



**METRO VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT
SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING INDUSTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, February 10, 2026
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Zoom Teleconference**

A G E N D A

1. AGENDA

1.1 February 10, 2026 Meeting Agenda 2:00 – 2:05 pm

2. MINUTES

2.1 January 13, 2026 Meeting Minutes 2:05 – 2:10 pm

3. REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1 Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Feedback Session 2:10 – 3:30 pm
Small groups and plenary
Designated speaker: Terry Fulton, Senior Project Engineer, Solid Waste Services

4. VOTING ITEM

4.1 IAC 2026 Work Plan 3:30 – 3:40 pm
Committee voting item
Designated speaker: Director Hodge, Industry Advisory Committee Co-Chair

5. OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 Zero Waste Committee and Other Updates 3:40 – 3:50 pm
For information
Designated Speaker: Paul Henderson, General Manager, Solid Waste Services

6. INFORMATION ITEMS 3:50 – 4:00 pm

6.1 Vancouver Landfill Cross Section Fill Heights
6.2 Regional Waste Flows

Committee Co-Chairs:

Director Craig Hodge, Zero Waste Committee Vice-Chair

Lori Bryan, Executive Director, Waste Management Association of BC

Membership:

Abrams, Izzie – Waste Connections of Canada	Kaminski, Jamie – HSR Zero Waste	Pantazopoulos, Dimitri – Waste Connections of Canada
Agassiz, Sam – West Coast Reduction Ltd.	Kawakami, Sean – Convertus Canada Ltd.	Punja, Rustam – Geocycle Canada Inc.
Bryan, Lori – Waste Management Association of BC	Kheyrandish, Ataollah – Richmond Steel Recycling	Prasad, Shad – Cascade Recovery +
Collins, James – Tymac Launch Service Ltd.	Kiani, Aiden – Lock-Block Ltd.	Skei, Dayton – Evergen Infrastructure Corp.
Crawford, Jeremy – Waste Control Services	Lannin, Mike – Super Save Group	Skoropada, Lorne – Ridge Meadows Recycling Society
Furtado, Glen – Cement Association of Canada	MacNeil, Patrick – Wescan Disposal Ltd.	Sigmund, Sandy – Encorp Pacific Canada, Return-It
Hankins, Grant – Canada Minibins.com Ltd.	MacFarlane, Angus – Growing City	Van Beusekom, Brent – product Care Association
JansenVandoorn, Josh – Anaconda Systems Ltd.	Mallari, Achilles – Sierra Waste Services Ltd.	Vargas, Pinky - Republic Services
Janzen, Tessa – Recycle BC	McRae, Ralph – Revolution Infrastructure Inc.	Von Stefanelli, Nicole – Urban Impact Recycling Ltd.
Johnson, Gord – Northstar	Millman, David – Waste Management of Canada Corp.	Zarbl, Michael - Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable
Johnston, Kurt – CleanStart Property Services	Moucachen, Maya – Merlin Plastics	
	Muir, Wesley – Veolia North America (Canada)	

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee Meeting held virtually at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13, 2026.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bryan, Lori, Executive Director, Waste Management Association of BC (Co-Chair)
 Abrams, Izzie – Waste Connections of Canada
 Collins, James – Tymac Launch Service Ltd.
 Crawford, Jeremy – Waste Control Services
 Hankins, Grant – Canada Minibins.com Ltd.
 Johnson, Gord – Northstar
 Kaminski, Jamie – HSR Zero Waste
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 Zarbl, Michael - Major Appliance Recycling Roundtable

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Craig Hodge, Director, Zero Waste Committee (Co-Chair)
 Agassiz, Sam – West Coast Reduction Ltd.
 Furtado, Glen – Cement Association of Canada
 Janzen, Tessa – Recycle BC
 Jansen Vandoorn, Josh – Anaconda Systems Ltd.

