

Regional Board Report

Information

Approved for Board Consideration

To: Regional Board Brian Reardon, CAO

From: Karen Needham, Corporate Officer

Date: September 26, 2022

Subject: Committee Report: Electoral Area West and North Westside Governance and Services

Study Committee

Voting Entitlement: All Directors - Unweighted Corporate Vote - Simple Majority (LGA s.208)

Purpose: To receive the final Electoral Area West and North Westside Governance and Services

Study Committee Report.

Executive Summary:

The Regional District received a \$60,000 restructure planning grant from Ministry of Municipal Affairs for a governance and services study in Electoral Area West. The Electoral Area West and North Westside Governance and Services Study committee was then established by the Board on December 6, 2021, through approval of the Terms of Reference put forward by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

In January 2022, Neilson Strategies Inc. was contracted to work with the Committee with staff from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs in attendance at the committee meetings as a resource for the consultant and committee members. The committee met four times during 2022, with meeting support provided by the RDCO, and all information on the grant, process, agenda packages, meeting video recordings, and minutes posted to the RDCO website through https://www.rdco.com/en/your-government/north-westside-study.aspx.

In consultation with the consultant, Neilson Strategies Inc., has prepared the final report for the Board and will be presenting the report and committee recommendation. Following receipt of the report and the findings of the committee, the work of the committee is considered complete.

Recommendation(s):

THAT the Regional Board receive the Electoral Area West and North Westside Services and Governance Study Committee Report dated September 2022;

AND THAT the Chair of the Regional Board forward the final committee report and recommendation to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for their consideration.

Attachment(s):

- 1. Terms of Reference
- 2. Final Report Electoral Area West and North Westside Governance and Services Study Committee
- 3. PowerPoint presentation