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Good morning Mayor and Council,

With confirmation of the outcome of the Provincial general election, our IGR team has compiled for your reference the following summary of the results and key platform commitments for the incoming NDP majority.

We would also like to congratulate Councillor Boyle on her election as MLA for Vancouver-Little Mountain.

While the election is complete, the interregnum period will formally end with the swearing-in of the new Cabinet, which will likely take place over the coming month.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please let me know.

Best,

Paul

2024 Provincial Election – Results

The election resulted in a majority for the BC NDP. The Provincial Voting Results are as follows:

- BC Green Party: 2
- BC NDP: 47
- Conservative Party of BC: 44
- Independent: 0

Please note that judicial recounts will automatically be conducted by a justice of the Supreme Court of BC in Kelowna-Centre and Surrey-Guildford as the difference between the top two candidates is less than 1/500th of the total ballots considered (38 and 27 votes respectively). A judicial recount can also be requested by a candidate by the November 4 deadline if the riding meets the requisite criteria.

In Vancouver ridings, the voting results are as follows:

- Vancouver-Fraserview: George Chow, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Hastings: Niki Sharma, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Kensington: Mable Elmore, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Langara: Sunita Dhir, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Little Mountain: Christine Boyle, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Point-Grey: David Eby, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Quilchena: Dallas Brodie, Conservative Party of BC
- Vancouver-Renfrew: Adrian Dix, BC NDP
- Vancouver-South Granville: Brenda Bailey, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Strathcona: Joan Phillip, BC NDP
- Vancouver-West End: Spencer Chandra Herbert, BC NDP
- Vancouver-Yaletown: Terry Yung, BC NDP

The riding-by-riding voting results can be found on the [Election BC website](#).

Key Platform Commitments

A link to the BC NDP election platform can be found [here](#).

Key themes from the platform include:

- Affordability
- More homes for the middle-class
- Improving health care
- Public safety
- Job creation

Highlights from the platform are outlined below:

Housing:

- Create a standardized, province-wide online municipal building permit system to provide consistency in permitting for builders in every city in the province, and to ensure consistent permit approval times between communities, reducing administration and technology cost burdens on municipalities.
- Encourage municipal partnerships to build more housing through a new local infrastructure investment fund that's tied to housing starts, while offering more flexibility to cities exceeding those targets.
- Work with municipalities to build up rather than out by:
 - Prioritizing the construction of affordable, non-market housing near new SkyTrain and rapid bus stations;
 - Cutting red tape and encouraging more development across all nonmarket housing; and,
 - Allowing additional height for all new co-op, non-profit and public rental housing.
- Deliver new home ownership opportunities by expanding BC Builds to include both rentals and, moving forward, affordable home ownership opportunities.
- Fast-track BC's factory home construction to quickly deliver lower cost middle-class homes.
- Prioritize housing for public land.
- Drive the construction of more market rental housing by waiving provincial property taxes for new purpose-built rental projects.
- Fuel the construction of more non-market housing.
- Double construction apprenticeship training so BC has the supply of red-seal certified workers needed to build the tens of thousands homes we need every year.
- Open the door for first time home buyers by reducing the up-front costs of buying a home. Under this new program, homebuyers will pay 60% of their unit's price initially, with the remaining 40% due only when they sell — or after 25 years — and their equity in the home has grown.
- Crack down on the inflated cost of buying a home by eliminating the blind-bidding that routinely means home buyers bid and pay thousands of dollars more than they need to get the house they want.
- Crack down on people who use the housing market only to turn profits. We will increase the housing speculation tax — and clamp down on home flipping, which leaves potential home-buyers out in the cold.
- Encourage more people to rent their suites or home by having their back.
- Protect BC's existing stock of rental housing by replenishing, as needed, the Rental Protection Fund that non-profits can use to buy and protect affordable rental housing for the long term.
- Get rid of "no pet" clauses for purpose-built rental apartment buildings.

