

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 15, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, March 15, 2011, at 2:05 pm, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gregor Robertson  
Councillor Suzanne Anton\*  
Councillor David Cadman  
Councillor George Chow\*  
Councillor Heather Deal\*  
Councillor Kerry Jang  
Councillor Raymond Louie  
Councillor Geoff Meggs  
Councillor Andrea Reimer\*  
Councillor Tim Stevenson  
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Penny Ballem, City Manager  
Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Janice MacKenzie, Deputy City Clerk  
Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

**PRAYER**

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with a prayer read by Councillor Stevenson, who invited everyone present to join him in a moment of silence in recognition of all those affected by the recent earthquake in Japan.

**PROCLAMATION - DAVID SUZUKI DAY**

The Mayor proclaimed Thursday, March 24, 2011, as "David Suzuki Day" in the City of Vancouver, and invited Dr. David Suzuki to accept the proclamation and say a few words.

## "IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Anton  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council will go into a meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2011, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### 1. Regular Council - March 1, 2011

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

**2. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - March 3, 2011**

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillors Anton and Deal absent for the vote)

**3. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - March 3, 2011**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, Mayor Robertson in the Chair.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

**MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1 through A8 and Policy Report P1 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## REPORT REFERENCE

### 1. Earthquake Preparedness - Activities Completed and Future Efforts

Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager, Peter Judd, General Manager of Engineering Services, Will Johnston, Chief Building Official, John McKearney, Fire Chief, and Kevin Wallinger, Director of Emergency Management, provided a Report Reference on the status of earthquake preparedness activities in the city of Vancouver, including actions taken to date and planned for the future. Topics reviewed included infrastructure, building by-laws and codes, emergency response issues, and 2011 priorities.

### VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the order of the agenda be varied in order to deal with Motion on Notice B2, "Emergency Preparedness".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Reimer absent for the vote)

MOVED by Councillor Anton

### WHEREAS

1. The recent earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand reminds us that the city of Vancouver is in an earthquake zone;
2. The City of Vancouver has a number of systems and programs in place relating to earthquakes and to emergency preparedness in general;
3. Funding for community preparedness programs expired in 2010.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Manager is requested to report to Council as to the state of emergency preparedness in Vancouver, relating to citizens, businesses, infrastructure and to City operations, and to make recommendations to Council as appropriate.

amended

STRIKE AND REPLACE MOVED by Councillor Chow

THAT the motion be struck and replaced with the following:

### WHEREAS

1. The recent earthquakes in Christchurch, New Zealand and Japan remind us that the City of Vancouver is in an earthquake zone;

2. The City of Vancouver has a number of systems and programs in place relating to earthquakes and to emergency preparedness in general.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Manager is requested to:

1. Develop for Council's consideration a strategy for seconding staff to post-quake areas;
2. Develop an enhanced strategy for public preparedness, including monthly drills and other strategies based on best practices from other cities;
3. Evaluate and report back to council on risks and redundancy with natural gas lines with particular focus on large natural gas users such as hospitals and the Central Heat steam plant;
4. Commit to strengthening diverse women's leadership and participation in disaster response and mitigation by providing organizational, financial, and training resources for women and their networks in disaster preparedness and response;
5. Report back on the seismic state of public buildings and infrastructure, including Vancouver hospitals and schools, and how the City of Vancouver can support expediting seismic upgrades;
6. Report back with a strategy for seismic improvement of private buildings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### 1. Northeast False Creek Public Hearing Items

At the Regular Council meeting on March 1, 2011, Council agreed to make decisions on two Northeast False Creek items for which the hearing of the public had been concluded at Public Hearings held on February 17, 21 and 24.

Council also had before it a Memorandum dated March 12, 2011, from the Director of Planning, entitled "Response to Council Queries Arising from the Public Hearing Held February 24, 2011 - False Creek North ODP Amendments and Area 5b West Rezoning".

