

Mayor and Council External Correspondence

Summary as of July 21, 2025

Item	From	Topic	Dept.	AT #
19	Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs	Letter regarding Amendments to the Development Cost Charge and Amenity Cost Charge (Instalments) Regulation.	FIN / DEV	148967
<i>Proposed Motion:</i>		<i>THAT this correspondence be received for Council's information</i>		
20	Delta Chamber of Commerce	Infrastructure Request for Key Industrial Areas	FIN / ENG	148991
<i>Proposed Motion:</i>		<i>THAT this correspondence be received for Council's information</i>		
21	Guru Nanak Food Bank	School Supply Drive 2025 – 3 rd Annual	CS	148992
<i>Proposed Motion:</i>		<i>THAT Council formally endorse Guru Nanak Food Bank's school supply drive benefiting the Delta School District.</i>		



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TYPE: Regular Agenda
DEPT: FIN/CMO
A.T. #: 148967
Comments: July 28, 2025
Regular Meeting

July 10, 2025

Reference: 186908

Michelle Jansson
City Clerk
City of Delta
Email: Mjansson@delta.ca

Delta Council had previously requested that the Province update provincial legislation to improve flexibility in the collection of DCCs. The Province has proposed a number of changes, as outlined in this letter.

Once the provincial legislation has been updated, the City will implement the changes into the DCC collection process.

Dear Michelle Jansson:

Thank you for your correspondence of May 28, 2025, regarding Development Cost Charge Deferral and notifying the Ministry of the resolution the City's Council approved.

I'm pleased to let you know that I have approved amendments to the Development Cost Charge and Amenity Cost Charge (Instalments) Regulation. Please note that the name of the regulation is changed to the Development Charge (Instalments) Regulation. This is because school site acquisition charges have been added to the regulation as a third charge that may be paid in instalments.

The timeline and amounts payable have been changed to 25 per cent of a charge at subdivision or building permit and the remainder (75 per cent) due at occupancy permit or four years, whichever is first.

In addition to amending the timeline and amounts, qualified developers may now choose to provide on-demand surety bonds as security for their instalments. These bonds combine the important qualities of reduced capital commitment for developers and efficient access to funds for local governments should there be a default.

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Lastly, these amendments come into effect on January 1, 2026, to provide time for local governments and developers to prepare. The City may wish to work with developers to encourage them to use this tool. These changes improve the flexibility and scope of the instalments framework for developers. They also provide a new security mechanism that helps developers maintain cash flow for projects while protecting local governments from risk of default.

Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ravi Kahlon', with a stylized, flowing script.

Ravi Kahlon

Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs

CC: Delta City Council
Donny Van Dyk, Delta City Manager, City of Delta
Navin Chand, General Manager, Finance, City of Delta

Mayor & Council

From: Minister, HMA HMA:EX <HMA.minister@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: July 10, 2025 11:23 AM
To: Michelle Jansson
Cc: Mayor & Council; Donny van Dyk; Navin Chand
Subject: Letter from Minister Ravi Kahlon
Attachments: 186908 Jansson Signed Final.pdf

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Dear Michelle Jansson:

Please see the attached letter from the Honourable Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs.

Thank you.

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Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs
HMA.Minister@gov.bc.ca

Mayor & Council

21 JUL 25 2:55PM

From: Mayor George Harvie
Sent: July 21, 2025 12:01 PM
To: Mayor & Council
Cc: Donny van Dyk; Mayor-Admin
Subject: FW: Delta Chamber of Commerce: Infrastructure Request for Key Industrial Areas
Attachments: Delta Chamber of Commerce Request for Infrastructure Improvements in Tilbury, Annacis Island and Boundary Bay Industrial Areas.pdf

TYPE: REGULAR AGENDA
 DEPT: FIN CC ENG
 A.T.#: 148991
 Comments: Regular Council
Jul. 28/25

From: Richard Wischniewski - Executive Director <executive.director@deltachamber.ca>
Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2025 8:51 AM
To: Mayor George Harvie <mayorharvie@delta.ca>
Cc: Jennifer Johal <JJohal@delta.ca>; Dylan Kruger <DKruger@delta.ca>; Ben Martin <ben@evolvewithus.ca>
Subject: Delta Chamber of Commerce: Infrastructure Request for Key Industrial Areas

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Dear Mayor Harvie and Members of Council,

Please find attached a letter from Ben Martin, Board Chair of the Delta Chamber of Commerce, regarding infrastructure challenges in the Tilbury, Annacis Island, and Boundary Bay Airport industrial areas.

We appreciate your time and consideration.

