

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
RAVEN ROOM, MUNICIPAL HALL
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023**

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

Staff: H. Keith, Senior Manager, Climate Action & Environment attended the meeting in the Raven Room, Municipal Hall.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

D. Bunsha and F. Umedaly introduced themselves as they were absent at the November 14, 2023 Environment Committee meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the December 5, 2023 Environment Committee meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the November 14, 2023 Environment Committee meeting minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

REPORTS / ITEMS

4. District's Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and Modelling Project

C. Strashok (Sustainable Solutions Group) entered the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

C. Strashok provided a presentation and responded to the Committee's questions with support from staff.

Committee members provided comments and queries regarding: data sources for the emissions inventory, modelling assumptions, electrical grid capacity, cost implications, solar panels, embodied emissions, building retrofits and energy efficiency.

C. Strashok left the meeting at 5:50 p.m. and did not return.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the presentation regarding District's Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and Modelling Project be received for information.

CARRIED

5. Discussion on Committee Priorities

Committee discussed their priorities for climate action and environmental protection. Committee members commented and staff provided information regarding ongoing District work and initiatives from other levels of government.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the discussion regarding Committee Priorities be received for information.

CARRIED

F. Umedaly left the meeting at 6:29 p.m. and returned at 6:40 p.m.

6. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

A. George (West Vancouver) queried about including the cost of embodied emissions into the cost of each of the actions to reduce GHG emissions.

T. Reinsch (West Vancouver) commented on a letter from M.P. Patrick Weiler about federal environmental issues and ideas for how to address the issues. T. Reinsch will send the letter to H. Keith for information.

J. Miller (West Vancouver) requested a copy of the presentation from Agenda Item 4 and referenced an article titled "Welcome to the Great Unravelling" that could be a good resource for the Committee. J. Miller will send the report to H. Keith to distribute to Committee members.

D. Reinsch (West Vancouver) queried about the assumption of the source of electricity in BC, its emission factor, and whether BC is still trading electricity with other less clean sources.

Staff responded to the public questions.

7. NEXT MEETING

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the next Environment Committee meeting be scheduled for January 9, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. and held in-person in the Raven Room at the Municipal Hall.

CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT

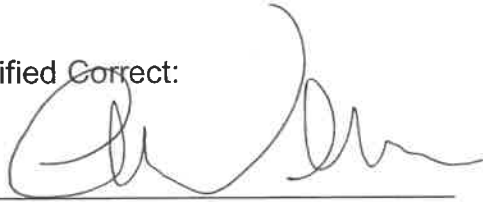
It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the December 5, 2023 Environment Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Certified Correct:



Chair



Staff Representative