



Village of
Tahsis

Minutes

Meeting	Standing Committee of Business Liaison
Date	April 7, 2026
Time	10:01 a.m.
Place	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Committee Members	Councillor Ryan Moore, Committee Chair	
	Councillor Brenda Lenahan, Committee Vice Chair	
	Linda Jordan, Local Business Community Representative	
	Sheryl Roger, Local Business Community Representative	
	Amit Sharma, Local Business Community Representative	by video

Absent	Dan Dahling, Local Business Community Representative
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Council	Martin Davis, Mayor
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Staff	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer (Ex Officio)	
	Paige Sawyer, Economic Development Coordinator (Ex Officio)	by video
	Janet StDenis, Corporate Services Manager (Ex Officio)	by video

Public	None.
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Call to Order

Councillor Moore called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Councillor Moore acknowledged and respected that the Standing Committee of Business Liaison is meeting upon Mowachaht/Muchalaht territory.

Introduction of Late Items

None.

Approval of the Agenda

Lenahan: COW 0026/2026

THAT the Agenda for the April 7, 2026 Standing Committee of Business Liaison be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

H. Business
Arising

1 **Draft Strategic Economic Development Plan and Action Plan and presentation to support the Committee's review**

Lenahan: COW 0027/2026

THAT the Draft Strategic Economic Development Plan and Action Plan be received for review; and **THAT** the committee receive the staff presentation.

CARRIED

The CAO presented the draft Strategic Economic Development Plan (SEDP) and Action Plan (Draft 2026 Update). Topics covered included: the need for the update; the update process; key changes to the strategic priorities; the shifting of the strategic focus; changes to the strategic goals; implementation risks; changes to governance and updates to the Action Plan.

Committee members expressed concerns about the lack of specific, actionable items such as beautification, clean-up, signage and trail maintenance.

The distinction between operational and policy actions were debated. The SEDP was premised on Council's policy-setting role and does not include operational items.

Committee members discussed the process by which their original action plan was reviewed and edited before being presented to Council, expressing concerns about the committee's input not being presented.

The committee discussed attaching the committee's original action plan as an appendix to the updated plan for Council's review, allowing council to review both the draft updated SEDP and action plan and the committee's action plan.

The committee discussed the availability and use of the economic development funds for actionable items like signage and beautification.

Lenahan: COW 0028/2026

Whereas this Committee does not fully endorse the updated draft Strategic Economic Development Plan and associated action plan; **Be it resolved THAT** the last draft of the Committee's Strategic Economic Development Plan and Action Plan be provided as its comments to Council.

CARRIED

Committee member Dan Dahling who was unable to attend today's meeting asked that the committee to consider moving the committee meeting dates.

2 Items to be discussed at the next Standing Committee of Business Liaison Meeting.

Moore: COW 0029/2026

THAT the Standing Committee of Business Liaison discuss the following items at the next meeting:

- trails
- fundraising
- signage

CARRIED

Adjournment

Lenahan: COW 0030/2026

THAT the Standing Committee of Business Liaison adjourn at 11:37 a.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct this

21st day of April, 2026



Chief Administrative Officer