Best regards,

Richard

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Book time to meet with me

As of December 31, 2024, the City of Delta's total accumulated surplus stands at \$1.26 billion. Much of this amount --\$1.04 billion --represents the equity balance in capital assets such as roads, utility infrastructure, and other tangible assets. The remaining accumulated surplus includes reserves and funds set aside for ongoing and future capital projects, as well as contingencies for unforeseen events. The City's 2024 annual surplus of \$36 million is primarily attributable to the completion of capital projects that increased the equity balance in infrastructure assets.

In recent years, Delta has made strategic transportation investments in the Tilbury and Annacis industrial areas, including over \$5 million in sidewalk expansions and cycling network enhancements. In addition, a new industrial bus shelter program was introduced, with \$200,000 allocated for the installation of shelters at five locations across Annacis and Tilbury this year.

Looking ahead, the City is actively engaged in a comprehensive 2026 -2030 budget planning process. As part of this effort, a series of road improvements, sidewalk installations, and bus shelter enhancements will be brought forward for Council's consideration to support the growing infrastructure and transportation needs of both residents and businesses.

Date: July 19, 2025

To:

His Worship Mayor George V. Harvie
City of Delta Council
Delta City Hall

CC:

Councillor Jennifer Johal
Councillor Dylan Kruger

Dear Mayor Harvie and Members of Council,

I recently read in the *Delta Optimist* that the City of Delta reported a net surplus of \$32 million and currently holds \$1.2 billion in retained earnings ([source](#)). As both a resident and business owner in Delta, I want to commend the City, Mayor, and Council for their prudent financial management throughout the 2024 fiscal year.

However, while millions are rightfully allocated to support schools, community centres, and parks, I believe it is critical that we also direct attention toward the businesses that contribute more than half of the City's tax revenue—particularly those operating in the Tilbury, Annacis Island and Boundary Bay Airport industrial areas.

The lack of basic infrastructure in Tilbury, Annacis Island and Boundary Bay Airport areas continue to present real challenges. For example, employees who rely on public transit are often left standing in the rain or snow, with no proper shelter—sometimes sitting on patio furniture donated by local businesses. Many workers are also navigating roads and even private properties on foot due to a lack of sidewalks. Additionally, deteriorating road conditions and potholes cause container trucks to jolt so aggressively that our buildings shake with each pass. These are not just inconveniences—they affect productivity, safety, and the long-term sustainability of this key business district.

I respectfully urge the city to invest a portion of its surplus into infrastructure upgrades in these areas particularly focusing on road improvements, sidewalks, and proper transit shelters. These enhancements would demonstrate a tangible commitment to the businesses that form a vital part of Delta's economic engine.

Thank you for your consideration, and for your continued service to the community.

Warm regards,

Ben Martin
CEO, Evolution Fulfillment
Chair, Delta Chamber of Commerce
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Mayor & Council

From: Mayor George Harvie
Sent: July 21, 2025 12:00 PM
To: Mayor & Council
Cc: Donny van Dyk; Mayor-Admin
Subject: FW: School Supply Drive 2025 3rd ANNUAL

21 JUL 25 2:55 PM

The Guru Nanak Food Bank is hosting their third annual school supply drive for Delta schools and seeking Delta's support. It is recommended that Council formally endorse the campaign. Staff will assist with the promotion of the school supply drive, including through social media and electronic reader boards, with the City's logo included on related materials, as appropriate.

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From: Neeraj Walia <neeraj@gnfb.ca>
Sent: Sunday, July 20, 2025 2:31 PM
To: Mayor George Harvie <mayorharvie@delta.ca>; Mayor-Admin <Mayor-Admin@delta.ca>
Subject: School Supply Drive 2025 3rd ANNUAL

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To: Mayor and Council, City of Delta
From: Neeraj Walia, Secretary & Head of Operations
Organization: Guru Nanak Food Bank

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

We hope this message finds you well.

On behalf of Guru Nanak Food Bank, we are reaching out to request your continued support for our **3rd Annual School Supply Drive**, taking place this August. As with previous years, **all donations collected through this initiative will be officially handed over to the Delta School District**, which oversees the fair and direct distribution of supplies to students in need across the community.

In the past two drives, our partnership with the community—including support from local leaders—has helped us provide thousands of essential school items to children across Delta. This year, the **demand has grown significantly**, and we are determined to rise to the occasion with the help of our valued partners.

We respectfully request:

- **The City of Delta's endorsement of this campaign,**
- **Permission to use the official City of Delta logo** on promotional and advertising materials related to the drive.

Your support in this initiative would be deeply appreciated and will help further our shared commitment to supporting students and families in Delta.

Please feel free to contact me directly at **604-537-1440** or via email at neeraj@gnfb.ca if you would like to discuss further or require additional details.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Warm regards,

Neeraj Walia

Secretary / Head of operations

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