



## CITY OF VANCOUVER

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: General Manager of Park Board and General Manager of Engineering Services

SUBJECT: Approval of GVRD By-law re: Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service

#### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council consents to the adoption of the proposed GVRD By-law No. 1032, 2005 "A Bylaw to Establish the Service of Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination".

#### CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The City Manager recommends approval of the foregoing.

#### COUNCIL POLICY

Council approves the City's participation in GVRD Service functions.

#### BACKGROUND

On April 12, 2005 Council approved "That the City of Vancouver supports the establishment of a Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service within the GVRD".

This motion of intent represented the first step in the approval process of a GVRD service function bylaw. The second step, involves the approval of proposed bylaw, which is the subject of this report.

## DISCUSSION

The GVRD will be considering the attached report (Appendix I) at an upcoming meeting. For the bylaw to be formally approved, the bylaw requires the consent of all participating municipalities. The purpose of this report is to seek formal approval by the City of Vancouver for GVRD bylaw no. 1032, 2005.

The bylaw notes a maximum amount to be requisitioned for this function is \$950,000. Service function bylaws require a financial cap to be included. This amount is far more than is currently budgeted (\$130,000) but it allows for the GVRD to address emergencies and/or future requirements without having to undertake another two step bylaw amendment approval process.

## CONCLUSION

The proposed GVRD bylaw permits the risks associated with the West Nile Virus to be addressed in a regionally coordinated effort. Council has previously supported the set up of this new GVRD function.

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Committee Meeting Date: May 25, 2005  
Board Meeting Date: May 27, 2005

To: Corporate and Intergovernmental Committee

From: John MacFarlane, GVRD West Nile Virus Mosquito Coordinator

Date: May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Subject: **Establishment of a Service Function for the Coordination and Administration of Mosquito Control Activities**

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*Recommendation:*

That the GVRD Board:

- a) Give leave to introduce ‘Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1032, 2005’ (the “Bylaw”), and that it be read a first, second and third time; and
- b) Direct staff to:
  - (i) seek the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities to the Bylaw; and
  - (ii) seek participating area approval for the Bylaw from the councils of the participating member municipalities and from the director of Electoral Area ‘A’.

## **1. PURPOSE**

To introduce and seek Board approval of a by-law to establish a new GVRD service function for the coordination and administration of mosquito control activities, including, without limiting the foregoing, the development of preparedness and communications plans for mosquito control (the “Service”).

## **2. CONTEXT**

At its March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting the GVRD Board approved the Regional Policy for Mosquito Surveillance, Education and Larval Control for WNV (West Nile Virus) in surface waters was approved.

This past winter it became clear that the expanding scope of the requirements of the member municipalities were such that it would be necessary to establish the authority for the GVRD to undertake the work on their behalf. At the February 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board direction was given to draft an establishing by-law for the Service and to ask each member municipality if they wished to be included as participating area for the Service. That process is now completed and the councils of all 21 member municipalities have indicated that they wish to be included as participating areas.

The Bylaw is now brought to the Board for first, second and third reading, and following that, will be forwarded to (a) the Inspector of Municipalities for approval, and (b) the participating municipal councils for approval pursuant to section 801.4 of the Local Government Act, as well as the director of Electoral Area 'A' pursuant to section 801.5. Once these approvals have been obtained, the Bylaw will be brought back to the Board for final approval and adoption.

### **3. ALTERNATIVES**

None submitted.

### **4. CONCLUSION**

Member municipalities have indicated that it would be appropriate for the GVRD to implement a service for the administration and coordination of mosquito control activities. In order to establish this service, the GVRD must adopt an establishing bylaw approved by the participating areas and by the Inspector of Municipalities.

### **ATTACHMENT**

1. "Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1032, 2005".

## GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

### BYLAW NO. 1032, 2005

#### **A Bylaw to Establish the Service of Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination**

##### WHEREAS:

- A. A regional district may, under section 796(1) of the *Local Government Act*, operate any service that the board considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the regional district subject to certain limitations and conditions;
- B. Under section 800(1) of the *Local Government Act*, in order to operate a service, the board of a regional district must first adopt an establishing bylaw for the service;
- C. The board of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (the "Board") wishes to establish the service of administration and coordination of mosquito control activities;
- D. The Board has obtained participating area approval pursuant to subsections 801(2)(c) and (d) of the *Local Government Act* to establish the service of mosquito control administration and coordination;

NOW THEREFORE the Board in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

##### **Service**

- 1. The service of coordination and administration of mosquito control activities, including, without limiting the foregoing, the development of preparedness and communication plans for mosquito control, (the "Service"), is hereby established.

##### **Participating Areas**

- 2. The participating areas for the Service consist of Electoral Area 'A' and all the member municipalities of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (the "Participating Areas").

##### **Service Area**

- 3. The service area for the Service is the area within the boundaries of the Participating Areas (the "Service Area").

##### **Cost Recovery**

- 4. The annual costs for the Service shall be recovered by:

- (a) the imposition of fees and other charges that may be fixed by a separate bylaw;
- (b) property value taxes imposed in accordance with Division 4.3 of the *Local Government Act*;
- (c) revenues raised by other means authorized under the *Local Government Act* or another Act; or
- (d) revenues received by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant or otherwise.

**Cost Apportionment**

5. The costs of the Service after deducting the revenues (if any) raised or received under subsections 4(a),(c) and (d) above, shall be apportioned among all of the Participating Areas on the basis of the converted value of land and improvements in the Service Area.

**Maximum Requisition**

6. The maximum amount that may be requisitioned for the Service is nine hundred and fifty thousand (\$950,000) dollars.

**Citation**

7. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No.1032, 2005".

READ A FIRST TIME this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

READ A SECOND TIME this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

READ A THIRD TIME this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

APPROVED BY THE INSPECTOR OF MUNICIPALITIES this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED by an affirmative vote this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY