

#### REPORT TO COUNCIL

# STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES

**JUNE 6, 2018** 

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Finance and Services was held on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at 9:35 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Councillor Heather Deal, Chair

Mayor Gregor Robertson\*
Councillor George Affleck
Councillor Elizabeth Ball\*
Councillor Hector Bremner
Councillor Adriane Carr

Councillor Melissa De Genova\*

Councillor Kerry Jang Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Andrea Reimer Councillor Tim Stevenson\*

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

Paul Mochrie, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Katrina Leckovic, City Clerk

Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk Denise Swanston, Meeting Coordinator

#### **WELCOME**

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and we give thanks for their generosity and hospitality on these lands.

#### MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council adopt Item 3, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Ball, De Genova, Stevenson and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

# 1. Contract Award for CNG Combination Sewer Cleaner Trucks May 8, 2018

Engineering Services staff presented on items 1 and 2 concurrently, and responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate to the satisfaction of the City's General Manager of Engineering, Director of Legal Services, and Chief Purchasing Official, and enter into a contract with Vimar Equipment Ltd. to supply and deliver five CNG Combination Sewer Cleaner Trucks (Sewer Cleaner Trucks). The estimated contract value is \$2,923,430 plus applicable taxes. The contract term will be three (3) years, with the option to extend for two (2) additional one (1) year terms to be funded through the 2015-2018 Fleet & Equipment Replacement Capital Plan.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services, Chief Purchasing Official and General Manager of Engineering be authorized to execute on behalf of the City the contract contemplated by A above.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A and B above unless and until such contract is executed by the authorized signatories of the City.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02970) (Councillor De Genova and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

# 2. Contract Award for Supply and Delivery of Medium and Heavy Duty Electric Trucks May 24, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate to the satisfaction of the City's General Manager of Engineering, City's Director of Legal Services, and the City's Chief Procurement Officer and enter into contracts with BYD Motors, Inc. (BYD) and Cullen Western Star on behalf of Mitsubishi (Mitsubishi), for supply and delivery of medium and heavy duty electric trucks, for a term of three (3) years, with the option to extend for two (2) additional one(1) year terms, with the current combined estimated value of the contracts expected to be \$10,700,000, plus applicable taxes over the initial three-year term, to be funded through the approved Vehicle Replacement Capital budgets.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer and General Manager of Engineering be authorized to execute on behalf of the City the contract contemplated by A above.

C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A and B above unless and until such contract is executed by the authorized signatories of the City.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02971)
(Councillor De Genova and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

Appointment of Non-Profit Operator and Modification of Leases for #280 and #250 111 West Hastings Street
 May 2, 2018

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve Vancouver Community Network ("VCN") as a social non-profit tenant of approximately 327 square feet (rentable area) of office space at unit #203 on the second floor of the Woodward's Heritage Building at 111 West Hastings Street ("Room #203").
- B. THAT Council authorize the Director of Real Estate Services to negotiate and execute the modification of an existing lease with VCN for unit #280 111 West Hastings Street (the "VCN Modification"), to include the addition of Room #203, at a nominal rate and on the same terms and conditions set out in the existing lease, and upon such other terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services in consultation with the General Manager of Real Estate and Facilities Management and the General Manager of Arts, Culture, and Community Services;
  - FURTHER THAT as the rent for the additional premises will be below the applicable market rate and includes rent-in-lieu of property taxes, the above-noted lease constitutes a grant valued at approximately \$8,500 per annum based on the first year of the term.
- C. THAT Council authorize the Director of Real Estate Services to negotiate and execute the modification of an existing lease with Kokoro Dance Theatre Society ("Kokoro") for unit #250 111 West Hastings Street (the "Kokoro Modification"), to exclude Room #203 from their leased premises, and to include the addition of unit #230 111 West Hastings Street, at a nominal rate and on the same terms and conditions set out in the existing lease, and upon such other terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services in consultation with the General Manager of Real Estate and Facilities Management and the General Manager of Arts, Culture, and Community Services;

FURTHER THAT the change in the room allocation within the leased premise of the Kokoro lease results in an increase in rentable floor area of an additional 74 square feet. As such, as the rent attributable to the increased floor area will be below the applicable market rate and includes rent-in-lieu of property taxes, the above-noted lease constitutes a grant valued at approximately \$1,900 per annum based on the first year of the term.

D. THAT no legal rights or obligations be created or arise by Council's adoption of A, B and C above until the modification of lease has been executed by all parties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 02978)
(Councillors Ball, De Genova, Stevenson and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

 Randomized Ballot Name Order - Proposed Amendments to the Election By-law No. 9070
 April 26, 2018

Rosemary Hagiwara, Chief Election Officer, reviewed the report and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from one speaker opposed to the motion.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the following increases to the 2018 election budget in support of implementing a randomized ballot name order for the 2018 municipal election:
  - i. \$175,000 for implementing communication and public outreach strategies; source of funding is the City's 2018 Council contingency budget; and
  - ii. \$60,000 for additional staff at voting places; source of funding is the City's 2018 Council contingency budget.
- B. THAT Council approve, in principle, the proposed amendments to Election By-law No. 9070 as set out in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated April 26, 2018, entitled "Randomized Ballot Name Order Proposed Amendments to the Election By-law No. 9070".
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment an amending by-law substantially in the form of the by-law attached as Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated April 26, 2018, entitled "Randomized Ballot Name Order Proposed Amendments to the Election By-law No. 9070".
- D. THAT Council receives for information considerations for including candidate photographs on the ballot as presented in the Administrative Report dated April 26, 2018, entitled "Randomized Ballot Name Order Proposed Amendments to the Election By-law No. 9070".

carried

## REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT this report be referred to staff, for further analysis of the pros and cons of randomized ballot name order and ballot inclusion of candidate photographs for Council's consideration for the next Vancouver election following the 2018 municipal election, and that appropriate City of Vancouver advisory committees be consulted.

LOST (Vote No. 02972)

(Councillors Affleck, Deal, Jang, Louie, Reimer, Stevenson and Mayor Robertson opposed)

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At 10:48 am, during debate on the motion, Councillor De Genova rose on a point of order, submitting that under section 5.2 (f) of the Procedure By-Law, Councillor Reimer mischaracterized her absence from an Advisory Body to which she is liaison. The Chair ruled in support of Councillor De Genova's point of order.

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At 10:50 am, during debate on the motion, Councillor Bremner rose on a point of order, submitting that under section 5.2 (f) of the Procedure By-Law, Councillor Reimer mischaracterized his previous statement. The Chair ruled in support of Councillor Bremner's point of order.

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The referral having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 02976) (Councillors Ball, Carr and De Genova opposed)

## 5. Conversion Therapy

At the Regular Council meeting on June 5, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following items to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on June 6, 2018, to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from four speakers in support of the motion.

The following motion contains changes to the original motion which were accepted by the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

#### **WHEREAS**

- 1. The Council of the City of Vancouver is strongly committed to supporting the equality and human rights of the LGBTQ2+ community and all city residents;
- 2. "Sex", "sexual orientation" and "gender identity or expression" are prohibited grounds of discrimination in the *BC Human Rights Code*;

- 3. The practice of "conversion therapy" or "reparative therapy", pseudo-scientific techniques that attempt to persuade persons to change their sexual orientation or gender identity, is seriously harmful to persons and is opposed by the Canadian Psychological Association, the World Health Organization, the American Psychiatric Association, the American Medical Association and others;
- 4. Governments are recognizing the harms of "conversion therapy" and taking steps to ban its practice:
  - a. In 2015, the province of Ontario adopted the Affirming Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Act to ban "conversion therapy" and prohibit practitioners from billing for the practice through public health insurance;
  - b. In 2015, the province of Manitoba passed a health regulation banning "conversion therapy"; and
  - c. In 2018, the European parliament voted to ban "conversion therapy" in member states of the European Union;
- 5. The Council of the City of Vancouver is authorized to prohibit businesses, with a unanimous vote of Council, under section 203(d) of the *Vancouver Charter* and has prohibited a variety of businesses under the Business Prohibition By-law No. 5156.

