



CITY OF VANCOUVER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 9, 2004

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, March 9, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT:

Mayor Larry Campbell
 Councillor Fred Bass
 Councillor David Cadman
 Councillor Peter Ladner
 Councillor Raymond Louie
 Councillor Tim Louis
 Councillor Anne Roberts
 Councillor Tim Stevenson
 *Councillor Sam Sullivan
 Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

ABSENT:

Councillor Jim Green (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:

Judy Rogers, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:

Syd Baxter, City Clerk
 Tarja Tuominen, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

PRAYER

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with a prayer read by the City Clerk.

PROCLAMATION: INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY - File 1051

Council proclaimed March 8, 2004 as International Women's Day.

PRESENTATION: BY VOXSIS (File 1051)

Council welcomed Voxsis who performed "Ave Maria" and "Fever".

RECOGNITION: CERTIFICATE OF MERIT (File 1051)

Chief Constable Jamie Graham presented a Certificate of Merit awarded by the Vancouver Police Board to Councillor Louie for his act of bravery.

PRESENTATION: LIFELINK PROGRAM (File 1051)

Julie Van Dusen, Centre Director for the Canadian Blood Services, recognized the Vancouver Police Department, the Vancouver Fire Department and City Hall employees' contribution to saving lives through the Canadian Blood Services' LifeLink Program.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council will go into a meeting later this day which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraph(s):

- (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;
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure might reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2004

Council approved appointments to the following civic agencies:

- Urban Design Panel
- Public Art Committee

Names of those appointed are available from the City Clerk's Office.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - February 12, 2004

MOVED by Councillor Louis
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - February 12, 2004

MOVED by Councillor Roberts
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council - February 24, 2004

MOVED by Councillor Bass
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Special Council (Public Hearing) - February 24, 2004

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Louis

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Special Council (Public Hearing) - March 1/2, 2004

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth
SECONDED by Councillor Bass

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Roberts
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1 and A2, A4 to A12, A14, A17 and A18 and Policy Report P1, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. 2004 Operating Budget: Interim Estimates (File 1605)

Estelle Lo, General Manager of Corporate Services, and Annette Klein, Director of Budget Services, presented a report reference on the 2004 Operating Budget: Interim Estimates.

Ms. Lo provided an overview of the budget process and introduced Jamie Koehl, Mustel Group, who reported on the results of the telephone survey portion of the public consultation process conducted for the 2004 Operating Budget

Ms. Klein presented the updated estimates in the 2004 Operating Budget, offered a series of budget adjustments to provide options to reduce the property tax increase to the rate of inflation or 2.0%, identified a number of new initiatives for the coming year, and provided an update on the status of potential new revenue sources.

(a) (REPORT WITHDRAWN)

**(b) 2004 Operating Budget: Public Consultation
February 20, 2004 (File 1605)**

Council received the Administrative Report "2004 Operating Budget: Public Consultation" dated February 20, 2004 for information.

At this point in the proceedings, the Mayor and Council recognized 12 employees who recently retired from the City with varying lengths of service.

The Mayor presented each employee with a Certificate on behalf of the City, and thanked them for their loyal and dedicated service to the City of Vancouver.

The Council recessed at 4:00 p.m. and reconvened at 4:25 p.m. with all members present.

(c) **2004 Operating Budget: Interim Estimates
February 20, 2004 (File 1605)**

MOVED by Councillor Louis

- A. THAT Council approve the Park Board Global Budget of \$49,003,900, including approximately \$493,800 of added Basic and one-time adjustments in the Park Board estimates, this amount to exclude any reductions approved by Council to balance the 2004 Operating Budget.
- B. THAT Council approve the budget adjustments put forward by the Corporate Management Team (itemized on page 12 of the Administrative Report "2004 Operating Budget: Interim Estimates" dated February 20, 2004) and the addition of \$1 million to Contingency Reserve, to reduce the general purposes tax increase to 2.93%, reducing the City share of the anticipated tax increase to approximately 2.45%.
- C. THAT Council approve the creation of the following position at no additional cost to the City:
- Corporate Services Group 1.0 fte Systems Analyst
- Subject to classification by the General Manager of Human Resources
- D. THAT Council approve the creation of the following positions at a net cost of \$106,250 in 2004 (\$123,000 ongoing) to be funded as a first draw from the 2004 Contingency Reserve:
- City Clerks 1.0 fte Assistant Director of Communications
 - City Clerks 1.0 fte Graphics/Project Assistant
- Subject to classification by the General Manager of Human Resources
- E. THAT Council approve renewal of the annual contract with the Vancouver Economic Development Commission (VEDC) for the 2004 fiscal year at a cost of \$587,000 plus applicable net GST (a net increase of 3% from the 2003 budget of \$570,000); source of funds included in the 2004 Operating Budget.
- F. THAT Council defer the decision on the programs that were referred to the 2004 Operating Budget (itemized in Appendix 2(c) on page 32 in the Administrative Report) to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on March 11, 2004. Should Council approve these programs, funding would be provided from Contingency Reserve.
- G. THAT Council instruct staff to report back on the revenue expectations and the policies for utilizing additional gaming revenue and the recently announced Federal GST rebate.

