

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JULY 12, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at 2:00 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: Marg Coulson, 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 Jang.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council will go into a meeting later this day and/or on Thursday, July 14, 2011, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the city or another position appointed by the city;

(b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for an award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the city on condition of anonymity;

(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;

(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

ITEM ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2011

Council appointed Alex Lam to the Board of Variance.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council (Transportation and Traffic) - June 28, 2011

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Council - June 28, 2011

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - June 30, 2011

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - June 30, 2011

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

The Mayor noted staff had requested that Administrative Report A7 be referred to a Standing Committee meeting on July 28, 2011, in order to provide stakeholders who may wish to speak additional time to review the report.

MOVED by Councillor Meggs

THAT the Administrative Report dated July 5, 2011, entitled "2011 Inflationary Adjustment to Development Cost Levy Rates" be referred to a Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, July 28, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1 to A6 and A8 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

**1. Greenest City 2020 Action Plan (GCAP)
July 5, 2011**

Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager, provided a presentation on the proposed Greenest City 2020 Action Plan, including an overview of priority focus areas, upcoming pilot projects and long term goals. Mr. Johnston, along with Peter Judd, General Manager, Engineering Services, Amanda Pitre-Hayes, Director of Sustainability, Jerry Dobrovolny, Director of Transportation, Engineering, Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Parks and Recreation, Lindsay Cole, Greenest City Planner, Sustainability Group, and Monica Kosmak, Zero Waste Planning, Engineering, responded to questions concerning the Plan. Lee Malleau and John Tylee, Vancouver Economic Development Commission, also responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT further discussion and decision on the Administrative Report dated July 5, 2011, entitled "Greenest City 2020 Action Plan (GCAP)" be referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting to be held on Thursday, July 14, 2011, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Re-establishment of Integrated Graffiti Management Program

Jerry Dobrovolny, Director of Transportation, Engineering Services, provided a presentation regarding the re-establishment of the City of Vancouver's Integrated Graffiti Management Program, and along with Kristina Copeland, Great Beginnings Street Activities Program, and Scott Edwards, Manager, Street Activities Branch, Engineering Services, responded to questions concerning the program.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Business Licence Hearing Panels - September, October and November 2011 June 23, 2011

THAT Council delegate the holding of hearings under Section 275 or 278, or appeals under Sections 277 of the Vancouver Charter or under Section 36(7) of the Motor Vehicle Act, for those hearing dates designated by Council to a panel of three Council Members as follows:

September 14 - 9:30 AM
Councillor Reimer - Chair
Councillor Anton
Councillor Chow
Councillor Woodsworth - Alternate

October 4 - 9:30 AM
Councillor Jang - Chair
Councillor Meggs
Councillor Louie
Councillor Cadman- Alternate

October 6 - 7:30 PM
Councillor Stevenson - Chair
Councillor Jang
Councillor Woodsworth
Councillor Deal - Alternate

October 12 - 9:30 AM
Councillor Anton - Chair
Councillor Cadman
Councillor Deal
Councillor Chow - Alternate

November 1 - 9:30 AM
Councillor Louie - Chair
Councillor Meggs
Councillor Reimer
Councillor Jang - Alternate

Should any of the above members of Council be unable to attend the hearings, the hearings and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings will be delegated to the remaining two Councillors and alternate Councillor.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**2. Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society Recreation/Gymnasium Operating Funding 2011
June 28, 2011**

THAT Council approve 2011 funding in the amount of \$235,059 to the Collingwood Neighbourhood House Society for the delivery of recreational programs and operation of the Collingwood Gymnasium (the "Gymnasium") for the period January 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011; source of funds to be the 2011 Operating Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**3. 2011 Child Care Enhancement Grants
June 27, 2011**

THAT Council approve 45 Child Care Enhancement Grants, totaling \$781,480 as listed in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated June 27, 2011, entitled "2011 Child Care Enhancement Grants"; source of funds to be the 2011 Civic Child Care Grant Funds, 2011 Operating Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**4. 2011 Emergency Preparedness Conference - Partnership Donation
June 14, 2011**

THAT City Council approve a Partnership Donation in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the 2011 Vancouver Emergency Preparedness Conference. The source of funds for the donation to be from the Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services' 2011 Operating Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**5. Expropriation of 7248 Knight Street for the Construction of Left Turn Bays on Knight Street at 57th Avenue
June 23, 2011**

THAT Council, as the approving authority under the *Expropriation Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, C. 125 (the "Act"), approve the expropriation of that portion of the lands at 7248 Knight Street, legally described as:

Parcel Identifier No. 014-325-632
Lot 46, Except the West 7 Feet, Now Road, Blocks 29 to 31, District Lot 200,
Plan 1770 (the "Property"),

shown heavily outlined on the plan consisting of approximately 31.2 square metres prepared by James E. Gregson, B.C.L.S. on April 4, 2011, as marginally annotated LD5089, a reduced copy of which is attached as a Schedule to Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated June 23, 2011, entitled "Expropriation of 7248 Knight Street for the Construction of Left Turn Bays on Knight Street at 57th Avenue" (the "Site").