Councillor Cadman noted he was not present at the Public Hearing for these items, and he would therefore not be participating in the discussion or vote on these matters.

##### (a) Text Amendment: False Creek North Official Development Plan Amendment

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT the application to amend the False Creek North Official Development Plan, By-law No. 6650 generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated January 10, 2011, entitled "*Amendments to the False Creek North Official Development Plan*", be approved.

- B. THAT Appendix C of the Policy Report dated January 10, 2011, entitled "Amendments to the False Creek North Official Development Plan", as modified by the Memorandum dated February 21, 2011, from the Director of Planning, be referred to staff for further work pending discussions with the applicant.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT A be amended to insert the following:

FURTHER THAT prior to issuing any development permit for Lot 10 or Lot 5, east and west, ownership of Lot 9 shall be transferred from Concord Pacific to the Province of BC for a payment of \$1.00 as per the 1990 Utility Design Agreement.

Simultaneously, the Province of BC will enter into a lease agreement with the City of Vancouver in a similar fashion to other "Neighbourhood Park Works Agreement" for the Expo Lands i.e. George Wainborn Park.

These agreements will facilitate the early commencement of the remedial plans outlined in the Utility Design Agreement.

The objective is to provide for an orderly and expedited delivery of Creekside Park which can be implemented in phases to accommodate necessary remediation.

LOST

(Councillors Anton, Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Stevenson and the Mayor opposed)  
(Councillor Cadman ineligible for the vote)

The amendment having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with Councillor Cadman ineligible for the vote.

(b) Rezoning: 10 Terry Fox Way (Concord Area 5b West)

MOVED by Councillor Louie

WHEREAS during the Public Hearing on the proposed rezoning of 5b West, Council heard many public calls for the timely development of the historically committed permanent 9 acre expansion to Creekside Park, as this park is desired to support the levels of population already anticipated and approved for the area;

AND WHEREAS the proposed public benefit offering of early delivery of a temporary 2 acre Creekside Park component had no support from the public as a public amenity and many members of the public called for earlier achievement of the full 9 acre permanent park.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council directs that the rezoning application for 5b West be referred back to staff for further work with Concord on a public amenity package which will include a clear commitment within a reasonable time-frame for the development of the permanent 9 acre park, as an alternative to the 2 acre temporary park, with a report back to Council with the revised plan as soon as is feasible.
- B. THAT staff be directed to enter into discussion, where appropriate, relating to the possibilities as discussed during the Public Hearing for the Creekside Park reconfiguration and other community amenities.
- C. THAT Council conduct a Public Hearing to consider any revised public amenity plan.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT A above be amended to insert the following:

FURTHER THAT staff be directed to reconsider the proposal to accept 58 West Hastings Street and 117 East Hastings Street as a portion of the public benefits package relating to the rezoning of Area 5b West.

LOST

(Councillors Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Stevenson, Woodsworth and the Mayor opposed)

(Councillor Cadman ineligible for the vote)

The amendment having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, with Councillor Cadman ineligible for the vote.

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. **Progressive Governance Forum 2011, March 25-26, 2011, Harrison Hot Springs, BC February 28, 2011**

THAT Council authorize Councillor Meggs to attend The Centre for Civic Governance's annual Progressive Governance Forum from March 25 - 26, 2011 at Harrison Hot Springs, BC. Total estimated expenses of \$595.88 are to be funded from the Councillors' 2011 Travel Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. **Temporary Appointment of Architects to the Urban Design Panel: 1290 Burrard Street ("Burrard Toyota" site) March 1, 2011**

THAT, pursuant to the *General Policy for Higher Buildings* which requires an enhanced review of building designs in cases whereby additional building height above existing policy limits is sought, Mr. Jack Diamond, Mr. Rick Cook, Mr. Bing Thom and Mr. Richard Henriquez be appointed to the Urban Design Panel as special appointees for the purpose of reviewing a proposed taller building at 1290 Burrard Street.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

