not support having dogs on the beach from April 1st to the end of September. I have seen a lot of people that were scared of some of the dogs. Also some dog owners don't really watch what there dogs are doing. They are there to socialize and don't pay attention. Being an artist on the beach I have cleaned up dog poop and I have experienced first end dog owners not watching there beloved dog and the dog almost knocked my art of my table. This happened more then once.

- No, Comments:,I think if stretchy leashes were banned it might be better. But people never listen to the rules with dogs. I'm terrified of dogs so I avoided to area. And it's already packed down there even off season.
- Yes, Comments:.,Allow dogs all year round!!
- Yes, Comments:.,I would support this year round! Anything we can do to increase traffic on our waterfront is positive. As well, as a tax payer in the City of WR, I should be allowed to walk my dog there. I have lived in WR proper for over 9 years, and finally feel able to enjoy the promenade I help pay for. Walking without my dog is just not a viable option - it would be like going to the playground without your kid. A fantastic pilot - let's do it year round! Many other places do (in GVRD and worldwide).
- Yes, Comments:.,Living in White Rock and being close to the ocean makes a huge positive impact for someone like me living with a major mental health challenge. Being able to bring my leashed Bulldog during the "off season" to the promenade is critical to my well being. Not once did I see anything negative, except for complaint letters in the Peace Arch News.
- Yes, Comments:.,I found people with or without dogs interacted well and appreciated dogs on the promenade. I had many kids and seniors stop and talk- dogs bring out the best in people, especially those walking alone, perhaps lonely?  
Despite of the small fraction of those not wanting the dogs on the promenade, I found the whole experience positive. I twice picked up poop left by others, otherwise, found it way better than prior to Oct 1st!  
Please allow this to continue - I use and enjoy my promenade 80% more often than I do when my dog not allowed, and love the sense of community and happiness it brings.  
Thank you."
- No, Comments:.,Unfortunately my 6 year old son is very scared of dogs after seeing me, his Mother, get bitten by a dog. So now we can no longer use enjoy White Rock beach and area.
- No, Comments:.,I am a dog lover, however, the lack of cooperation by many dog owners is appalling, the faeces left behind is unacceptable and unavoidable. This is an area where people SIT on the ground to watch the view, or watch their small children run around. Even with responsible dog owners there is a frequently a high density of "sticky" faecal material left behind after it is picked up by the owner. I walked the pier on Mar 22 and there was faeces ON the pier. When I get my dog I would love to walk it on pier and promenade, however, in this day and age there is just too much density.
- Yes, Comments:.,I appreciate that Council elected to have this trial vs previous Councils that were negative. I only once encountered poop not picked up (so I picked it up) during the entire term of the trial. There was more goose poop than anything else! I would like to think the promenade is for the enjoyment of all and very much hope this will be repeated in the off season every year. Thanks very much!
- Yes, Comments:.,I understand why some people object to having dogs walking along any public pathways for a few reasons. i.e. allergies, fear etc.  
However, I feel the main reason is because a small percentage of dog owners do not clean up properly after their dogs. Or worse, they do clean up and then don't dispose of the plastic bags properly but leave on the side of the pathway.  
Perhaps if there were more trash bins along the pathways on both the promenade and walking trails this would not occur so frequently. Also signs advising dog walkers to clean up after their animals and dispose of properly.

I also believe that dogs do less damage on public pathways, trails and parks than some people's children.... so I am a strong supporter in having access to all who respect these wonderful facilities in an acceptable manner. "

- Yes, Comments: Off season is OK but please do not extend it to the busy summer time.
- No, Comments: When I was walking past a leashed big dog it snapped at my hand. Had I not pulled it away quickly, the dog would have bitten me. The people were apologetic.
- No, Comments: On two occasions I have had the experience of thoughtless and arrogant dog owners allowing their dogs to defecate on the grass along the promenade, and walk away without cleaning it up. I have seen many people (Family groupings, children, etc.) sitting on the grass, having picnics, and so on. I do not appreciate the potential for the spread of disease to people on the Promenade by this possible means.
- Yes, Comments: For seniors and others I would support the promenade being open to dogs in the early mornings all year long.
- No, Comments: I have many pictures of dogs off leash running in water chasing birds, peeing crapping where kids then play, sit. Natives will block from East beach next just like bandshell areas
- No, Comments: We are regular walkers of the promenade year round. We have lived in White Rock for twenty years and have noticed that there are a lot of dogs in White Rock. Dogs are everywhere. I have no problem with dogs and do not "hate" them which seems to be the conclusion many jump to when someone says they do not want dogs on the promenade. If we were to have a dog it would be our choice to honour the promenade by walking all the many other places available to dogs. We have always enjoyed and appreciated being able to walk the one and only place available without the presence of dogs.

Of particular concern is along with lots of dogs comes lots of waste. The amount of doggie poop bags that are often piled high and overflowing the garbage cans (we are early morning walkers). I note there is very little in the way of regular garbage in those cans. Frankly, I feel for the poor city workers that have to do that job every day, which often entails having to pick up the bags that have fallen to the ground. What does the City do with all that excrement? From what I have witnessed there is a whole lot of it. I thought that it was not to be disposed of in general garbage collection? If it is in fact going into the landfill, well, I'm sure I don't have to tell the city the ramifications and concerns of that."

- No, Comments: There are enough places for people to walk their dogs.
- Yes, Comments: Always walk with our dog so it was awesome to be able to walk the promenade again. Something that we have rarely done since we got a dog 5 years ago. Also really enjoy walking at Crescent Beach in the winter. I think it is great for everyone involved
- No, Comments: The promenade was a safe space for the elderly (especially), or any one else who is compromised mobility-wise, to get fresh air & exercise on a relatively level & beautiful walkway. Dogs can walk elsewhere - these folks likely cannot. If you don't provide an option of a phone #, many won't even be able to comment!!"
- No, Comments: I am not confident the by-law officers will take this seriously. I have been on many trails/paths etc where dogs are allowed but only when leashed, but many run not on leashes. I'm afraid that in a few years this is what will happen to our promenade. As it is, at night when the officers are off duty I see people smoking on the WOODEN pier, bikes nearly running me over on the promenade and yes!...dogs off leash. Dogs have been part of our family in the past and will be in the future but there are

many, many places I can take them away from crowds. I have also not heard how the business have improved.

- No, Comments:;THIS 'survey' is completely useless in my opinion. It does not require anything specific that could be used to analyse the results of the past few months - it would seem to be put forward by councillors who are very biased towards allowing dogs on the promenade otherwise the survey would have more objective questions that would add knowledge and background for decisions in the future. A very sad reflection on the capabilities of the committee task force and councillors involved and a waste of my time!"
- Yes, Comments:;There are so very few walkers on the Promenade before 10AM that I see no harm in having dogs allowed on promenade 12 months of the year, so long as it is clear that after 10AM you must be off or you will be in violation of a bylaw.
- Yes, Comments:;Dogs should be allowed at all times
- Yes, Comments:;I believe dogs should be allowed year round. Why are they subject to off season only? Tourists don't have more rights than community members do they? Are we not the ones paying for parking passes year round and submitting for taxes at our white rock address? Discrimination at its finest.
- Yes, Comments:;Please also consider allowing dogs on the promenade before 10 am
- Yes, Comments:;I no longer have a dog, so I enjoyed getting my dog fixed on the promenade. Please bring back the dogs on the prom this fall.
- No, Comments:; Had lots of positive interactions with dogs/ owners on the promenade. However have encountered on several occasions owners keeping vehicles very long leashes on their dogs and seemingly oblivious to the other walkers having to now avoid and walk around. Almost every time we were at the waterfront there was several dogs on the pier. There was bylaw officers at the end of the pier so not sure how they managed to bypass the officers.  
My husband encountered on 3 occasions dogs not on leashes at all. Unfortunately it seemed there was limited or no monitoring at the times we have been there by bylaw officers.
- Yes, Comments:;I live on the east beach and walked my dog on the promenade at least four times a week during the time they have been allowed. Only once did I observe that a dog dropping hadn't been picked up and at that time did me and my dog encounter an aggressive dog. Everything was civilized and many non-dog walkers smiled when I passed or interacted with my dog. The "haters" are very few but unfortunately VERY VOCAL and I sincerely hope that they will not unduly influence the decision going forward.
- No, Comments:;Following the rules, no.  
Unleashed dogs chasing wildlife  
Dogs stopped to smell other dogs, making people walk in the grass.  
Dogs going to kids, licking their faces.  
Plastic bag today found on the rocks at the beach.  
Grass turned into dog bathroom.  
Yellow spots in grassy areas where babies play then put their hands in their mouth and where people have picnics.  
Picking up behind dogs does not remove the mess from grass blades. Very unhealthy  
Dog owners pretending not to have seen the sign on the pier.  
Dogs running to people, including those allergic and those afraid or not liking them that much.  
Parents having to run after little kids running to dogs.  
Some dogs looking scary, including pit bulls.

Owners pretending their pet is service dog so pier is not off limit, including chihuahuas. Owners take the promenade more like a POOMENADE.

Did I say I was against dogs further than the 2 ends, west and east?

Having been as volunteer on the promenade, I had years to observe all these attitudes and behaviours.

Furthermore, for the businesses, their cars take the spots of their customers, since dogs are not allowed in food places and owners only intend to walk, not use the businesses.

And dogs don't care much about the beautiful view!!!"

- Not sure, Comments: „I love dogs, and have had dogs but currently don't. What I struggle with are the many irresponsible dog owners. I saw quite a few at the promenade. I didn't enjoy seeing dogs relieving themselves on such a narrow pathway when it was crowded. I saw dogs on tether leashes running up to people who didn't necessarily want to interact with them. I saw dogs off leash at times. It's the issue of people not being responsible towards other people.
- 'No, Comments: „I walk at the beach 4/5 times a week, most dog owners were respectful but
  - still saw dog poo on the promenade too many times
  - dogs were allowed to wander across the path (leash too long)
  - dogs off leash on the beach many times
  - not happy about dogs peeing on the grassy areas (where children play, people sit, picnic etc)
- Yes, Comments: „People are not picking up after their dogs. Leash too long concern of tripping. Feses dog in bag left behind."
- Yes, Comments: „I would support Year round or at least areas dogs were allowed year round  
No, Comments: „We are residents of WR for 35years. We love walking the promenade and pier. Allowing dogs on the promenade has taken away one of the last remaining places we can walk without dogs. Dodging the dogs and their walkers is not fun. Almost got tripped several times because of long leashes. Sometimes dog owners will stop to visit each other blocking the promenade. Also note that there is an ongoing problem with dog excrement even on the pier. Hope you can see your way to not allow dogs on the promenade and pier. Thanks [*name redacted for privacy reasons*]
- Yes, Comments: „I would support dogs year round on the promenade!  
Dogs are family and the beach is a family place...its time White Rock embraced this idea.
- No, Comments: „There are many parks on the peninsula where owners can walk their dogs and/or let them run freely. Dogs prefer these areas because they are not congested. The beautiful White Rock promenade is too busy morning and evening, summer and winter with human activity. Humans and dogs having to dodge one another makes the walk unpleasant for both.-Small children love to roll about on the grassy areas. Hence the less liquid (or solid ) excrement on these areas the better. We all know that most dog owners are excellent in cleaning up after their dogs, but one small soiled, unsanitary area can turn a pleasant walk into an unpleasant one.
- Yes, Comments: „On top of that I would support dogs being allowed year round!
- Comments: „Only if there is enforcement of fines for dog owners not picking up dog feces.
- No, Comments: „I have a fear of dogs and during this pilot project I did see dog owners being responsible with their pets but I also saw dog poop left behind, dog leashes extended to almost trip me, had dogs jump at me, saw dogs chasing birds on the beach. I

feel there is enough going on at our waterfront and there are designated areas for dogs so they do NOT need to be on the promenade.

Thank you,

[name redacted for privacy reasons]

White Rock resident

- Yes, Comments:;It was a very pleasant experience and dog owners were very responsible cleaning up after their pets. Unfortunately no one cleans up after the geese!
- No, Comments:;As I sit at home in self quarantine because of the COVID-19 Pandemic I shake my head how anyone can believe that the urination and defecation on the lawns on and around the promenade is a safe, sanitary thing to allow. I have personally seen dog owners allow their dogs on leash push elderly people off and into the railing. If you would like to see the video I would be happy to show it to the council. This is not acceptable.
- Yes, Comments:;In the off-season the promenade is underused. It's a great and safe place to walk our dogs in the winter months. Please bring this back every year!
- Comments:; Not sure,Would recommend only from Oct 1 to Mar 1. Also put notices up that people who do not pick up after their dogs will be subject to big fine. Noticed that there are still many people who do not pick up after their dogs. Additionally do not allow any dogs in eating facilities.
- Yes, Comments:;I cannot understand all the negativity around this. As a business owner and resident it makes sense to me to make all our outdoor space inclusive and welcoming. Other communities allow people and their pets the opportunity to access all parts of the community. White Rock would be so much better without vocal minorities trying to control everything other people are doing.
- Yes, Comments:;I think it should be year round. If dogs are allowed on the beach year round then why not promenade? I have seen unleashed dogs on the beach on a few occasions but never on the promenade
- No, Comments:;This survey seems very biased towards supporting dogs on the promenade and it doesn't address or question the concerns of non-supporters. Also, it is upsetting that there is no longer non-supporter representation on the committee that brought the dogs on the promenade pilot project forward. It seems that the non-supporters no longer have a true voice. I don't believe that dogs belong on the promenade primarily because of safety and hygienic issues. I am not comfortable with a number of dog species, and in my experience all dogs tend to invade the spaces of people who are walking or just around them. I have concerns about dogs urinating and defecating on grassed areas where people rest and picnic not to mention on the promenade. The promenade is not that wide and on sunny days when more people are out walking, dogs and their leads become obstacles. There is no regulation on lead length and the lengthier the lead the more unsafe it becomes for others. Dogs on the promenade mean more opportunities for people to come into contact with off-leash dogs and when they are not under control and on a leash, safety concerns increase. The promenade borders on the beach which is a sensitive wildlife area that needs to be protected. For example, there are many birds at or near the promenade and dogs tend to chase birds. My preference is not to allow dogs on the promenade at any time during the year and to make the promenade a safer place for people to enjoy.
- Yes, Comments:;Whether it is on the Promenade or on the streets of White Rock, there will always be those who are unreasonably afraid of dogs and those who love them. Don't punish all of us because of a few negligent dog-owners.

A HUGE reason that we need the Promenade to stay dog-friendly is that for us women who cannot get out to walk until evening, most of the time, the well-lit Promenade with people around is one of few places we feel safe to walk or jog at night with dogs in tow (or on our own for that matter). It needs to stay open.

Secondly, you're always going to have those who don't care for dogs pointing to the few negligent people to spoil it for all the rest of us. I don't own a dog but I dog-sit all the time because they bring great joy to me. I have never yet stepped in anything on the Promenade ever. I'll keep repeating this to anyone who will listen--have your bylaw people spend less time giving out tickets, more time patrolling the Promenade if you're concerned about dog droppings or violations ie off-leash etc.

Lastly-- stop making the beach INaccessible to us locals and to dogs now during Covid19. The birds have always been coming and going, and NOW suddenly this year, the dogs are not allowed on the beach??!

Never once have I seen a dog take down a bird on the beach, most dogs are playing together responsibly and birds are not impacted at all. Ridiculous.

Also-- now with the pandemic, you finally opened access at the far west beach end, but nothing on the east side? Of course, the Pier and the Promenade get closed because people don't social-distance properly-- but rather than close it completely, just leave two crossings, one at each end, and let us locals go out when it's low tide, there is MILES of room for everyone! And for those of us who paddle, WHERE are we supposed to put in???