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**6. Funding for Expropriation of 7248 Knight Street for the Construction of Left Turn Bays on Knight Street at 57th Avenue
June 29, 2011**

- A. THAT, given that Vancouver City Council, as approving authority under the Expropriation Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, C.125 (the "Act"), has approved the expropriation of that portion of the lands at 7248 Knight Street, legally described as:

Parcel Identifier: 014-325-632, Lot 46 Except The West 7 Feet, Now Road Blocks 29 to 31 District Lot 200 Plan 1770 (the "Property") shown heavily outlined on the plan consisting of approximately 31.2 square metres prepared by James E. Gregson B.C.L.S. on April 4, 2011, as marginally annotated LD5089, a reduced copy of which is attached as Appendix A to the Administrative Report dated June 29, 2011, entitled "Funding for Expropriation of 7248 Knight Street for the Construction of Left Turn Bays on Knight Street at 57th Avenue" (the "Site");

Council authorize the Director of Real Estate Services, on behalf of the City as the expropriating authority, to pay Seventy Five Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$75,600) to the registered owners of the Site as the advance payment made under the Act.

- B. THAT Council approve funding of \$80,000 for additional costs associated with the expropriation including any amounts which the City as expropriating authority is required to pay under the Act, all such costs to be approved by the Director of Real Estate Services.
- C. THAT the source of funding for such payments be the 2010 Street Basic Capital Budget for Arterial Improvements, Knight and 57th Avenue Left Turn Bays.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**7. 2011 Inflationary Adjustment to Development Cost Levy Rates
July 5, 2011**

This item was referred to a Standing Committee meeting on July 28, 2011.

**8. East Fraserlands Neighbourhood Park North
July 6, 2011**

THAT Council approve funding for design and construction of Neighbourhood Park North in the East Fraserlands (EFL) at a cost of approximately \$700,000, source of funding to be eligible development cost levies (DCLs) generated from the EFL ODP area as per the EFL Public Amenity Financial Strategy.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

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 Meggs

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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 8 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 1. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (15 and 97 East 2nd Avenue) (By-law No. 10307)**
- 2. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (1569 West 6th Avenue) (By-law No. 10308)**
(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal and Stevenson ineligible for the vote)

3. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (2305-2325 West 7th Avenue) (By-law No. 10309)
4. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (1025 Robson Street) (By-law No. 10310)
5. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (1090 Nicola Street - The Darling Residence) (By-law No. 10311)
(Councillors Deal, Louie and the Mayor ineligible for the vote)
6. A By-law to amend Street Name By-law No. 4054 regarding Central Street and Switchmen Street (By-law No. 10312)
7. A By-law to amend Street Name By-law No. 4054 regarding Rolston Street, Neon Street and Continental Street (By-law No. 10313)
8. A By-law to Amend By-law No. 9844 Regarding Borrowing and Incurring of Liabilities for the Purposes of Financing in Relation to the Southeast False Creek Development Project Credit Facility for \$550 Million (By-law No. 10314)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. Approval of Form of Development: 1025 Robson Street

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 1025 Robson Street be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414664, prepared by Walter Francl Architecture, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services" on, March 22, 2011, 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. Approval of Form of Development: 1569 West 6th Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 1569 West 6th Avenue, (1561 West 6th Avenue being the application address) be approved generally

as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414507, prepared by Henriquez Partners Architects, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on June 21, 2011, 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

3. Approval of Form of Development: 2665 Renfrew Street

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2665 Renfrew (2889 East 12th being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414017, prepared by Musson Cattell Mackey Partnership, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on February 18, 2011, 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

4. Approval of Form of Development: 8600 Kerr Street - East Fraser Lands Area 2 South

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as East Fraser Lands Area 2 South (8600 Kerr Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414514, prepared by Polygon Development, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on June 14, 2011, 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

5. Approval of Form of Development: 97 East 2nd Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 97 East 2nd Avenue (51 East 2nd Avenue being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414186, prepared by Monstal Holdings Ltd., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on June 27, 2011, 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