3. **540 North Penticton Street (Burrard View Park) - Encroachment Agreement February 8, 2011**

- A. THAT, in conjunction with the upgrade to the Harbourview Day Care facility at 540 North Penticton Street, Burrard View Park ([PID: 023-551-861] Parcel E Lots 138 to 155 and 214 to 221 Town of Hastings New Westminster District Plan LMP30219), Council approve an Encroachment Agreement between the City and Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association on the terms and conditions set out in the Administrative Report dated February 8, 2011, entitled "540 North Penticton Street (Burrard View Park) - Encroachment Agreement" and such other terms and conditions as the City Engineer and the Director of Legal Services find advisable.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute all documents.
- C. THAT no legal right or obligation shall be created and none shall arise hereafter, until the documents are executed to the satisfaction Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



**4. Local Improvement Reballot and Projects to be Cancelled - 2009 and 2010  
February 28, 2011**

- A. THAT the proposed Local Improvement project Numbered Court #632, Item #009, for speed humps in the lane east of Granville Street from 58th Avenue to 59th Avenue not be approved.
- B. THAT approved Local Improvement projects Numbered Court #630, Item #016 for sidewalks on the eastside of Skeena from 24th Avenue to 25th Avenue and Numbered Court #630, Item #017, for sidewalks on the eastside of Trimble from 15th Avenue and 16th Avenue be cancelled and that these sidewalks instead be constructed under the Residential Flankage Sidewalk policy.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**5. 95 East 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue: Statutory Right of Way for Southeast False Creek (SEFC)  
Neighbourhood Energy Utility (NEU) Construction  
March 1, 2011**

- A. THAT Council approve entering into a statutory right of way agreement with South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority ("TransLink") over a portion of their site at 95 East 1st Avenue.
- B. THAT such statutory right of way agreement will be on terms and conditions, including releases and indemnities in favour of TransLink, acceptable to the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services.
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver the statutory right of way agreement on behalf of the City.
- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will arise hereby and none will arise or be granted hereafter unless and until all legal documentation has been executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**6. Update on Harbourview Daycare (540 North Penticton Street) and Approval of a  
Capital Grant  
February 25, 2011**

- A. THAT Council approve the revised plan to renovate and expand the existing facility (Harbourview Daycare) at 540 North Penticton Street at Burrard View Park.
- B. THAT Council approve a capital grant of up to \$647,713 to Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association for expansion and renovation of

Harbourview Daycare, subject to conditions outlined in the Administrative Report dated February 25, 2011, entitled "Update on Harbourview Daycare (540 North Penticton Street) and Approval of a Capital Grant". Source of funding is the 2010 Capital Budget for Childcare.

- C. THAT Council receive for information the report back on the Memorandum of Understanding for Harbourview Daycare.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

7. Approval of 2011-2012 Business Improvement Area (BIA) Budgets  
March 1, 2011

THAT Council approve the 2011-2012 fiscal year Budgets for the BIAs listed below as described in the Administrative Report dated March 1, 2011, entitled "Approval of 2011-2012 Business Improvement (BIA) Budgets", approve grants to these BIAs in the amounts listed;

FURTHER THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward the appropriate rating by-laws to recover the amounts of these grants:

