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VIA EMAIL: david.morel@gov.bc.ca

Re: Pollution Abatement Order PE-04606, Anmore Green Estates – Next Steps

Dear Mr. Morel:

Thank you for taking the time to come to the Village of Anmore (Village) to start the dialogue with Anmore Council and staff regarding how to resolve the on-site sewage treatment issue at Anmore Green Estates (AGE).

As you are aware, Anmore Council passed the following resolution at a Closed Council Meeting held on June, 5, 2018:

Whereas the Village of Anmore Council:

1. acknowledges that the current on-site sewer system that services 51 homes under the Ministry of Environment Permit PE-04606 is failing as evidenced by Pollution Abatement Order 109192;
2. respects the Province's authority to issue permits for treatment of sewerage and the Province's sole responsibility to enforce its regulations;
3. is committed to financial sustainability and feels strongly that all costs associated with resolving this issue must be paid for by the holder of the Ministry of Environment permit PE-04606; and
4. continues to support the Village's Official Community Plan policy that the community not be served by a municipal wide sewer system as means of protecting its semi-rural character and that joining the MVS&DD is contrary to the Official Community Plan.

Therefore, the Village of Anmore Council resolves:

1. to request that the Province continue to work with the permit holder to ensure with compliance with the Provincial regulations and the Village's Official Community Plan; and
2. that the Village is willing to assist in finding a solution that complies with its Official Community Plan so long as the costs that the Village incurs are recoverable.

Our understanding from the meeting is that the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (MOE) will undertake the following steps:

1. You will provide a letter outlining the reasons why the MOE believes that the contamination that was reported by the AGE strata was unbiased and contains human contamination.
2. You will follow up with Metro Vancouver to determine the feasibility and total costs (including ongoing) related to connecting to Port Moody's sewer system. This will include confirmation that Metro Vancouver will entertain the notion of a special service area, which would not require membership in the MVS&DD, for the 51 units (only) currently serviced by the AGE on-site sewer treatment system.
3. You will reach out to the author of the final report to request that they contact Village staff to provide reasoning as to why an on-site solution is not practical and why no context was provided on the real challenges of sewer connection or its costs, including ongoing charges.
4. You will follow up with MOE staff to determine why the request made by School District No. 43 to have the samples, collected by the AGE strata and used as the basis for issuing the Pollution Abatement Order PE-04606, tested for human versus animal contamination.

As clearly stated by Anmore Council during our meeting last night, public health and safety, particularly that of the children who attend Eagle Mountain Middle School and Heritage Woods Secondary School, is of utmost importance and the Village is willing to work with the MOE and all stakeholders to resolve this ongoing issue.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Halliwell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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cc: Rick Glumac, MLA, Port Moody-Coquitlam