Please don't make policy out of knee-jerk reaction, make it reasonable and fair. Good grief. People that never do move off the couch will sit in judgment over the active people, but even Dr. Bonnie Henry has said, keep up your exercise, sunshine & fresh air, it's good for your immune system! "

- No, Comments:,I have submitted 6 photos taken of dog feces on the promenade to the City of White Rock. These photos were taken within a 4 week period. My wife stepped in dog feces while walking the promenade. The promenade is too narrow for people and dogs. People have to move out of the way for dogs because owners don't care enough. We are White Rock residents and have been walking the promenade several times per week for 19 years but we stopped completely since dogs were allowed. We are very disappointed and feel like dogs are considered more important than tax-paying residents.
- Yes, Comments:,Very few dogs were on the Promenade each time I came to walk on it. The area was very clean. The trash I saw was from humans. I had never been to the Promenade before in the winter months. I visited two restaurants near the Promenade that were new to me. I walked the Promenade with and without a dog.
- Yes, Comments:,I walked my dog daily at the promenade during the entire season. In all that time I only twice saw dog poo that wasn't picked up. Once I picked it up myself and the second time I didn't have an extra bag. I believe that MUCH of the poo "witnessed" by others was actually goose poop. I had no negative experiences and saw no negative experiences other than a very occasional negative glance from others. I wish the law-breakers who let dogs on the pier would be ticketed so that those of us who are following the rules wouldn't be penalized. I feel my quality of life was immensely improved by being able to walk my dog on the promenade. It seems like allowing dogs on the promenade half the year is an excellent compromise, then both sides get what they want for part of the year. My only other suggestion if it is voted down is requesting to allow people to walk their dogs on the promenade maybe from 6:30 to 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. This also would be a nice compromise. Thank you.

- No, Comments:; We typically walk the promenade several times a week all year long, often frequenting a seaside restaurant afterwards. Since the pilot project began, we have experienced several dog owners who would push the limits of whatever was allowed, including walking on the pier. When politely reminded of the rules, they became belligerent and aggressive. It doesn't seem right to have to pay for enforcement officers to ensure compliance. Some dog walkers would let their leashes extend far into the path of other walkers. The promenade is so narrow, there doesn't seem to be room to accommodate dogs when there are many people around. Dogs urinate at any time. This cannot be cleaned up. Also, even when dog owners clean up after their dogs, there is residual excrement left on the grass. This is extremely unsanitary, and is a detriment to considering sitting on the grass with a blanket to enjoy the fall, winter and spring sun that White Rock is famous for.  
If White Rock does decide to continue allowing dogs on the promenade, we suggest that the approval be granted on an annual renewal basis. This might encourage more dog owners to obey the rules, knowing that approval can be withdrawn.  
Thank you for giving us this opportunity to submit our comments.  
*[names redacted for privacy reasons]*
- Yes, Comments:; There are many active cities locally (West Vancouver) and internationally (La Jolla and Pacific Beach, California) where dogs on leash and humans share waterfront paths similar to what we enjoy in White Rock. I have had the pleasure to experience a number of these, both with and without my dog, and have always thought these communities were taking a balanced approach that served all residents and visitors vs one faction (non dog) only.  
For the majority of us with four-legged family members, when we walk (exercise), our dogs accompany us and therefore we support areas that allow us to do this.  
I fully believe that the sharing of the White Rock promenade by those with and without dogs during off season is a position that serves the community well, supporting healthy living and business. Many thanks to the current White Rock Council for initiating this trial and for being a progressive minded group who understands the many positive aspects of continuing the policy of sharing our waterfront in the future. "
- Yes, Comments:; I was impressed with the positive reception from the majority of Promenade users, particularly those without dogs, who seemed genuinely pleased to stop and chat, meet my dog, introduce their kids to the dog, give him treats etc.. Some people claimed they were there to get their 'doggy fix'. There were also people whose disapproval was obvious in their body language and facial expression, but they were in the minority. I did not use the promenade (with my dog) on weekends or stat holidays.
- Not sure, Comments:; I appreciated the efforts of White Rock City to support this idea -- the signage, the fecal bags, the publicity, but everytime we went to the beach/promenade there were always those who had their dog off-leash (sand-side grass & water areas). Maybe signage needs to increase after the tracks. If ""dogs must remain on leash"" is the rule then foot traffic patrol should remind/enforce more regularly, otherwise it gives the impression that the trial period is just for show.  
I also think that if it continues, it must be limited to winter months. On nice days the walkway is already squishy, add leashes and exuberance and it is impossible."
- No, Comments:; The promenade is narrow. Dogs on long leashes especially when dog walkers grouped to chat, created bottlenecks. Some dogs were truly intimidating. Also concerning was the number of dogs running off-leash on the beach with no evidence of enforcement of the rules. Sadly, give some people an inch and they will take a mile, or in this case, give some people a promenade and they will take the beach. I recall the

Semiahmoo First Nation closed off their portion of the waterfront because of irresponsible behaviour by some dog owners. The beach as fragile natural environment is no place for dogs period. The promenade is already too crowded in the off season and it will only get more crowded as the area continues to density and the climate continues to shift to warmer winters. I understand the appeal of this program for dog owners, and believe a dog park in the city would be great. However I believe it is only a matter of time before incidents, accidents and confrontations over canine behaviour allowed by a small percentage of dog walkers will degrade the experience of a growing multitude of users seeking a few moments of serenity and contact with the natural environment along the waterfront. Dogs, like scooters and bikes, need more space than our narrow promenade can provide. How about two days a week devoted to dogs, well advertised and strongly enforced or negotiating a deal with the Semiahmoo First Nation to push a longer promenade further to the southeast, or with BNSF to push the promenade further west ... or on that imaginary day when the BNSF tracks are decommissioned, create a dedicated dog lane? Until then, please keep the dogs off the waterfront.

- Yes, Comments:;This builds community. We felt part of the community. We pay our taxes and our dog license. The promenade walk allows us to meet other people we wouldn't other wise meet. Love being able to go down to the beach for exercise and a place to see others. It is one of the reason we moved here. We usually walk in the evening when it is less busy. We want to continue walking during the winter months. We find this is a reasonable time in order to not conflict with high summer traffic. Thank you
- Yes, Comments:;Based on my experience of walking at the beach weekly it was awesome to see so many people with their dogs enjoying the beautiful waterfront. I love dogs although I don't have one myself and it brought a lot of joy to my walk.
- Not sure, Comments:;If dogs are going to be permitted on the promenade then they need to be kept on a short leash. Majority of dog owners seem to just assume everyone wants to see their dog and that is not the case. If owners of little dogs could be as respectful of others as owners of large dogs there wouldn't be a problem.
- Yes, Comments:;I support animals on the promenade at any point in time!!!
- No, Comments:;I used to love my walks on the promenade before dogs were allowed. I have a fear of certain breeds and feel scared when there is nowhere to go when one approaches. It is so narrow. Also, the dog urine on the grass is a big problem where we have picnic areas and for the environment. Seeing those who knowingly disregard the rules makes me feel angry and takes away any enjoyment I used to have going there. Am sure there are many of us who would like to go back to feeling safe on our narrow communal space.  
Thank you.
- Yes, Comments:;We are moving to White rock into one of the new developments and our home is dog friendly. We were quite shocked of how restrictive the community of White rock is regarding dogs given that our experience in Palm Springs California (our vacation home) even allows you to take your dog into restaurants.  
We currently live in downtown Vancouver and we have never experienced the kind of negativity about dogs that we have heard about in White rock.
- Yes, Comments:;There isn't enough space on the promenade to pass dogs on leash without getting tangled in them. The dogs pee on everything and it's disgusting to see people and children sit on grass that has been used as a dog toilet. To make things worst, too many dog owners are not respectful of the rules and also go on the beach. I'm willing to allow the walk in the off season because there are fewer people and the people don't tend to sit on the grass.

- Yes, Comments:.,A few bad owners can make it seem like a bad idea to the majority. It's a great program but the bad owners need to be held responsible. (Mainly not picking up after their dogs)
- Not sure, Comments:.,I've been a resident for 15 years and use the promenade and beach regularly throughout the year. It is unsanitary for dogs to use the promenade and beach as a toilet. Even if owners pickup after there pet there is still a residue feces on the ground not to mention urine that can't be collected. Often when we sit on the tidal flats we have unleashed dogs running over to us and sniffing through our picnic lunch.
- Yes, Comments:.,Absolutely! It's also a wonderful way for people to interact and socialize. I don't think I've ever seen the promenade so busy as when we had all of the cute dogs sniffing around. I truly believe that mustang owners are responsible. I also think it's a wonderful way to bring our community together and make everyone feel welcome. 😊
- Yes, Comments:.,I would like to see it a year round thing. We shouldn't let a few bad dog owners (picking up after their dogs) ruin it for the 99.9% of great ones.
- No, Comments:.,Most people with dogs have not displayed responsible behaviour and cannot control their animals.
- No, Comments:.,My answer is, unfortunately, "no". As a previous dog handler, I observed too many dog owners allowing their dogs to approach other people , who were clearly afraid, or reluctant to engage with the dog. A comment such as " don't worry, he's friendly" does little to allay a person's fear. Further, until owners (certainly not ALL, however a FEW) recognize walking the Promenade as a privilege, and not a right, they and their pets should stay away.
- Comments:., Not sure,I have a dog and I'd love to walk him on the promenade but I'm not in support of this unless people pick up after their dogs and retractable leashes are banned. So many times I've seen dog poop or abandoned poop bags beside the walkway. I also have nearly tripped over an extended leash or had a dog jump up on my as I've ran past due to the lack of control an extendable leash provides the owner.
- No, Comments:.,The irresponsible dog owners who don't properly look after their dogs and leave dog poop are very annoying. Even if owners do pick up solid dog waste in the grassy areas, they still leave a smear in the grass, making that unusable for picnics or resting. There are many other places dog owners can go to. Also, this survey should be for residents only.
- No, Comments:.,As a dog owner, I think it is unfortunate that other dog owners seem to feel very entitled to bring their dogs to such a confined space. Never mind those that don't clean up or keep their dogs on a leash.  
How could any council member continue to allow this in future? It is an incredibly dumb idea and has completely turned me off visiting White Rock and its restaurants!!!!"
- Yes, Comments:.,The timing should be longer....match the months in Crescent Beach...OCT -MAY.  
Dogs are allowed on the seawall in Vancouver year round, on promenades in busy Southern California year round and in beach communities all up and down the west coast. Leash laws are in effect and dogs are welcome. White Rock is way overdue to allow dogs on the promenade in the off season."
- Comments:., No,I would prefer limitations on 1 dog walked on a short leash at a time. Nov. 1 - Feb. 28 Mondays to Fridays only as sunny weekends still are crowded with paying customers..(Dog walkers are mostly local and don't eat at the local beach spots). No dogs allowed in the bathrooms.

I would prefer all dog owners had proof of pet liability Insurance.

- Yes, Comments:.,For those of us who live and pay taxes here in White Rock we should continue to be able to walk the promenade with all our family members... including our dogs. It provided more interaction (positive) with other fellow walkers both those with and without dogs.

**The Corporation of the  
CITY OF WHITE ROCK  
BYLAW No. 2287**



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

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

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

Lot B Section 11 Township 1 New Westminster District Plan 84401  
PID: 015-689-573

(1453 Stayte Road)

as shown on Schedule "1" attached hereto, from the 'RS-1 One Unit Residential Zone' to the 'CD-62 Comprehensive Development Zone.'

2. THAT *White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000* as amended is further amended:
  - (1) by adding to the Table of Contents for 'Schedule B (Comprehensive Development Zones)', Section 7.62 CD-62 Comprehensive Development Zone';
  - (2) by adding the attached Schedule "2" to 'Schedule B (Comprehensive Development Zones)' Section 7.62 CD-62 Comprehensive Development Zone'.

3. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “*White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (CD-62 – 1453 Stayte Road) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2287*”.

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING held this	7 <sup>th</sup>	day of	November, 2018
2 <sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING held this	4 <sup>th</sup>	day of	September, 2019
RECEIVED FIRST READING on the	20 <sup>th</sup>	day of	April, 2020
RECEIVED SECOND READING on the	20 <sup>th</sup>	day of	April, 2020
PUBLIC HEARING held this	22 <sup>nd</sup>	day of	June, 2020
RECEIVED THIRD READING on the		day of	
ADOPTED on the		day of	

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MAYOR

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DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION



Schedule “2”

## 7.62 CD-62 COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ZONE

### INTENT

The intent of this zone is to accommodate the development of multi-unit residential building on a site of approximately 3,163 square metres.

1. Permitted Uses:

- (a) *multi-unit residential use*
- (b) *accessory home occupation* use in accordance with the provisions of section 5.3 and that does not involve clients directly accessing the *principal building*

2. Lot Coverage:

- (a) *lot coverage* shall not exceed 45%

3. Maximum Base Density:

The following base density regulation applies generally for the zone:

- (a) Maximum of 24 units per 0.4 ha (1.0 acre); and
- (b) Maximum *gross floor area* of 2,847 m<sup>2</sup> (30,645 ft<sup>2</sup>)

4. Maximum Increased Density:

Despite section 7.62.3, the reference to “maximum of 24 units per 0.4 ha (1.0 acres)” and “maximum *gross floor area* of 2,847 m<sup>2</sup> (30,645 ft<sup>2</sup>)” is increased to a higher density of a maximum of 49 residential units and 4,475 m<sup>2</sup> (47,854 ft<sup>2</sup>) of *gross floor area*,

where a contribution of \$150,000 has been provided to the Community Amenity Reserve Fund to assist with the provision of amenities as defined in accordance with the *Community Amenity Reserve Fund Bylaw, 2017, No. 2190*, as amended.

The amenity contribution must be provided in accordance with an amenity agreement and a section 219 covenant delivered by the owner of the subject real property to secure the amenity.

5. Building Height:

- (a) The *principal building* shall not exceed a height of 75.1 metres geodetic
- (b) *Ancillary buildings* and *structures* shall not exceed a height of 5.0 metres from *finished grade*

6. Siting Requirements:

- (a) Minimum setbacks are as follows:

- (i) Setback from front (east) lot line = 6.0 metres
- (ii) Setback from rear (west) lot line = 6.8 metres
- (iii) Setback from interior side (north) lot line = 5.0 metres
- (iv) Setback from interior side (south) lot line = 5.4 metres

(b) Notwithstanding the above, the following siting exemptions are permitted:

- (i) Balconies may encroach by up to 0.4 metres into all required lot line setbacks
- (ii) Eaves may encroach by up to 1.6 metres into all required lot line setbacks.
- (iii) The weather protection structure over the main pedestrian entrance may encroach by up to 2.3 metres into the required front (east) lot line setback
- (iv) *Ancillary buildings* and *structures* may be located on the subject property in accordance with the Plans prepared by Atelier Pacific Architecture dated February 21, 2020 that are attached hereto and on file at the City of White Rock, with the exception that no *ancillary buildings* or *structures* are permitted within a 2.0 metre distance from the front (east) lot line

7. Parking:

Parking shall be provided in accordance with Sections 4.14 and 4.17, with the minimum number of spaces required as follows:

- (a) A minimum of 63 spaces shall be provided for the *multi-unit residential use*
- (b) A minimum of 17 spaces shall be provided for visitors and marked as “visitor”
- (c) A minimum of two (2) of the required eighty (80) spaces shall be provided as accessible parking spaces and shall be clearly marked, and shall have a minimum length of 5.5 metres. Of the two accessible parking spaces, one space shall be provided as a van-accessible loading space with a minimum width of 3.4 metres, and the other space shall have a minimum width of 2.5 metres, provided that the two parking spaces are adjacent and have a shared access aisle with a minimum width of 1.5 metres.
- (d) The minimum height clearance at the accessible parking spaces and along the vehicle access and egress routes from the accessible parking spaces must be at least 2.3 metres to accommodate over-height vehicles equipped with a wheelchair lift or ramp.