- H. THAT Council, in consultation with the Vancouver Police Board, undertake an independent review of the Vancouver Police Department's Long Range Strategic Staffing Plan, including an evaluation of potential process improvements, and instruct the City Manager and the Chief Constable to report back to Council and the Police Board on the study scope, funding and results of the review.

Carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Sullivan

THAT B be amended to reflect a tax increase of 1.1% rate of inflation which would account for a tax increase of 2.1% minus \$4 million which the City would receive from slots.

LOST

(Councillors Bass, Cadman, Louie, Louis, Roberts, Stevenson, Woodsworth and the Mayor opposed)

Councillor Sullivan rose on a point of order and questioned the Mayor's ruling of him being out of order. The Mayor ruled that Councillor Sullivan was out of order as he was not speaking to the amendment before Council.

Councillor Sullivan challenged the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair then put the question:

Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?

(Councillors Ladner and Sullivan opposed)

A two-thirds majority of those present is required to overrule the ruling of the Chair. Therefore, the ruling of the Chair was SUSTAINED.

The Mayor further ruled Councillor Sullivan out of order during questioning. Councillor Sullivan announced he was leaving the Council Chamber in objection. Councillor Sullivan left the Council Chamber.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Ladner

THAT G be amended to insert the following words after the word "rebate":
"and that the first priority for the allocation of those revenues is to lower taxes rather than finance new programs."

LOST

(Councillors Bass, Cadman, Louie, Louis, Roberts, Stevenson, Woodsworth and the Mayor opposed)

(Councillor Sullivan absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT B be amended to reflect B(ii) proposed by staff in the Administrative Report "2004 Operating Budget: Interim Estimates" dated February 20, 2004, as follows:

THAT Council approve the budget adjustments put forward by the Corporate Management Team (itemized on page 12 of the Administrative Report "2004 Operating Budget: Interim Estimates" dated February 20, 2004), to reduce the general purposes tax increase to 2.68%, reducing the City share of the anticipated tax increase to approximately 2.20%.

LOST

(Councillors Bass, Cadman, Louis, Roberts, Woodsworth and the Mayor opposed)

(Councillor Sullivan absent for the vote)

The amendments having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED with Councillors Ladner, Louie and Stevenson opposed and Councillor Sullivan absent for the vote.

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Council recessed at 5:40 p.m. and reconvened at 5:50 p.m. with all members present, with the exception of Councillors Louie and Sullivan.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Text Amendment and Rezoning: Secondary Suites (File 1401-65)

Council, on March 2, 2004, concluded the Public Hearing for the above rezoning application and referred its discussion and decision to the Regular Council meeting on March 9, 2004.

Before Council was a memorandum dated March 8, 2004 from the Director, Housing Centre providing information in response to questions raised during the Public Hearing.

MOVED by Councillor Roberts

- A. THAT the application by the Director of City Plans to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to allow secondary suites in RS, RT and RM zoning districts, limit the number of secondary suites to one for each one-family dwelling, and remove the terms "family suite" and "phase-out suite" from the Zoning and Development By-law, except for the RS-3 and RS-3A Districts Schedule and RS-6 District Schedule, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Policy report dated January 13, 2004 entitled "Secondary Suite", be approved.
- B. THAT the following be approved:
- B1. Modifications to building standards contained in Appendix B of the above noted report;
 - B2. Continuation of the inspection and enforcement of secondary suites based upon complaints from immediate neighbours or tenants directly impacted, in accordance with the following policies:
 - (i) In the case of one-family dwellings constructed on or before June 30, 1956, continuation of the policy to accept suites lawfully in existence prior to that date as legally non-conforming uses;
 - (ii) In the case of one-family dwellings constructed after June 30, 1956 or for which permits have been issued after June 30, 1956 up to the present, enforcement will address fire, life-safety and health issues, noise, standards of maintenance and compliance with zoning which shall limit the building to one secondary suite;
 - (iii) In the case of one-family dwellings constructed after the date of the enactment of the changes proposed in the report, a building shall be limited to one secondary suite.

