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The District of North Vancouver REPORT TO COUNCIL

July 8, 2021

File:

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SUBJECT: Metro Vancouver Expression of Interest for Member Lands for Metro

Vancouver Housing

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council direct staff to explore a partnership opportunity with Metro Vancouver Housing for affordable rental housing, including any commitments, such as pre-zoning, rezoning or fee reductions;

AND THAT staff are directed to report back to Council on the potential partnership opportunities.

REASON FOR REPORT:

As a member of the Metro Vancouver Housing Committee (MVH), the committee met on July 7, 2021 where, in part, a report on the MVH agenda entitled 'Evaluation Criteria – Expression of Interest (Round 2) to Identify Member Lands for Metro Vancouver Housing' was considered. The intent is to identify member lands for affordable rental housing development, and as such, Council should direct staff to explore the potential partnership opportunities within the District.

An expression of interest (EOI) will be sent out by MVH in the fall, 2021 with a December 31, 2021 deadline for submissions. The submissions will be evaluated by MVH in early 2022.

The MVH report, on the July 7, 2021 MVH agenda, item 5.4, notes the following prescreening criteria (Source: <u>Housing Committee Agenda July 7, 2021 (metrovancouver.org)</u>:

Pre-screening Criteria:

The EOI will include a number of pre-screening criteria for MVH to proceed with the evaluation of a submission:

- Council resolution clearly stating support for the member jurisdiction to explore a
 partnership opportunity with MVH for affordable rental housing, and outlining any
 commitments (e.g. pre-zoning, rezoning, fee reductions)
- Lease or fee simple transfer to MVH at a nominal cost
- Financially feasible for MVH to construct (i.e., wood frame, <6 storey, within available reserve budget)

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- No known contaminants that would require major remediation
- Lease / Housing Agreement financially and operationally feasible for MVH

Other considerations will be grouped into five categories with a maximum number of points allocated to each, and distributed as follows:

Criteria and Scoring Criteria	Scoring
Categories	
Development Readiness	40
Development Potential	10
Tenant Livability	25
Local Government Actions to	10
Contribute to Financial Viability	
Regional Equity	15
MAXIMUM SCORE	100

Conclusion:

In an effort to support affordable housing initiatives in the District of North Vancouver, Council should support the EOI for partnership opportunity with Metro Vancouver Housing for affordable rental housing.

Options:

- 1. That the motion, as presented, be supported.
- 2. That the motion, as presented, not be supported.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mathew Bond Councillor

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