## MOTION ON NOTICE

2. Special Advisor to Lobby to Stop Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Project

MOVER: Councillor Carr

SECONDER:

## WHFRFAS

- 1. As of May 2, 2016, the City of Vancouver will be paying Mike Magee, currently the Mayor's Chief of Staff, as a special advisor to "ensure Vancouver's priorities are front and centre with our new federal government" (*Lineup change in Vancouver Mayor's Office*, Vancouver Sun, April 14, 2016);
- 2. The City of Vancouver has made it clear through motions at Council and through staff presentations to the National Energy Board that one of the city's top priorities is to ensure that Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline expansion project, which poses unacceptably large risks to the global climate and to the City's natural environment, economy, quality of life and \$31 billion "brand" as one of the world's greenest cities, is not approved by the federal government;
- 3. The Federal Cabinet and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, despite playing a leadership role at the December 2015 Paris climate talks to aim to keep the global temperature rise to less than 1.5 rather than 2 degrees centigrade, is being reported as favouring approval of Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline expansion project;
- 4. The Federal Cabinet will decide on Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline expansion project following the National Energy Board's recommendation to Cabinet which is due by May 20, 2016.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor, acting in support of Council's priorities, direct Mike Magee, in his capacity as a City-paid Special Advisor, to lobby hard to convince the federal cabinet and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau to reject Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline expansion project and to regularly report back to City Council on his progress.

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