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## **MOTION ON NOTICE**

## 2. Assessing Impacts of Changes in B.C. Hydro's Net Metering Program on Vancouver's Renewable City Goals

MOVER: Councillor Carr

SECONDER:

## WHEREAS

- 1. One of the three high-level goals of the City of Vancouver's Renewable City Strategy is to increase the supply of renewable energy;
- 2. Two driving forces in stimulating solar energy production are the decreasing cost of solar photo-voltaic systems and B.C. Hydro's net metering program that pays solar energy producers 9.99 cents per kilowatt hour of electricity they produce beyond what is needed to meet their own needs;
- 3. B.C. Hydro recently announced that they will be ending the program that pays its customers for their surplus solar power and restricting participants from exceeding their personal electricity needs through photo-voltaic systems;
- 4. B.C. Hydro has stated that they will be soliciting input from the public on their plans
- 5. The B.C. Government is in the process of developing an Energy Roadmap and Climate Solutions and Clean Growth Strategy.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to analyze the potential impact of changes to B.C. Hydro's net metering program on the city's plans and goals to increase the supply of renewable energy and report back to Council before the fall of 2018.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to provide input on behalf of the City to B.C. Hydro, the B.C. Utilities Commission and the B.C. Government on the changes to its net metering program.

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