Johnston, Kurt – CleanStart Property Services
 Kawakami, Sean – Convertus Canada Ltd.
 McRae, Ralph D. – Revolution Infrastructure Inc.
 Skoropada, Lorne – Ridge Meadows Recycling Society
 Van Beusekom, Brent – Product Care Association

METRO VANCOUVER AND CITY OF VANCOUVER STAFF:

Kelly Du, Project Engineer, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver
Stephanie Liu, Program Manager, Community Engagement, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver
Chris Underwood, Division Manager, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver
Terry Fulton, Senior Project Engineer, Metro Vancouver
Paul Henderson, General Manager, Metro Vancouver
Samantha Joy, Engagement Specialist, Metro Vancouver
Zeenia Mizan – Program Assistant, Metro Vancouver

GUESTS:

Komal Fatima, Consultation and Engagement Panel Member
Andrea Reimer, Consultation and Engagement Panel Member

PREPARATION OF MINUTES: Jasmine Claypool, Raincoast Ventures Ltd.

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 - 3.1 2024 Solid Waste and Recycling Statistics and Biennial Report**
For information and Q&A
Designated speaker: Kelly Du, Project Engineer, Solid Waste Services
 - 3.2 Next Steps for Draft Plan – Special Meeting**
For information and Q&A
Designated speaker: Terry Fulton, Senior Project Engineer, Solid Waste Services
 - 3.3 2026 IAC Draft Work Plan Development**
For discussion
Designated speaker: Paul Henderson, General Manager, Solid Waste Services and Lori Bryan, IAC Co-Chair
- 4. VOTING ITEM**
 - 4.1 Terms of Reference – Proposed Amendments**
For discussion
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- 5. OTHER BUSINESS**
 - 5.1 Zero Waste Committee and Other Updates**
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Designated Speaker: Paul Henderson, General Manager, Solid Waste Services
 - 5.2 2026 IAC Member Submissions**

For information

Designated speaker: Samantha Joy, Engagement Specialist, Solid Waste Services

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Regional Waste Flows

6.2 2026 IAC Meeting Dates

6.3 [Residual Waste Management Options Review \(link\)](#)

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MEETING MINUTES

Co-Chair Lori Bryan, called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm and welcomed attendees to the Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee meeting, noting the attendance of Solid Waste Management Plan Independent Consultation and Engagement Panel Members Komal Fatima and Andrea Reimer. General housekeeping reminders were provided, including that the meeting was being live-streamed and would be posted to the Industry Advisory Committee webpage.

1. AGENDA

1.1 January 13, 2026, Meeting Agenda

Co-Chair Bryan reviewed the January 13, 2026, meeting agenda. No additions were made.

2. MINUTES

2.1 November 4, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Co-Chair Bryan called for any additions or changes to the Minutes of the November 4, 2025, Industry Advisory Committee meeting. No additions or changes were made.

3. REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1 2024 Solid Waste and Recycling Statistics and Biennial Report

Kelly Du, Project Engineer, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver, provided a self-introduction and referred to slides #5-17, related to “2024 Solid Waste and Recycling Statistics”. Highlights included:

- An updated performance and monitoring approach:
 - Terminology has been refined to differentiate between “recycling rate” which includes only recycled materials whereas “diversion rate” reflects both recycled and recovered materials. Statistics from 2023 and prior used “recycling rate” to describe what is now considered “diversion rate.”
 - Asphalt is reported, but removed from the total recycling calculation
 - Updated concrete numbers based on recent reported recycling values
 - Assumptions for small load waste were updated to align with more recent survey data, showing a higher overall proportion of commercial/institutional to residential small loads than previously assumed
- Diversion rate over time generally shows an upward trend but has plateaued in recent years
- 2024 Summary:
 - Increased recycling and disposal in the commercial sector, which is partly due to updated small loads assumptions
- Recycled and Diverted Materials:
 - Increase in gypsum attributed to stockpiled materials
 - Decrease in wood correlated with lower housing starts and market challenges
- Aim to continue to improve methodology in 2026, will explore possibility of having a third party perform checks on concrete reported values.

Paul Henderson, General Manager, Metro Vancouver, advised that asphalt was historically reported in the recycling totals but has been removed because it mostly comes from street projects. The increase in the concrete number reflects a change in methodology from prior years, where concrete was set at 2021 levels due to uncertainty, and is now updated to report actual numbers. Reused materials, such as wood used as an alternative to fossil fuels, were included in diversion numbers rather than the recycling numbers.