Homelessness, Mental Health & Addictions:

- Bring the Homeless Encampment Action Response Temporary Housing (HEARTH) program to more communities, in line with our provincial decampment strategy to get people inside. We'll work closely with communities on new housing options — and make sure new facilities have the staff, enforced good neighbour agreements, and locations to deliver successful outcomes for residents and the whole community.
- Provide BC students the help they need by making sure every public school has a mental health counsellor.
- Expand mental health counselling care across BC by fueling the vital work of community-based mental health organizations through a new \$50 million Community Mental Health Resilience Fund.
- Deliver supportive, safe and confidential mental health and addiction services to youth and their families. Move forward with Foundry Centres in ten more communities.
- Get people with addictions the right care in the right place when they're ready for treatment with individually tailored, publicly funded addiction treatment and support, from detox to after-care, accessible through a single phone number across the entire province.
- Help prevent the cycle of addiction by strengthening drug prevention education in BC schools. Built around providing supportive training and resources to all school staff.
- Create more access to high quality addiction treatment by strengthening local recovery homes, supporting First Nations treatment centres and Indigenous-led programming, and funding more at-home addiction treatment services.
- Remove barriers to treatment and keep families together through the recovery process by establishing residential treatment options that provide direct supports to parents undergoing addiction treatment.
- Expand specialized treatment beds for people from across the province with both mental health and substance use disorders by building a second Red Fish Healing Centre and additional "satellite" facilities.
- Tackle the addiction epidemic in BC's construction industry by building BC's first-ever Addictions Treatment Centre for construction workers who tragically make up one in five drug deaths.
- Help protect people at risk, particularly in smaller communities, by expanding the availability of nasal naloxone to pharmacies across the province.

Public Safety:

- Provide secure, supportive and dignified care for people in BC whose struggles with brain injuries, severe mental health illness and addiction require intensive care.
- Break the chain of addictions leading to crime by setting up designated mental health units in correctional centres to provide rapid treatment for people with mental health and addiction challenges being held on remand or sentenced to custody by the courts.
- Deliver supportive, safe, quality care when a mental health crisis is reported to 911 by fast-tracking the expansion of civilian-led and health-focused crisis response teams across the province.
- Keep repeat violent and gang offenders off the streets by pushing Ottawa for stronger bail and sentencing conditions, along with easier access to dangerous offender designations for violent people who need to stay behind bars.
- Stop repeat offenders in their tracks by strengthening targeted policing, increasing funding for immediate police

- investigations, adding more comprehensive case management capacity for prosecutors, and expanding support for rehabilitative referrals.

Childcare:

- Deliver affordable before and after-school care for kids up to age 12 across BC.
- Build new childcare spaces. Expand the \$10-a-day childcare model and make a \$500 million initial investment to add new needed accessible and affordable childcare spaces, initiating a long-term capital plan that will be built with input from families, providers, school districts, municipalities, sector experts and more.

Transportation:

- Complete the Broadway Subway project to UBC.
- Continue to expand and strengthen transit service by working with TransLink and the Mayors' Council on the Access for Everyone plan to ensure service continues to be there for people.
- Develop a business plan to evaluate bringing commuter rail back to key transportation routes, including Vancouver to Squamish.

Seniors:

- Make it more affordable to get around the community by offering free transit for seniors in non-peak hours.
- Build more housing seniors can afford.
- Continue to improve quality, supported care for seniors by building 5,400 new and replacement beds at 32 long-term care facilities across BC.
- Help more seniors make rent and reduce costs by qualifying more people for SAFER (Shelter Aid for Elderly Renters) and increasing the support available for individual renters.
- Help seniors with the cost of living by increasing the Senior's Supplement by \$50 to \$149 per month.
- Expand the Better at Home program so more seniors get the support they need to remain in their homes as they age – while easing demand on long-term care homes.