6. Approval of Form of Development: 1718 Davie Street

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 1702-1726 Davie Street and 1201-1215 Bidwell Street (1718 Davie Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414141, prepared by Henriquez Partners Architects, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on May 27, 2011, 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

7. Approval of Form of Development: 2305-2325 West 7th Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2305-2325 West 7th Avenue (2305 West 7th being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE413905, prepared by SR McEwen Architect, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on May 18, 2011, 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

8. **Establishing Road on the west side of Knight Street, between 55th Avenue and 57th Avenue, adjacent to 7289 Knight Street, for a widening strip for the installation of left turn bays on Knight Street at 57th Avenue and 54th to 57th Avenue Safety Improvements**

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

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 those portions of:

Lot 66, Except the East 7 Feet now Road, Blocks 29 to 31, District Lot 200, Plan 1770;

Lot 67, Except the East 7 Feet now Road, Blocks 29 to 31, District Lot 200, Plan 1770;

Lot 68, Except the East 7 Feet now Road, Blocks 29 to 31, District Lot 200, Plan 1770; and

Lot 69, Except the East 7 Feet and the South 7 Feet now Highways, Blocks 29 to 31, District Lot 200, Plan 1770;

as shown heavy outlined on plan of survey completed May 9, 2011, attested to by James E. Gregson, B.C.L.S. and marginally numbered LD5095.

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

9. **Expropriation of property to establish Road on the east side of Knight Street, between 55th Avenue and 57th Avenue, adjacent to 7248 Knight Street, for a widening strip for the installation of left turn bays on Knight Street at 57th Avenue**

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

WHEREAS

- A. The City of Vancouver requires a portion of:

Parcel Identifier No. 014-325-632

Lot 46, Except the West 7 Feet, Now Road, Blocks 29 to 31, District Lot 200, Plan 1770;

shown heavily outlined on plan of survey completed April 4, 2011, attested to by James E. Gregson, B.C.L.S. and marginally numbered LD5089,

for the altering of a linear development, namely, the widening of Knight Street to construct left turn bays on Knight Street at 57th Avenue.

- B. In the exercise of its powers of acquiring real property for this purpose, the City has failed to come to an agreement with the owners of the Site.
- C. The *Vancouver Charter* provides that if, in the exercise of any of its powers of acquiring real property, the City fails to come to an agreement with its owner as to the terms of acquisition, the City may, by by-law or resolution of its Council, expropriate such real property.
- D. The *Expropriation Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, C. 125, provides that an "expropriating authority" means a person empowered under an enactment to expropriate land.
- E. On May 17, 2011, Vancouver City Council passed a resolution authorizing the City as expropriating authority to commence expropriation proceedings under the *Expropriation Act* to acquire the Site.
- F. Under the *Expropriation Act*, the "approving authority" for an expropriation under the *Vancouver Charter* is the Vancouver City Council, unless the Lieutenant Governor in Council has designated the Minister of Municipal Affairs as the approving authority for the purpose of expropriations under the *Vancouver Charter* or any particular expropriation under the *Vancouver Charter* which designation has not been made.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Vancouver City Council, as the approving authority under the *Expropriation Act*:

- 1. approve the expropriation of the Site, and
- 2. authorize the Director of Legal Services to execute on behalf of Vancouver City Council and deliver to the owners a Certificate of Approval of Expropriation evidencing such approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Motions on Notice

1. Public Involvement in Street Naming

Note: The motion below contains an amendment to the original Motion on Notice which was accepted by the Mover.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

WHEREAS existing City policy on street naming gives the authority to a Street Naming Committee comprised of staff, and which does not have a mandate to consult with the public and/or stakeholders in considering the naming of new streets;

WHEREAS expectations for greater public involvement in the naming of prominent public assets such as streets has led to changes in policies in other public bodies to accommodate greater involvement by the public and stakeholders in the naming process.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk be requested to investigate best practices in street and public place naming policies and bring recommendations back for Council's consideration for changes to the Street Naming Policy to allow for greater public and/or stakeholder involvement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Hotels

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

WHEREAS

1. In March 2009, staff proceeded with a pilot project on one of the worst SRO offenders by testing an injunction option;
2. In June 2011, Council passed the first ever court injunction against the Wonder Rooms and Palace Hotel;
3. The conditions in many SRO hotels are unhealthy and unsafe;
4. Many SRO hotels have life threatening conditions;
5. These conditions can be remedied by legal, licensed renovations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to initiate a SRO Task Force working with the community of the Downtown Eastside and other partners focused on tenants and landlords to ensure an integrated enforcement approach to improve the living standards of all residents of all SRO hotels.