During ensuing discussion, the following questions and comments (Q/C) and *responses (R)* were captured:

Q/C: What type of data is being received related to “unlicensed private facilities”?

R: These are the facilities processing concrete and asphalt. They are exempt from licensing under Bylaw 181. Licensed private facilities under “Garbage” refer to those managing construction/demolition waste.

Q/C: Suggestion that “Unlicensed Private Facilities” be relabeled to “Concrete and Asphalt Processing Facilities”.

ACTION (01): Staff will update the chart on slide #8 of the presentation. “Unlicensed Private Facilities” is now labelled “Reported Concrete”

3.2 Next Steps for Draft Plan – January 28, 2026, meeting added to the schedule

Samantha Joy, Engagement Specialist, Metro Vancouver, reminded the meeting that presentation slides are available on the Industry Advisory Committee webpage.

ACTION (02): Metro Vancouver will include the presentation slides in the agenda package going forward.

Terry Fulton, Senior Project Engineer, Solid Waste Services, referred to slides titled, “Plan Timeline”, and “Remaining Steps to Finalize the Plan”, highlighting the draft solid waste management plan is under development, encompassing the feedback heard through all phases of engagement. The intent is for the initial draft plan to be made available online on January 22 and presented to advisory committees and other parties in the coming weeks. The Industry Advisory Committee will receive a presentation on the initial draft plan during the January 28, 2026, meeting and a second opportunity to discuss the initial draft in greater detail at the meeting on February 10. Feedback on the initial draft plan is welcome to February 20. Comments will also be welcome on the subsequent revised draft plan prior to submission to the Minister of Environment and Parks.

3.3 2026 IAC Draft Work Plan Development

Samantha Joy referred to slides (#22 - #28) related to, “IAC 2026 Work Plan Development”, noting that a Draft Workplan was included in the Agenda, with opportunity to discuss

additions/changes. While additional workplan topics may arise, the Draft Workplan represents the key topics for the year.

Co-Chair Bryan invited discussion on the following questions:

- Does this list represent the topics the committee is interested in focusing on in 2026?
- Is there anything missing or that could be removed?

During ensuing discussion, the following questions and comments (Q/C) and *responses (R)* were captured:

Q/C: Regarding the Quarter 2 Workplan – Key Topics and Priorities, are the topics for discussion to be reviewed again?

R: *It is divided into quarters; these are things that we would likely be talking about in the April, May, and June 2026 meetings.*

Q/C: Confirming that the draft solid waste management plan is being sent to the Zero Waste Committee in February?

R: *The initial draft solid waste management plan will be reviewed in Quarter 1. A revised draft will then be provided to the Zero Waste Committee and Board. Following the Board meeting there will be an additional comment period on the revised draft plan. The revised draft plan, along with all feedback, will then be provided to the Minister. If there are significant updates to the draft plan as a result of feedback following the Board meeting, staff would bring the plan back to the Board for consideration.*

Co-Chair Bryan noted that one member had expressed interest in an item being included in the workplan and wanted to confirm that it was. It was also noted that any additions could be emailed to staff or the Co-Chairs. The Workplan would be voted on/adopted at the February 10, 2026 meeting.

4. VOTING ITEM

4.1 Terms of Reference – Proposed Amendments

Co-Chair Bryan noted that a redline version of the proposed amendments to the Industry Advisory Committee Terms of Reference was included in the Agenda package. In response to a suggestion, it was displayed on-screen.

Paul Henderson noted that an addition regarding the absence of both Co-Chairs and the election of a temporary Chair was prompted by the October 2025 meeting, during which Co-Chair Craig Hodge could only attend a portion of the meeting, and Co-Chair Bryan was absent.

Samantha Joy reviewed proposed revisions including general grammar and language edits, inclusion of the implementation of the solid waste management plan as a committee point

of interest, updates to align with Board priorities with regards to in-person meetings and, and clarification that individuals can observe meetings by livestream rather than joining through Zoom.

The quorum requirement was proposed to be revised to apply specifically to meetings with voting items, noting that the October 2025 meeting did not have quorum, but was recorded and proceeded for discussion, without formal meeting minutes.

