CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

CLIMATE EMERGENCY DECLARATION

EXCERPT FROM DRAFT MINUTES OF CRD BOARD MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2019:

- 1. That the Capital Regional District Board declare a Climate Emergency;
- 2. That the CRD take a leadership role to work towards achieving carbon neutrality in the region by 2030;
- 3. That the Board Chair write to all local governments in the region requesting that they also declare climate emergencies and commit to working towards climate neutrality by 2030;
- 4. That staff be directed to submit a Letter of Intent for the \$1million Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions Theme Partnership Program, in partnership with the University of Victoria, District of Saanich, City of Victoria, Province of BC and other potential government partners, by the deadline of February 15, 2019, with an overall proposed project title: "Mitigation and adaptation through systems integration to support our Paris Agreement: Local to federal actions for a resilient future" with a regional sub-project focused on "CRD" Responding to Climate Emergency Declaration and Meeting 2030 Regional Carbon Neutrality",
- 5. That the CRD Board Chair write to the Provincial Minister of the Environment, assert the CRD's support to help the Province close the 25% emissions gap in the CleanBC Plan, and call on the Province to provide the powers and resources to Local Governments to make the Region's 2030 target possible and advance climate adaptation efforts;
- 6. That the CRD Board Chair write to the Federal Minister of the Environment, assert the CRD's support to help Canada meet its Nationally Determined Contribution target made in the Paris Agreement and call on the federal government to provide the powers and resources to Local Governments to make the Region's 2030 target possible and advance climate adaption efforts;
- 7. That staff be directed to report back to the committee on specific actions and resources that could be included in future correspondence to senior levels of government.