

Meeting Minutes

Hospitals and Housing Committee

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

1:30 PM

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

PRESENT

Directors: K. Murdoch (Chair), J. Caradonna (Vice Chair), M. Alto, P. Brent (EP), S. Brice,
Z. de Vries (EP) (1:40PM), G. Holman (EP) (1:32PM), D. Kobayashi, L. Szpak, C. Stock (for P. Jones)

Staff: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; N. Chan, Chief Financial Officer; K. Lorette, General Manager, Planning and Protective Services; R. Fowles, Manager, Construction & Capital Projects, Regional Housing; S. Grigg, Manager of Operations, Regional Housing; N. Kawata, Manager, Housing Initiatives & Programs; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Directors P. Jones, C. McNeil-Smith, C. Plant

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Chair Murdoch provided a Territorial Acknowledgment.

2. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED by Director Alto, SECONDED by Director Kobayashi,
That the agenda for the April 5, 2023 Hospitals and Housing Committee meeting
be approved.
CARRIED**

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [23-267](#) Minutes of the March 1, 2023 Hospitals and Housing Committee Meeting

**MOVED by Alternate Director Stock, SECONDED by Director Szpak,
That the minutes of the Hospitals and Housing Committee meeting of March 1,
2023 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED**

4. Chair's Remarks

There were no Chair's remarks.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. [23-213](#) Implications of Proposed Changes to Land Banking and Housing Service

K. Lorette introduced staff in attendance. N. Chan presented Item 6.1. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- the rationale for additional land banking to advance affordable housing
- the implications of the bylaw approval process timeline

MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Brent,
The Hospitals and Housing Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

1. That staff be directed to bring forward a report with an amendment to Bylaw No. 3712, "Land Assembly, Housing and Land Banking Service Establishment bylaw No. 1, 2010" to increase the allowable annual maximum requisition by \$5 million to \$10 million; and
2. Create a loan authorization bylaw to enable the financing of up to \$85 million from the increase of the allowable annual maximum requisition of \$5 million.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- housing strategy and priorities
- financial planning process

Director Brice left the meeting at 2:20 pm.

MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Alto,
That the previous question on the main motion be called.

CARRIED

Opposed: Holman, Murdoch, Szpak

The question was called on the main motion:

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CARRIED

OPPOSED: Kobayashi, Murdoch, Szpak, Stock

Director Alto left the meeting at 2:28 pm.

6.2. [23-252](#) Reaching Home Program

K. Lorette presented Item 6.2. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- work being done to streamline the Coordinated Access and Assessment process
- Electoral Areas having access to these programs
- integration, privacy, and security of these systems

6.3. [23-240](#) Regional Housing First Program: Project Update, First Quarter, 2023

K. Lorette presented Item 6.3. for information.

Discussion ensued on the implications of equity contributions.

6.4. [23-250](#) Capital Region Housing Corporation Operational Update - First Quarter 2023

K. Lorette presented Item 6.4. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- the average wait list time for seniors
- steps the Board can take to facilitate shorter wait list times

6.5. [23-251](#) Major Capital Plan Status Report - First Quarter 2023

K. Lorette presented Item 6.5. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- advancing the identified redevelopment projects
- the Zero Carbon Step Code and BC Housing Design guidelines for new builds

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no notice(s) of motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

**MOVED by Director Kobayashi, SECONDED by Alternate Director Stock,
That the April 5, 2023 Hospitals and Housing Committee meeting be adjourned at
3:15 pm.
CARRIED**

CHAIR

RECORDER