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Subject: Update on Memorandum of Understanding

Importance: High

Good morning, Ms. Roberts.

It has been a week since I sent you the last email detailing the final estimated Village related and known costs for connection to Metro Vancouver sewerage system.

Since December 2018, it has been impressed upon you that there is urgency to have the memorandum of understanding (MOU) agreed to so that we can develop the Local Area Service Bylaw from that MOU. As you know, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MAH) requires the Local Area Service Bylaw to be adopted by Anmore Council prior to considering our application for membership in the GVS&DD. The deadline from the Ministry of MAH is April 15, 2019. Following their review of our application, it is forwarded to Cabinet for issuance of an Order in Council (OIC). The mid-April date is provided to allow for Cabinet to consider the membership request prior to the summer break of the Legislature.

The Village has been diligently working to ensure all other required approvals are in place prior to mid-April in an effort to resolve this matter as quickly as possible and ensure construction could occur during the summer, before the fall rains begin again. To date we have:

- Given 1st and 2nd reading of Anmore's Official Community Plan bylaw amendment to allow for sewer connection. The public hearing is scheduled for March 19th and adoption will be considered at our April 9th Regular Council meeting;
- Worked with Metro Vancouver to apply for an amendment to the Regional Growth Strategy, which has been approved by the Regional Planning Committee and is being considered by the Liquid Waste Committee this week. The final stage will be Board approval at the end of March;
- Confirmed with Metro Vancouver that Development Cost Charges will not apply in this circumstance, saving the 51 new units connected over \$275,000;
- Recommended that the sewer connection be to the Port Moody sewer pipe on School District No. 43 lands. This will also save AGE on up front construction costs, as it is the shortest available connection distance;
- Received support from City of Port Moody Council for the connection to their infrastructure and developed a framework for an agreement to address sewage flows with City staff which includes flat fee rates for the 51 new connections, which provides some cost certainty to AGE residents; and

- Provided you with a capped amount that the Village will request for recovery of costs associated with the sewer connection for staff and consultant time (again, providing cost certainty).

At our meeting on February 12, 2019, we asked again that you provide comments on the most recent draft of the MOU we proposed on December 19, 2018. We have not received any comments, requested changes or acceptance of the MOU to date.

Given the lack of response to our requests, I believe there is little ability for us to have all of the required documentation submitted to the Ministry of MAH by April 15, 2019. This will undoubtedly result in membership in the GVS&DD being delayed until fall 2019.

The Village will continue to move forward towards membership to the extent that we are able; however, we are unable to apply without an adopted Local Area Service Bylaw, which must be agreed to by the majority of owners on title of the properties receiving the service.

If we do not have an agreed to MOU (signed by AGE) by March 22, 2019 and received an agreed to petition for a Local Area Service bylaw by April 2, 2019, we will not meet the Ministry of MAH's deadline.

Please provide a response to my email as soon as possible.

Regards,
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