<u>BIA</u>	<u>LEVY</u>
<i>Downtown Vancouver</i>	<i>2,250,499</i>
<i>Robson Street</i>	<i>469,734</i>
<i>Kerrisdale</i>	<i>357,000</i>
<i>Gastown</i>	<i>522,000</i>
<i>Mount Pleasant</i>	<i>305,000</i>
<i>West End</i>	<i>648,960</i>
<i>South Granville</i>	<i>535,000</i>
<i>Yaletown</i>	<i>410,000</i>
<i>Chinatown</i>	<i>279,500</i>
<i>Commercial Drive</i>	<i>410,352</i>
<i>Marpole</i>	<i>150,000</i>
<i>Strathcona</i>	<i>571,000</i>
<i>Collingwood</i>	<i>188,411</i>
<i>Hastings North</i>	<i>325,000</i>
<i>Kitsilano Fourth Avenue</i>	<i>400,500</i>
<i>Point Grey Village</i>	<i>80,000</i>
<i>Victoria Drive</i>	<i>150,000</i>
<i>Cambie Village</i>	<i>175,000</i>
<i>Fraser Street</i>	<i>101,000</i>
<i>Dunbar Village</i>	<i>135,000</i>
<i>Hastings Crossing</i>	<i>103,000</i>
<i>West Broadway</i>	<i>120,000</i>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,686,956</b>

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

8. Progressive Governance Forum 2011 - March 25-26, 2011 -  
Harrison Hot Springs, BC  
March 11, 2011

THAT Council authorize Councillor Deal to attend The Centre for Civic Governance's annual Progressive Governance Forum from March 25 - 26, 2011 at Harrison Hot Springs, BC. Total estimated expenses of \$595.88 are to be funded from the Councillors' 2011 Travel Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

POLICY REPORTS

1. CD-1 Rezoning: 428 Terminal Avenue  
February 25, 2011

A. THAT the application by B+H BuntingCoady (formerly Reno C Negrin Architects), on behalf of Rize Alliance Properties Ltd., to rezone 428 Terminal Avenue (PID: 025-097-008, Lot 2, DL 2037, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan LMP 50601), from I-3 (High-tech Industrial) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to amend the permitted uses to permit development and use of two commercial office buildings, be referred to Public Hearing, together with:

- (i) plans received July 30, 2010;
- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated February 25, 2011, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 428 Terminal Avenue"; and
- (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy Report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Policy Report dated February 25, 2011, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 428 Terminal Avenue" for consideration at Public Hearing.

B. THAT if the application is referred to a Public Hearing, the application to amend Schedule E of the Sign By-law, to establish regulations for this CD-1 zone in accordance with Schedule B to the Sign By-law [assigned Schedule "B" I-3], generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated February 25, 2011, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 428 Terminal Avenue", be referred to the same Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- C. THAT subject to approval of the rezoning, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this CD-1 zone in Schedule B to the Noise Control By-law generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated February 25, 2011, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 428 Terminal Avenue";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law to amend the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

- D. THAT A above be adopted on the following conditions:
- (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. **CD-1 Rezoning: 8495 Granville Street (Marpole Safeway)  
March 1, 2011**

MOVED by Councillor Deal

- A. THAT the application by Henriquez Partners, on behalf of Westbank, to rezone 8495 Granville Street (PID: 008-916-250, Lot D, Block 7, DL 325, Plan 12319, from C-2 (Commercial) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to allow a mixed use development of residential and commercial uses be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
- (i) plans received November 19, 2010;
  - (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated March 1, 2011, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 8495 Granville Street (Marpole Safeway)"; and
  - (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy Report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted Policy Report for consideration at Public Hearing.

- B. THAT if the application is referred to a Public Hearing, the application to amend Schedule E of the Sign By-law to establish regulations for this CD-1 in accordance with Schedule B to the Sign By-law [assigned Schedule "B" (C-2)], generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated March 1, 2011, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 8495 Granville Street (Marpole Safeway)", be referred to the same Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- C. THAT, subject to approval of the rezoning, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this CD-1 in Schedule A, generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated March 1, 2011, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 8495 Granville Street (Marpole Safeway)";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

- D. THAT A through C above be adopted on the following conditions:
- (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the public hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

CARRIED  
(Councillor Woodsworth opposed)

**RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BY-LAWS**

MOVED by Councillor Anton  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council, except for those members ineligible to vote as noted below, enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 3 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to Average Land Assessments for 2011 (By-law No. 10229)
2. A By-law to Grant Money for a Business Promotion Scheme in the Kitsilano Fourth Avenue Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10230)
3. A By-law to Designate a Business Improvement Area in that area of the City known as Kitsilano Fourth Avenue (2011-2016) (By-law No. 10231)

**MOTIONS**

**A. Administrative Motions**

1. Approval of Form of Development - 2901 East Hastings Street

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2901 East Hastings Street be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414434, prepared by Jeff Strickland, Pacific National Exhibition, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on December 13, 2010, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. **Establishing Road on the west side of Knight Street, between 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue, adjacent to 7407 Knight Street, for a widening strip for the installation of left turn bays on Knight Street at 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 54<sup>th</sup> to 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue Safety Improvements**

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner will be conveying to the City of Vancouver for road purposes lands in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

All that portion of Lot 12, Block 23, District Lot 200, Plan 7942 as shown heavy outlined on plan of survey completed February 18, 2011, attested to by James E. Gregson, B.C.L.S. and marginally numbered LD5080.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for road purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the above described lands to be conveyed are hereby accepted and allocated for road purposes and declared to form and to constitute a portion of a road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **Establishing Road on the west side of Knight Street, between 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue, adjacent to 7425 Knight Street, for a widening strip for the installation of left turn bays on Knight Street at 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 54<sup>th</sup> to 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue Safety Improvements**

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner will be conveying to the City of Vancouver for road purposes lands in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

All that portion of Lot 13, Block 23, District Lot 200, Plan 7942 as shown heavy outlined on plan of survey completed February 18, 2011, attested to by James E. Gregson, B.C.L.S. and marginally numbered LD5081.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for road purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the above described lands to be conveyed are hereby accepted and allocated for road purposes and declared to form and to constitute a portion of a road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Establishing Road on the east side of Knight Street, between 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue, adjacent to 7196 Knight Street, for a widening strip for the installation of left turn bays on Knight Street at 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 54<sup>th</sup> to 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue Safety Improvements

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner will be conveying to the City of Vancouver for road purposes lands in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

All that portion of Lot 50, Except the West 7 feet, now road, Blocks 29 to 31, District Lot 200, Plan 1770 as shown heavy outlined on plan of survey completed January 20, 2011, attested to by James E. Gregson, B.C.L.S. and marginally numbered LD5054.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for road purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the above described lands to be conveyed are hereby accepted and allocated for road purposes and declared to form and to constitute a portion of a road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**B. Motions on Notice**

1. Ensuring Women's Safety in Vancouver's Housing Shelters

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

WHEREAS

1. There are many homeless women in the City of Vancouver;
2. Many of these women seek shelter on couches or spend nights with strangers and are therefore not listed in the statistics of the homeless;



3. At least four sexual assaults on women have been reported at just one of the emergency shelters over the past year;
4. 24-hour emergency homeless shelters currently do not provide full security for women in separate facilities;
5. The Walk4Justice aboriginal women's group and other groups have been raising these issues and have called upon the City of Vancouver to provide a 24-hour women's only shelter.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council make its highest priority the creation of 24-hour women's only shelters to provide safe and secure emergency housing options for vulnerable women.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to ensure optional separation between women and men in all of Vancouver's existing housing shelters and ensure safety and security for all its users.

referred

The Mayor noted that requests to speak to this motion had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Jang  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2011, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 2. Emergency Preparedness

This item was dealt with immediately following the Report Reference (see page 4 of these minutes).

