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Mayor Nathan Pachal and Council
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Dear Mayor Nathan Pachal and Council:

Metro 2050 Type 3 Proposed Amendment – City of Surrey (15238 - 64 Avenue)

You are invited to provide written comments on a proposed amendment to *Metro 2050*, the regional growth strategy. *Metro 2050* is the regional federation's plan for managing growth coming to Metro Vancouver in a way that: protects important lands like agriculture, ecologically important and industrial lands; contains growth within an urban containment boundary and directs it to transit oriented locations; and supports the efficient provision of utilities and transit. *Metro 2050* contains six regional and parcel based land use designations that support those objectives. By signing on to *Metro 2050*, if a member jurisdiction aspires to change the land use designation for a site then, as a part of the process, they have agreed to have the Metro Vancouver Board consider the regional implications of the proposed amendment. *Metro 2050* outlines the process for proposed amendments.

The City of Surrey is requesting an amendment to *Metro 2050* for a 0.67 hectare site comprising one property located at the southeast corner of 152 Street and 64 Avenue in the Newton area. The proposed amendment would redesignate the regional land use of the property from Agricultural to Industrial to accommodate a multi-tenant industrial building with a restaurant and a volleyball facility. The proposed amendment would extend the Urban Containment Boundary to include the subject property. The site is not in the Agricultural Land Reserve.

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At its November 1, 2024 regular meeting, the Board of Directors of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) passed the following resolution:

That the MVRD Board:

- a) initiate the Metro 2050 amendment process for the City of Surrey's requested amendment to include the property located at 15238 - 64 Avenue within the Urban Containment Boundary and amend its regional land use designation from Agricultural to Industrial;*
- b) give first, second, and third readings to Metro Vancouver Regional District Regional Growth Strategy Amendment Bylaw No. 1396, 2024; and*
- c) direct staff to notify affected local governments as per section 6.4.2 of Metro 2050.*

The proposed amendment is a Type 3 amendment to *Metro 2050*, which requires that an amendment bylaw be passed by the MVRD Board by an affirmative 50%+1 weighted vote. For more information on regional growth strategy amendment procedures, please refer to Sections 6.3 and 6.4 in *Metro 2050*. Enclosed is a Metro Vancouver staff report dated September 16, 2024, titled "Metro 2050 Type 3 Proposed Amendment – City of Surrey (15238 - 64 Avenue)" providing background information and an assessment of the proposed amendment regarding its consistency with *Metro 2050*.

If you have any questions or wish to comment with respect to the proposed amendment, please contact Jonathan Cote, Deputy General Manager, Regional Planning and Housing Development, by phone at 604-432-6391 or by email at jonathan.cote@metrovancover.org by **February 10, 2025**.

Yours sincerely,



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Encl: [Metro Vancouver Board report dated September 16, 2024, titled "Metro 2050 Type 3 Proposed Amendment – City of Surrey \(15238 - 64 Avenue\)" \(pg. 140\)](#)