

MEMORANDUM

File No.: 6930-20

(Agriculture Area Plan)

DATE OF MEETING: May 2, 2017

TO: Denman Island Local Trust Committee
FROM: Ann Kjerulf, Regional Planning Manager

Northern Team

SUBJECT: Denman Island Farm Plan Implementation

PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Denman Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) with an update on the status of early referrals for the Denman Island Farm Plan Implementation project.

BACKGROUND

The following resolutions were passed at the November 15, 2016 meeting of the Denman Island Local Trust Committee (LTC):

DE-2016-084

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Denman Island Local Trust Committee refer the list of proposed Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaw amendments to the Advisory Planning Commission for comment, such referral to include the comments made by the Local Trust Committee at the November 15, 2016 meeting.

CARRIED

DE-2016-085

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Denman Island Local Trust Committee refer the Farm Plan Implementation Staff Report including updates based on the November 15, 2016 Local Trust Committee meeting discussion to the Denman Growers & Producers Alliance for its comments.

CARRIED

The Farm Plan Implementation project was subsequently referred to both the Denman Island Advisory Planning Commission (APC) and the Denman Growers & Producers Alliance (GPA) for input. Due to expiring APC member terms and the need to appoint new members, the APC was unable to meet to consider the referral.

The GPA did meet to consider the referral and provided extensive comments (Attachment 1). Staff note that the GPA referral response included the following: "The GPA would be willing to consider engaging our membership in further discussions on the items proposed for implementation" and suggested additional items could be considered through the project.

NEXT STEPS

Once new APC members have been appointed and have received an orientation to their role and responsibilities, staff will refer the Farm Plan Implementation project for APC review. Upon the receipt of a referral response from the APC, staff intend to report back to the LTC for re-evaluation of the Project Charter and consideration of next steps in the Farm Plan Implementation project process.

| Submitted By: | Ann Kjerulf, MCIP, RPP | April 28, 2017 |
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ATTACHMENTS

1. Referral response from Denman Growers & Producers Alliance