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## REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **March 17, 2011**

FROM: **City Manager**

FILE: **7150-20 (E-Comm)**

SUBJECT: **Designates for Election to the E-Comm Board and for the E-Comm Annual General Meeting**

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## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council:

1. approve Chief Len Garis as a designate for election to the E-Comm Board;
2. approve an individual chosen by City of White Rock Council and Township of Langley Council as the other designate for election to the E-Comm Board;
3. designate Chief Len Garis as the representative of City of Surrey at the annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of E-Comm to be held on June 23, 2011; and
4. authorize the City Clerk to inform the Corporate Secretary of E-Comm of Council's resolution in relation to this report and to forward a copy of this report and the related Council resolution to the Township of Langley and the City of White Rock as information.

## BACKGROUND

In a letter, dated March 8, 2011 (copy attached), the Corporate Secretary for E-Comm has requested that the City of Surrey in consultation with the Township of Langley and the City of White Rock designate members for election to the E-Comm Board of Directors for 2011/2012. Pursuant to the E-Comm Members Agreement, the three municipalities are entitled to designate two mutually agreed upon individuals for election to the Board.

By agreement between the municipalities, Chief Len Garis has served as a representative to the Board since its inception in 1998. Past practice has been that the Township of Langley and the City of White Rock alternate designating the other representative to the Board from year to year. This year it is White Rock's turn to designate an individual to the Board.

## DISCUSSION

Both the Township of Langley and the City of White Rock have advised that they are satisfied with Chief Garis being designated for election to the Board.

The City of White Rock and the Township of Langley are currently in discussion with respect to whom they will designate for election to the Board; however, they expect to make that decision shortly. To respond to the request from the E-Comm Corporate Secretary in a timely manner, it is recommended that Council approve Chief Garis as a designate for election to the E-Comm Board and further advise that the City of Surrey will endorse the other designate for election to the Board as selected by the Councils of the City of White Rock and the Township of Langley.

The Corporate Secretary of E-Comm has also advised in the attached letter that the City is responsible for designating one individual to attend the annual General Meeting of the E-Comm Shareholders for purposes of voting the City's shares. The AGM is being held on June 23, 2011. The primary order of business at the AGM is the election of the E-Comm Board. In previous years, the City has designated Chief Garis to represent the City at the AGM.

Murray Dinwoodie  
City Manager

Attachment: Letter, dated March 8, 2011 from E-Comm

c.c. Fire Chief Len Garis