Paul Henderson noted that the proposed changes to the Terms of Reference require Industry Advisory Committee approval.

During discussion, a member expressed concern with meetings proceeding without quorum, noting that the Industry Advisory Committee's purpose is to provide input without quorum risk the potential for inadequate input and feedback. It was suggested that the revision be removed, in favour of the original clause.

In response, Paul Henderson noted there could be challenges with members attending in-person meetings and offered that continuing a meeting without quorum could still be considered on a case-by-case basis since it potentially benefits the attending members.

It was MOVED and Seconded

That the Metro Vancouver Regional District Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee approve the proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference, except for the changes related to quorum.

CARRIED

Following online voting and tallying, the Motion to accept the proposed updates to the Terms of Reference, except the changed related to quorum was passed. The first motion was not considered.

ACTION (03): Staff will finalize the revised Terms of Reference and post the updated version to the Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee's webpage.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 Zero Waste Committee and Other Updates

Paul Henderson referred to a slide titled, "Zero Waste Committee Updates", and offered comments regarding the agenda for the meeting scheduled January 15, 2026, items that are on both the Zero Waste Committee Work Plan and that of the Industry Advisory Committee, annual reports available on the website, the Disposal Ban Program, and the reusable coffee cup launch at Metro Vancouver (included in the Manager's Report).

An update regarding nitrous oxide cylinders was provided, noting challenges and work underway to accept all cylinders, including those that may not be fully empty. In December

2025 over 100 cylinders were brought to Metro Vancouver recycling depots. Information has been requested from Health Canada regarding cylinder recalls and the legality of sales.

It was noted that discussions are underway between Metro Vancouver, the City of Vancouver, and the City of Delta regarding the Vancouver Landfill's 1999 agreement and a potential revision of the total tonnage restriction. Additional information will be shared at the conclusion of those discussions.

5.2 2026 IAC Member Submissions

Samantha Joy reported that the submission period for 2026 Industry Advisory Committee applications will be between January 19 and February 15, 2026, noting that current members are required to reapply per the Terms of Reference.

Members were invited to communicate any questions to staff or Co-Chairs. Members were also informed of an upcoming opportunity to present to the Consultation and Engagement Panel on the engagement during the options analysis phase of the solid waste management plan update

ACTION (04): Samantha Joy, Engagement Specialist, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver, to email Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee members links to 1) the 2026 member application and 2) to express interest in presenting to the Consultation and Engagement Panel.

It was noted that the opportunity to apply for committee membership is being encouraged through social media, emails to the Metro Vancouver industry mailing list, and networking.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Regional Waste Flows

6.2 2026 IAC Meeting Dates

6.3 [Residual Waste Management Options Review \(link\)](#)

Co-Chair Bryan noted that the Information Items were included in the agenda, along with a link, and were also available on the webpage.

It was noted that the purpose of the upcoming January 28, 2026, meeting is to receive a walkthrough of the initial draft solid waste management plan and to provide initial feedback. That meeting will be recorded and shared, with members able to access the presentation and connect with Metro Vancouver staff before the February 10, 2026, meeting. There will be a more fulsome opportunity for discussion during the February 10, 2026, meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Co-Chair Bryan provided closing comments, thanking members for their participation and advised that the next regular Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee meetings would be on January 28, 2026, and February 10.

The Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

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Solid Waste and Recycling Industry Advisory Committee
 2026 Draft Work Plan Priorities

February 5, 2026

Quarter 1	Status	Approach
2024 Solid Waste and Recycling Statistics and Biennial report	Complete	Plenary
Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Review and Initial Feedback	In progress	Small group discussion
Vancouver Landfill / Long-Term Disposal Planning	Pending	Plenary
Source Reduction Incentive Program	Pending	Small group discussion
SWMP: Monitoring and Implementation – committee role after approval of draft plan	Pending	Small group discussion
Quarter 2	Status	Approach
Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Review of Revised Draft	Pending	TBD
SWMP: Actions Related to Recovery of Materials and Energy from Recyclable Materials	Pending	TBD
SWMP: Actions Considered Unadvisable by Staff	Pending	TBD
Metro Vancouver Recycling and Waste Centre Strategy: How to Increase Opportunities for Waste Reduction and Recycling	Pending	TBD
Disposal Ban Program Results	Pending	TBD
Quarter 3	Status	Approach
WTEF Environmental Performance Summary	Pending	TBD
Construction and Demolition Materials Recycling and Reuse Update	Pending	TBD
Draft Capital Plan	Pending	TBD
Quarter 4	Status	Approach
Solid Waste Services Annual Budget and 5-Year Financial Plan	Pending	TBD
2025 Waste Composition Results	Pending	TBD

