



# Environment Committee 2025 Work Plan

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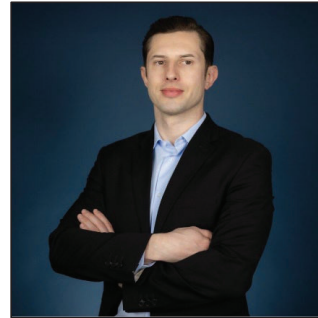
# Environment Committee Members



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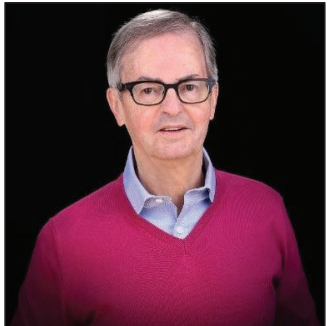
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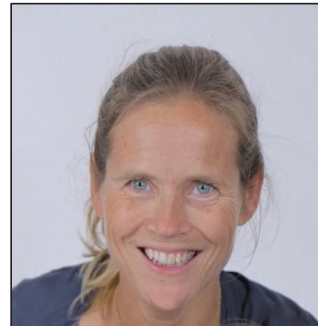
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Claudia van der Vorm  
(Past Chair)

**Council  
Representative:**  
Peter Lambur

**Staff  
Representative:**  
Heather Keith

## Committee Intent

- **Collaborate** as a Committee to plan future projects and programming.
- **Explore** additional engagement with local schools and community groups on conservation initiatives and amplify student environment councils.
- **Amplify** information to residents on pathways to participate in lowering their carbon footprint and conserving nature.
- **Review** and advise on proposed policies and programs presented by staff related to environment and climate targets and goals.



# Committee Purpose

Advise, Identify, Review, Analyze, Promote, and Assist Council on the development and implementation of initiatives to:

Meet GHG Reduction Targets

Adapt to Climate Change

Protect the Community's Natural Assets



# 2024 in Review – GHG Emission Reductions

## Advise, Identify, Review, Analyze, Promote:

- Reviewed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory.
- Reviewed and provided input to complete the Climate Action Strategy.
- Completed a community Heat Pump Survey.
- Reviewed and advised on:
  - Active Transportation.
  - Buildings and Permitting, and Heat Pump adoption.
- Provided input and feedback on Metro Vancouver’s initiative to develop regulations to reduce emissions from small non-road engine equipment (e.g., landscaping equipment).



## Education and Outreach:

- Presence at the Cultural Fest, Spring Fest West, and Go By Bike Week events.

# 2024 in Review – Adapt to Climate Change

## Advise, Identify, Review, Analyze, Promote:

- Reviewed and advised on the Wildfire Fuel Management Program.
- Supported completion of the Urban Forest Management Plan.

## Education and Outreach:

- EC booth at the Cultural Fest and Spring Fest West events.
- Supported and participated in school tree planting and invasive species removal initiatives.



## 2024 in Review – Protect Natural Assets

### Advise, Identify, Review, Analyze, Promote:

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### Education and Outreach:

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## 2024 in Review – Recommendations Advanced to Council

- April 9: EAGLE LAKE WILDFIRE FUEL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM – provided as information to Council.
- May 7: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION– provided as information to Council.
- October 8: CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGY– adopted by Council on December 16.
- November 5: ENHANCE SUSTAINABILITY IN THE BUILDING AND PERMITTING DEPARTMENT - Directed by Council to staff for further investigation.
- November 5 - HEAT PUMP ADOPTION AND LOW CARBON ENERGY SYSTEMS - Directed by Council to staff for further investigation.

## 2025 Objectives

	GHG Emission Reductions – Energy Efficiency in Homes and Buildings
Educate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gather a list of youth/student volunteers to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Make an educational environment corner in the WVCC to communicate GHG reduction targets and how energy efficiency programs support achieving these targets.</li> <li>○ Write short environmental articles to be posted on DWV social media outlets.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Seek volunteers and committee members to attend a Committee booth at community events.</li> </ul>
Identify, Review, Analyze	Support staff in investigating energy efficient measures as part of home renovations, incentivizing green building projects, and adoption of heat pumps and other low carbon energy systems.
Promote	Promote North Shore Jump on a Heat Pump program to encourage homeowners to make the switch to energy efficient, low-carbon heat pumps for heating and cooling.

# 2025 Objectives

GHG Emission Reductions – Active Transportation	
Educate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gather a list of youth/student volunteers to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Make an educational environment corner in the WVCC describing active transportation actions/initiatives.</li> <li>○ Support environmental programs/events at District Library.</li> <li>○ Write short environment articles to be posted on DWV social media outlets.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Seek volunteers and committee members to attend a Committee booth at community events.</li> </ul>
Identify, Review, Analyze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Committee’s 2024 Active Transportation motion to identify actions to bring forward for Council consideration.</li> <li>• Support staff in updating the District's Strategic Transportation Plan and work to ensure that active transportation infrastructure is as safe as possible.</li> <li>• Assess and plan a Car Free Day for West Vancouver.</li> </ul>
Promote	Promote alternate forms of transportation (e.g., implement initiative to deploy cargo e-bikes at Library).

# 2025 Objectives

Adapt to Climate Change – Wildfire Risk	
Identify, Review, Analyze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support staff through review of updated Community Wildfire Protection Plan.</li><li>• As directed, support assessment of wildfire early detection methods.</li></ul>

# 2025 Objectives

Protect the Community’s Natural Assets – Urban Forest	
Educate	Continue to educate the public on importance of trees and tree protection and maintenance.
Identify, Review, Analyze	Support staff in review of Tree Bylaw amendments and Urban Forest Management Plan action implementation.
Promote	Support new “Yard Tree Planting” Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assist in developing communications to promote program.</li> <li>• Develop a list of youth volunteers to provide support at event.</li> <li>• Provide Environment Committee presence at event.</li> </ul>

## 2025 Objectives

### Other

Provide support to Council on emerging initiatives as needed.



# Thank You & Questions