8. Bicycle Parking:

Bicycle parking shall be provided in accordance with Section 4.16, with the minimum number of spaces required as follows:

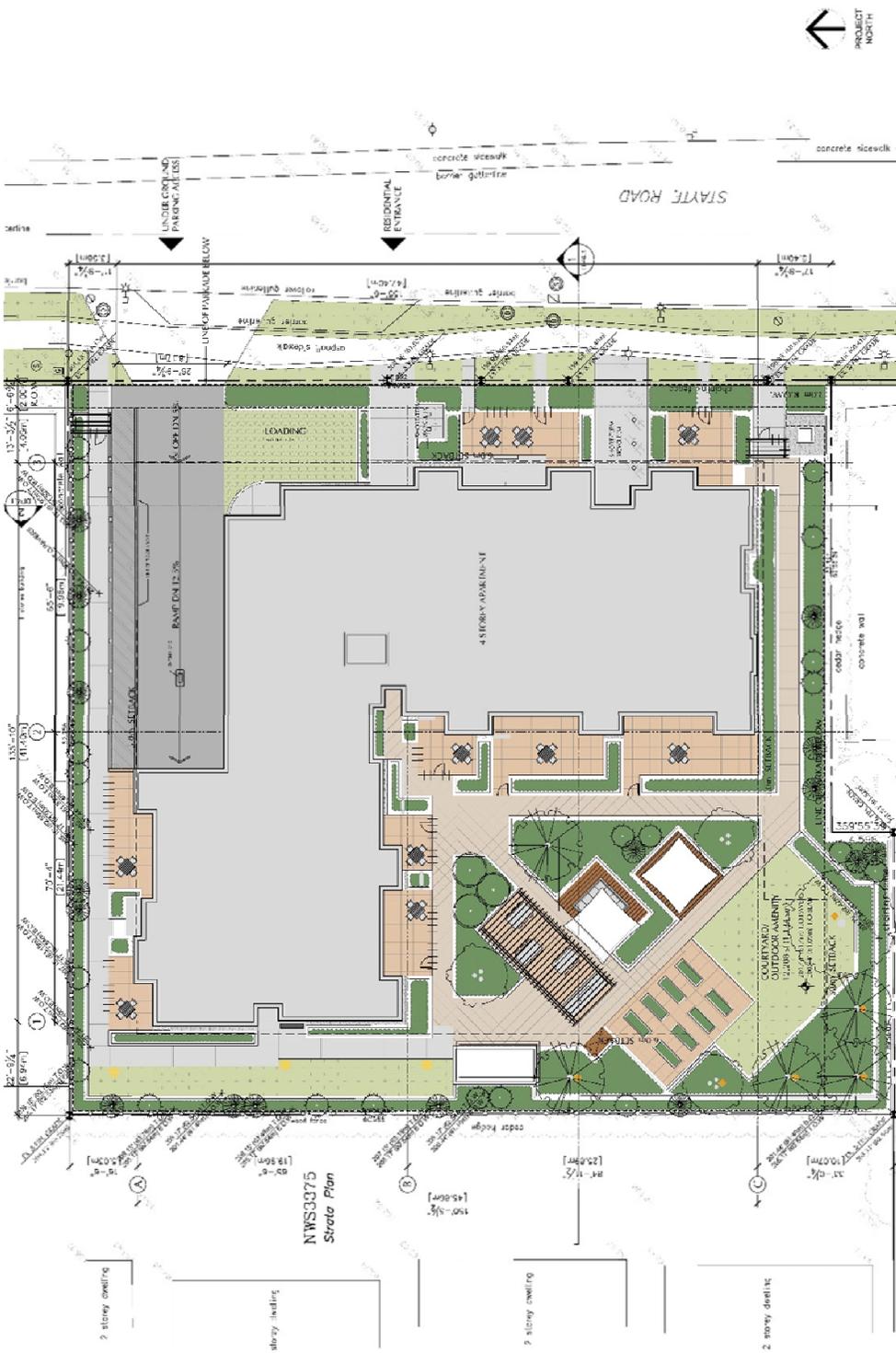
- (a) A minimum of 50 Class I spaces shall be provided
- (b) A minimum of 10 Class II spaces shall be provided

9. Loading:

- (a) One loading space shall be provided for the *multi-unit residential use* in accordance with Section 4.15

10. General:

- (a) Development in this zone that includes the additional (bonus) density referred to in Section 3 shall substantially conform to the Plans prepared by Atelier Pacific Architecture dated February 2020 that are attached hereto and on file at the City of White Rock
- (b) Development in this zone that does not include the additional (bonus) density referred to in Section 3 shall be required to obtain a new Major Development Permit



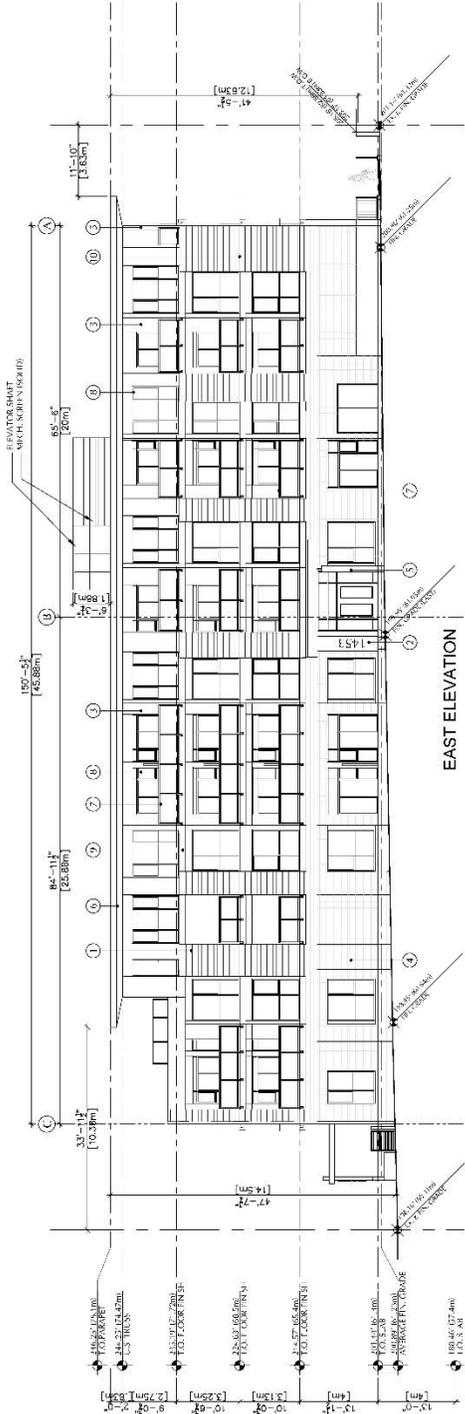
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SITE PLAN

**Proposed Residential Development**  
1453 STAYTE ROAD, WHITE ROCK, B.C.

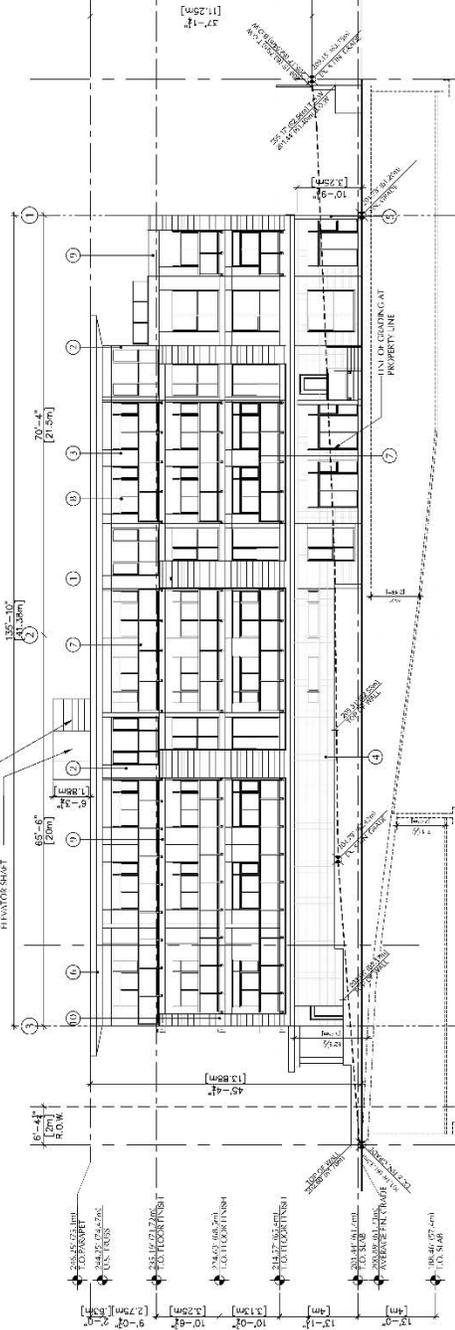
WANHOO PROPERTIES INC.  
ATELIER PACIFIC ARCHITECTURE INC.

FEBRUARY 26, 2023





EAST ELEVATION



NORTH ELEVATION

MATERIAL FINISHES LEGEND

1	WOODSTONE FIBER CEMENT SIDING
2	FIBER CEMENT PANEL (WHITE)
3	FIBER CEMENT PANEL (BEIGE)
4	BRICK VENEER (DARK GRAY)
5	STAINED CEDAR COLUMNS
6	WOODSTONE FIBER CEMENT SOFFIT
7	ALUMINUM GUARD RAILS WITH GLASS
8	VINYL WINDOW (BLACK)
9	FASCIA BOARD (DARK GRAY)
10	THROUGH WALL FLASHING TO MATCH ADJACENT CLADDING COLOUR

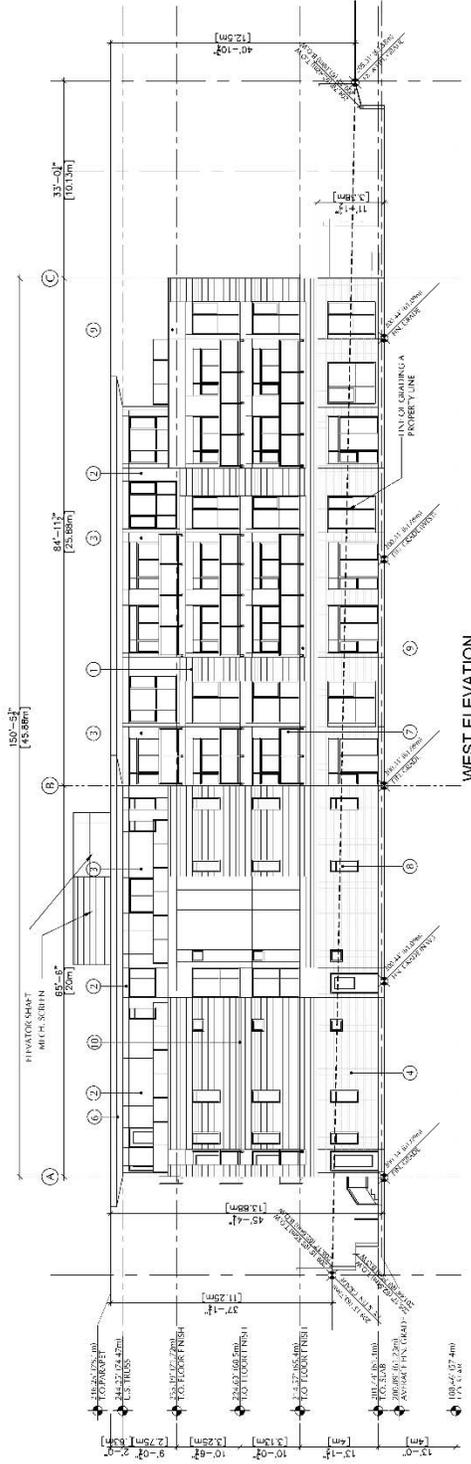
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ELEVATIONS



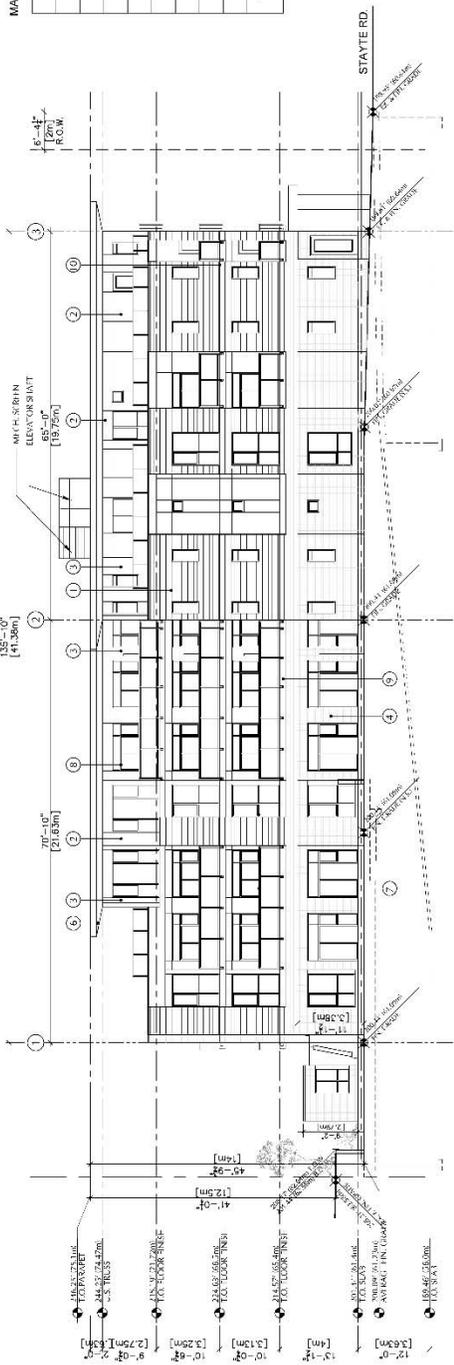
Proposed Residential Development  
1453 STAYE ROAD, WHITE ROCK, B.C.  
VANHOME PROPERTIES INC.  
ATELIER PACIFIC ARCHITECTURE INC.

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

FEBRUARY 19, 2020



WEST ELEVATION



SOUTH ELEVATION

MATERIAL FINISHES LEGEND

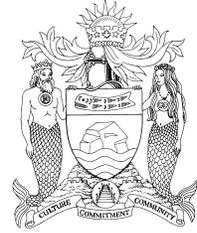
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DP 3.2  
ELEVATIONS



Proposed Residential Development  
 1453 STATEY ROAD, WHITE ROCK, B.C.  
 VANHOME PROPERTIES INC.  
 ATELIER PACIFIC ARCHITECTURE INC.  
 FEBRUARY 19, 2020

**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
CITY OF WHITE ROCK  
BYLAW 2348**



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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*".

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RECEIVED THIRD READING on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

ADOPTED on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE ADMINISTRATION

The City of White Rock,

**We're Resuming Services for Cancer Patients  
And We Need Your Help**

On Monday, June 22 the Volunteer Cancer Drivers Society will resume our service to cancer patients in need of transportation.

While we paused our services to comply with COVID-19 precautions, the need for our service continued. It is with commitment, care and an abundance of caution that we resume supporting cancer patients again.

Protecting the health and safety of our patients and drivers and preventing the spread of infectious disease are our paramount concerns. To that end, in consultation with several infectious disease professionals, we have developed a comprehensive infection and control policy that can be viewed on our website. It has been developed following Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry's guidance, balancing necessity with practical and reasonable action.

Demand for our service has increased by more than 30% annually since inception – we expect it will continue to grow. The patients we help have neither a family/friend support network nor the financial means to safely reach their treatment programs. Public transport is seldom a viable option.

Our service is more than transportation. Patients find emotional relief from a trusted and non-judgmental friendship during the many rides with caring volunteers. The respect is mutual; as volunteers we are honoured to serve an amazing group of people who, despite their grave circumstances, have a positive, cheerful outlook on life.