Vancouver Landfill Site Plan



* Surveyed in May 2025, points shown are metres above sea level (m ASL), ground is approx 2m ASL

Metro Vancouver Waste Quantities*

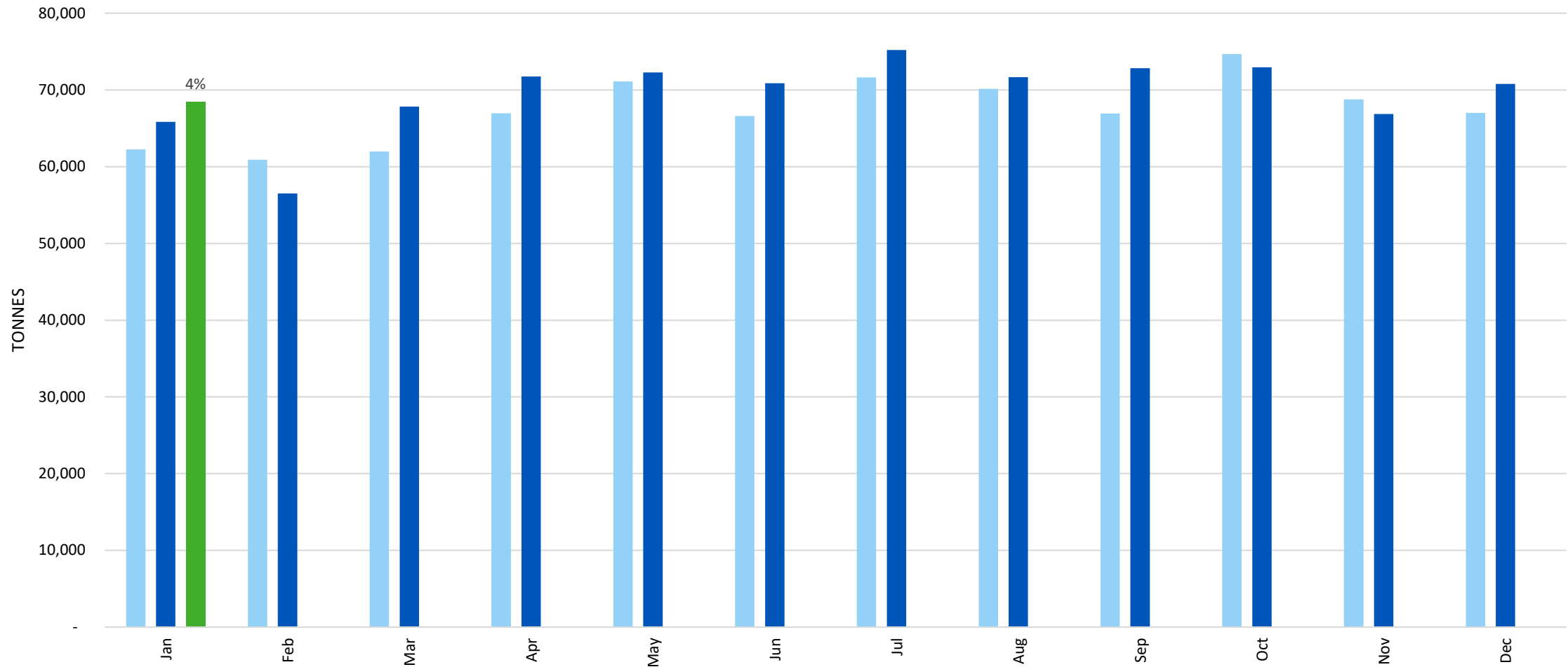
2024 – 2026**

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2024 2025 2026

YTD % Change:

4%



**Data reconciled to Dec 2025

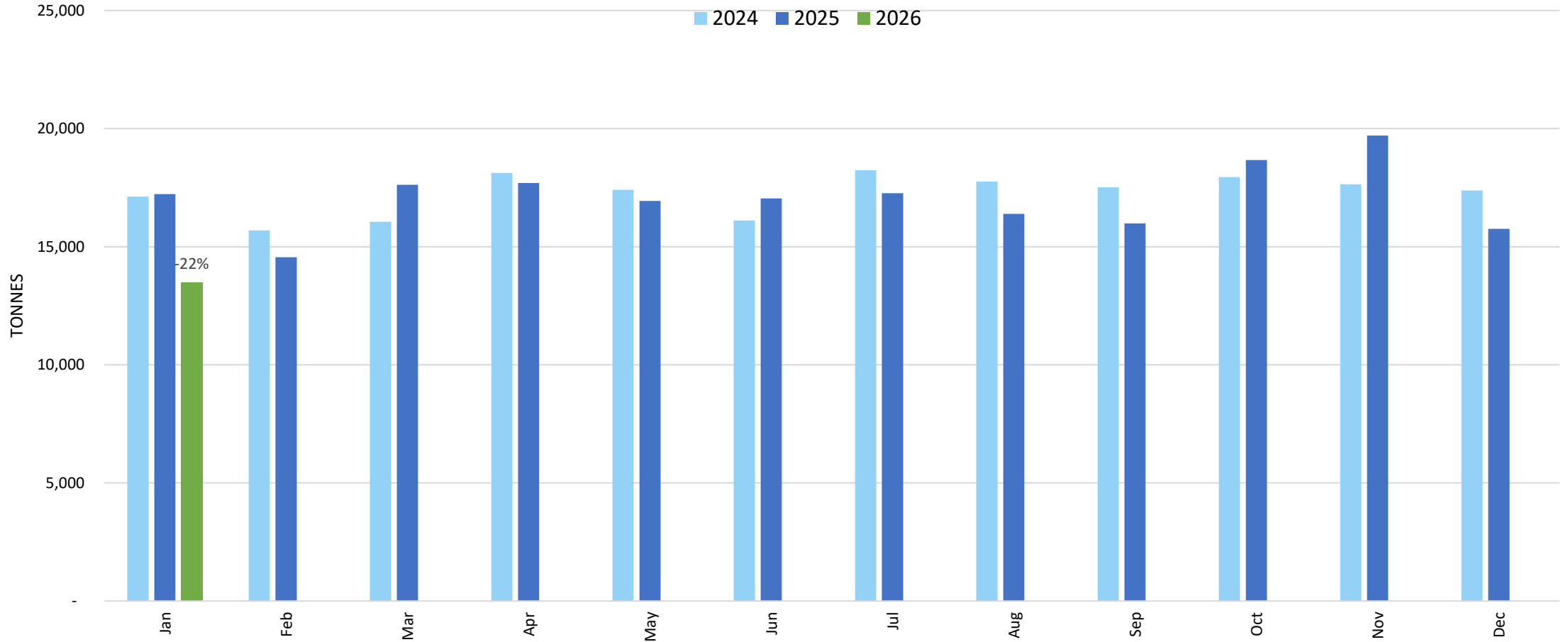
*Metro Vancouver's Six Recycling and Waste Centres & the Waste-to-Energy Facility

City of Vancouver Waste Quantities*

2024 - 2026

(Demo garbage not included)

