

City of Port Moody Council Resolution May 12, 2020

CC20/086 Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

WHEREAS our society has been plagued by homelessness and a lack of support systems for those affected by addictions and mental illness for generations;

AND WHEREAS the state of homelessness in our region has only worsened over the course of decades and throughout multiple Provincial Governments;

AND WHEREAS an eventual economic rebuild is a good opportunity to make positive upgrades to our society;

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT the City of Port Moody considers a return to the "normal" state of homelessness in our region, province, and nation after the COVID emergency fundamentally unacceptable;

AND THAT the City of Port Moody call on the Metro Vancouver Regional District, the Government of BC, and the Government of Canada to use the post-COVID recovery as an opportunity to "upgrade" our society by eliminating homelessness;

AND THAT the City of Port Moody supports a return to large-scale supportive housing arrangements for those afflicted by mental illness, such as a revived facility at Riverview.