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Good Day,

Further to the November 7th Public Meeting: A New Approach to Regional Economic Development on Vancouver Island, we are pleased to provide you with additional materials to support what is turning into a historic opportunity. We have heard tremendous feedback on the event proceedings, especially the powerful remarks made by Chief Andy Thomas (View on Video 1).

The best way to achieve our goal is with all 13 municipalities and 9 First Nations working in tandem with stakeholder organizations to steer us towards a more sustainable, prosperous and socially-conscious regional economy.

As of today, we have received approval from three Municipal Councils, and are officially on the agenda all 10 remaining Councils between now and Dec 14th.

Our website has been updated to include:

- Nov 7th Community Meeting Program and Agenda
- Presentation on the proposed new economic development model.
- Four videos from the November 7th Meeting:
 1. "Opening and introduction"
 2. "GVDA Presentation on the new model"
 3. "Benefits of the New Model (stakeholder perspectives)"
 4. "Post-discussion group feedback and Next Steps".
- Transcripts of the Q&A portion and post-group discussion feedback.

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Next steps:

1. **Meeting of CAOs, Economic Development Staff, Agents & Committee Representatives:**
Dec 4th 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, GT Hiring Solutions, 201-3962 Borden Street, Saanich
A review of process to ensure alignment of municipal Ec Dev strategies/OCPs to regional strategy.
2. **Initial Meeting of the Funding Partners Council:**
Dec 11th 1:00 – 4:00 pm, GT Hiring Solutions, 201-3962 Borden Street, Saanich

A Review of constitution and bylaws; discussion around board appointments, and other process-related items.

3. **Development of the Five-Year Strategy:** Already underway (Completion target date April 2016)
4. **Discussions with First Nations:** Initiated and evolving over the coming weeks.

Thank-you to all Mayors, Councillors, community and business leaders, GVDA Board members, and other interested residents of our region for attending the November 7th Public Meeting. Also special thanks to all the volunteers and prominent leaders who lent us their time and energy to help propel this initiative forward.

Regards,

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