YTD % Change: -22%



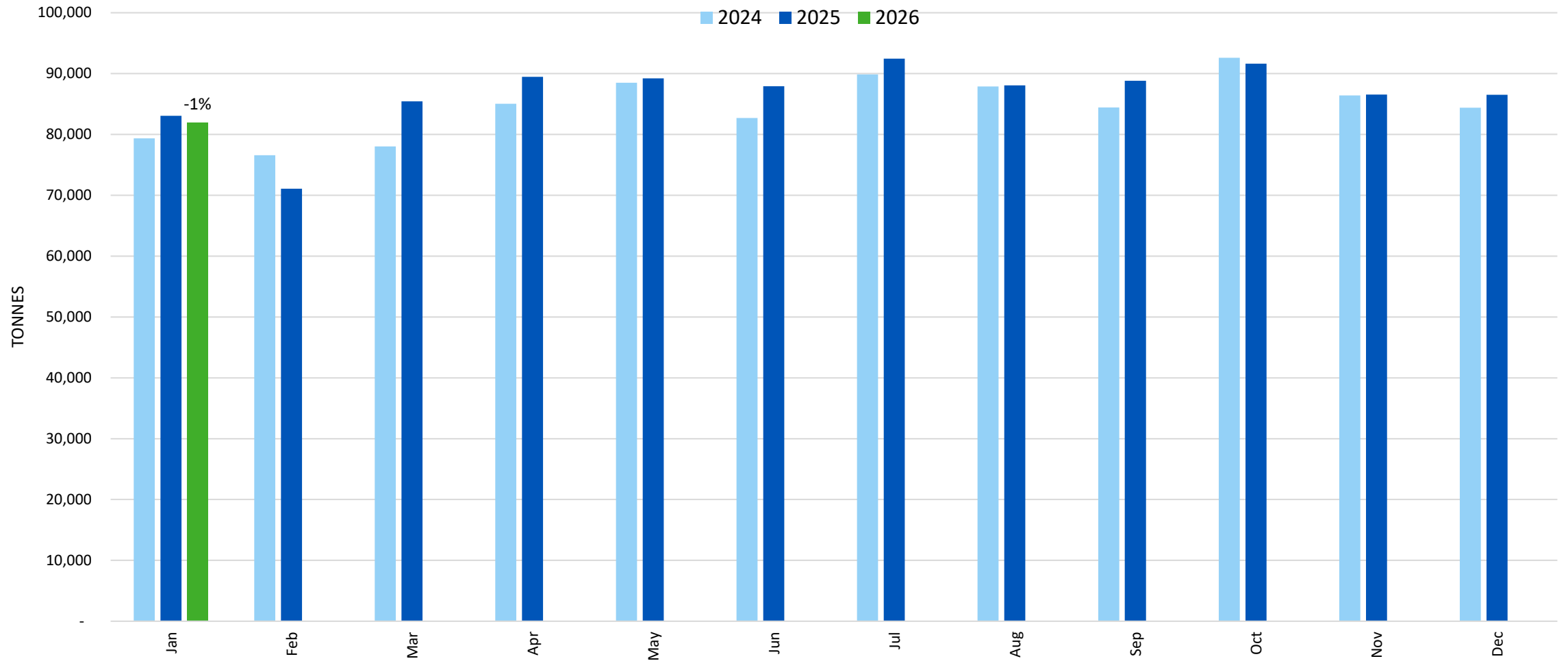
*Vancouver Landfill & Vancouver South Transfer Station

Metro Vancouver and City of Vancouver Waste Quantities*

2024 - 2026

(Demo garbage not included)