### 3. Vancouver Pride Parade 2011

*The motion below contains an amendment to the original Motion on Notice which was accepted by Council.*

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson  
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS:

1. The Pride Parade is Vancouver's celebration of culture and diversity;
2. The Vancouver Pride Society has adopted a three-year (2009-2011) theme of Educate, Liberate, Celebrate - focusing on one of the three elements each year. This year the focus will be on Celebrate and what it means to be free to celebrate our individuality;
3. The City of Vancouver has had a consolidated presence in the Pride Parade both in 2009 and 2010.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct the City Manager to organize a steering committee composed of staff members and Councillors Stevenson and Woodsworth for the purpose of planning and implementing a consolidated presence of the various City of Vancouver Service Groups in the 2011 Pride Parade, with funding coming from within the existing City budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be forwarded to Metro Vancouver and its member municipalities in order that they be encouraged to participate in the Vancouver Pride Parade.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 4. Elimination of Medical Services Plan Premiums for Seniors

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

WHEREAS

1. British Columbia is the only province in Canada where seniors must pay Medical Services Plan (MSP) premiums;
2. Many seniors in British Columbia are struggling to pay their bills for daily needs;
3. Some seniors are paying hundreds of dollars in MSP premiums; and

4. Many retirees of the Municipal Pension Plan are former employees of local and regional governments.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver call on the Province of British Columbia to eliminate the MSP premiums for medical insurance in the province of British Columbia to conform with the situation for seniors in all other provinces;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver call on the Province of British Columbia that, upon the elimination of MSP premiums, they contribute the present percentage of employers' contributions previously used for MSP premiums to assist in the payment of Group Health Benefits;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be sent to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and the Lower Mainland Local Government Association for their endorsement.

referred

The Mayor noted that requests to speak to this motion had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Jang  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2011, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

5. **Motion to Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) 2011 AGM Regarding Provincial and Federal Investment in Early Care and Learning**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

WHEREAS accessible, affordable and quality childcare is essential to the health and well-being of the city of Vancouver's children and families;

AND WHEREAS child development and childcare play a crucial role in the economic stability of our city;

AND WHEREAS it is critical that all levels of government, including those at the local level, and the private sector take an active partnership in ensuring successful child development opportunities;

AND WHEREAS for these reasons the City of Vancouver has a long history of leadership and success in creating new childcare spaces with limited resources at the municipal level of government;

AND WHEREAS the establishment of a Joint Childcare Council between the Council, School Board and Park Board led to the creation of more than 600 new childcare spaces between 2002 and 2005, exceeding the original goal of a 5% increase; and through the re-establishment of the Joint Childcare Council in 2009 there will be a further 8.6% increase in child care spaces in Vancouver by the end of 2011;

AND WHEREAS the Joint Childcare Council will be presenting on these successes at the 2011 Lower Mainland Local Government Association Annual General Meeting;

AND WHEREAS the Joint Childcare Council also has a mandate and strong role to play in advocating for investment in Early Care and Learning by the provincial and federal levels of government.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following motion be forwarded to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association and Union of BC Municipalities for consideration at their respective 2011 Annual General Meetings.

#### **Provincial and Federal Investment in Early Care and Learning**

WHEREAS although Access to Early Child Care and Learning is used globally as a key measure of the economic and social health of society, the current supply of child care in British Columbia serves only about 14% of children age 0 to 12, on the low end in Canada which in turn is lower than any other OECD country, and directly related to a lack of adequate investment by the provincial and federal government in early care and learning; and

WHEREAS the 29% of children arriving to kindergarten in BC are developmentally vulnerable - the majority of which now come from the middle-class - are estimated by UBC's Human Early Learning project, in their report *15 by 15, A Comprehensive Policy Framework for Early Human Capital Investment in BC* (funded by the BC Business Council) to have negative and long term economic consequences estimated to be in the range of 20 per cent of foregone GDP growth.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT municipalities take a leadership role in requesting that senior governments make early care and learning a top priority by:

- creating strong legislative frameworks;
- significant new public investments to support the legislative frameworks;
- consolidating Early Care and Learning into the provincial Ministry of Education;

- establishing an accountability framework that includes developmentally appropriate play-based learning in the early years and ensures positive outcomes for children.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**NEW BUSINESS, ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS**

None.

The Council adjourned at 5:35 pm

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