- B3. Section 8 of the draft by-law be amended to delete references to the RS-3 and RS-3A Districts Schedule and the RS-6 District Schedule, and be reworded to read:
- 'From section 3.2.1 DW of the RS-7S District Schedule, Council repeals as a permitted use "Phase-Out Suite" along with the provisos and conditions qualifying that use';
- B4. Section 9 of the draft by-law be amended to delete references to the RS-3 and RS-3A Districts Schedule and the RS-6 District Schedule; and
- B5. Amendments pertaining to the RS-3 and RS-3A Districts Schedule and the RS-6 District Schedule be referred to a new Public Hearing.
- C. THAT if the rezoning is approved, at the time of enactment the by-law be accompanied by amendments to the Building By-law (generally in accordance with Appendix B of the report), Parking By-law, License By-law, Subdivision By-law, and Official Development Plan By-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Stevenson excused from voting)
(Councillor Sullivan absent for the vote)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. **Local Improvements Flat Rates**
February 12, 2004 (File 5802)

THAT the flat rates shown on the "List of Projects Certified Complete in 2003", on file in the City Clerk's Office, be approved.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. **Closure of a Portion of Lane, North of 22nd Avenue East from Oak Street**
February 12, 2004 (File 5753)

A. THAT Council close, stop-up and convey to the abutting owner the portion of lane north of 22nd Avenue east from Oak Street adjacent to Lot 1, Block 596, District Lot 472, Plan BCP3474, shown within the bold outline and hatched on the plan attached to Appendix A to the Administrative Report "Closure of a Portion of Lane, North of 22nd Avenue East from Oak Street" dated February 12, 2004, subject to the following conditions:

1. The abutting owners to pay a documentation fee of \$1,500.00. The said documentation fee being the same as that charged for volumetric easements pursuant to the Encroachment By-law;

2. The land value assessed to the 0.42 square metre (4.5 square feet) of lane to be closed to be a nominal \$10.00 in accordance with the recommendation of the Director of Real Estate Services;
 3. The subject lane to be closed is to be consolidated with the adjacent lands, Lot 1, Block 596, District Lot 472, Plan BCP3474 to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services and the Approving Officer;
 4. The abutting owner to be responsible for any necessary plans, documents and Land Title Office fees;
 5. Any agreements are to be to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services;
 6. No legal right or obligation shall be created and none shall arise hereafter, until the documents are executed by the parties thereto.
- B. THAT the \$1,500.00 documentation fee be credited to the Administration Fee Account 422020.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

3. **Report Back on Protecting the Availability of Child Care Spaces
February 1, 2004 (File 2402)**

MOVED by Councillor Roberts

THAT Council approve the addition of \$165,500 to the Civic Child Care Grants Budget; source of funds 2004 Operating Budget to be added to Civic Child Care Grants annual grants budget without offset.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Sullivan absent for the vote)

4. **2003 Community Public Art Grants
January 15, 2004 (File 2051)**
 - A. THAT Council approve grants totalling \$53,000 to the four organizations listed in Table 1 in the Administrative Report "2003 Community Public Art Grants" dated January 15, 2004, source of funds to be the 2003 Public Art Unallocated Capital Account.
 - B. THAT funds be released on the authority of the Director, Office of Cultural Affairs, after Engineering or other civic staff have resolved any outstanding technical or administrative concerns.

**ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY**

**5. Extension of Seabreeze Walk and Replacement Plan for Menchions Mews
February 17, 2004 (File 5527)**

- A. THAT the segment of the public thoroughfare between Granville and Howe Streets (Lot 149) as well as an additional unnamed portion (Lot 133) be named "Seabreeze Walk".
- B. THAT the replacement plan for Menchions Mews attached as Appendix B to the Administrative Report "Extension of Seabreeze Walk and Replacement Plan for Menchions Mews" dated February 17, 2004, be approved.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**6. Award of Tender PS03044 - Supply and Delivery of Litter Can Trucks
February 18, 2004 (File 1805)**