Financing our service in the future will be a daunting challenge. We are aware you are facing unprecedented demand to assist worthy causes impacted by COVID-19 and that you will be experiencing financial pressures in the times ahead. Without the help of community minded, caring organizations like yours and the generosity of our drivers, patients and the public, we will have great difficulty meeting future cancer patient needs.

We are very grateful for your ongoing support and hope that you are able to continue helping in the future.

We are proud to be part of our resilient, compassionate community.  
Together we will get through this difficult time.

With thanks,

George McAffer  
Executive Vice President  
On behalf of our volunteers and patients

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Incorporated under the laws of BC, January 6, 2016

[www.volunteercancerdrivers.ca](http://www.volunteercancerdrivers.ca)

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THE CORPORATION OF THE  
CITY OF WHITE ROCK

June 15, 2020

Mayor Darryl Walker  
City of White Rock  
City Hall  
15322 Buena Vista Avenue  
White Rock, BC  
Via email: [dwalker@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:dwalker@whiterockcity.ca)

Dear Mayor Walker:

Earl Marriott Secondary School

Thank you for your letter dated May 29, 2020 to Chairperson Laurie Larsen and Assistant Superintendent Lynda Reeve.

Your concerns regarding the drop off and pick up of students at Earl Marriott Secondary School have been noted, and I have asked staff to review the issues you have raised. I will be in touch again once my staff have had a chance to look at this in more detail and potentially set up a meeting to discuss the matter further.

We appreciate you bringing this matter to our attention.

Sincerely



D. Greg Frank, CPA, CA  
Secretary-Treasurer

Copy: White Rock Council  
MP, Kerry-Lynne Findlay  
MLA, Tracy Redies  
Board of Education  
Superintendent of Schools/CEO



MAYOR DARRYL WALKER  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
WHITE ROCK, BC CANADA

May 29, 2020  
File No. 0220-20-04

Transmitted by Email: [Larsen\\_laurie@surreyschools.ca](mailto:Larsen_laurie@surreyschools.ca)  
[reeve\\_l@surreyschools.ca](mailto:reeve_l@surreyschools.ca)

Ms. Laurie Larsen, Chairperson  
Board of Education  
c/o Secretary-Treasurer's Department  
14033 – 92 Avenue  
Surrey, BC V3V 0B7

Ms. Lynda Reeve, Assistant Superintendent  
South Surrey/White Rock  
School District #36  
14033 – 92 Avenue  
Surrey, BC V3V 0B7

Dear Ms. Larsen and Ms. Reeve:

**Re: Earl Marriott High School**

On behalf of White Rock Council, I would like to advise that at the May 25, 2020, Regular Council Meeting it was directed that a letter be written to the Board of Education and Surrey School District to bring forward concerns that the City received from residents residing in the 1500 Block of Kent Street related to safety and accessibility issues when leaving or arriving to their homes on school days. These concerns stem from that area being used by drivers idling or parking vehicles as a “drop off” or “pick up” location for students attending Earl Marriott Secondary School.

In 2014/2015, the City of White Rock hired a consultant to perform a safety review of the Kent Street corridor from Marine Drive to North Bluff (16<sup>th</sup> Avenue) to address pedestrian safety issues. Following this, the City installed sidewalk improvements along the east side of the 1500 Block of Kent Street and restricted parking on both sides of the same block during school hours. In addition, this block is the location of MacCaud Park which draws visitors to the area and is also part of the City of White Rock's cycling network.

During school closures and since the closure of school due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this has not been an issue, however, we anticipate that when school reopens, this matter will be a concern once again. Some of the issues include residents being blocked from accessing or leaving their homes by the volume of drivers using this area for student “pick up” and “drop off”. Also, at times, when a resident confronts a driver, they are met with inappropriate or rude behaviour, including offensive hand gestures or language.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly review this matter and advise us as to what can be done to address this issue prior to the reopening of schools.

Please feel free to contact me or set up an appointment through my Executive Assistant, Chris Magnus, at 604-541-2124 or by email at: [cmagnus@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:cmagnus@whiterockcity.ca).

We appreciated your attention to this matter and we look forward to your reply.

Yours truly,



Mayor Darryl Walker

- cc: White Rock Council
- cc: Laurae McNally, Trustee, Board of Education
- cc: MP, Kerry-Lynne Findlay
- cc: MLA, Tracy Redies

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Horgan:

The COVID-19 crisis has shaken and unsettled our communities both locally and nationwide in ways that, just weeks ago, few of us could have imagined. While the pandemic is far from over, and while it has brought unprecedented economic and financial upheaval across our land and at all levels of society, we can nonetheless look forward to a phase of public investment, dynamic recovery, and revitalization of our social safety net in the coming months.

This will be a time when we must choose between either simply reconstructing our society as it was, with all of its frailties, before disaster struck, or else seizing this watershed moment in Canadian history to build a society that is fundamentally better than ever before – kinder, fairer, and even more productive as a whole. This turning point is our nation's crucial opportunity to build toward a “*new normal*” that entails a fundamental step up; in which the poorest and most vulnerable members of our Canadian family are, through an innovative renaissance in social support, lifted up out of homelessness, dire poverty, food insecurity, and social isolation.

While the challenge of homelessness has always been with us, the numbers have worsened in recent decades, compounded by the spread of substance dependence, despair, and mental illness. As we all know, poverty is but one side of the coin. Through cuts and closures, governments since the late 1960s have systematically abandoned folks suffering from debilitating or long-term mental illness.

Large-scale boarding facilities - such as Riverview Hospital in Coquitlam, BC – were all but shut down in the decades since, sending out, onto the streets, countless members of our society who struggle with severe mental health problems, unable to care for themselves. As the number of funded beds and supported patients decreased, homelessness has surged, and this inhumane treatment has blighted our communities with a level of needless and unjustifiable suffering that shames us all as fellow Canadians.

With the immediate COVID-19 crisis coming to a close, the emergency supports that have managed to rapidly and effectively house thousands of homeless individuals in BC for the past few months seem likely to close as well. We risk repeating history, and sending the same message sent by governments in the past to our most vulnerable: *Get out, and good luck.*

**We - the undersigned - call upon the Government of Canada and the Government of British Columbia to use the coming period of social reordering and economic rebuilding as a vital opportunity to move Canada's blight of homelessness from out of our challenged present and our bright future, and into the shadows of the past where it belongs.**

A decisive program to erase homelessness will bring diverse benefits, and not just to those wandering our city byways, but to the rest of Canadian society as well. Getting people off the streets and into basic housing, or into boarding facilities with treatment and care programs, will help those in need, will reduce general poverty, will cut crime, will advance public health objectives while lowering medical service costs, will create much needed employment in a time of recession, will increase our region's tourism and business development appeal, and will make our cities more safe and inviting, all while enabling a new generation of active participants in our society, and economy.

Finally, the cost of inaction is great. Study after study has shown beyond doubt that the burden placed on our healthcare services, law enforcement, judicial, and other public systems far outweighs the costs of simply housing those in need and giving them a fighting chance in our

increasingly competitive, globalized economy. But beyond these highly practical reasons, is a deeply philosophical one: If not now, then when? When *will* we, as a nation, take this baby step in becoming the fair, clean, and futuristic society envisioned in popular culture of days past? And if that bright destiny is not ours, then frankly, what is the purpose of our society?

Just as the software on your phone, tablet, or computer periodically asks you to stop and do an upgrade, this is one of those crucial turning points in the life of a society that calls upon our national community to use the pause we have all been forced into to step up to a better system of operation. Steeped in this crisis, all levels of government today may feel they've already got their hands full and, as for homelessness, a first impulse may be to click the "*Remind me later*" button.

It is our hope that, instead, you will act.



City of Port Moody  
**Council Resolution**  
May 12, 2020

CC20/086

**Moved, seconded, and CARRIED**

WHEREAS our society has been plagued by homelessness and a lack of support systems for those affected by addictions and mental illness for generations;

AND WHEREAS the state of homelessness in our region has only worsened over the course of decades and throughout multiple Provincial Governments;

AND WHEREAS an eventual economic rebuild is a good opportunity to make positive upgrades to our society;

BE IT RESOLVED:

**THAT the City of Port Moody considers a return to the “normal” state of homelessness in our region, province, and nation after the COVID emergency fundamentally unacceptable;**

**AND THAT the City of Port Moody call on the Metro Vancouver Regional District, the Government of BC, and the Government of Canada to use the post-COVID recovery as an opportunity to “upgrade” our society by eliminating homelessness;**

**AND THAT the City of Port Moody supports a return to large-scale supportive housing arrangements for those afflicted by mental illness, such as a revived facility at Riverview.**

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**THAT Council considers a return to the “normal” state of homelessness in our region, province, and nation after the COVID emergency fundamentally unacceptable;**

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### **For Metro Vancouver meetings on Friday, May 29, 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:*

[Greg.Valou@metrovancouver.org](mailto:Greg.Valou@metrovancouver.org).

## **Metro Vancouver Regional District**

### **E 1.1 Updating the Regional Growth Strategy: A Proposed Response in Light of COVID-19      APPROVED**

This report presented a revised approach to Metro 2050 in light of the COVID-19 pandemic response that would include continuing technical aspects of the Metro 2040 Policy Reviews, leveraging the completed Long Range Growth and Transportation Scenarios to develop a resiliency lens, furthering integration with Transport 2050 and Climate 2050, and the redeployment of staff to support pandemic response efforts in terms of data and research.

Engagement with members and stakeholders and decisions on policy recommendations would be postponed until there is capacity to re-engage. Staff will check in monthly with member jurisdictions and other audiences to assess whether they are ready to re-engage. Some forms of information provision and online engagement directed at the public can continue.

The Board endorsed the process for updating Metro Vancouver 2040 as presented in the report.

### **E 1.2 Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future Amendment Request from the City of Delta – 9568 Burns Drive      APPROVED**

City of Delta Council has requested that the regional land use designation for the site at 9568 Burns Drive be amended from Agricultural to Rural in the regional growth strategy to permit the construction of a drive-through restaurant and a three-storey self-storage facility with office use.

The Board determined that the proposed amendment to the regional land use designation from Agricultural to Rural for the site at 9568 Burns Drive is not required and directed staff to notify the City of Delta that the rezoning does not require a Metro 2040 regional land use designation amendment or a Regional Context Statement amendment.

### **E 1.3 2020 Agriculture Awareness Grant Recommendations      APPROVED**

The Board awarded the annual Agriculture Awareness Grants for a total amount of \$45,000 to the following twelve organizations. In the event that grant recipients are unable to deliver their programs in 2020 due to restrictions related to COVID-19, they will be allowed to use the funding in 2021.

- BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation, for the “Take a Bite of BC” project in the amount of \$5,000
- BC Association of Farmers' Markets, for the “Metro Vancouver Expansion: BC Farmers Market Trail” in the amount of \$5,000
- BC Chicken Growers' Association, for the “Poultry in Motion Educational Mini Barn” project in the amount of \$4,000

- DRS Earthwise Society, for the “Tomato Festival” in the amount of \$2,500
- Fraser Valley Farm Direct Marketing Association, for “Revitalizing BC Farm Fresh for Today’s Farm-Direct Customers” in the amount of \$4,000
- Growing Chefs Society, for “Metro Vancouver Classroom Gardening and Cooking Program” in the amount of \$4,000
- Haney Farmers Market Society, for the “Two Bite Club” project in the amount of \$2,000
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University Foundation, for “Farm School Knowledge Mobilization with First Nations” for the amount of \$4,000
- Langley Environmental Partners Society, for the “Langley Eats Local” project in the amount of \$5,000
- North Shore Neighbourhood House, for “Edible Garden Seed Saving Project” in the amount of \$5,000
- Richmond Food Security Society, for the “Groundswell – Building Awareness” project in the amount of \$3,100
- The Renfrew-Collingwood Food Security Institute for the “Harvest, Cook, Connect: Linking Newcomer Farmers & Consumers” in the amount of \$1,400

#### **E 1.4 Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future - 2019 Procedural Report**

**RECEIVED**

The Board received for information a report that documents the staffing and resources required to implement, administer and amend the regional growth strategy, and provides an annual procedural report on the operational performance of the Regional Planning Division.

#### **E 1.5 Metro 2040 Implementation Policy Review: Scope of Work**

**RECEIVED**

The purpose of the Metro 2040 Implementation Policy Review is to explore and identify the challenges and opportunities to enhance the regional growth strategy, taking into account the knowledge and experience gained from administering, implementing, and amending Metro 2040 since its adoption in 2011, as well as policy research, best practices, and input from member jurisdictions. The identified enhancements will be brought forward as recommendations for the update of the regional growth strategy over the 2021-2022 period. The Board received the report for information.

#### **E 1.6 Housing Agreement Implementation Workshop and Resource Guide**

**RECEIVED**

On January 30, 2020, Regional Planning hosted a Housing Agreement Implementation Workshop, as an opportunity for housing planners and other key stakeholders in the region to learn more about entering into, administering and enforcing Housing Agreements. The workshop offered an overview of a new Resource Guide developed by Metro Vancouver in partnership with BC Housing titled What Works: Securing Affordable and Special Needs Housing through Housing Agreements. A synopsis of the workshop and Resource Guide are included in this report. The Board received the report for information.

### **E 2.1 Audited 2019 Financial Statements**

**APPROVED**

Although there is unprecedented uncertainty due to COVID-19, the 2019 Audited Financial Statements illustrate that Metro Vancouver entered this period in a strong financial position with excellent liquidity and solid reserves following the Board policy. The statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards and have received an unqualified audit opinion by the external auditors, BDO Canada LLP. As noted in the Auditors' Report, it is the Auditors' opinion that these Financial Statements present fairly the financial position of the Metro Vancouver Districts and the Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation as of December 31, 2019, and the results of their financial activities and changes in their financial position for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

The Board approved the Audited 2019 Consolidated Financial Statements for the Metro Vancouver Regional District.

### **E 2.2 2019 Financial Results Year-End**

**RECEIVED**

The Board received for information the third and final financial performance report for 2019, containing the results for the year as compared to the annual budget. The final overall operational results for 2019 for Metro Vancouver's functions is a net surplus of close to \$21.3 million on an approved budget of \$836.4 million or slightly more than 2.5% of the budget. The results were positive for most functions with surpluses used to avoid debt or fund other projects.

### **E 3.1 Tynehead Regional Park - Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Licence of Use Agreement**

**APPROVED**

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) is interested in funding forest ecosystem restoration within Tynehead Regional Park as habitat compensation for one of their infrastructure projects and requires a licence agreement in order to implement. A Licence Agreement will allow MOTI to improve the ecological condition of 4.94 hectares of regional parkland by removing invasive plants and restoring with native vegetation. The agreement would be in place from August 1, 2020 until July 31, 2032, allowing two years for preparation and installation, and ten years of monitoring and maintenance.

The Board approved the Tynehead Regional Park Licence of Use Agreement between MVRD and MOTI for a 12-year term, commencing August 1, 2020 and authorized the Director, Properties on behalf of Metro Vancouver, to enter into, execute and deliver the agreement.

### **E 4.1 Greater Vancouver Regional Fund Annual Report as of December 31, 2019**

**RECEIVED**

TransLink has submitted an annual report containing historical information on active projects funded with federal gas tax funds through the Greater Vancouver Regional Fund (GVRF) as of December 31, 2019.

TransLink has successfully delivered the majority of the projects on or ahead of schedule with positive cost variances. Three projects are noted as experiencing delays exceeding three months. Approximately \$1.74 billion in GVRF funds is anticipated to contribute to the capital investments identified in the 2018 Phase

Two Investment Plan for the period 2018 to 2027. Assuming a renewal of the federal gas tax transfers in 2024, TransLink forecasts a GVRF balance of approximately \$255 million in 2027.

The Board received the report for information.

