



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: Environmental Task Group June 11 Meeting
Report

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From: Councillor Rosemary Wallace

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RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Environmental Task Group recommends that, in the spirit of cooperation, the City of Langley continue to provide and maintain the existing water service to the Nicomekl Elementary School garden at no cost for as long as the School District maintains this garden.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to recommend to Council that the city continue to maintain and operate the water service to Nicomekl Elementary School Gardens.

POLICY:

N/A

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

The following is an excerpt from the June 11, 2020 Environmental Task Group Meeting.

There was discussion regarding the water service to the former Nicomekl Community Garden, now the Nicomekl Elementary School Garden. The City currently maintains the water service and turned it on a few weeks ago at the request of LEPS who is supporting the SD in this initiative. There was discussion about the benefits of the garden to both the SD and greater community by teaching children the value of gardening and food security. Recognizing the benefits to both the School and

Community there was consensus to request the City that, In the spirit of cooperation, as long as the Nicomekl Elementary School garden exists and is maintained by the SD that the City agree to maintain the water service to the garden at no cost to the SD.

*MOVED BY Member Dreves
SECONDED BY Member Hall*

THAT the Environmental Task Group recommends, in the spirit of cooperation, The City of Langley continue to provide and maintain the existing water service to the Nicomekl Elementary School garden at no cost for as long as the School District maintains this garden.

CARRIED

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Minor operating cost - can be absorbed in existing budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

Ask the School District to take over the operation and maintenance of the water service.

Respectfully Submitted,



Councillor Rosemary Wallace
Chair