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council support, in principle, amending the Business Prohibition By-law No. 5156, to prohibit the business of providing "conversion therapy".
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be directed to bring forward for enactment an amendment to the Business Prohibition By-law in accordance with this resolution.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02974)

#### 6. Rainbow Crosswalk

At the Regular Council meeting on June 5, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following items to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on June 6, 2018, to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from one speaker in support of the motion.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

#### **WHEREAS**

 As identified in Trans\*, Gender Variant and Two-Spirit Inclusion at the City of Vancouver Report (2016) and by Saewyc, Poon, Kovaleva, Tourand, and Smith (2016), LGBTQ2S+ people in BC experience significantly higher rates of bullying, harassment and suicide than other populations, and the lack of visible representations of LGBTQ2S+ people in the broader community exacerbates these harms; Vancouver has taken a leadership role in protecting LGBTQ2S+ people in our city. Several local governments in British Columbia are being asked to increase visible representation of the LGBTQ2S+ community by installing rainbow crosswalks and are unsure how to proceed. Standardized guidelines on implementing such projects do not yet exist in BC.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee recommends that Council put forward the following motion at the Union of BC Municipalities meeting in 2018:

#### "RAINBOW CROSSWALKS"

#### WHEREAS

- 1. LGBTQ2S+ people in British Columbia experience significantly higher rates of bullying, harassment and suicide than other populations and a lack of visible representation of LGBTQ2S+ community exacerbates these harms;
- 2. A number of local governments in BC are being asked to increase visible representation of the LGBTQ2S+ community through the installation of rainbow crosswalks and would benefit from standardized guidelines on how to implement such projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Government of British Columbia be requested to inform and advise local governments on best practices to handle such requests, and to provide financial and technical support to local governments regarding visual representations of the LGBTQ2S+ community, such as rainbow crosswalks.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02975)

The Committee adjourned at 11:47 am.

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## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES

**JUNE 6, 2018** 

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at 11:47 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson

Councillor George Affleck Councillor Elizabeth Ball Councillor Hector Bremner Councillor Adriane Carr

Councillor Melissa De Genova

Councillor Heather Deal Councillor Kerry Jang Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Andrea Reimer Councillor Tim Stevenson

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk

Denise Swanston, Meeting Coordinator

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Report of Standing Committee on City Finance and Services Wednesday, June 6, 2018

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services. Its items of business included:

- Contract Award for CNG Combination Sewer Cleaner Trucks
- 2. Contract Award for Supply and Delivery of Medium and Heavy Duty Electric Trucks
- 3. Appointment of Non-Profit Operator and Modification of Leases for #280 and #250 111 West Hastings Street
- 4. Randomized Ballot Name Order Proposed Amendments to the Election By-law No. 9070
- 5. Conversion Therapy
- 6. Rainbow Crosswalk

Items 1 - 6

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services at its meeting of June 6, 2018, as contained in Items 1 to 6, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND ITEM 3 BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

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VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council vary the order of the agenda to enact the By-laws prior to considering the Urgent Business item.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

Note: For clarity, the following agenda items are recorded in chronological order.

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#### **BY-LAWS**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 and 2, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 1. A By-law to amend the Official Development Plan By-law No. 9488 regarding amendments to further protect rental housing stock, and housekeeping updates (By-law No. 12114)
- 2. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 regarding amendments related to the Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan By-law No. 9488 (By-law No. 12115)

#### **URGENT BUSINESS**

## 1. Strata Title and Cooperative Conversion Guidelines

MOVED by Councillor Jang SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the amendments to the document entitled "Strata Title and Cooperative Conversion Guidelines", as approved by Council at the Public Hearing on June 5, 2018, be adopted for use by applicants and staff for development applications in the relevant districts.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

The Council adjourned at 11:49 am.

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