#### **E 5.1 Low Carbon Economic Stimulus Funding in Response to COVID-19**

**APPROVED**

The Board resolved to write letters to the provincial Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, and other appropriate government agencies to call for economic stimulus funding to be directed to low carbon initiatives, and to forward copies of each letter to member jurisdictions for information.

#### **G 1.1 Amendments to GVRD Air Quality Management Bylaw No. 1082, 2008**

**APPROVED**

This report brings forward housekeeping amendments to Metro Vancouver's main air quality management bylaw (Bylaw 1082), arising as a consequence of the Board's adoption of the Residential Indoor Wood Burning Emission Regulation Bylaw on March 27, 2020. The proposed amendments include changes to reflect the definitions included in the new residential wood burning bylaw, and a change to reference the more detailed requirements with respect to the control of emissions from residential indoor wood burning.

The Board gave first, second and third readings to the amending bylaw, then passed and finally adopted it.

#### **I 1 Committee Information Items & Delegation Summaries**

**RECEIVED**

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

#### **Regional Planning Committee – May 1, 2020**

Information Items:

#### **5.5 Social Equity in Regional Growth Management Phase 2 Study – Project Initiation**

The Social Equity in Regional Growth Management study is a two-year project aimed at developing a better understanding of how social equity can and should be considered in Metro Vancouver's long-range regional growth management policy planning. In 2019, the study focused on understanding how other jurisdictions are considering this topic and the gaps in Metro Vancouver's policies. The second phase, which is set to commence in the spring of 2020, will focus on data gathering, stakeholder engagement, and the development of recommendations for the development of an equity lens for Metro 2050, the update to the regional growth strategy.

#### **5.7 Metro 2040 Rural Policy Review – Scope of Work**

This report outlines the scope of the Metro 2040 Rural Policy Review including the questions and process for receiving feedback on the Rural land use designation and policies in Strategy 1.3 of Metro 2040. Staff will be seeking input from members of the Regional Planning Advisory Committee regarding potential

changes to the policies of Strategy 1.3. A key issue to resolve is developing a common definition of “rural use”.

### **5.8 Metro 2040 Housing Policy Review – Discussion Paper**

To support the development of Metro 2050, staff are reviewing the existing policies of Metro 2040 to identify opportunities to enhance the goals, strategies, and policy actions it contains. The key considerations from the Metro 2040 Housing Policy Review Discussion Paper, the completion of which is a key milestone in Phase 1 of the Policy Review, are summarized in this report. The Metro 2040 Housing Policy Review is one of several thematic policy reviews being undertaken to inform Metro 2050, the update to the regional growth strategy. The next steps in the Metro 2040 Housing Policy Review include a Housing Policy Forum, the inputs from which will be used to develop policy options for Regional Planning Committee members to consider in Phase 3 of the policy review process.

### **Performance and Audit Committee – May 6, 2020**

Information Items:

#### **5.1 Metro Vancouver Final Report**

Under provincial legislation, an external audit must be undertaken annually for all Metro Vancouver Districts and the Housing Corporation. The attached report, prepared by Metro Vancouver’s external auditors, BDO Canada LLP Chartered Accountants, summarizes the results of the annual audit for fiscal year 2019.

#### **5.6 Capital Program Expenditure Update as at December 31, 2019**

In 2019 Metro Vancouver’s Capital expenditures were approximately 78.5% of budgeted and were underspent by \$201.3 million. The majority of the capital program relates to Liquid Waste, Solid Waste, and Water with the underspending due primarily to the timing of expenditures differing from expectations with delays experienced in projects in the early stages of completion. The underspending in the 2019 Capital Budget resulted in a realization of a surplus in capital funding of \$10.3 million. This surplus, per policy, will be used in future years to fund capital and avoid debt.

#### **5.7 Investment Position and Returns – September 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020**

The annualized return for Metro Vancouver’s investment portfolio for 2019 was 2.78% or (2.57% including cash) for Short-Term, 2.42% for Long-Term and 2.70% for the Cultural Reserve Fund. Total investment income for 2019 was \$21.5 million on an average portfolio balance of \$849.5 million. Investment performance has met expectations for the current period. Due to the delay in the committee meeting, results and balance information have been included through March 31, 2020. Going forward, the overall rate of return is expected to decline notably in the next several months due to the current low yield environment as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic, and a significant portion of the portfolio being placed in short-term products and held in cash for liquidity.

#### **5.8 Tender/Contract Award Information – December 2019 to February 2020**

During the period December 1, 2019 and February 29, 2020, the Purchasing and Risk Management Division issued seventeen new contracts, each with a value in excess of \$500,000 (exclusive of taxes). In addition, there were seven existing contracts requiring contract amendments which necessitate further reporting to the Performance and Audit Committee.

Staff have inserted Supplementation General Conditions into existing competitions which identify the present and future challenges resulting from COVID-19 and seek to obtain assurances from the bidding community of their commitment to completing projects on time and on budget under these challenges. Meanwhile, Purchasing and Risk Management continue to seek process improvements through the implementation of an e-bidding solution which will result in better compliance and significant reduction in award processing time.

### **Regional Parks Committee – May 13, 2020**

Information Items:

#### **5.2 Regional Parks 2019 Annual Report**

This report provides an overview of Regional Parks visitor and facility use, programming, volunteering, and activities in 2019. The annual report will be used to support ongoing park planning by MVRD and local municipalities for capital planning, future facility development, program delivery, and resource management activities. In 2019, eleven regional parks and two regional greenways saw record levels of visitation, and total visitation increased to 11,935,000. More than 1,000 public programs, events and outreach activities inspired nearly 62,000 people, and close to 7,250 volunteers and park partners contributed over 22,000 hours to stewardship, education and interpretive programs. Over 80 hectares of new park land was added to the regional parks system.

### **Climate Action Committee – May 15, 2020**

Delegation Summary:

#### **3.1 Isaac Beevor and Katelyn Maki, Force of Nature Alliance**

Information Items:

#### **5.1 Adapting Air Quality and Climate Change Engagement During COVID-19**

Metro Vancouver continues to assess work plans on a case by case basis to determine if the COVID-19 pandemic response requires adjustments to any work plans, including engagement components. For air quality and climate change programs and initiatives, this means continuing with work plans that protect human health and the environment, but adjusting the approach to engagement.

Metro Vancouver is continuing to seek feedback on a series of Clean Air Plan and Climate 2050 Discussion Papers. Goals and targets in Metro Vancouver’s climate-related plans are science-based, and interim targets have a time horizon of less than ten years, so taking action now to avoid the worst impacts of climate change remains a priority. Staff are committed to meeting the timelines set out in the Committee’s work plan for Climate 2050 roadmap development, but with revised engagement plans and methods, and recognition of the varied circumstances for different audiences. Metro Vancouver is also revising engagement plans for regulatory development and other initiatives to align with the COVID-19 pandemic response.

#### **5.4 Clean Air Plan and Climate 2050 Discussion Paper on Agriculture**

Metro Vancouver is developing the Clean Air Plan to identify actions to reduce emissions of air contaminants, including greenhouse gases, in our region over the next 10 years. Metro Vancouver is also implementing Climate 2050, a long-term strategy to achieve a carbon neutral and resilient region over the next 30 years. A series of issue area discussion papers are being developed to support an integrated

engagement process for the Clean Air Plan and Climate 2050. The draft discussion paper on the agriculture issue area has been prepared and identifies goals and example actions for this source of air contaminants and greenhouse gases in our region, as well as hazards, metrics, and example actions for climate adaptation. Feedback from the public, stakeholders, and other governments will support the development of the Clean Air Plan and the Climate 2050 Roadmaps.

### **5.5 Climate 2050 and Clean Air Plan Discussion Paper on Nature and Ecosystems**

Metro Vancouver is implementing Climate 2050, a long-term strategy to achieve a carbon neutral and resilient region over the next 30 years. Metro Vancouver is also developing the Clean Air Plan to identify actions to reduce emissions of air contaminants, including greenhouse gases, in our region over the next 10 years. A series of issue area discussion papers are being developed, to support the engagement processes for Climate 2050, Metro 2050 and the Clean Air Plan.

The draft discussion paper presented here on the nature and ecosystems issue area identifies goals, hazards, and example targets and actions for climate change mitigation and adaptation. Feedback from the public, stakeholders, and other governments will support the development of the Climate 2050 Roadmaps, Metro 2050 and the Clean Air Plan.

## **Greater Vancouver Water District**

### **E 1.1 Award of Detailed Design Services, Cape Horn Section Resulting from RFP No. 18-101: Coquitlam Main No. 4 – South and Cape Horn Sections – Detailed Design, Construction and Commissioning Consulting Services** **APPROVED**

Coquitlam Main No. 4, consisting of the Central, South and Cape Horn Sections, will provide additional capacity from Coquitlam Lake and needs to be constructed and commissioned by 2026 to avoid impacting delivery of water to the southern and eastern areas of Metro Vancouver.

Detailed Design Services for the South Section was awarded to CH2M Hill Canada Limited (CH2M Hill) in September 2018. Metro Vancouver has been working with the Cities of Coquitlam and Port Coquitlam on finalizing the water main alignment, which has now been agreed to by both cities.

The Board approved the award of a contract for an amount of up to \$5,305,075 (exclusive of taxes) to CH2M Hill Canada Limited for Detailed Design for Coquitlam Main No. 4 – Cape Horn Section, subject to final review by the Commissioner; and authorized the Commissioner and the Corporate Officer to execute the required documentation once the Commissioner is satisfied that the award should proceed.

### **E 1.2 Award of Phase C - Construction Engineering Services for the Annacis Water Supply Tunnel** **APPROVED**

At its March 5, 2020 meeting, the Water Committee considered the report titled “Award of Phase C - Construction Engineering Services for the Annacis Water Supply Tunnel” dated February 26, 2020 and approved the report’s recommendation. The report was scheduled to be presented to the GVWD Board at

its March 27, 2020 meeting, but was withdrawn due to uncertainty about proceeding with large capital projects during the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff brought the report back through the Water Committee and Board.

The Board approved the award of Phase C, Construction Engineering Services in the amount up to \$17,881,271 (exclusive of taxes) to the Phase A and B project consultant, Hatch Corporation, for the Annacis Water Supply Tunnel (Request for Proposal No. 15-127), subject to final review by the Commissioner; and authorize the Commissioner and the Corporate Officer to execute the required documentation once the Commissioner is satisfied that the award should proceed.

## **E 2.1 Audited 2019 Financial Statements**

**APPROVED**

Although there is unprecedented uncertainty due to COVID-19, the 2019 Audited Financial Statements illustrate that Metro Vancouver entered this period in strong financial position with excellent liquidity and solid reserves following the Board policy. The statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards and have received an unqualified audit opinion by the external auditors, BDO Canada LLP. As noted in the Auditors' Report, it is the Auditors' opinion that these Financial Statements present fairly the financial position of the Metro Vancouver Districts and the Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation as of December 31, 2019, and the results of their financial activities and changes in their financial position for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. The Board approved the Audited 2019 Financial Statements for the Greater Vancouver Water District.

## **E 1.1 Committee Information Items**

**RECEIVED**

The Board received information items from the Water Committee.

### **Water Committee – April 30, 2020**

Information Items:

#### **5.1 GVWD 2019 Water Quality Annual Report**

For 2019, the Capilano, Seymour, and Coquitlam reservoirs were continually in service and provided excellent quality source water. Performance at the Seymour Capilano Filtration Plant and Coquitlam Water Treatment Plant was excellent with no primary disinfection interruptions. Bacteriological water quality was excellent in the GVWD transmission mains and in system reservoirs with secondary disinfection stations boosting chlorine as required. No E. coli was detected and disinfection by-products were below allowable concentrations. Both plants met or exceeded all Operating Permit criteria and water quality throughout the GVWD system met or exceeded the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality requirements.

#### **5.2 Water Supply Forecast and Water Consumption Update for Summer 2020**

This report summarizes the current state of source water supply and trends in water use and reflects current plans for operating the source reservoirs and water system this summer and fall. The existing snowpack, overall precipitation in the form of rainfall, and expected full source lake storage will be sufficient to ensure adequate water supply for the 2020 summer season. Peak day and winter water use continue to decrease while average day water use is starting to stabilize, indicating the importance of continued conservation

initiatives. Recent system improvements have increased the capacity of the transmission system to meet peak summer demands.

### **5.3 Water Services Capital Program Expenditure Update to December 31, 2019**

The capital expenditure reporting process as approved by the Board provides for regular status reports on capital expenditures 3 times per year. This is the year-end report for 2019 which includes both the overall capital program for Water Services with a multi-year view of capital projects and the actual capital spending for the 2019 fiscal year in comparison to the annual budget. In 2019, annual capital expenditures for Water Services were \$243.5 million compared to a capital budget of \$231.4 million. This difference has been funded through the application of accumulated surplus from capital underspends from prior years. Forecasted expenditures for the current Water Services capital program remain within the approved budgets through to completion.

### **5.5 2020 Water Regulations Communications and Regional Water Conservation Campaign**

Metro Vancouver undertakes several communications initiatives to support water conservation. Metro Vancouver communicated the May 1 watering regulations activation date via advertising and social media engagement across the region, and through a range of promotions and items distributed to members for public education and enforcement throughout the irrigation season. The 'We Love Water' regional water conservation campaign began May 19, with a mix of television, radio, outdoor, and digital advertising, and emphasizes water resource education as well as conservation messaging in the warmer and drier summer months. Creative materials and collateral were shared with members so they can support the campaign through their own communications channels.

## **Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District**

### **E 1.1 Audited 2019 Financial Statements**

**APPROVED**

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The Board approved the Audited 2019 Financial Statements for the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District.

### **E 2.1 Liquid Waste Services Capital Program Expenditure Update as at December 31, 2019**

**RECEIVED**

This report is the final of three capital expenditure progress reports for 2019. Liquid Waste Services underspent its annual Capital Budget by \$147.2 million. The variance is primarily due to delays to construction of two major projects and obtaining third party approvals in a timely manner. Although the

2019 Liquid Waste Services Capital Budget shows a year-end underspend, the variance is a result of cash flow timing. It is projected that in aggregate, ongoing capital projects will be close to or less than the overall budget for that project. Any surplus resulting from a 2019 underspend is used to directly fund capital in 2020 and avoid future borrowing. The Board received the report for information.

### **E 3.1 COVID–19 Update: Solid Waste Services**

**RECEIVED**

Solid Waste Services is monitoring and responding to COVID-19 developments and impacts on the regional solid waste system and Metro Vancouver’s solid waste facilities. Currently, the regional system is operating at near full-service levels with minor adjustments. April waste disposal tonnage was approximately 10% less than April 2019. Total solid waste facility visits are up approximately 10% as a result of increased small vehicle traffic. Metro Vancouver is engaging with member municipalities and other waste and recycling stakeholders on operational updates, communications to the public, and contingency plans resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. A number of these initiatives have been undertaken.

### **G 1.1 Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Development Cost Charge Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 339, 2020**

**APPROVED**

Utilization of Development Cost Charge’s are required to be approved by the GVS&DD Board by bylaw.

The Board gave first, second and third readings to Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Development Cost Charge Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 339, 2020, then passed and finally adopted said bylaw.

### **I 1.1 Committee Information Items**

**RECEIVED**

The Board received information items from Standing Committees.

#### **Performance and Audit Committee – May 6, 2020**

Information Items:

#### **5.4 Semi-Annual Report on GVS&DD Development Cost Charges**

In 2019, Metro Vancouver collected a total of \$60.2 million in GVS&DD Development Cost Charges (DCCs), up from \$32.1 million in 2018. This is due primarily to the rate increase which came fully into effect in May of 2019. Affordable housing development DCC waivers were approved in 2019 for a total of 946 units representing \$1.5 million in forgone revenue. Total DCCs held in reserve at December 31, 2019 was \$227.5 million.