Climate Change:

- Develop a Clean Energy Plan to make BC's vision of a clean-energy future a reality. Working with First Nations and communities, we will do the work needed to transform BC's economy away from overreliance on fossil fuels to sources of energy that are clean, affordable and reliable — while finding regulatory efficiencies to streamline the permitting and construction of new clean-energy infrastructure and renewable power projects.
- Double electricity generation by 2050 and upgrade BC's power transmission grid to help make sure that power gets to industries, businesses and homes where and when it's needed. This includes growing new sources of made-in-BC clean energy by issuing competitive calls for power every two years.
- Leverage our commitment and action on clean energy to attract new investment and opportunity from companies around the globe who are making climate action a priority.
- Create a Clean Economy Transition fund to fuel investment, innovation and good-paying jobs.
- Anticipate and meet the job demands for BC's newest and fastest-growing sector with a clean energy labour market strategy that will guide the recruiting, training and placement of workers able to build and operate complex clean energy projects and infrastructure.
- Help you and your family be part of generating the clean energy BC needs. Our BC Hydro rebates on solar panels and home solar batteries will help you create and store your own energy, and even make money by delivering electricity back to the provincial grid. This program also includes rebates for apartment buildings, small businesses, schools, social housing providers, and other public organizations.
- Get better deals for your home and office energy retrofits.
- Encourage the move to more electric vehicles in BC by making charging stations more available and reliable.
- Drive students to school on clean energy. By moving BC's school bus fleet to electric, we can help protect our kids' health, lower transportation costs, and reduce our province's carbon emissions.
- Continue to reduce carbon pollution through a cap on harmful emissions from the oil and gas sector.
- Engage youth to build a stronger future. We'll expand the Youth Climate Corps across BC, providing training and paid work for young people between age 17-30 who want to start their careers by making a difference on climate action in their communities in a way that makes communities safer and more prosperous.

Reconciliation:

- Continue the shared work of the Declaration Act Action Plan.
- Build more on- and off reserve housing, and partner with First Nations and Métis on BC Builds projects to deliver more housing for everyone in communities around the province.
- Advance Indigenous education and training opportunities, including the preservation and revitalization of First Nations languages and cultural heritage.
- Expand support for urban Indigenous people through the work being done by the 25 Aboriginal Friendship Centres across BC.

Other:

- Make sure BC's economy has the space to grow and create jobs through a new Industrial Land Reserve.

- Lobby Ottawa to reallocate immigration policy and funding to the provincial government similar to the agreement in place in Quebec.
- Complete and implement an “ease of doing business” review. Working with key business organizations, individual business owners and entrepreneurs we’ll identify and remove barriers to establishing or growing businesses here in British Columbia.
- Help protect small business owners and reduce their costs when disputes with landlords arise.
- Reduce administrative burdens on small businesses by changing PST filing to quarterly from monthly.
- Cut red tape for BC restaurants, wineries, breweries and distilleries by modernizing liquor laws and licensing, including a move to risk-based licensing that encourages good business practices throughout the industry.
- Continue to build the heart of communities by investing in the tourism, arts and culture activities people here — and visiting here — love most, including:
 - An expanded Arts, Culture & Sports Infrastructure Fund that helps local community and cultural organizations bring people together, and inform, entertain and engage ever widening audiences.
 - Bringing people together to celebrate their communities, cultures and love of local arts by providing stable, year-over-year funding for fairs, festivals and events.
- Prevent workplace accidents and injuries by increasing the inspection and enforcement capacity of WorkSafeBC.
- Expand presumptive coverage under WCB for firefighters who experience higher rates of cancer due to increased exposure to the hazards of a fire scene.
- Work to train, retain and attract more nurses so that we meet our commitment to deliver nurse-to-patient ratios that support nurses and optimize the delivery of care to patients.
- Build more than 20,000 new student spaces at 58 K-12 projects in BC’s fastest-growing communities, from Richmond to Fernie to Mission.

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