

**DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER
COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

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Minutes of the Council Workshop for the District of North Vancouver held at 6:20 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 in the Committee Room of the District Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Present: Mayor R. Walton
Councillor R. Bassam
Councillor R. Hicks
Councillor M. Little
Councillor D. MacKay-Dunn
Councillor L. Muri
Councillor A. Nixon

Staff: Mr. D. Stuart, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. B. Bydwell, General Manager – Planning, Properties & Permits
Mr. G. Joyce, General Manager – Engineering, Parks & Facilities
Ms. C. Grant, Manager – Corporate Planning & Projects
Mr. R. Malcolm, Manager – Real Estate and Properties
Ms. N. Letchford, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Ms. S. Berardo, Confidential Council Clerk

Also in Attendance: Ms. Carol Mason, Chief Administrative Officer – Metro Vancouver
Mr. Jim Rusnak, Chief Financial Officer – Metro Vancouver
Ms. Marie Griggs, Public Involvement Division Manager – Metro Vancouver
Mr. Fred Nenniger, Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Project Manager – Metro Vancouver

1. Opening by the Mayor

Mayor Walton opened the meeting and welcomed staff and the public to the Council Workshop.

2. Lions Gate Secondary Wastewater Treatment Plant Project Definition Phase

File No.

Presentation: Ms. Marie Griggs, Public Involvement Division Manager – Metro Vancouver
Mr. Fred Nenniger, Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Project Manager – Metro Vancouver

Mr. Fred Nenniger, Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Project Manager – Metro Vancouver, provided Council with an update on the ongoing work of the Lions Gate Secondary Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Nenniger identified four key project objectives:

- Secondary wastewater treatment;
- Sustainability – environmental, social, and economic;
- Integrated resource recovery; and,
- Community integration.

Councillor LITTLE left the meeting at 6:30 pm and returned at 6:35 pm.

Mr. Nenninger identified the three phases of the project which include:

- Project definition phase, 2012-2013;
- Design and construction, 2014 – 2019; and,
- Decommission of the Old Plant, 2020.

Ms. Marie Griggs, Public Involvement Divisional Manager, commented that Metro Vancouver is committed to engaging the community in all three phases. The target audiences include the public, government agencies, First Nations, advisory committees, and Metro Vancouver members.

Council Discussion:

- Requested that Metro Vancouver hold public meetings in alternate locations other than Lower Lonsdale. Suggestions included the Grouse Inn, Grant Connell Tennis Facility, and the Rugby Club;
- Expressed concern with regards to odour control;
- Suggested maintaining the Advisory Committee through the construction of the treatment plant;
- Expressed concern with regards to the location of the site;
- Noted the importance of engaging the community; and,
- Expressed concern with cost allocation.

Public Input:

Mr. Dan Ellis:

- Expressed concern with environmental changes;
- Expressed concern with increase taxes;
- Remarked that the site is not appropriate; and,
- Commented that public engagement has not been meaningful.

Mr. Troy Vassos

- Suggested having alternative locations for public meetings;
- Queried if alternative locations for the treatment plant were considered; and,
- Commented that District staff needs to take a more active role in this process.

Mr. John Hunter:

- Expressed concern with regards to the use of the land;
- Expressed concerns with the fifteen year amortization period; and,
- Commented that property value will be compromised on houses built near the treatment plant.

Mr. Peter Thompson:

- Expressed concern with possible odours from the treatment plant.

3. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Confidential Council Clerk