#### **Liquid Waste Committee – May 14, 2020**

Information Items:

#### **5.3 2020 Regional Unflushables Campaign – Update**

The COVID-19 health restrictions have necessitated a rethinking of campaign approaches and timing. The campaign was originally planned to start in May, but the current increased purchasing of wipes and likely flushing of wipes and other items means that campaign messaging will be most effective now. While planned out-of-home elements (cinema, events, posters in washrooms and other locations, etc.) are currently less suitable options, there is an increased opportunity to reach people in their homes. Moving up the campaign's start date, focusing on TV/digital channels and highlighting wipes messaging allows the campaign to better reach residents and respond to current needs.

### **Zero Waste Committee – May 15, 2020**

Information Items:

#### **5.2 Solid Waste Services Capital Program Expenditure Update as of December 31, 2019**

This is the third in a series of three capital expenditure progress reports for 2019. Solid Waste Services is underspent in its annual Capital Budget by \$57.6 million. The variance is primarily due to timing of construction expenditures for projects in progress. Although the 2019 Solid Waste Services Capital Budget shows a year-end underspend, the variance is a result of cash flow timing. It is projected that in aggregate, ongoing capital projects are monitored to ensure they remain within total project budgets. Any surplus resulting from a 2019 underspend is used to directly fund capital in 2020 and avoid future borrowing.

#### **5.3 2019 and 2020 Food Scraps Recycling Campaign Results**

The 2019 and 2020 "Food Scraps Aren't Garbage" campaigns performed strongly, contributing to an increase in reported green bin use among residents in the region (now at 91%). While adoption of the program is high, updates were made to the well-known googly-eyed food face characters based on research findings that found some confusion around what is avoidable food waste as opposed to food scraps. New tactics were added and the website was updated, including information to help people better understand why we compost, alleviating confusion and providing the more specific info that residents seek. Analyzing social media data (e.g. from the "Green Bin Q&A") illustrated what the pain points are for residents. These learnings, among others, will inform future iterations of the FSR campaign. The food scraps recycling campaign continued in fall 2019 and winter 2020. The media strategy included both broad reach and targeted digital tactics, and delivered over 75 million impressions. Overall, 91% of residents now say they typically dispose of organic waste into the green bin. 30% of residents recall seeing or hearing the campaign advertising, which is the highest awareness level achieved since 2014. 36% of residents who saw the advertising message shared it with others.

## **Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation**

### **1.1 Audited 2019 Financial Statements**

**APPROVED**

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Corporation as of December 31, 2019, and the results of their financial activities and changes in their financial position for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

The Board approved the Audited 2019 Financial Statements for the Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation.

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

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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 [ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca](mailto:ClerksOffice@whiterockcity.ca) 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.

**THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, INCLUDING NOTED ON TABLE WAS RECEIVED BY 8:30 A.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2020 (TODAY).**

**4a. Response to item 4a, 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

The questions were forwarded to City staff, and are included as follows:

- Question 1: Submitted by the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations (attached)
- Question 2: At this time, the City is looking at ways of introducing Question and Answer period in an online format. Until then, Questions can continued to be submitted in this format, with the answers posted to the City’s website. All persons who submit a question will also be contacted and given an update with respect to the response
- Question 3: Submitted by the Director of Engineering and Municipal Operations (attached)

**From:** [Jim Gordon](#)  
**To:** [Clerk's Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Guillermo Ferrero](#); [Rosaline Choy](#); [Edward Wolfe](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Feedback Required: Question and Answer Period  
**Date:** June 16, 2020 4:17:46 PM  
**Attachments:** [Outlook-Email sign.png](#)

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“What is being done to get Coldicutt Ravine open again? Timeline?” Staff are working with the Provincial Disaster Financial Assistance program and affected Marine Drive property owners to address issues resulting from the recent slides in Coldicutt Ravine. It is hoped that these stability issues can be resolved before year end; however, this does not mean that reopening of the Coldicutt walkway will occur. In addition to stability issues, there are concerns that will likely preclude reopening of the trail. These include:

- Hazards from falling trees and tree limbs
- Damaged walkways
- First Nations known archaeological sites that make repairs problematic
- Transport Canada orders regarding restricting access to the BNSF railway tracks
- BNSF railway wishes to block access to their property and railway tracks
- Public safety issues with respect to fires on the beach

**From:** [Jim Gordon](#)  
**To:** [Emma Tuson](#); [Clerk's Office](#)  
**Cc:** [Guillermo Ferrero](#)  
**Subject:** Question and Answer - Revised Answer  
**Date:** June 16, 2020 4:38:42 PM

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Possibility of speed bump(s) on Nichol Rd just off Marine (btwn Marine and North Bluff) where people have been speeding significantly?"

Any proposed traffic safety initiative, such as speed bumps, should be carefully investigated taking into consideration the wishes of the community, Council Policy and any potential unintended consequences. If the traffic safety request appears consistent with Council Policy, a technical investigation should be undertaken reviewing the roadway geometrics, traffic volumes, traffic speeds, modal split (between buses, trucks, cars, cyclists, and pedestrians), emergency routes, road condition and any special situations (ex. frequent icy or wet road surfaces). The technical investigation is then considered within the context of Council Policy and public consultation from the community as a whole, not just the local area.

Typically, a series of these investigations and their interrelation are carried out as part of a Transportation Master Plan. White Rock currently has such a plan underway - your request will be added to the initiatives under consideration. The White Rock Plan, called the Integrated Transportation and Infrastructure Master Plan (ITIMP) is currently delayed due to COVID related restrictions on public meetings. The first of five public meetings has been held, the other four will take place and the new ITIMP concluded over the next year, COVID permitting.

Provided that the speed bump request is consistent with Council Policy, potential unintended consequences of speed bumps on Nichol Road need to be investigated and discussed with City Council and the White Rock community including; effects on emergency response, noise effects on neighbours adjacent to speed bumps through "banging" or acceleration/deceleration, motorist frustration, decreased goods movement efficiency and possible technical concerns. None of these is necessarily a "showstopper", but need to be considered by all stakeholders.

Ron Kistritz  
15870 Columbia Ave.  
White Rock, BC

**... D R A F T ...**

June 26, 2020

**RE: Dog on Promenade Pilot Project**

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please find enclosed a copy of my report entitled “*Usage and Non-Compliance Statistics on East Promenade*”. This report was prepared to offer robust, evidence-based, quantitative information pertaining to the Dogs on Promenade (DoP) pilot project. Its intention is to assist you in the final decision on whether or not to continue with DoP on an annual basis.

As a former member of the DoP task force, it was my original intention to undertake this work under the auspices and support of the task force. As you know, the task force rejected my recommendation to work under the guiding principle of the scientific method. Instead, the task force decided to follow a more pseudo-scientific, and subjective approach to assess the DoP pilot project.

The task force is almost entirely comprised of dog owners who are strong advocates of DoP. It became evident to me early on that it was the intention of the task force to select and favour evidence in support of their firm belief that DoP can and will be successful.

This left me no choice but to resign from the DoP task force in order to undertake an independent, objective, and science-based study far removed from the biased approach and political partisanship of the DoP task force.

My data collection and reporting was undertaken without prejudice on a *pro bono* basis for the benefit and consideration of all residents in White Rock. I trust that this report will fill a critical data gap in the DoP assessment process.

Please direct staff to distribute this report to the DoP task force and request that it be included in their assessment regarding the future of dogs on the promenade.

Sincerely,

Ron Kistritz

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**Dogs on the Promenade Pilot Project**

White Rock, BC

October 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020

**USAGE AND NON-COMPLIANCE STATISTICS ON  
EAST PROMENADE**

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**Prepared for:**

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**Prepared by:**

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April 30, 2020

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This document was prepared by Ron Kistriz for the benefit of mayor and council of White Rock, and the residents thereof.

The information, data, recommendations and conclusions contained in this report must be read as a whole and sections thereof should not be read out of such context. This observational study and report was prepared for the specific purpose as described in the Introduction, and Goals and Objectives, and was undertaken without prejudice and on a *pro bono* basis for the benefit and consideration of the residents of White Rock.

Ron Kistriz agrees that this report represents his professional judgement, but makes no other representations, or guarantees with any part thereof. Any injury, loss or damages arising from improper use of this report shall be borne by the party making such use.

This report can be downloaded at:

***<https://reports.white-rock.info/DoP.pdf>***

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report contains the results of an independent, observational study undertaken by Ron Kistriz on promenade usage and compliance statistics pertaining to the *Dogs on Promenade* (DoP) pilot project.

The rationale for this study was to provide objective and quantitative information that was essentially missing in the assessment undertaken by the DoP task force. One objective of this study was to measure the level of compliance with the city's Animal Control and Licensing bylaw by dog walkers using east promenade. Another objective was to measure the proportion of dog walkers using the promenade with respect to the total number of users.

Statistical results from this study are relevant to the decision-making process on whether to consider the DoP a success or failure. The empirical data collected in this study offer a more rigorous, accurate, and unbiased source of information than the subjective, qualitative information originating from online public surveys, testimonials, and anecdotes.

Key results of this study are as follows.

- During the DoP pilot project, one in four dog walkers committed a bylaw violation. Over the six month pilot project period, there was an average of 1,529 dog bylaw violations, which included off-leash dogs, not picking up after your dog, and dogs on the pier.
- A total of 309 dog walkers did not pick up after their dog. However, this result is a significant underestimate due to the ongoing effort by poop fairies and city parks staff to remove this evidence before it could be recorded. Another way to look at this issue is that 6,581 dogs were walked on east promenade during the pilot project. Several thousand of those dogs used the family picnic area between Finlay and Ash to deposit their excrement and urine.
- 1 in 12 dogs being walked on the promenade was off-leash. A total of 491 dogs were roaming free on the promenade during the pilot project.
- Bylaw officers recorded hundreds of dog walkers illegally entering the pier.
- Of the total number of promenade users, only 5.6% were dog walkers. This statistic is a significant departure from the city's purported 2 to 1 or 66% of White Rock residents being in favour of DoP – a result that originated from the January 2019 online public survey.

## INTRODUCTION

This report contains statistical data from an observational study undertaken on White Rock's east promenade during the *Dogs on Promenade* (DoP) Pilot Project. East promenade is the section between Finlay Street entrance to the pier. This independent study was undertaken by Ron Kistriz, a data scientist with more than 40 years of professional experience. The main rationale for the study was based on two main areas of concern.

The city's DoP assessment relied almost exclusively on subjective, qualitative information originating from public surveys, testimonials, and anecdotes. This left a critical information gap with respect to objective, quantitative information – the so-called metrics. Since any decision is only as good as the information it is based on, this information gap needed to be addressed by someone qualified and experienced to do so.

Right from the start, Mayor Walker reminded dog owners who use the promenade that it will be up to them to make sure that they do "*all the right things*" by following three basic rules if the dog trial is to be considered a success.<sup>1</sup>

- Pick up after your dog
- Absolutely no dogs ... zero ... none ... are allowed on the White Rock pier at any time
- Dogs must be leashed at all times

The importance of these basic rules to achieve a successful pilot project lead to two obvious question.

### **1) What was the level of compliance during the DoP pilot project?**

Another area of concern was that considerable credence and reliance had been placed on the questionable online public survey of January 2019<sup>2</sup>, which showed an overwhelming public support for DoP.

This in turn lead to the second question.

### **2) What was the actual level of participation by dog owners on the promenade?**

Both of these questions were examined on the basis of rigorous empirical data gathered by this observational study.

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1 Appendix 1: October 3, 2019 press release, Peace Arch News

2 Appendix 2: Discussion pertaining to the January 2019 on-line public survey

## GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

A major goal of this observational study was to demonstrate that hard data from a properly designed study offers much more valid, reliable, and meaningful information than qualitative data based on public surveys, anecdotes, or testimonials that were the primary source of information relied upon by the DoP task force.

The DoP task force was dominated by dog owning advocates of DoP, who were biased toward a successful outcome of the pilot project<sup>3</sup>, and who focussed almost exclusively on qualitative, subjective information from public surveys, testimonials, and anecdotes. Therefore, council would greatly benefit from unbiased, objective, statistical information to assist their decision on whether dogs should be allowed on the promenade beyond the trial period.

A key objective of this study was to test the accuracy of the purportedly overwhelming popularity of DoP among promenade users, as per the online survey results. Another important objective was to determine the level of compliance related to off-leash dogs, failure to pick up after your dog, and dogs on the pier.

## METHOD

East promenade was walked daily between Finlay Street and the pier from October 12, 2019 to March 31, 2020. Promenade users with and without dogs were counted in one direction only. Bylaw violations were also noted. In order to provide representative population samples, observations covered every day of the week, different times of the day, and different weather conditions.

The following variables were measured:

- Time of day
- Day of the week
- Air temperature
- Weather condition
- Number of Users with dogs (*Dog Walkers*)
- Number of Users without dogs (*Other Users*)
- Off-leash dog Violations
- Dog owners not picking up after their pet
- Dogs on the pier

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3 See Appendix 2 for a discussion on the DoP task force assessment methodology.

Sample medians such as dog walkers using the promenade represent the key metrics used to derive population parameters<sup>4</sup>, which were inferred using the following algorithm.

$$182(8*d*k)$$

... where  $d$  is the sample median per 13 minute sampling interval,  $k$  is a coefficient of 2 that conservatively approximates the turnover rate of the sample median per hour, 8 is a conservative estimate of the number of hours of promenade usage per day, and 182 is the number of days between October 1, 2019, and March 31, 2020.

The number of dog walkers counted in one direction during sampling represented one-half the promenade users. Rather than simply doubling that number to get the total number of users on the promenade, it was assumed that the majority of promenade users complete a circuit between Finlay and the pier. Otherwise there would have been an error introduced from double accounting.

To estimate the total number of dogs, that were on east promenade during the pilot project, the following algorithm was used to account for people walking one, two, or three dogs. No-one walking more than three dogs was observed.

$$D + 2(D*0.05) + 3(D*0.01)$$

... where  $D$  is the total median dog walkers for the pilot project period, plus a coefficient of 0.05 to account for people with two dogs, and a coefficient of 0.01 to account for people with three dogs.

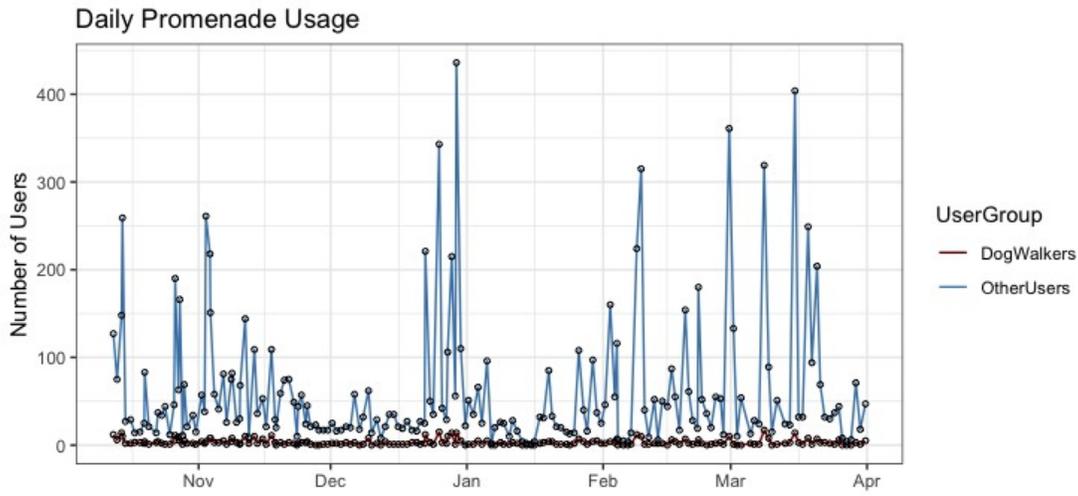
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4 A population parameter is a number that describes something about an entire group or population in inferential statistics.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Data Characteristics

Data characterization<sup>5</sup> is an integral aspect of statistics that can provide valuable insights into the pitfalls of relying too much on public opinions, testimonials, and anecdotes. People are prone to apply causal thinking inappropriately to situations that should require statistical thinking.



