

## Meeting Minutes

### Hospitals and Housing Committee

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Wednesday, March 4, 2026

1:30 PM

6th Floor Boardroom  
625 Fisgard St.  
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

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**PRESENT:**

Directors: K. Murdoch (Chair), J. Caradonna (Vice Chair), M. Alto, S. Brice, Z. de Vries, R. Fawcett (for P. Brent), S. Goodmanson, G. Holman (EP), P. Jones, C. McNeil-Smith (Board Chair, ex-officio)

STAFF: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; K. Lorette, General Manager, Housing, Planning and Protective Services; V. Samosan, A/Chief Financial Officer/General Manager, Finance and Technology; M. Barnes, Senior Manager, Health and Capital Planning Strategy; S. Carey, Senior Manager, Legal and Risk Management, Corporate Services; D. Elliott, Senior Manager, Regional Housing; R. Fowles, Manager, Planning and Capital Projects, Regional Housing; A. Hoge, Manager, Corporate Finance; J. Proctor, Manager, Housing Planning Policy and Programs, Regional Housing; M. Lagoa, Senior Manager and Deputy Corporate Officer, Legislative Services; M. Miklea, Manager, Legislative Services; J. Ives, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Director Brent

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm.

#### 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Chair Murdoch provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED** by Director Jones, **SECONDED** by Director Caradonna,  
That the agenda for the Hospitals and Housing Committee meeting of  
March 4, 2026 be approved.  
**CARRIED**

#### 3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [26-0243](#) Minutes of the Hospitals and Housing Committee Meeting of  
December 3, 2025

**MOVED** by Director Jones, **SECONDED** by Director Caradonna,  
That the minutes of the Hospitals and Housing Committee meeting of  
December 3, 2025 be adopted as circulated.  
**CARRIED**

#### 4. Chair's Remarks

The Chair remarked that following a number of years of stability in terms of programs, grants and partnerships with the Province, the funding landscape is now less certain.

#### 5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

#### 6. Committee Business

- 6.1. [26-0106](#) 2026 Hospitals and Housing Committee Terms of Reference  
K. Lorette presented Item 6.1. for information.
- 6.2. [26-0090](#) Capital Regional Hospital District Investment Portfolio Holdings and Performance Annual Update  
V. Samosan presented Item 6.2. for information.
- 6.3. [26-0089](#) Capital Region Housing Corporation Investment Portfolio Holdings and Performance Annual Update  
V. Samosan presented Item 6.3. for information.
- Discussion ensued regarding liquidity requirements leading to different investment strategies.

**6.4.**     [26-0230](#)     Options for Immediate Actions to Advance Supportive Housing and Sheltering

K. Lorette spoke to Item 6.4.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- current occupancy status of the Mount Tolmie Hospital site
- BC Housing's concerns regarding renovation costs and the 20-year lease term
- potential implications for the Hospital District should the lease be extended beyond the 20-year term
- renovation obligations under the current lease

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Goodmanson, The Hospitals and Housing Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board:**

- 1. That the CRD Chair, on behalf of the CRD Board, sends a letter to member municipalities (Appendix A) requesting that they identify potential sites for supportive housing and sheltering and report this information to the Province; and**
- 2. That the CRD Chair, on behalf of the CRD Board, sends a letter to the Minister of Housing (Appendix B) requesting continued provincial support and direction to advance the Mount Tolmie Project, including clarification of next steps and timelines.**

**CARRIED**

**6.5.**     [26-0231](#)     Cedar Hill Library and Affordable Housing Development - Mortgage Registration and Final Project Approval

K. Lorette spoke to Item 6.5.

Discussion ensued regarding the total costs to the Capital Region Housing Corporation and the financing arrangements.

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Alto, The Hospitals and Housing Committee recommends to the Capital Region Housing Corporation Board:**

- 1. That the Resolution of Directors for the Repayable Mortgage in the form required by BC Housing Management Commission for authorizing the execution of the Loan and Mortgage documents for the project on the Lands commonly known as 3950 Cedar Hill Road (PID: 032-758-146), substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix A, be approved;**
- 2. That the Resolution of Directors for the Forgivable Mortgage in the form required by BC Housing Management Commission for authorizing the execution of the Loan and Mortgage documents for the project on the Lands commonly known as 3950 Cedar Hill Road (PID: 032-758-146), substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix B, be approved; and**
- 3. That Edward Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer or Nelson Chan, Chief Financial Officer, or their respective duly authorized delegates be hereby authorized to do all things necessary to affect the project and take such steps as required to conclude the financing, lease, construction, and operation of the project located at 3950 Cedar Hill Road.**

**CARRIED**

**6.6.**     [26-0233](#)     Oak Bay Lodge Redevelopment Update

K. Lorette spoke to Item 6.6.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- allocation of funding for a feasibility study including a current market analysis
- early interest from private for-profit seniors housing providers
- seeking expressions of interest from third parties which could provide innovative approaches to redevelopment in the absence of provincial funding
- Island Health support for a partnership with Victoria Hospice, Kiwanis House and a potential third party or consortium
- the imperative that any redevelopment receive a health facility designation
- Island Health priorities in context of other projects under consideration
- potential timeline for the proposed redevelopment project

**MOVED by Director Goodmanson, SECONDED by Director Brice,  
The Hospitals and Housing Committee recommends to the Capital Regional  
Hospital District Board:**

**That the Capital Regional Hospital District Board authorize staff to allocate up to \$200,000 to undertake a request for expressions of interest from a third party to participate in the redevelopment of the Oak Bay lodge site.**

**CARRIED**

**6.7.**     [26-0229](#)     Funding Partnership for Seniors Care Facility at Lady Minto Hospital

K. Lorette spoke to Item 6.7.

**MOVED by Director Goodmanson, SECONDED by Director Fawcett,  
The Hospitals and Housing Committee recommends to the Capital Regional  
Hospital District Board:**

**That no additional funding be provided for needs assessment and facility planning of long-term care at Lady Minto Hospital in the Capital Regional Hospital District 2026-2030 financial plan.**

**CARRIED**

**7. Notice(s) of Motion****7.1.**     **26-0286**     Notice of Motion: Salt Spring Island Long Term Care Advocacy Letter (Director Holman)

Director Holman provided the following Notice of Motion for consideration at the next meeting of the Hospitals and Housing Committee:

"That the CRD Board advocate to Island Health requesting they complete the needs assessment for long term care on Salt Spring Island and seek Ministry of Health approval for related site and facility planning, and examination of possible funding partnerships."

**8. New Business**

There was no new business.

**9. Adjournment**

**MOVED** by Director de Vries, **SECONDED** by Director Caradonna,  
That the Hospitals and Housing Committee meeting of March 4, 2026 be  
adjourned at 2:35 pm.

**CARRIED**

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Chair

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Recorder