The District of North Vancouver
REPORT TO COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: Heritage Strategic Plan

RECOMMENDATION:
THAT the Heritage Strategic Plan is approved.

REASON FOR REPORT:
At the July 17th, 2019 Council Workshop, the Committee of Council directed staff to bring the Heritage Strategic Plan to a Regular Meeting of Council for consideration.

SUMMARY:
The Heritage Strategic Plan (Attachment 1) aims to manage, maintain, and protect valuable community resources now and in the future. The community’s vision for the heritage program is to foster the appreciation, retention, and conservation of the District’s built, natural, and cultural heritage resources. The planning framework comprises five goals and 42 actions to achieve the vision over the next 10 years. The Heritage Strategic Plan is accompanied by two background documents (Attachments 2 and 3).

The staff report that was presented to the Committee of Council at the July 17th, 2019 Council Workshop (Attachment 4) contains information about the Heritage Strategic Plan planning process, public engagement, and structure of the plan around the five goals.

Financial Impacts:
Funding to implement actions in the plan will be considered through the financial planning process, including the long-term financial plan review. Cost estimates to implement the short term actions (first three years of the plan) include:

- $50,000 annually for an expanded heritage grants program (action 4.5); and
- An estimated $115,000 for a review of the District’s historic context to guide ongoing heritage resource evaluation (action 1.2), and a review of buildings for the Heritage Register (action 1.3), if consultants are hired to assist with this work.

The above estimates do not include the potential costs for a full-time staff resource to implement the heritage program (action 4.1), nor the annual Community Heritage Advisory
Committee budget. See Section 5.2 Action Plan of the Heritage Strategic Plan for more information (Attachment 1).

Conclusion:
The Heritage Strategic Plan implements the OCP direction to create a heritage plan, and provides direction for the District’s heritage program over the next 10 years. The Heritage Strategic Plan was reviewed by the Committee of Council, and the Committee directed staff to bring the Heritage Strategic Plan to a Regular Meeting of Council for consideration.

Options:
THAT the Heritage Strategic Plan is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment 1: Heritage Strategic Plan
Attachment 2: Heritage Strategic Plan Background and Analysis Report
Attachment 3: Heritage Strategic Plan Supporting Documentation Report