



STAFF REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2020 **FILE:** 0360-20

TO: Chair and Directors,
Committee of the Whole

FROM: Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

RE: KA:'YU:'K'T'H'/CHE:K'TLES7ET'H' FIRST NATIONS MEMBERSHIP ON STRATHCONA REGIONAL BOARD

PURPOSE/PROBLEM

To hold a facilitated workshop to explore the process by which the Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nations will assume full membership on the Board of Directors for the Strathcona Regional District (SRD).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under the terms of the Ma'alnuth Treaty the Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nations (KCFN) will become full members of the Regional Board on April 1, 2021. The process for becoming a member involves the issuing or amendment of letters patent by the Province of BC prior to finalizing the terms of membership. In addition to other matters, it will be necessary to determine those services that the KCFN will be required to participate in and the voluntary services (if any) that the KCFN may wish to participate in at the outset of its membership.

A workshop session has been scheduled to provide background information and to initiate discussions on possible service arrangements that may be of interest to the KCFN and the SRD. The workshop will be attended by members of the KCFN as well as representatives from the Province of BC, and will be facilitated by EcoPlan International which was involved in similar discussions at the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District in 2011.

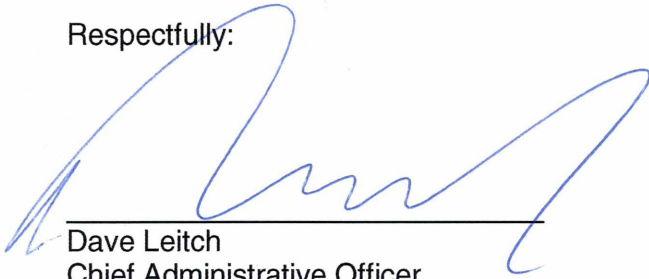
Due to the nature of the subject matter and the limitations on physical attendance imposed by COVID-19 the workshop is proposed to be held in a closed session with many of the participants attending electronically.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received.
2. THAT a workshop be convened to discuss membership of the Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nations on the Regional District Board, and

THAT the workshop be held in closed session immediately following termination of the public meeting pursuant to section 90(2)(b)* of the *Community Charter*.

Respectfully:



Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

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*A part of a council meeting must be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party;