

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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## DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

### Port Metro Vancouver Update

Council received a delegation from Allan Baydala, Chief Financial Officer, and Cliff Stewart, Vice President, Infrastructure Delivery, Port Metro Vancouver. The delegation provided a presentation updating Council on the Port's activities and projects. [View the presentation](#)

### Proposed Fraser Surrey Docks Project Environmental Impact Assessment – 30-day Public Comment Period Commences

The Port Metro Vancouver delegation advised that as of November 18, 2013, a 30-day public comment period has commenced on the Environmental Impact Assessment conducted by Fraser Surrey Docks for their proposed Direct Transfer Coal Facility in Surrey, BC. For more information on the proposed project and to view the Environmental Impact Assessment, [visit the Fraser Surrey Docks project webpage](#).

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## DISCUSSION REPORTS

### Implementing Climate Change Adaptation Solutions for Agriculture

Council approved Delta's participation in Phase 2 of the Regional Agricultural Adaptation Strategies Pilot Project along with a contribution of \$10,000 towards year one of the implementation of the Project. Phase 2 of the Strategies Project will focus on implementing projects specific to Delta that will assist farmers on the ground and improve the community's resilience to the impacts of climate change. [View the staff report](#)

### 2013 Climate Smart Program & LiveSmart BC Small Business Program

Council approved Delta's participation in the Province's LiveSmart BC Small Business Program, which is a training and education program providing opportunities for Delta's small business community to reduce emissions and energy costs. [View the staff report](#)

### ICBC Cost-Share Funding

Council approved cost-share agreements with ICBC to partially fund 11 capital projects through ICBC's Road Improvement Program. ICBC's funding amounts to a total of \$236,000.



### Welcoming Communities Program

Council received information regarding the Welcoming Communities Program in Delta. Long term goals of the Welcoming Communities Program include inclusiveness of newcomers in communities and workplaces, creating a strong sense of belonging in the community for newcomers, providing new immigrants the opportunity to reach their fullest social and economic potential, and creating a seamless transition for all newcomers from community to community. [View the staff report](#)

### Vancouver Landfill – Transfer of a Portion of Lot 9

Council authorized the execution of the Portion of Lot 9 Transfer Agreement, which transfers 255 acres of environmentally sensitive Burns Bog lands to The Corporation of Delta. This land will be added to the Burns Bog Ecological Conservancy Area and be protected in perpetuity. [View the staff report](#)

### Ottawa Delegation Follow-Up

Council received an update regarding the recent delegation to Ottawa and approved sending a resolution to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities regarding proposed changes to the Federal Policy on Additions to Reserve/Reserve Creation. During their brief time spent in Ottawa, the delegation was successful in raising the profile of some key issues with Federal officials and having the concerns of local government heard. [View the staff report](#)

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### View the Council reports and complete agenda from the November 18, 2013 Regular Meeting of Council

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