

Speaking notes

Vancouver Fraser Port Authority AGM

Speaker: Judy Rogers
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Good afternoon, everyone.

As Robin mentioned, I'm chair of the board of directors, and it's my pleasure to be here, with my fellow board members.

I'll provide a brief overview of the port authority; our board; and the landscape we're operating in, in June of 2020.

So! The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is federally mandated to enable Canada's trade through the Port of Vancouver, while ensuring safety, environmental protection and consideration for communities.

To take that even further, we've set a vision for the Port of Vancouver to be the world's most sustainable port.

We take a three-pillar approach to sustainability, so we're working to make this port globally successful at delivering economic prosperity through trade; maintaining a healthy environment; and enabling thriving communities.

Robin will speak about each of these parts of our work shortly.

Turning to the board of directors, our role is to provide oversight and strategic guidance to the port authority.

Normally, I'd have each of our directors stand as I introduce them, but given our format, I'll simply read directors' names (alphabetically) and note their committee roles.

Our directors are:

- Bruce Chan
 - Chair, human resources, compensation and safety committee
 - Member, audit and risk management committee
- Mike Corrigan
 - Member, major capital projects committee
 - Member, audit and risk management committee
- Lisa Ethans
 - Member, governance and external relations committee
 - Member, audit and risk management committee
- Ken Georgetti
 - Member, major capital projects committee
 - Member, human resources, compensation and safety committee
- Carmen Loberg
 - Vice chair, board of directors
 - Member, human resources, compensation and safety committee
 - Member, major capital projects committee

- Chief Clarence Louie
 - Member, major capital projects committee
 - Member, governance and external relations committee
- Catherine McLay
 - Chair, major capital projects committee
 - Member, audit and risk management committee
- Joanne McLeod
 - Chair, audit and risk management committee
 - Member, governance and external relations committee
- Craig Munroe
 - Chair, governance and external relations committee
 - Member, human resources, compensation and safety committee

And finally, last week, Darrell Mussatto was appointed to the board by the port municipalities of the Lower Mainland.

He has just attended his first board meeting and will be appointed to committees in the coming weeks.

So we are 11 directors, including myself, and we're each proud to help the port authority achieve its important goals for Canada and for Canadians.

Turning to our backdrop in June of 2020, right now, the Governments of Canada and B.C., together with governments across the country,

are responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and its economic ramifications.

Given this unprecedented context, besides talking about the port authority's 2019 work, we'll also talk about what we're seeing so far in 2020, and what we're watching, going forward.

At this pivotal time, the Port of Vancouver remains open and Canada's trade is flowing.

That's supporting Canadians and Canadian businesses right across this country.

To everyone here today from port and supply chain businesses, and to the workforce across the port—thank you for everything you do to enable Canada's trade through the port, and we stand with you at this challenging time for local businesses.

To community stakeholders, including those who commit their time to sit on our community liaison committees—thank you for working with us to identify and mitigate port-related challenges in our communities.

To Indigenous communities—thank you, *hay čx^w qə*, for engaging and collaborating with us. The work we do together from project consultation to relationship building continues to support our vision to be the world's most sustainable port.

As we move into the second half of 2020, amidst COVID-19, we look forward to working with all port stakeholders to support Canada's economic resilience today, and to enable Canada's trade growth through the port in the years to come.

Thank you.