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D, Council authorize the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Manager of Materials Management to award to the low bid meeting specifications from Rollins Machinery Ltd. for three (3) - 2004 MT45 custom cab and chassis with Mini-Max body litter can trucks, at a total cost of \$360,279, less \$19,500 for trade-in of three (3) existing litter can trucks plus the Provincial Sales tax, the Goods and Services Tax (less any municipal rebate received) and the Provincial Environmental Levy, subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.
- B. THAT, the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A.
- C. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Engineering Services, Manager of Materials Management and the Director of Legal Services.
- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A, B and C above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.
- E. THAT funding for the purchase described in A be provided from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**7. Direct Purchase of two (2) Sentinel Sweepers
February 18, 2004 (File 1805)**

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D, Council authorize the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Manager of Materials Management to direct purchase from the Tennant Sales and Service Company, two (2) - 2004 Sentinel Sweepers, at a total cost of \$336,655.34, plus the Provincial Sales tax, the Goods and Services Tax (less any municipal rebate received) and the Provincial Environmental Levy, subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.
- B. THAT, the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A.
- C. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Engineering Services, Manager of Materials Management and the Director of Legal Services.
- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A, B and C above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.
- E. THAT funding for the purchase described in A be provided from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**8. Form of Development: 628 Kinghorne Mews
February 24, 2004 (File 2606)**

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 400 - 600 Pacific Street (628 Kinghorne Mews being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE408001, prepared by Busby and Associates Architects and stamped "Received, Development Services October 23, 2003", provided that the Director of Planning approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**9. Consultant Appointment for a Rehabilitation Study of the Granville Bridge Expansion Bearings
February 19, 2004 (File 5752-1/1805)**

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in C, D and E, Council authorize the General Manager of Engineering Services to engage the firm of Buckland & Taylor Ltd. for the detailed assessment study and report on the rehabilitation of the steel expansion bearings of the Granville Bridge at the estimated cost of \$70,000 including GST and overhead, subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.
- B. THAT existing funding for this work of \$160,000 be transferred from the pre-2000 Streets Basic Capital Budget for Major Maintenance - Structures in order group C07A1C0003, account number 10000439 to the 2004 Streets Basic Capital Budget, order group CB2EA1C002, with \$70,000 to be used for the consultant's study and the remainder to be used for phase 1 bearing rehabilitation work.
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A.
- D. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services.
- E. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A, C and D above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**10. Form of Development: 480 Robson Street
February 24, 2004 (File 2608)**

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 488 Robson Street (480 Robson being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE408066, prepared by Hancock Bruckner Eng & Wright Architects and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services November 7, 2003", provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**11. Award of Tender PS03043 - Supply and Delivery of Thirty-Six (36) Portable Air Compressors
February 13, 2004 (File 1805)**

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D, Council authorize the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Manager of Materials Management to award to the low bid meeting specifications from Surfwood Supply (1964) Ltd. for thirty-six (36) 2004 Ingersoll Rand model P185 WIR Portable Air Compressors at a total cost of \$491,400.00, plus the Provincial Sales tax, the Goods and Services Tax (less any municipal rebate received) and the Provincial Environmental Levy, subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.
- B. THAT, the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A.
- C. THAT, all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Engineering Services, Manager of Materials Management and the Director of Legal Services.
- D. THAT, no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A, B and C above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.
- E. THAT, funding for the purchase described in A be provided from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**12. Appointment of External Auditor for 2004
February 25, 2004 (File 1503)**

- A. THAT the accounting firm of KPMG LLP (KPMG) be confirmed as the City's External Auditor for the fiscal year 2004 in accordance with the terms of the Form of Agreement between the City and KPMG to supply audit services to the City for a period of five years commencing with the audit of the 2003 fiscal year.
- B. THAT the audit fee be set at \$ 134,624 (exclusive of GST). Funding is included in the 2004 operating budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**13. City of Vancouver Advertising Policy
March 1, 2004 (File 1161)**

The Chair advised a request to speak has been received and Council agreed to refer consideration of the matter to a future Standing Committee meeting to hear the speaker.

**14. Emergency Repairs to Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House
February 24, 2004 (File 1805)**

THAT Council authorize the Director of Facility Design and Management to tender the work associated with repairs to the building envelope of Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House; for report back on cost and source of funding prior to an award of contract.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**15. Performing Arts Lodge - Bayshore Gardens
January 23, 2004 (File 4664)**

The Chair advised a request to speak has been received and Council agreed to refer consideration of the matter to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting of March 25, 2004 to hear the speaker.