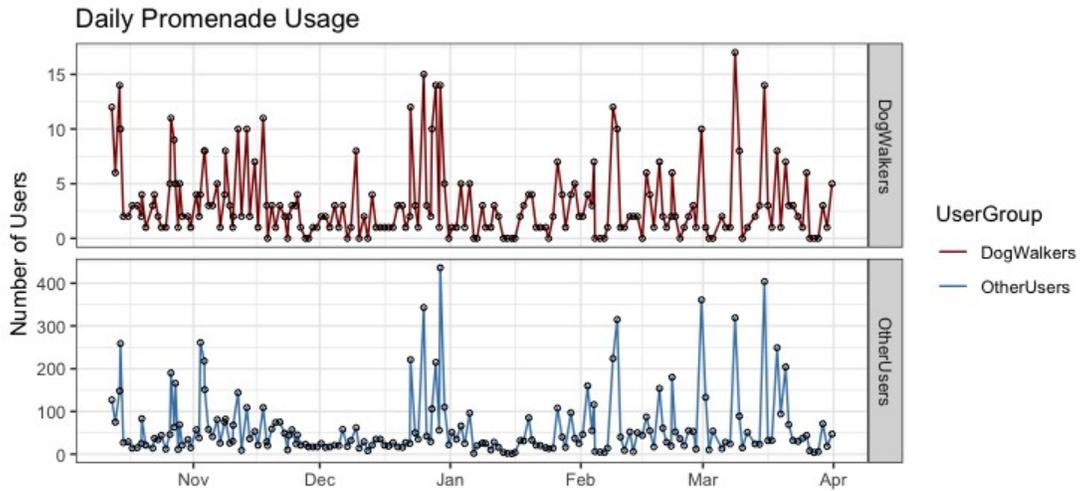
Promenade users were divided into two groups: *Dog Walkers*, and *Other Users*. The first data characteristic to note in the above graph is the sampling variability, which was very large.

Because of this large variability in the sampling data, casual observers on the promenade would tend to notice the most conspicuous evidence they need to fulfill their firm beliefs, or to reinforce their group affiliation. However, the truth is hidden in statistics such as the mean, median, and standard deviation that are revealed only with rigorous population sampling.

Unfortunately, statistical studies that provide base rate information (means, medians, standard deviations) will generally be ignored or rejected by people when it clashes with their personal experience or beliefs.

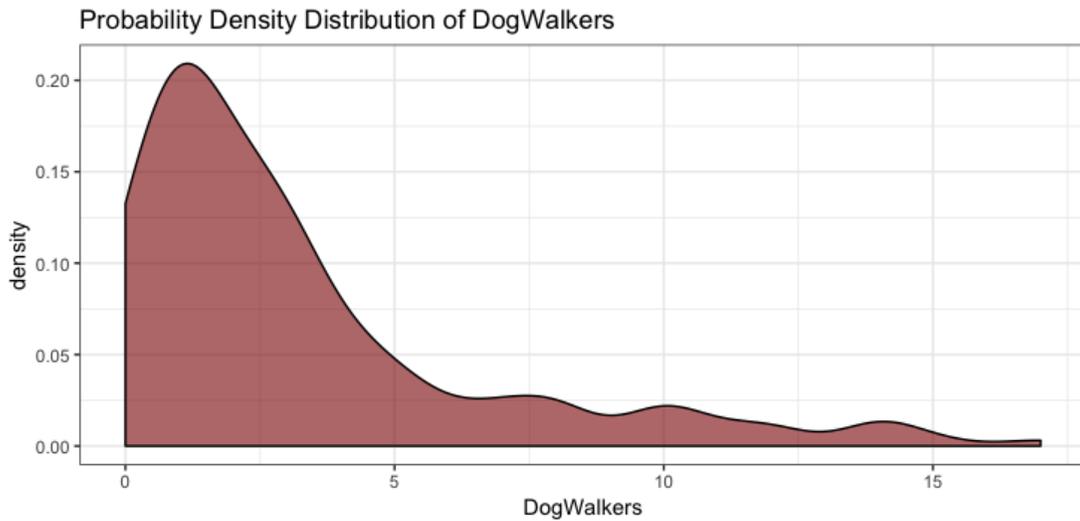
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5 See data summary in Appendix 3



Another important point is that data values for *Dog Walkers* and *Other Users* were separated by an order of magnitude. This is readily apparent in the above line graph, where the scale of the response variable has been adjusted to make it easier to see a side-by-side comparison of the two user groups.

Casual observations made on the promenade would miss the relationship between the different user groups because both the proponents and detractors of DoP tended to focus mostly on what they wanted to see – dogs. Yet, the percentage of dog walkers relative to the total number of promenade users was the most relevant parameter that became apparent only after rigorous population sampling.

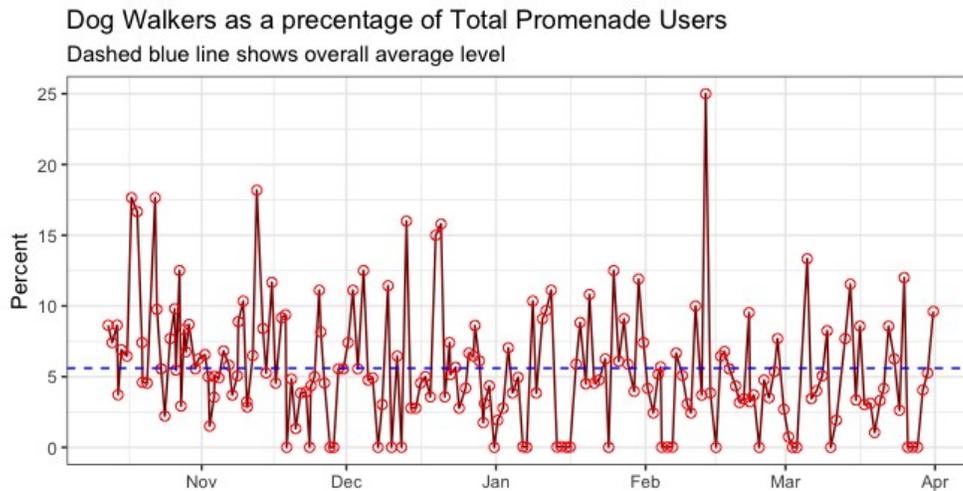


From the above graph it can be seen that the data are not normally distributed. This is an important consideration if the sampling results are to be used for statistical inferences. It is also important to recognize that the data are strongly skewed to the right due to data outliers that are far removed from the mean value.

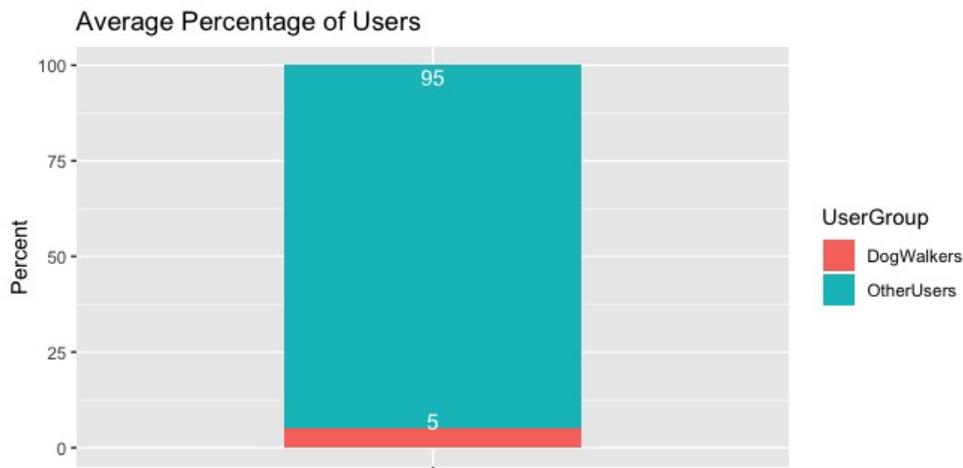
Data of this nature will easily mislead casual observers into either exaggerating or ignoring extreme values observed on the ground. This is because confirmation bias favours the uncritical acceptance of suggestions and exaggerations of the likelihood of extreme and unlikely events. Jumping to conclusions on the basis of limited and extreme evidence is the basis of intuitive thinking. It explains how we are able to make sense of partial information in a complex world, often without getting any closer to the truth.

## Dog Walkers as a Percentage of Total Promenade Users

The most effective way to assess the claim that DoP popularity, particularly by dog owners, was high, is to calculate the actual number of dog walkers as a percentage of total promenade users.



The above line graph shows the daily variations in the relative percentage of *Dog Walkers* ranging from 0 to 25%. The key statistic to recognize is the proportion of dog walkers relative to the total number of other promenade users, which was only 5.6% (blue dashed line)<sup>6</sup>.



The stacked bar graph dramatically shows just how small the percentage of *Dog Walkers* was in relation to the total promenade usage.

<sup>6</sup> The median number of Dog Walkers was divided by the median number of Other Promenade Users because medians more accurately reflect the central tendency of the data.

On average, *Dog Walkers* made up only 5.6% of the total number of promenade users.

This is an astonishingly low level of participation, given the enormous amount of preparation, publicity and promotion dedicated to DoP by the city, the task force, social media, and the local press.

This empirical result is also a complete contradiction of the public survey results of January 2019 that indicated that 2:1 were in favour of DoP, most of whom were dog owners.

One could argue that *Other Users* who were in support of DoP should also be counted. However, these users were not exclusive and direct beneficiaries of DoP, and they used the promenade regardless of whether dogs were present or not. Moreover, *Other Users* displaced and missing from the promenade due to their strong objections about DoP would make the inclusion of a small number of DoP supporting non-dog owners a zero sum calculation.

From these results, it is legitimate to conclude that the DoP movement was driven by a small, well-organized, self-serving, local dog lobby. By rallying global support via social media, DoP was turned into a popular movement among dog advocates – most of whom rarely, if ever used the promenade during the pilot project.

## Compliance with White Rock Bylaw No. 1959

Success or failure of compliance with the city's dog bylaw depends on two important questions:

1. What is an acceptable and appropriate level of non-compliance on the promenade?
2. What **was** the level of non-compliance on the promenade during the pilot project, and did it meet the target of acceptability?

The first question can only be answered by residents of White Rock, provided **proper** questions are posed in a **random** survey that reaches out to a known target. To be relevant and meaningful, everyone participating in such a survey must be aware of all the costs, risks, and benefits of DoP.

The answer to the second question was inferred from the observational data collected in this study as discussed below.

### Dogs must be on a leash.



Keeping your dog on a leash is required by law in all public spaces of White Rock. However, in spite of this law, violations occur regularly on city sidewalks, parks, playgrounds, schoolyards, beaches, and now on the promenade.

Of the 611 dog walkers observed during sampling, 52 had their dog off-leash. Therefore, 1 in 12 dog walkers had their dog off-leash, which means that 491 dogs<sup>7</sup> were roaming freely on the promenade during the pilot project.

This is an alarming statistic considering the risk that almost 500 free roaming dogs pose to other promenade users and leashed dogs confined in this restricted public corridor – and this in spite of the large media attention and signage committed to the DoP pilot project.

All of these off-leash dog incidents were a flagrant and wanton breach of the law with total disregard to the health and safety of other promenade users.

<sup>7</sup> This numbers was derived using the sample median and the algorithm described on page 6 of this report.

## Pick up after your dog.



Picking up after your dog is a legal requirement in all public areas of White Rock. Unfortunately, violations occur regularly, as they did on the promenade.

Observations made on east promenade indicated that 309 dog walkers did not bother to pick up after their dog. However, only a small number of these violations were actually observed and recorded due to the ongoing efforts of the poop fairies and parks staff who regularly removed the smelly evidence. The actual amount of non-compliance was much higher than what was observed in this study.

Another way of looking at this problem is to realize that 6,581<sup>8</sup> dogs used east promenade during the pilot project, and many of these dogs defecated and urinated in the family picnic area between Finlay and Ash Street.



Most residents and visitors would agree that it is unacceptable and totally inappropriate to allow this popular picnic area to be used as a dog toilet by thousands of dogs. This public health risk and abhorrent situation will ultimately deter residents and visitors alike from enjoying this beautiful location for its intended purpose – to enjoy a family picnic on the grass, without having to think or worry about dog excrement.

Most progressive municipalities forbid dogs from entering picnic areas, and White Rock should do the same.

<sup>8</sup> This numbers was derived using the sample median and the algorithm described on page 6 of this report.

## Dogs on the Pier



At the start of the pilot project, Mayor Walker was adamant that no dogs be allowed at any time on the White Rock Pier. As the mayor said – “*Absolutely no dogs – none – zero*”.<sup>9</sup>

Signs were posted all along the pier indicating that no dogs are allowed. However, many dog walkers simply ignored these signs. There were also reports of off-leash dogs, and people not picking up after their dog on the pier.

The city was so concerned about this problem that two bylaw officers were regularly stationed at the pier entrance to dissuade dog walkers from entering the pier. According to bylaw records, between one and two hundred dog walkers were counted trying to enter the pier. The actual number during the pilot project is most likely much higher, but no accurate records were kept.

Keeping dogs off the pier was not successful, and will be an ongoing problem especially during times of high traffic because of the popularity of the pier to residents and visitors alike.

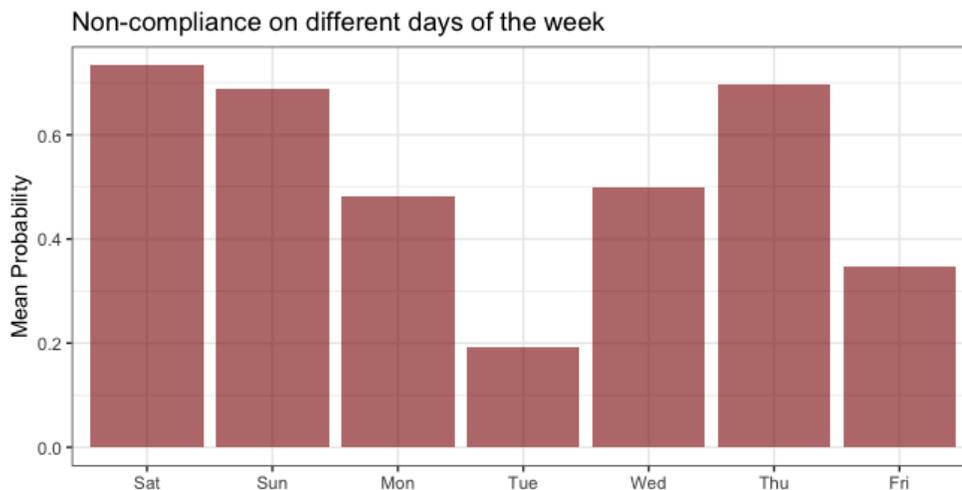
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9 See Appendix 1

## Summary of Non-Compliance

During the observational study, there was a 0.31 probability<sup>10</sup> (ca. 1 in 3 chance) of encountering one or **more** dog violations along east promenade. Violations ranged from 0 to 6 per promenade visit.

Saturday, Sunday, and Thursday, were the worst days for stepping into a dog mess or seeing an off-leash dog running free, as shown in the following bar graph.



There was a median of 8.4 dog violations per day, or 1,529 violations for the entire pilot project period<sup>11</sup>.

These startling statistics prove that the subjective confidence of the DoP task force was too high and uninformative to provide a reliable and meaningful conclusion concerning the success or failure of DoP. Claims for correct intuition in a situation such as DoP where there was a lot of uncertainty, variability, and randomness are self-delusional. Subjective confidence is a poor index of the accuracy of a judgement, and a poor substitute for a rigorous and objective assessment method.

