

City of Port Moody Report/Recommendation to Council

Date:April 23, 2024Submitted by:Community Development Department – Policy Planning DivisionSubject:Notification of *Metro 2050* Amendment Requests – Electoral Area A Official
Community Plan and Housekeeping Updates

Purpose

To present an invitation for comments from Metro Vancouver regarding Type 2 and 3 amendments to *Metro 2050* to reflect the 2018 Electoral Area A Official Community Plan and a Type 3 amendment to reflect accepted regional context statements and correct minor errors.

Recommended Resolution(s)

THAT Metro Vancouver be notified that the City of Port Moody has no objections to the proposed amendments in Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw Nos. 1378, 1379, and 1380, 2024 as recommended in the report dated April 23, 2024, from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Notification of *Metro 2050* Amendment Requests – Electoral Area A Official Community Plan and Housekeeping Updates.

Background

At its February 23, 2024, regular meeting, the Board of Directors of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) adopted the following resolutions:

That the MVRD Board:

- (a) initiate the *Metro 2050* Type 2 and Type 3 amendment processes to reflect the Electoral Area A Official Community Plan;
- (b) give first, second, third readings to "Metro Vancouver Regional District Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw No. 1378, 2024";
- (c) give first, second, third readings to "Metro Vancouver Regional District Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw No. 1379, 2024" and
- (d) direct staff to notify affected local governments as per section 6.4.2 of Metro 2050.

That the MVRD Board:

- (a) initiate the *Metro 2050* amendment process for the *Metro 2050* Type 3 Amendment to reflect accepted regional context statements and correct minor errors;
- (b) give first, second, third readings to "Metro Vancouver Regional District Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw No. 1380, 2024"; and

(c) direct staff to notify affected local governments as per section 6.4.2 of Metro 2050.

Discussion

Electoral Area A Official Community Plan (OCP) Related Amendments

Amendments are proposed to *Metro 2050* that will better align regional land use designations with the Metro Vancouver Regional District Board-adopted 2018 Electoral Area A OCP Bylaw that applies to the majority of the rural and remote portions of the Electoral Area (excluding UBC, UEL, Bowyer Island, Passage Island, and First Nation reserve lands). The Electoral Area A OCP applies to approximately 500 properties (permanent residences, seasonal homes, and vacant forested lots) in the northern reaches of Indian Arm; the west side of Pitt Lake; Howe Sound mainland (lots between the District of West Vancouver and the Village of Lions Bay; and north of the Village of Lions Bay); and Barnston Island. Metro staff have identified *Metro 2050* regional land use designation changes to ninety-two parcels as part of these proposed amendments which generally align pre-existing low density residential uses (frequently water access only) in Electoral Area A with *Metro 2050*.

These proposed amendments are consistent with *Metro 2050*'s goals and strategies and bring the *Metro 2050* and OCP land use designations into closer alignment. They do not alter the intent of *Metro 2050*. These changes are based on a detailed review of the OCP designations relative to *Metro 2050* regional land use designations and mapping improvements in the rural and remote reaches of the Electoral Area A. Given the nature of the changes, both Type 2 and Type 3 amendments to *Metro 2050* are required. As a result, two separate amendment bylaws are required for consideration.

Housekeeping Updates – Type 3 Amendment to Reflect Accepted Regional Context Statements and Correct Minor Errors

Metro 2050 was adopted by the Metro Vancouver Regional District Board on February 24, 2023. Over its first year, Metro staff have identified some minor inconsistencies in terminology, formatting, numerical references, and mapping that are proposed to be corrected through a Type 3 amendment. The proposed amendment also includes mapping revisions that stem from Board accepted regional context statements, regional land use amendments made under the municipal flexibility clause, updates to *Metro 2050* reference maps based on new data (e.g., new sensitive ecosystem inventory map), and corrections to map text and designation boundaries.

The proposed revisions are administrative in nature, are intended to ensure that *Metro 2050* contains the most current and correct maps and text and do not alter the intent of *Metro 2050*.

Other Option(s)

THAT the following comments be provided to the Metro Vancouver Regional Board:

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the recommendation in this report.

Communications and Public Engagement Initiatives

Notification by Metro Vancouver of the *Metro 2050* amendment request is consistent with the requirements of section 437(2) of the *Local Government Act* and sections 6.4.2 and 6.4.4 of *Metro 2050*.

Council Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed *Metro 2050* amendment affects Electoral Area A and includes minor housekeeping amendments; as such is not relevant to the Port Moody Council Strategic Plan (2023-2026).

Attachment(s)

- 1. Letter dated March 21, 2024, from Metro Vancouver related to Amendments to Reflect Electoral Area A Official Community Plan.
- 2. Letter dated March 21, 2024, from Metro Vancouver related to Updates for Accepted Regional Context Statements and Minor Errors.

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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