**16. Contracts for the Supply of Financial Services: RFP PS03039
February 26, 2004 (File 1805)**

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A.
 - i. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D, an agreement be entered into to re-appoint the Bank of Montreal as the City's corporate financial institution to provide the core banking services, parking meter coin handling, and "collector bank" services, for a period of five years with subsequent renewal options for two 12-month periods, at an estimated cost of \$1,775,000 (plus applicable PST and GST) subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services, and the Director of Finance. Source of funding from the departmental operating budgets.
 - ii. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D, an agreement be entered into with Moneris Solutions to provide credit and debit card and merchant card services for a period of five years with subsequent renewal options for two 12-month periods, at an estimated amount of \$2,215,000 (plus applicable PST and GST) subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services, and the Director of Finance. Source of funding from the departmental operating budgets.

- iii. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D, an agreement be entered into with RBC Global Services to provide investment custodial services, for a period of five years with subsequent renewal options for two 12-month periods, at an estimated amount of \$170,000 (plus applicable PST and GST) subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services, and the Director of Finance. Source of funding from the departmental operating budgets.
 - iv. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D, an agreement be entered into with the National Bank of Canada to provide purchasing card services for a period of five years with subsequent renewal options for two 12-month periods, at an estimated rebate amount of \$155,000 subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services, and the Director of Finance.
- B. THAT all legal documentation is to be in a form which is satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Finance.
 - C. THAT upon approval of the legal documentation, the Director of Legal Services and the Director of Finance be authorized to execute and deliver the necessary agreement on behalf of City Council.
 - D. THAT no legal rights or obligations shall arise hereby and none shall arise or be granted hereafter unless and until all contemplated legal documentation has been executed and delivered by all parties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Sullivan absent for the vote)

**17. 2004 Community Services Grants Allocation
February 20, 2004 (File 2151)**

Also before Council was a memorandum dated March 5, 2004 from the Director of Social Planning advising of amendments and a revision to recommendations submitted in the Administrative Report "2004 Community Services Grants Allocation" dated February 20, 2004.

- A. THAT Council approve 10 Neighbourhood Organization Grants totalling \$551,956, as listed in Appendix A-1 to the Administrative Report "2004 Community Services Grants Allocation" dated February 20, 2004. Source of funding is the 2004 Community Services Grants budget;
- B. THAT Council approve 7 Organizational Capacity Building Grants totalling \$163,620, as listed in Appendix A-2 to the Administrative Report "2004 Community Services Grants Allocation" dated February 20, 2004. Source of funding is the 2004 Community Services Grants budget;

- C. THAT Council approve 70 Direct Social Service Grants, including any recommended CONDITIONS on the grants, as listed in the amended Appendix A-3 attached to the memorandum dated March 5, 2004 from the Director of Social Planning, totalling \$2,219,288. Source of funding is the 2004 Community Services Grants budget;
- D. THAT Council approve 3 six-month terminating Direct Social Service Grants totalling \$17,850 for the applications listed in the amended Appendix A-4 attached to the memorandum dated March 5, 2004 from the Director of Social Planning. Source of funding is the 2004 Community Services Grants budget;
- E. E.1 THAT Council approve an exception to the "no staff on the Board" eligibility criteria for Pacific Community Resources Society (Vietnamese Youth Worker), based on the explanations provided in Appendix B to the Administrative Report "2004 Community Services Grants Allocation" dated February 20, 2004, and subsequently approve a Direct Social Service Grants of \$40,5000;
- E.2 THAT Council approve a Direct Social Service Grants of \$42,420 to the Community Legal Assistance Society, to continue supporting the legal advice service that was previously funded by a Community Services Grant to the Greater Vancouver Law Students Advice Society.
Source of funding for both grants is the 2004 Community Services Grants budget;
- F. THAT Council approve the establishment of a \$20,000 reserve for the Partners in Organizational Development program. Specific allocation recommendations will be made at a later date this year;
- G. THAT Council approve a Rent Subsidy grant of \$34,755 to the B.C. Coalition of People with Disabilities, source of funding is the 2004 Other Grants budget;
- H. THAT Council approve a Rent Subsidy grant of \$8,880 to Central City Mission for the Dugout, source of funding is the 2004 Other Grants budget;
- I. THAT Council approve a Rent Subsidy grant of \$7,872 to End Legislated Poverty, source of funding is the 2004 Other Grants budget;
- J. THAT Council approve a Rent Subsidy grant of \$15,500 to Family Services - Street Youth Program, source of funding is the 2004 Other Grants budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**18. Single Room Accommodation Permit for 24 Water Street (The Grand)
February 24, 2004 (File 4657)**