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10 The probability of observing any number of dog violation of any kind on any given day was based on the number of days when there were infractions divided by the total number of sampled days.

11 These numbers were derived using the sample median and the algorithm described on page 6 of this report.

## CONCLUSION

Highly controversial public surveys and forums are often dominated by self-serving, special interest groups. Even at the best of times it is very difficult to accurately poll a large population like White Rock. Therefore, public surveys and public opinions should not be solely relied upon to decide on what's in the best interest of the entire community. The objective, quantitative results of this study clearly show that the January 2019 public survey grossly overestimated the popularity of DoP.

Unfortunately, from a political standpoint where votes are paramount, public opinion often carries more weight in the decision making process than do hard data. This is especially so if the empirical evidence does not support the firm beliefs of political partisan supporters who are given the authority to influence the decision making process as was the case with the DoP task force.<sup>12</sup>

The level of compliance by dog walkers on the promenade proved to be disappointing. This unacceptable lack of compliance was in spite of the large media exposure of DoP, bylaw signs posted everywhere, free dog poop bags, peer pressure, social media comments, flyers and brochures, stepped up bylaw patrols, increased attendance by parks staff, and the fact that almost all dog walkers knew that they were on probation<sup>13</sup>.

Once the probation period is over and surveillance is reduced, and if DoP becomes a regular occurrence, it must be anticipated that the non-compliant behaviour of dog walkers will only get worse.

I trust that the statistical results from this study will provide an improved perspective on the results of the DoP pilot project.

Key conclusions<sup>14</sup> pertaining to the pilot project on east promenade include the following:

- There were 1,529 dog bylaw violations during the DoP pilot project
- Approximately 1 in 4 dog walkers committed a violation
- Many of the 6,581 dogs on east promenade, used the family picnic area as their toilet
- There was a 31% chance of observing a dog bylaw violation on any given day
- 309 dog walkers did not pick up after their dog
- 491 dogs roamed free on the promenade
- 1 in 12 dogs were off-leash
- Bylaw officers observed hundreds of dog walkers illegally entering the pier
- Only 5.6% of all promenade users consisted of dog walkers

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12 See Appendix 2 for an example of the DoP task force partisanship and bias

13 Probation is a trial period for testing and observing the character and abilities of a person (i.e. dog walker) to determine if they deserve the temporary benefit and privilege granted to them for a longer period of time.

14 Derivation of the various conclusions are explained fully in the body of this report.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Data collected in this study can be used to make further statistical inferences based some of the following examples:

- What was the difference between weekend and weekday promenade usage?
- Did free weekday parking have an effect on promenade usage?
- Was there a relationship between promenade use and factors grouped by time of the day, days of the week, or months, etc.?
- Was there a trend in promenade usage over time?
- What was the trend of dog violations over the trial period?
- At what time of the day, day of the week, or months were dog violations most abundant?

## APPENDIX 1

### Doggy dilemma: White Rock mayor says fate of dog trial in hands of owners

Mayor said he's concerned a number of people are 'going to somehow sewer this entire process'

AARON HINKS / Oct. 3, 2019 4:34 p.m. / LOCAL NEWS / NEWS



City of White Rock Mayor Darryl Walker says the dogs-on-the-promenade pilot project will not be extended if owners are not taking responsibility for their pets.

On the third day of the experiment, Walker contacted *Peace Arch News* to stress the responsibilities of dog owners who take their pooch to the popular walkway.

"We want to make sure that we're clear with people so that they understand what their roles and responsibilities are," Walker said Thursday, adding that there are a number of rules, but three major ones.

"Pick up after your dog. If your dog has a job to do down there, then so do you," Walker said.

Walker added that dogs are not allowed, at any time, on the White Rock Pier.

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"Absolutely no dogs. None, zero, on the pier. It's off limits. Signs show that, people should know that, and yet people think it's cute on Facebook to say 'here's me and my dog, he loved to walk on the pier today,'" Walker said.

Thirdly, dogs must be on a leash – no longer than three-metres – at all times.

"Our point is, you have to help us make this successful if you want it to run beyond the six month trial period," Walker said.

## APPENDIX 2

### **On-line Public Survey**

The following points highlight fatal flaws of the January 2019 on-line, public survey.

#### **Unknown Target Population**

The target population was not defined. It was entirely unclear as to who the survey was supposed to reach out to – residents only, residents and visitors, residents and everyone else, or only promenade users.

#### **Leading and Incomplete Questions**

The questions: *Are you in favour of DoP* was a leading questions because without realizing that the question has difficult implications, the heuristic answer that immediately comes to mind is “yes”. Dogs evoke strong emotions in people and dog-related messages show up everywhere (advertising, movies, mass media, etc.). When it comes to public surveys, people make judgements and decisions by consulting their emotions. *How do I feel about it* is a much easier and more common response to a question than *what do I think about it*.

#### **Selection Bias**

Because the target population was not defined, there was also no way of finding out if the sample population matched the target population. As it turned out, people participating in the online survey (the sample population) were dominated by highly motivated dog owners who were part of a well organized local and global dog lobby. This selection bias significantly skewed the survey results.

#### **Non-Random Sampling**

Convenient on-line sampling was used to make the survey quick, easy, and cheap. On-line surveys are non-random, and therefore lack credibility and reliability. When it comes to accurate and meaningful public surveys, you get what you pay for. Non-random surveys are notoriously error prone.

#### **Margin of error**

Because sampling was non-random, and because the target population was not defined, there was no reliable way to calculate the margin of error. As such, it was impossible to know the accuracy of the survey.

#### **Duplication of responses**

Due to the anonymity of the online survey, replicate responses were unavoidable. Anonymity on the internet also made it impossible to have a controlled and defined sample population since anyone from anywhere in the world had access to the survey.

For all of the above reasons, the January 2019 public survey results led to a biased and misleading result concerning the public support of DoP.

## **DoP Task Force and Assessment Process**

There were a number of reasons why the DoP assessment process was seriously flawed and biased.

### **Membership**

Having a DoP task force that was supposed to be impartial, but was in fact comprised of members who were themselves dog owners and strong advocates of DoP can only be viewed as being hopelessly biased.

### **Facilitation**

Given the deeply divisive impacts of DoP among White Rock residents, if ever there was a task force in need of an impartial and independent facilitator, it was the DoP task force. Instead, it was overseen by two dog owning councillors, both of whom voted in favour of DoP. This was a clear conflict of interest that smacked of political partisanship.

### **Assessment Methodology**

The DoP assessment was not based on anything robust or objective, but rather consisted of a marketing and promotion scheme aimed at “*selling*” the DoP concept to council and ultimately the residents of White Rock. Public opinions, testimonials, and anecdotes were highlighted to emphasize the positive nature of DoP. Negative factors such as bylaw violations were considered a temporary inconvenience that could be mitigated by public awareness and education, bylaw patrols, and clean up efforts by staff and volunteers. The most serious negative impacts related to public health and the environment were ignored or dismissed.

For many residents of White Rock, the assessment approach used by the DoP task force instilled a total lack of confidence and public trust.

### APPENDIX 3

#### Data Summary of All Observations

	n <sup>15</sup>	sd	Min.	1 <sup>st</sup> Qu.	Median	Mean	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qu.	Max.
TotalUsers	187	79.6	1.0	20.5	36.0	65.2	71.5	450
OtherUsers	187	76.7	1.0	20.0	34.0	61.9	67.0	436
DogWalkers	187	3.5	0.0	1.0	2.0	3.3	4.0	17.0

n = number of observations

sd = standard deviation

Min = minimum

Qu. = quartile

Max = maximum.

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15 Observations between October 12, 2019 and March 31, 2020 including 15 days of replicate observations.



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The COVID-19 crisis has shaken and unsettled our communities both locally and nationwide in ways that, just weeks ago, few of us could have imagined. While the pandemic is far from over, and while it has brought unprecedented economic and financial upheaval across the country and at all levels of society, we can nonetheless look forward to a phase of public investment, dynamic recovery, and revitalization of our social safety net in the coming months.

This will be a time when we must choose between either simply reconstructing our society as it was, with all of its frailties, before disaster struck, or else seizing this watershed moment in Canadian history to build a society that is fundamentally better than ever before – kinder, fairer, and even more productive as a whole. This turning point is our nation’s crucial opportunity to build toward a “*new normal*” that entails a fundamental step up; in which the poorest and most vulnerable members of our Canadian family are, through an innovative renaissance in social support, lifted up out of homelessness, dire poverty, food insecurity, and social isolation.

While the challenge of homelessness has always been with us, the numbers have worsened in recent decades, worsened by the commodification of our most basic housing on the global stage, and compounded by substance dependence. As we all know, poverty and economics are but one side of the coin. Through cuts and closures, governments since the late 1960s have systematically abandoned folks suffering from debilitating or long-term mental illness or trapped in the cycles of poverty.

Large-scale supportive housing arrangements – such as Riverview Hospital in Coquitlam, BC – were all but shut down in the decades since, sending out, onto the streets, countless members of our society who struggle with severe mental health problems, unable to care for themselves. As the number of funded beds and supported patients decreased, homelessness has surged, and this inhumane treatment has blighted our communities with a level of needless and unjustifiable suffering that shames us all as fellow Canadians.

With the immediate COVID-19 crisis coming to a close, the emergency supports that have managed to rapidly and effectively house thousands of homeless individuals in BC for the past few months seem likely to close as well. We risk repeating history, and sending the same message sent by governments in the past to our most vulnerable: *Get out, and good luck.*

**We - the undersigned - call upon the Government of Canada and the Government of British Columbia to use the coming period of social reordering and economic rebuilding as a vital opportunity to move Canada's blight of homelessness from out of our challenged present and our bright future, and into the shadows of the past where it belongs.**

A decisive program to erase homelessness will bring diverse benefits, and not just to those wandering our city byways, but to the rest of Canadian society as well. Getting people off the streets and into stable housing, or into supportive facilities with treatment and care programs, will help those in need, will reduce general poverty, will cut crime, will advance public health objectives while lowering medical service costs, will create much needed employment in a time of recession, will increase our region's tourism and business development appeal, and will make our cities more safe and inviting, all while enabling a new generation of active participants in our society, and economy.

Finally, the cost of inaction is great. Study after study has shown beyond doubt that the burden placed on our healthcare services, law enforcement, judicial, and other public systems far outweighs the costs of simply housing those in need and giving them a fighting chance in our increasingly competitive, globalized economy. But beyond these highly practical reasons, is a deeply philosophical one: If not now, then when? When *will* we, as a nation and as communities, take this baby step in becoming the fair, clean, and futuristic society envisioned in popular culture of days past? And if that bright destiny is not ours, then frankly, what is the purpose of our society?

Just as the software on your phone, tablet, or computer periodically asks you to stop and do an upgrade, this is one of those crucial turning points in the life of a society that calls upon our national community to use the pause we have all been forced into to step up to a better system of operation. Steeped in this crisis, all levels of government today may feel they've already got their hands full and, as for homelessness, a first impulse may be to click the "*Remind me later*" button.

It is our hope that, instead, you will act.



Mayor Rob Vagramov  
City of Port Moody



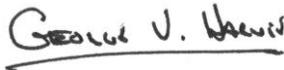
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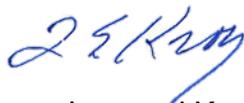
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MLA Ralph Sultan – West Vancouver – Capilano  
MLA Jordan Sturdy – West Vancouver – Sea to Sky  
MLA Tracy Redies – Surrey – White Rock  
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Tsawwassen First Nation Legislature  
City of Burnaby Council  
Township of Langley Council  
Corporation of Delta Council  
City of Kelowna Council  
City of Victoria Council  
City of Nanaimo Council  
City of New Westminster Council  
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District of West Vancouver Council  
City of Langley Council  
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MAYOR DARRYL WALKER  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
WHITE ROCK, BC CANADA

June 26, 2019

To the Union of British Columbia Municipalities:

**RE: PROPOSED VACANCY TAX**

On June 24, 2019, White Rock City Council considered a corporate report from the Director of Financial Services titled "Proposed Vacancy Tax" (attached). Discussions stemming from this report reinforce the need for local governments to address this matter directly.

I am writing on behalf of White Rock City Council, to canvass your support of our resolution requesting UBCM work with the Province in amending the *Community Charter*. If supported, the amendment would permit municipalities the authority to impose, by bylaw, an annual vacancy tax on taxable residential and commercial properties. The City of Vancouver has set a precedent for this authority through the *Vancouver Charter*. Our resolution reads as follows:

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 the City of White Rock request 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*.

We believe that providing local governments this authority is one step closer towards addressing BC's affordable housing crisis.

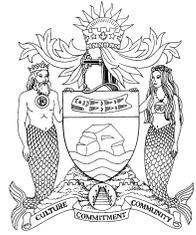
A copy of the resolution has been included with this correspondence for inclusion in your agenda packages.

We appreciate your time in considering our request, and look forward to connecting at the UBCM Convention this Fall.

Sincerely,

Darryl Walker  
Mayor

THE CORPORATION OF THE  
**CITY OF WHITE ROCK**  
CORPORATE REPORT



**DATE:** June 24, 2019  
**TO:** Governance and Legislation Committee  
**FROM:** Sandra Kurylo, Director of Financial Services  
**SUBJECT:** Proposed Vacancy Tax

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**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Governance and Legislation Committee receive for information the corporate report dated June 24, 2019 from the Director of Financial Services, titled “Proposed Vacancy Tax”.

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**INTRODUCTION**

This corporate report is in follow-up to Council’s resolution of January 28, 2019, that directed staff to prepare a corporate report on a proposal that the City of White Rock implement a vacancy tax, similar to the City of Vancouver, with certain considerations. The motion states that the proposed vacancy tax be 5% of the tax assessed level of the property municipal levy on commercial and residential properties and include a 2.5% municipal levy on the sale of assignments (“flipping”). As well the motion states that all such receipts be earmarked for the acquisition and construction of affordable (or below market rate) housing in White Rock.

**ANALYSIS**

The first step in considering a plan for a vacancy tax is to determine if the City has the legal authority to impose it. The City has confirmed that, with the exception of the City of Vancouver who have their own Charter, local governments in British Columbia do not have the authority to impose a vacancy tax.

Section 193 (1) of the *Community Charter* states that a municipality may not impose a tax unless it is expressly authorized to do so by statute. The *Community Charter* provides the City with the authority to impose certain types of taxes, such as property value taxes, parcel taxes and local services taxes. However, there is no express authority in the *Community Charter* to impose a vacancy tax.

Unlike other municipalities in the province, the City of Vancouver is governed by the *Vancouver Charter*, rather than the *Community Charter*. Prior to imposing a vacancy tax, it was first necessary for them to work with the Province, to amend the *Vancouver Charter* granting them the authority to impose a vacancy tax. This was done as of July 2016.

If White Rock Council wanted to pursue a similar amendment to the *Community Charter*, an appropriate process would be through a UBCM resolution. The deadline for submitting

resolutions to the UBCM for debate at their fall conference is June 30, 2019. There are specific requirements for the drafting of such resolutions, and they must be adopted by the respective municipal councils before being submitted.

UBCM staff have advised that if resolutions are received past the June 30 deadline, they will be reported to the "Resolutions Committee" but not necessarily recommended to go forward for debate at the conference. All late resolutions are published and distributed to conference attendees, for information.

Another option is to submit a Council endorsed resolution to the LMLGA 2020 spring conference, which if supported, will be forwarded to the 2020 UBCM conference for consideration, if the City wishes.

**CONCLUSION**

It is recommended that the information contained in this corporate report be received.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Kurylo  
Director of Financial Services

**Comments from the Chief Administrative Officer:**

This corporate report is provided for information.



Dan Bottrill  
Chief Administrative Officer

## **RESOLUTION FOR UBCM FOR CONSIDERATION**

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