Municipality of North Cowichan Special Council AGENDA

Wednesday, July 15, 2020, 11:00 a.m. Electronically

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1. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting, though electronic, is open to the public and all representations to Council form part of the public record.

At this time, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, public access to Council Chambers is not permitted, however, this meeting may be viewed on the District's lived stream webcast at www.northcowichan.ca/agendas.

1.1 Open Meeting Transparency Resolution

<u>Purpose</u>: To comply with subsection 7(6) of Ministerial Order No. M192 by adopting a resolution that provides the rationale as to why a physical space is not being provided for the public to observe the meeting and describes the measures the Municipality of North Cowichan has taken to ensure openness, transparency, accessibility and accountability for this meeting.

Recommendation:

That pursuant to Ministerial Order No. M192 and the procedures established by the Municipality of North Cowichan to protect the health and safety of the public and municipal staff while they perform work within the Municipal Hall, the attendance of the public at today's Special Council meeting cannot be accommodated because of the limitations placed on mass gatherings by the Provincial Health Officer; our inability to provide for adequate physical distancing between members of Council, staff, and the public or to create separate entrance and exits with one-way walkways for the public in Council Chambers; and further that to ensure openness, transparency, accessibility and accountability for this meeting, the Municipality of North Cowichan:

- is livestreaming the meeting to enable the public to hear and see the proceedings;
- is allowing the public to submit input on agenda items by email;
- is allowing the public to submit questions during the Question Period portion of the meeting, in real time;
- has provided notice of today's meeting, including how the public may view and participate in the meeting;
- has made the meeting agenda, as well as all other relevant documents, available on the municipal website prior to today's meeting; and
- will be archiving the meeting video for future viewing by members of the public.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Recommendation:

That Council approve the agenda as circulated [or as amended].

3. CLOSED SESSION

Recommendation:

That the July 15, 2020 Special Council meeting be closed to the public at 11:00 a.m. on the basis of the following section of the *Community Charter*:

• 90(1)(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

3.1 Closed under section 90(1)(i) legal advice

4. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation:

That Council adjourn the Special Council meeting at ____ a.m./p.m.