referred

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

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, July 14, 2011, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Reimer absent for the vote)

3. Guidelines for Internal Review following 2011 Stanley Cup Riot

MOVED by Councillor Anton
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

WHEREAS

1. The downtown fan zones for Stanley Cup viewing in 2011 were the responsibility of the City of Vancouver;
2. The riot which followed the conclusion of Game 7 caused extensive damage to businesses, great personal trauma, and damage to the international reputation of the city;
3. The City of Vancouver conducted an internal review and public consultation after the 1994 Stanley Cup riot;
4. The findings of that 1994 report provided many recommendations on how to prevent another riot during large events;
5. Peaceful large events occur regularly in Vancouver, and several are scheduled for this summer and fall;
6. Stakeholders from the general public, downtown merchants, youth, liquor related businesses, large event planners, media and transit should have the opportunity to provide their perspectives on the events surrounding the 2011 Stanley Cup riot;
7. An external review of the 2011 Stanley Cup riot is being conducted;

8. The Mayor has requested the City Manager to conduct an internal review of the events surrounding the 2011 Stanley Cup riot.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff be requested to report back with:

- (a) The proposed budget for the internal review of the events around the 2011 Stanley Cup riot;
- (b) Details of the recommended public consultation;
- (c) Recommendations for establishing the independence of the review;
- (d) Goals for the review; and
- (e) A proposed timeline for the review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Deal and Reimer absent for the vote)

4. Preventing Methadone Maintenance Therapy Abuses in the Downtown Eastside

MOVED by Councillor Jang

SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

WHEREAS

1. On June 30, 2011, residents of the Wonder Rooms and Palace Hotel in the Downtown Eastside reported to Council several alleged incidents of methadone fraud and abuse that prevented access to Methadone Maintenance Therapy (MMT);
2. MMT is a recognized treatment option for opioid dependence in British Columbia;
3. Many residents living in these Single Room Occupancy (SRO) hotels do so out of necessity and suffer from multiple addiction issues that render them vulnerable to coercion and to abusive practices, such as being compelled to use specific pharmacies to access MMT;
4. In May 2010, the Centre of Addictions Research British Columbia published a report entitled "Methadone Maintenance Treatment in British Columbia, 1996-2008: Analysis and Recommendations" that outlined irregularities of MMT delivery, payments, accountability, and patient care across the Province and, in particular, Vancouver's Downtown Eastside SRO hotels;
5. The MMT in British Columbia 1996-2008 report outlined four broad recommendations to all levels of government to end these abuses and increase accountability and patient care.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to initiate a MMT working group with the Province, The College of Physicians and Surgeons, The College of Pharmacists, Health Authorities, the BC Coroners Office and other stakeholders to investigate the alleged abuses at the Wonder and Palace Hotels, as well as other SRO hotels that can be identified in regards to the alleged abuses, fraud, and irregularities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff recommend policies or by-law changes the City may undertake to mitigate these problems and prevent future abuses.

referred

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

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, July 14, 2011, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Reimer absent for the vote)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Stevenson

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT Councillor Stevenson be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting to be held on July 14, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Reimer absent for the vote)

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Southeast False Creek Energy Costs

Councillor Anton enquired regarding the receipt of high energy bills by the residents of the co-operative housing in Southeast False Creek. Councillor Woodsworth also expressed concern, noting the bills were on top of BC Hydro billing and were for items such as cold water and heat.

The City Manager agreed to provide an Information Memo on this matter.

2. Ethical Purchasing Program

Councillor Woodsworth enquired on the status of the Ethical Purchasing Program. The City Manager noted she would include that information in an upcoming report to Council regarding the Procurement Policy.

3. Nanaimo Street Truck Traffic

Councillor Woodsworth enquired regarding Nanaimo Street and noted the Grandview Woodlands Area Council had expressed concern regarding the enormous increase in truck traffic on the street. Councillor Louie also requested information regarding when the street was designated as a truck route, and what adjustments are possible in terms of downgrading and restricting its use.

The Deputy City Manager agreed to provide an Information Memo.

4. Restorative Justice

Councillor Stevenson noted recent discussions with the Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, who has brought together a group of downtown churches to look at how the faith community may respond to the recent riot and its aftermath, and they had expressed an interest in seeing the City and police move towards the use of restorative justice in this regard. Councillor Stevenson requested the City Manager follow up on this matter and noted it may be helpful to involve the faith community in this work.

The City Manager noted there has been a lot of interest expressed in restorative justice and agreed to include the Dean of Christ Church Cathedral and the faith community as part of the broader discussion on this matter.

The Council adjourned at 5:00 pm

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