

Meeting Minutes

Governance and Finance Committee

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

10:00 AM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

Special Meeting

PRESENT

Directors: S. Brice (Chair), D. Blackwell, B. Desjardins, K. Murdoch, G. Orr, M. Tait, K. Williams

Staff: R. Lapham, Chief Administrative Officer; N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer; K. Lorette, General Manager, Planning and Protective Services; K. Morley, General Manager, Corporate Services; S. Henderson, Manager, Real Estate; E. Sinclair, Planner, Regional and Strategic Planning; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

Regrets: Directors D. Howe (Vice-Chair), B. Isitt, J. Ranns, R. Windsor, C. Plant

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Chair Brice provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED by Director Blackwell, SECONDED by Director Tait,
That the agenda for the July 29, 2020 Governance and Finance Committee
meeting be approved.
CARRIED**

3. Presentations/Delegations

There were no Presentations or Delegations.

4. Special Meeting Matters

4.1. [20-444](#) Sale of 808 and 836 Viewfield Road Properties

N. Chan spoke to item 4.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- directors' appreciation of staff on managing a controversial property purchase resulting in a financial benefit to taxpayers
- cost and proceeds allocation by percentage

MOVED by Director Blackwell, SECONDED by Director Desjardins,

The Governance and Finance Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the net proceeds from the sale of 808 and 836 Viewfield in Esquimalt, BC, be used to reduce future borrowing requirements of the Core Area Wastewater Treatment service.

CARRIED

4.2. [20-432](#) Regional Role in Economic Development

B. Lapham spoke to item 4.2.

Discussion ensued on the CRD's role in South Island Prosperity Partnership.

MOVED by Director Murdoch, **SECONDED** by Director Williams,

The Governance and Finance Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the Regional Role in Economic Development report be received for information.

CARRIED

4.3. [20-446](#) Diversity and Inclusion Statement - Response to Notice of Motion

K. Morley spoke to item 4.3.

Discussion ensued on the statement being a heading on committee agendas.

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,

The Governance and Finance Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the following diversity and inclusivity statement be included on the agenda cover for each of the Capital Region Housing Corporation, Capital Regional Hospital District and Capital Regional District Boards and each of the standing committees of those Boards:

The Capital Regional District strives to be a place where inclusion is paramount and people are treated with dignity, regardless of race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or economic status.

We are grateful for the efforts underway in our community while recognizing our ongoing responsibility to create a safe space for everyone to be heard. We pledge to make our meetings a place where all feel welcome and respected.

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,

That the statement be amended to add the word "all" after "...inclusion is paramount and" and before "people are treated with dignity."; and remove the words "regardless of race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or economic status.

We are grateful for the efforts underway in our community while recognizing our ongoing responsibility to create a safe space for everyone to be heard." after "people are treated with dignity."

CARRIED

The question was called on the main motion as amended.

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,

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CARRIED

5. Notice(s) of Motion

Director Orr, with support from Directors Helps and Taylor, provided a verbal Notice of Motion for consideration at the September 2, 2020 Governance and Finance Committee meeting:

“That the Governance and Finance Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:

That staff be directed to explore new youth engagement opportunities within the CRD, including consideration of collaboration with public secondary and post-secondary education institutions and municipalities.”

6. Motion to Close the Meeting

There was no Motion to Close the Meeting.

7. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Blackwell, **SECONDED** by Director Desjardins,
That the July 29, 2020 Governance and Finance Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:24 am.

CARRIED

Chair

Recorder