



MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Langley City Hall – CKF Room
20399 Douglas Crescent, Langley, BC

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

Present: Councillor Paul Albrecht, Chair
Councillor Rosemary Wallace, Vice Chair
Amika Watari, Post Secondary Institution Rep
Lisa Dreves, Langley Field Naturalists
Marcela Ferreira, Member at Large
Zana Gordon, Member at Large

Staff: Francis Cheung, Chief Administrative Officer

Absent: Nichole Marples, Langley Environmental Partners Society, with regrets
Ellen Hall, Member at Large
Stafford Richter, Member at Large

The Chair acknowledged that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

1) **AGENDA**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the October 12, 2023 Agenda for the Environmental Sustainability Committee be adopted.

CARRIED

2) **MINUTES**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the July 13, 2023 Minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Committee meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

3) **PRESENTATION**

- a) Invite Metro Vancouver staff to a future Environmental Sustainability Committee to make a presentation on textile recycling and Demolition Tool Kit.
- b) March 2024 ESC Meeting - Invite the Provincial Coordinator of the Bat Friendly Communities Program, who is also a member of the Langley Field Naturalists to present the Bat Friendly Communities Program.
- c) April 2024 ESC Meeting - Site visit Set at residence of Mr. Wally Martin at his sustainable house.

4) **STANDING ITEMS**

- a) Poster / Flyer – Determine Future Topic Ideas:
 - Nil.
- b) New Initiatives and Emerging Trends:
 - Nil.

5) **ROUND TABLE**

- a) Committee member interested in action items related to the Urban Forest Management Strategy from the July 13, 2023 Environmental Sustainability Committee meeting.
- b) Committee members seeking the ESC Terms of Reference for the Environmental Sustainability Committee.
- c) Discussion on various advertising options, including asking schools to send out emails to the parents and students, to encourage more youth to attend City's events such as the Neighbourhood Meetings, Earth Day, Community Day, etc.
- d) Interest to consider inviting staff from Parks (e.g. Arborist, Horticulture, etc.) to attend future Environmental Sustainability Committee meetings.
- e) Invite Metro Van to Earth Day to set up a booth to promote and educate circular economy, textile recycling, Up Cycle, Repair Café, etc.
- f) The November Sustainability Committee meeting will focus on defining what is environmental sustainability.
- g) MOTION –

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the committee hold an additional meeting on December 14, 2023.

CARRIED

- h) The December Sustainability Committee meeting will focus on Earth Day, circular economy, up scale challenge.
- i) Recycling BC had previously noted that they no longer attend community events to promote and educate people on recycling. However, a member noted that Recycling BC had a booth at the Latino Festival in Vancouver in the Summer. Interest in asking Recycling BC to see if they are willing to have a booth at the Earth Day event.
- j) A member noted that she had purchased a light stand at a local hardware store and she was concerned with the off-gassing from the materials and the amount of packaging.
- k) A member noted that LEPS is planting a 100 square metres Food Forest at Derek Doubleday Arboretum. LEPS is interested in planting a Food Forest in the City as well. Linwood Park was suggested as a potential site. \
- l) A member noted that she provided the contact information for the Boy Scout leader to the Recording Secretary at the May 2023 Committee meeting to invite them to the Earth Day event.
- m) It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:35 pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

Certified Correct:

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