



ELECTORAL AREA WEST and NORTH WESTSIDE GOVERNANCE and SERVICES STUDY COMMITTEE

Minutes

Date:	Wednesday, July 20, 2022
Time:	6:00 p.m.
Location:	Killiney Beach Community Hall North Westside Community Association 516 Udell Road, Vernon, BC
Members Present:	Brian Arquilla Kerri Cooke Eric Denison Scott Graham (Chair) Darryl Hordo Dwain Johanson Rick Sanderson Callie Simpson
Members Absent:	Colin Copp Josh Galloway (Vice Chair) Donna Green Tim Jones
Non-Voting Member Present:	Wayne Carson, Electoral Area West Director, RDCO
Consultants Present:	Allan Neilson, Principal, Neilson Strategies Inc. Brienne Wells, Consultant, Neilson Strategies Inc.
Ministry Staff Absent:	Karen Lynch, Director, Ministry of Municipal Affairs David Van Ommen, Senior Planning Analyst, Ministry of Municipal Affairs
Staff Present:	Corie Griffiths, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Sandi Horning, Deputy Corporate Officer (Recording Secretary)

1. CALL TO ORDER, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Graham called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

It was acknowledged that this meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the sylix/Okanagan people.

Attendance was noted for the Committee members, RDCO representatives and the consultants.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

JOHANSON/SIMPSON

THAT the July 20, 2022, Electoral Area West and North Westside Governance and Services Study Committee Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

COOKE/SIMPSON

THAT the Electoral Area West and North Westside Governance and Services Study Committee meeting minutes of May 19, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

4.1 Governance & Services Study Purpose

The Consultants displayed a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed the purpose of the governance and services study with the Committee members.

4.2 Input from Community Engagement

- Consultants to present key takeaways from the four (4) open houses
- Committee members to add observations and provide own input
- Committee Discussion

The Consultants displayed a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed the key takeaways from the four (4) open houses.

A discussion took place among the Consultants and the Committee members with respect to each members observations at the open houses as well as their own personal input.

The Chair brought forward the July 19, 2022 correspondence to Neilson Strategies from the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee outlining the top 12 common

community concerns identified by the Chair and Vice Chair. The Chair reviewed the July 19, 2022 correspondence in detail.

A discussion took place among the Committee members with respect to July 19, 2022 correspondence from the Chair and Vice Chair.

4.3 Understanding the Options

- Changes within current local government structure
 - Electoral Areas Services Committee to examine and provide recommendations on service and other matters in the electoral area
 - service review(s)
 - local community commission
 - citizen advisory bodies
 - stakeholder voting opportunities
 - communication of service and financial information
 - other
- Changes to the existing local government structure
 - new electoral area
 - restructure to remove North Westside from RDCO
 - other

The Consultants displayed a PowerPoint presentation, and a discussion took place among the Consultants and Committee members with respect to changes within current local government structure and changes to the existing local government structure.

4.4 Detailed Financial Information - Select Services

- Committee to review information requested by Chair and Vice Chair

The Consultants reviewed the detailed financial information with respect to westside community parks and local water systems and responded to questions from the Committee members.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

6. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS**

There were no questions or comments from the public.

7. **NEXT MEETING**

- Next Meeting Date: September 8, 2022 (Location TBD)
- Consultants to preview next meeting and outline remainder of study process

The Consultants advised that the next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for September 8, 2022 and spoke to the next steps in the process. The Committee will be presenting their final Report to the RDCO Board on September 26, 2022.

8. ADJOURN

HORDO/COOKE

THAT the July 20, 2022, Electoral Area West and North Westside Governance and Services Study Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Scott Graham, Chair

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