

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
RAVEN ROOM, MUNICIPAL HALL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

Committee Members: C. van der Vorm (Chair), C. Castro, A. Gallet, E. Grdina, P. Hundal, P. Scholefield; and Councillor P. Lambur attended the meeting in the Raven Room, Municipal Hall. Absent: D. Bunsha and F. Umedaly.

Staff: H. Keith, Senior Manager, Climate Action & Environment (Staff Representative); and P. Cuk, Deputy Corporate Officer attended the meeting in the Raven Room, Municipal Hall.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.

The Chair introduced herself and welcomed members of the Committee and the public.

2. Committee Member Introductions

Staff and Committee members introduced themselves. Staff provided procedural information.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Committee Member Introductions be received for information.

CARRIED

3. Election of Acting Chair for 2023

Staff provided procedural information.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT Paul Hundal be elected as Acting Chair for 2023.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. Approval of Committee Meeting Agenda

Staff provided procedural information.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the November 14, 2023 Environment Committee meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

REPORTS / ITEMS

5. Overview of District's Climate Action & Environment Portfolio

Staff provided a presentation and responded to the Committee's questions. Committee members commented.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the overview provided by the District's Senior Manager, Climate Action & Environment be received for information.

CARRIED

6. Annual Workplan Orientation

The Chair provided a presentation. Committee members commented and staff provided information regarding District operations.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Annual Workplan Orientation be received for information.

CARRIED

7. Committee Meeting Schedule for 2024

Staff displayed a series of potential Committee meeting dates for 2024 and provided information regarding meeting options. Committee members commented.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Committee Meeting Schedule for 2024 be received for information.

CARRIED

8. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

D. Reinsch (West Vancouver) commented and queried regarding: the Urban Forest Management Plan; committee membership; wildlife protection; and construction alternatives. Staff provided a response.

R. Fassler (address not provided) commented and queried regarding: protection of natural resources; the Urban Forest Management Plan; public consultation; the municipal decision-making process; and tree planting and protection. Committee members provided responses. Committee members commented.

E. McHarg (address not provided) commented and queried regarding: keeping the Committee apolitical; process and transparency; committee meeting minutes; and public consultation. Staff provided a response and Committee members commented.

R. Fassler spoke a second time and commented regarding communication tactics. Staff provided a response.

Staff responded to the Committee's questions.

9. NEXT MEETING

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the next Environment Committee meeting be scheduled for December 5, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. and held in-person in the Raven Room at the Municipal Hall.

CARRIED

10. ADJOURNMENT

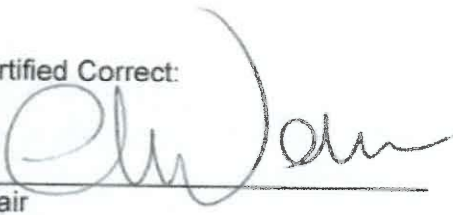
It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT November 14, 2023 Environment Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair



Deputy Corporate Officer