

DISTRICT OF SQUAMISH

**RESOLUTION**

**Grizzly Bear Recovery Initiative**

WHEREAS, grizzly bears and the wild places they inhabit are an iconic and integral part of the Sea to Sky region's natural heritage and image, are culturally significant to First nations, and there are ecological, economic, and spiritual benefits to conserving and recovering grizzly bears including that they are an "umbrella species", the conservation of which will benefit many other plants, animals and ecosystem values like clean water and recreational opportunities;

AND WHEREAS, the District of Squamish was involved in, and supported, the April 2008 Sea-to-Sky LRMP which set a goal of achieving and maintaining viable status for each of the four Grizzly Bear Population Units that overlap the Sea-to-Sky LRMP plan area, including the two adjacent to Whistler, through the development of Grizzly Bear Recovery Plans;

AND WHEREAS, these Grizzly Bear Recovery Plans have not been written and Grizzly Bear Population Units in the Sea to Sky Region remain threatened;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District of Squamish continues to support the management, recovery and long-term viability of grizzly bear populations in the Sea to Sky region and encourages the creation and implementation of Grizzly Bear Recovery Plans as soon as possible.

AND THAT staff return to Council with an action plan for consideration.

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the Resolutions passed by the Council of the District of Squamish at the Regular Business Meeting Held in the Council Chambers, Municipal Hall, 37955 Second Avenue, Squamish BC on Tuesday, September 1, 2015.

  
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Robin Arthurs, GM Corporate Services

Dated this 21<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015  
at Squamish, British Columbia.