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**TO:** Committee of the Whole                      **MEETING:** September 8, 2020  
**FROM:** Kim Fowler  
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**SUBJECT:** Interim Report on Corporate Carbon Neutral 2032 Plan

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That the interim report on the Corporate Carbon Neutral 2032 Plan be received.
2. That the Climate Action Technical Advisory Committee be referred the draft report for comment prior to the Board receiving the finalized report.

**SUMMARY**

On October 8, 2019, the Board passed resolution #19-412 as follows:

That the Board approve up to \$50,000 to be allocated from the Corporate Climate Action Reserve Fund to prepare a Corporate Carbon Neutral 2032 Plan.

Through a Request for Proposals competition, Associated Engineering was selected as the consultant. Please note this plan focusses on the corporate energy and emissions (as opposed to community energy and emissions, which is a separate plan) that will replace the current plan from 2007.

The interim report from Associated Engineering (Attachment 1) provides a brief overview of the plan review process to date and next steps. The interim report provides the context for developing the Plan, details the scope of the Plan, briefly introduces the scenarios that will be evaluated through a triple-bottom-line plus risk approach (TBL + risk) using a multi-criteria analysis framework, and the rationale for using such an approach. A summary of the two workshops held to date with RDN staff is also presented. Estimated completion of the plan is the end of 2020 as outlined in the 2019-2022 RDN Board Strategic Plan.

**ALTERNATIVES**

1. That the interim report on the Corporate Carbon Neutral 2032 Plan be received.
2. That the Climate Action Technical Advisory Committee be referred the draft report for comment prior to the Board receiving the finalized report
3. That the Board provide alternate direction.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The project was funded from the Corporate Climate Action Reserve Fund, which is in the 2020 budget. In accordance with the Corporate Climate Action Reserve, funds will be accessed for plan implementation following adoption.

## STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Goal 1.0 of the RDN Corporate Strategic Plan 2019-2022 is Climate Change - *“Be leaders in climate change adaptation and mitigation, and become net zero by 2032”*. Action 1.2 under Climate Change is to *“Review and update corporate emissions plan and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction strategy”*. The RDN’s 2032 Carbon Neutral Plan will complement the Strategic Plan and develop the means for the RDN to follow through on the implementation of carbon neutrality measures.



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Attachment:

- Progress Update: Corporate Carbon Neutral 2032 Plan