

12 November, 2020

Director Arzeena Hamir, Co-Chair Councillor Michele Babchuk, Co-Chair Comox Strathcona Waste Management Board 770 Harmston Avenue Courtenay, BC V9N 0G8

Dear Director Hamir and Councillor Babchuk:

Re: Request to waive fees for landfill yard waste drop off.

At their November 2 meeting, City of Campbell River Council resolved.

"That the City send a letter to the Comox Strathcona Waste Management Board requesting that the \$10 fee for landfill yard waste drop off, be waived."

The City offered a free yard waste drop off service until the end of July 2020, when the Contractor's (Emterra) lease for the site on Willis Road terminated. The property owner advised Emterra that the lease for the yard waste drop off site would not be renewed.

City staff have worked with Emterra to source an alternate site within the City, including City properties. Unfortunately, none of the available properties meet the combined requirements for zoning, size and suitable public access.

With the objective of continuing to promote yard waste diversion, which will be required for the future organics program and waste diversion in the landfill space, Council wishes to continue to provide the basic service (site access) at no additional cost for the residents. We appreciate that grass clippings and leaves can be dropped off free of charge at the landfill, and ask that the \$10 fee for small branches and tree clippings also be waived for the citizens of Campbell River.

Yours sincerely,

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