

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN  
PUBLIC AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, June 6, 2023**

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN PUBLIC AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CEDAR ROOM, 1975 FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, BC

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**PRESENT:**

(Voting Members)

Chair  
Director, Electoral Area E  
Members

J. Sutherland  
D. McMahon  
J. Walton  
M. Ernst  
N. Brenchley  
P. Robson  
S. Selzer  
S. Van Poppelen

**ALSO PRESENT:**

(Non-Voting)

Director, Electoral Area A  
Director, Electoral Area B  
Manager, Solid Waste Services  
Solid Waste Operations Coordinator  
Recorder

L. Lee  
J. Gabias  
M. Sole  
A. Patrao  
R. Newland

**REGRETS:**

Vice Chair  
Members

D. Reeve  
A. Joe  
E. Machado

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**CALL TO ORDER**

2:30 p.m.

**AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted as presented.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 25, 2023, Solid Waste Management Plan Public and Technical Advisory Committee meeting were accepted as circulated.

**REPORTS**

**Guiding Principles and Plan Evaluation Criteria**

Veronica Bartlett, representative of Morrison Hershfield, provided a presentation on the Guiding Principles and Plan Evaluation Criteria, which included the following:

- Where we are in the planning process - between task two and three.

- Proposed guiding principles
  - Discussion included:
    - Combining some of the nine principles, i.e., 3. *Maximize beneficial use of waste materials, such as turning food waste into compost* and 5. *Prevent organics and recyclables from going in the garbage*.
    - Clarifying the language on principle 9. *Establish a more equitable playing field for waste disposal across the region*, amend to read *Continue to be an equitable...*
    - Additional principle of Coast waste being dealt with on the Coast was suggested.
- Proposed approach for evaluating strategies
  - Discussion included:
    - Tourism stats may be helpful in determining whether visitors to the Sunshine Coast need to be educated on disposal regulations - and what impact does this have?
    - BC Ferries disposes refuse on this side of the route; could this be redirected?
    - Possibilities for more diversion.
    - Time, resources and what can be realistically achieved are all factors in evaluation.
- Consultation approach
  - Discussion included:
    - Ongoing engagement with the public.
    - First engagement period results will be discussed at the next meeting.
    - Two or three engagement periods in total.
    - Review of issues and opportunities.
- Next steps include:
  - Getting feedback from the public.
  - Waste prevention and diversion strategy options.
  - Disposal options and systems financing.
  - Draft SWMP

## Engagement Update

Marc Sole, Manager, Solid Waste Services, provided information on the Engagement Update, which included the following:

- Details should be in soon as the first engagement period is set to end June 9, 2023.

## Landfill Closure Timeline

The Manager, Solid Waste Services, provided information on the Landfill Closure Timeline, which included the following:

- Currently the landfill is scheduled to be full by 2025.
- Feasibility Study in progress to consider the options between a new site location, expansion projects and exporting waste.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update**

PTAC was notified of Metro Vancouver's intent to update their own Solid Waste Management Plan.

**NEXT MEETING**                      September 12, 2023

**ADJOURNMENT**                      5:05 p.m.