

City of Maple Ridge

***COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA***

***January 9, 2017***

***6:00 p.m.***

***Blaney Room***

**ADDENDUM**

**5.0      *UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS***

**5.5      Appointment of Corporate Officer**

Appointment of Laura Benson as Corporate Officer and Darrell Denton as Corporate Officer during the absence of Laura Benson

**5.6      Resolutions for Possible Submission to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities ("FCM")**

Discussion of attached resolutions put forward to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities by Councillor Duncan and Councillor Speirs.

Checked by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**5.6 Resolutions for Possible Submission to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (“FCM”)**

**1) Councillor Duncan**

**Ending Discriminatory Insurance Coverage**

Whereas insurance companies continue to discriminate against individuals who currently receive or have a history of psychiatric treatment by excluding insurance claims related to psychiatric disorders;

And whereas the Canadian Psychiatric Association advocates for the right to obtain insurance without prejudice as justified by Section 15 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms which prohibits discrimination based on a “mental or physical disability”:

Therefore be it resolved that medical insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, automobile insurance, and insurance for protection or replacement of possessions be made available to individuals currently experiencing, or with prior history of, a psychiatric disorder on “the same terms and conditions that prevail with any other illness” as recommended by The Canadian Psychiatric Association.

**Protocols to Respond to Student Drug Overdose on Secondary School Grounds**

Whereas Provincial Health Officer Dr. Perry Kendall declared the first public provincial health emergency in Canada on April 14th 2016 in response to the unprecedented rise in illicit drug overdoses across the province;

And whereas there are no protocols for naloxone, a lifesaving medication that temporarily reverses the effects of an opioid overdose, available in schools to support teachers and staff in the event of student overdoses while on school property:

Therefore be it resolved that the Minister of Health, Minister of Education and Minister of Children and Family Development jointly create provincial standards for middle and secondary schools province wide to address drug use and potential incidents of overdose in BC schools including protocols for training and administration of Naloxone (Narcan).

2) **Councillor Speirs**

**Non-compostable Produce Sticker Labels**

Whereas composting is available and encouraged in most communities and many backyards in Canada; And whereas the use of plastic non-compostable identification stickers contaminates the finished compost in commercial and private compost facilities:

Therefore be it resolved that the provincial and federal governments (where applicable) change both domestic and import regulations related to food labeling to require compostable stickers or vegetable based ink/food safe stamps on all fruits and vegetables sold in Canada.