MOTION ON NOTICE

2. Letter to Kinder Morgan Canada

MOVER: Councillor Adriane Carr

SECONDER:

WHEREAS

- 1. Kinder Morgan Canada, owner of the Trans Mountain pipeline that carries crude oil from the Alberta tar sands to its Westridge Terminal in Burrard Inlet, has been assessing customer interest in its plans to twin this pipeline and ship more crude oil overseas through this route.
- 2. The National Energy Board (NEB) recently approved the application of Kinder Morgan Canada to enter into firm service contracts for crude oil shipments through Vancouver harbour without any oral hearings in Vancouver.
- 3. In December of 2011, the Mayor of Vancouver publicly joined with seven other south coast BC mayors who noted that a potential oil spill could have significant negative impacts on residents, the livability of the region, and the health of the environment and economy and thus requested that the NEB ensure a robust process of public consultation and hearings in the Lower Mainland regarding Kinder Morgan Canada's future plans for pipeline expansion and increased crude oil shipments through Vancouver harbour.
- 4. The City of Vancouver can heighten the National Energy Board's obligation to consult Vancouver residents by establishing in writing, prior to Kinder Morgan Canada applying to the NEB to expand its Trans Mountain pipeline and/or crude oil tanker shipments, the City's interest in being consulted by Kinder Morgan Canada on such potential projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor and Council send a letter to Kinder Morgan Canada requesting that the company consult with the City of Vancouver regarding any plans and any application it makes to the NEB to expand its Trans Mountain Pipeline and crude oil shipments through Vancouver harbour, including in the letter a request for a written response;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this letter be sent as quickly as possible in order to arrive prior to Kinder Morgan Canada sending an application to the NEB to expand its Trans Mountain Pipeline and/or crude oil tanker shipments.

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