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Waste Management Committee Meeting Date: February 27, 2008

To: Waste Management Committee

From: Fred Nenninger, Division Manager, Regional Utility Planning

Date: January 14, 2008

Subject: **Anmore's Request to Connect to the Regional Sewer System**

Recommendation:

That the Board support the Village of Anmore's request to become a member of the GVS&DD and expand the Fraser Sewage Area to accept sewage from the Anmore Green Estates development subject to:

- i. The Village of Anmore entering into an agreement with the City of Port Moody, satisfactory to the GVS&DD, to accept sewage flows;
 - ii. The Village of Anmore entering into an entry agreement with the GVS&DD.
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1. PURPOSE

To respond to a request from the Village of Anmore to connect Anmore Green Estates to the regional sewer system.

2. CONTEXT

Anmore council passed a resolution requesting: *"That the Village of Anmore request that the Metro Vancouver, Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District consider having Anmore Green Estates hook onto their regional service system"* (Attachment 1). The Village of Anmore currently requires developments to provide on-site sewage treatment systems. The existing Anmore Green Estates on-site system has failed to meet provincial standards even though upgrades have been attempted. As further upgrades to the system are reported to be costly, the residents of Anmore Green Estates, through Anmore council, have requested that they be allowed to connect their development to the regional sewerage system.

In order for Anmore Green Estates to connect to the regional system, the property needs to be included in the Fraser Sewage Area (FSA), which requires the FSA boundary to be extended. As sewerage area boundary extensions can only take place in member municipalities, the Village of Anmore would need to become a member of the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District (GVS&DD). A letter response has been sent to Anmore (Attachment 2), outlining the steps needed to connect the subject property.

The GVS&DD does not own or operate a regional sewer in the Anmore area. The City of Port Moody owns and operates a neighbourhood sewer system adjacent to Anmore Green Estates. In response to this request, Port Moody council has passed a resolution requesting that Anmore seek membership in the GVS&DD and fund a study to assess the feasibility of connecting to the Port Moody system (see Attachment 3). Once that study is complete, Port Moody will consider Anmore's request to connect to the Port Moody system.

3. ALTERNATIVES

That the Board may:

- 1) Support the Village of Anmore's request to become a member of the GVS&DD and expand the Fraser Sewage Area to accept sewage from the Anmore Green Estates development subject to:
 - i. The Village of Anmore entering into an agreement with the City of Port Moody, satisfactory to the GVS&DD, to accept sewage flows;
 - ii. The Village of Anmore entering into an entry agreement with the GVS&DD.
- 2) Not support the Village of Anmore's request to allow connection of Anmore Green Estates to the regional system. This would require the development to otherwise address their failing on-site system in order to meet regulatory standards.

4. CONCLUSION

Anmore has requested that the GVS&DD accept connection of Anmore Green Estates to the regional sewerage system. This first requires that Anmore become a member of the GVS&DD in order to extend the Fraser Sewage Area. As there are no regional sewer pipes in that area, Anmore is best served by reaching an agreement with Port Moody to allow a connection from Anmore Green Estates to the existing Port Moody neighbourhood sewer system.

Attachments:

- 1) Letter from Anmore dated November 5, 2007
- 2) Letter to Anmore dated January 4, 2008
- 3) Letter from Port Moody to Anmore dated October 11, 2007
- 4) Location of Anmore Green Estates and Regional Wastewater Facilities