

Terms of Reference

The logo for the Capital Regional District (CRD), consisting of the letters 'CRD' in a stylized, bold font.

PLANNING AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

PREAMBLE

The Capital Regional District (CRD) Planning and Protective Services Committee is a standing committee established by the CRD Board and will oversee and make recommendations to the Board regarding matters related to planning, protective services, and emergency management matters.

The Committee's official name is to be:

Planning and Protective Services Committee

1.0 PURPOSE

- a) The mandate of the Committee includes overseeing, providing advice and/or making recommendations to the Board regarding the following functions:
 - i. Regional Growth Strategy
 - ii. Protective services – including 911, fire dispatch and hazmat
 - iii. Emergency Preparedness

- b) The following committees will report through the Planning and Protective Services Committee:
 - i. Development & Planning Advisory Committee
 - ii. Local Government Emergency Program Advisory Commission
 - iii. Regional Emergency Program Advisory Commission
 - iv. Regional Food and Agriculture Task Force
 - v. Any other advisory body established by the Committee

2.0 ESTABLISHMENT AND AUTHORITY

- a) The Committee will make recommendations to the Board for consideration; and
- b) The Board Chair will appoint the Committee Chair, Vice Chair and Committee members annually.

3.0 COMPOSITION

- a) Committee members will be appointed CRD Board Members;
- b) All Board members are permitted to participate in standing committee meetings, but not vote, in accordance with the CRD Board Procedures Bylaw; and

- c) First Nation members are permitted to participate in standing committee meetings at their pleasure, where the Nation has an interest in matters being considered by the committee, in accordance with the CRD Procedures Bylaw section 33:
 - i. First Nation Members are permitted to abstain from voting on an item, provided that they declare their abstention prior to the vote being called on the item.
 - ii. When an abstention from voting on an item is declared by a First Nation Member, it shall be noted in the minutes and the total number of votes on the item shall not include those First Nation Members who have abstained from voting.

4.0 PROCEDURES

- a) The Committee shall meet on a bi-monthly basis and have special meetings as required;
- b) The agenda will be finalized in consultation between staff and the Committee Chair and any Committee member may make a request to the Chair to place a matter on the agenda through the Notice of Motion process;
- c) With the approval of the Committee Chair and the Board Chair, Committee matters of an urgent or time sensitive nature may be forwarded directly to the Board for consideration; and
- d) A quorum is a majority of the Committee membership and is required to conduct Committee business.

5.0 RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

- a) The General Manager of Housing, Planning and Protective Services will act as liaison to the committee; and
- b) Minutes and agendas are prepared and distributed by the Corporate Services Department.

Approved by CRD Board January 14, 2026