YTD % Change: -1%



*Metro Vancouver data reconciled to Dec 2025

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Welcome

Burrard Inlet Port Lands



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AGENDA

1. Agenda – February 10, 2026

2. Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2026

3. Items for Discussion

2.1 Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Feedback and Discussion

4. Voting Item – IAC 2026 Workplan

5. Other Business

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Items for Discussion



ROUNDTABLE FEEDBACK

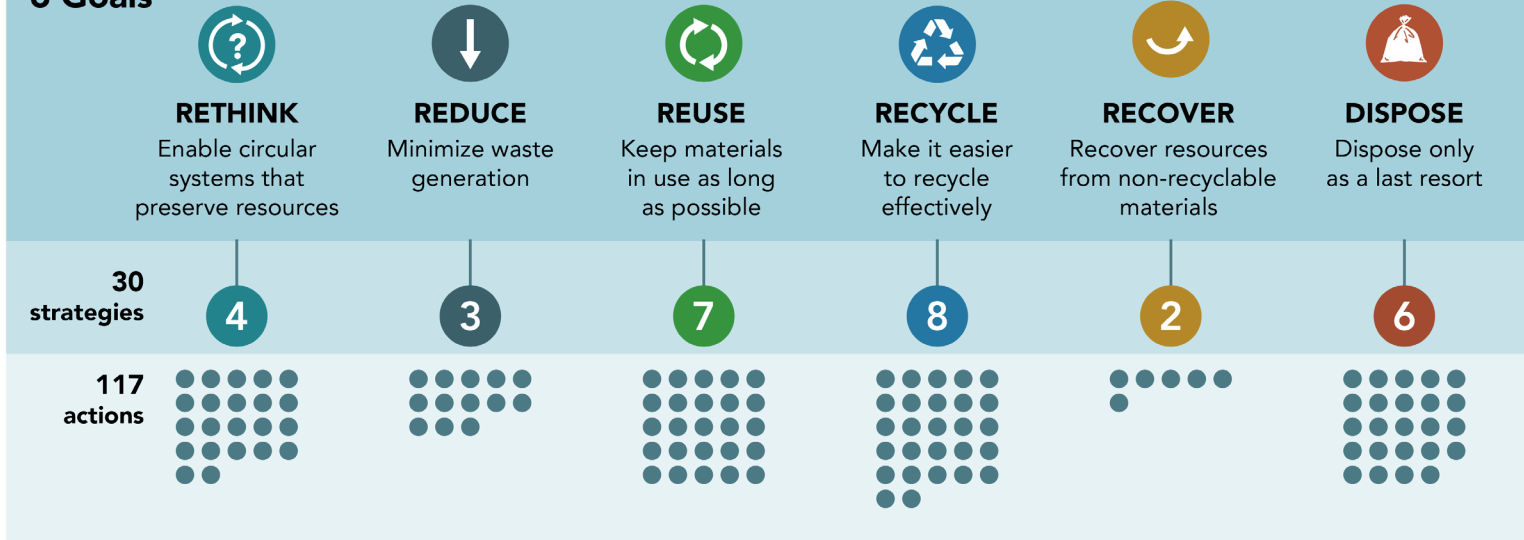
- Each member will have up to 2 minutes to share overall feedback on the initial draft plan.
- Members are invited to submit written feedback for inclusion in the report to the Zero Waste Committee and GVS&DD Board.
- All input will be considered in preparing the revised draft plan or will be submitted to the Province as part of the approval process.

INITIAL DRAFT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Vision

A thriving region where nothing is wasted and resources are valued.

6 Goals



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Small groups

Public/Technical Advisory Committee



Wrap-up



TAKEAWAYS

- Share takeaways from small groups (optional)

FEEDBACK OPTIONS

- Today's feedback session
- Written feedback to zerowaste@metrovancover.org
- Online discussion board
- Additional meeting by request

NEXT STEPS

- Provide feedback on initial draft by Feb 20 (online discussion board)
- Revised draft to be presented to Zero Waste Committee and GVS&DD Board
- Comment period following GVS&DD Board meeting, prior to submission of the revised draft plan to province



Metro Vancouver Skyline

Thank You

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Draft 2026 Work Plan: Vote

Jericho Beach



COMMITTEE VOTE

Draft 2025 IAC Work Plan

Vote to approve the draft 2026 work plan

- As per terms of reference the vote will pass with 50% + 1 of the member votes in attendance
- Members use Zoom “raise hand” function to vote



Other Business

Waste-to-Energy Facility tour – IAC members and Co-Chair

ZERO WASTE COMMITTEE AND OTHER UPDATES

- 2024 Annual Solid Waste Statistics
- Capital Program Update
 - Key projects: schedules and budget report
- Zero Waste Conference report
 - 500 attendees, 85% positive feedback
 - Conference delivered at \$70,000 less than budgeted
 - Next conference scheduled for 2027

ZERO WASTE COMMITTEE AND OTHER UPDATES

Manager's Report

- Update on the Vancouver Landfill agreement
- Industry Advisory Committee call for membership
- Update on the Collaborative Engagement program
- Nitrous Oxide cylinder recycling update
- RFP for reuse services at United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre

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Information Items

Ironworkers Memorial Bridge



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