THAT City Council approve a Single Room Accommodation Permit for 24 Water Street (The Grand) on the condition that prior to issuing the SRA Permit, the owner enter into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement approved by Council at a Public Hearing, drawn to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services and executed by her behalf of the City.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

POLICY REPORTS

**1. Child Care Protocol
February 3, 2004 (File 2402)**

MOVED by Councillor Roberts

THAT Council approve and adopt the Child Care Protocol attached as Appendix A to the Policy Report "Child Care Protocol" dated February 3, 2004, and instruct staff to work with the Board of Parks and Recreation and the Vancouver School Board to carry out the actions set out in the protocol.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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 Louie

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 15 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to Designate a Business Improvement Area in that area of the City known as Gastown (By-law No. 8792)
2. A By-law to Designate a Business Improvement Area in that area of the City known as Davie Village (By-law No. 8793)
3. A By-law to Designate a Business Improvement Area in that area of the City known as South Granville (By-law No. 8794)
4. A By-law to Designate a Business Improvement Area in that area of the City known as Yaletown (By-law No. 8795)
5. A By-law to Designate a Business Improvement Area in that area of the City known as Point Grey Village (By-law No. 8796)
6. A By-law to Designate a Business Improvement Area in that area of the City known as Victoria Drive (By-law No. 8797)
7. A By-law to Grant Money for a Business Promotion Scheme in the Gastown Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 8798)
8. A By-law to Grant Money for a Business Promotion Scheme in the Davie Village Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 8799)
9. A By-law to Grant Money for a Business Promotion Scheme in the South Granville Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 8800)
10. A By-law to Grant Money for a Business Promotion Scheme in the Yaletown Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 8801)
11. A By-law to Grant Money for a Business Promotion Scheme in the Point Grey Village Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 8802)
12. A By-law to Grant Money for a Business Promotion Scheme in the Victoria Drive Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 8803)

13. A By-law to amend Street Name By-law No. 4054 (Seabreeze Walk) (By-law No. 8804)
14. A By-law to amend Street Name By-law No. 4054 (Menchions Mews Alteration) (By-law No. 8805)
15. A By-law to amend Subdivision By-law No. 5208 (re 7012 Nanaimo Street) (By-law No. 8806)

At 6:10 p.m., Councillor Sullivan declared Conflict of Interest as he has a pecuniary interest in the rezoning application to which by-law 16 refers due to serving (at various times) as a board member of, a consultant to, and a staff person in a number of non-profit organizations that are tenants of the Plaza of Nations. Councillor Sullivan left the Council Chamber and did not return until the conclusion of the vote on the by-law.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Louis

THAT Council, except for those members excused as noted in the agenda, enact the by-law listed on the agenda for this meeting as number 16, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

LOST (Tie Vote)
(Councillors Bass, Ladner, Louis and Roberts opposed)
(Councillor Woodsworth excused from voting)
(Councillor Sullivan absent for the vote)

16. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 (re casinos)

At 6:20 p.m., Councillor Sullivan returned to the Council Chamber.

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

None

B. Motions on Notice

1. Home-Based Businesses (File 2640)

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

SECONDED by Councillor Sullivan

WHEREAS, home-based businesses are an essential building block of a healthy economy in the City of Vancouver;

AND WHEREAS, a Canadian Federation of Independent Business survey found that 42 per cent of business owners have a present or past association with a home-based enterprise;

AND WHEREAS, home-based businesses reduce demand on the region's transportation infrastructure, reduce traffic congestion and allow people with at-home responsibilities to pursue self-employment;

AND WHEREAS, technology has opened up new opportunities for home-based businesses in recent years, some of which are prohibited under our bylaw, such as online sales of goods;

AND WHEREAS, the city's current restrictions on home-based businesses in residential areas make many existing home-based businesses illegal even though they have no negative impacts on their neighbours;

AND WHEREAS, other municipalities in the Lower Mainland have recently liberalized their home business bylaws with no negative impacts on neighbourhoods, thereby strengthening their local economies;

AND WHEREAS, entrepreneurs applying for a home-based business licence in the City of Vancouver are faced with conflicting information from the city's bylaws, website and the business licence application form;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Vancouver City Council encourages the establishment of home-based businesses that do not negatively affect neighbourhoods, and asks city staff to report back with changes to the city's home-based business bylaw to:

- minimize restrictions and liberalize conditions to encourage residents to operate home-based businesses that have no negative impacts on their neighbourhoods
- spell out all restrictions and conditions relating to home-based business in the bylaw.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Internet Voting in 2005 Vancouver City Election (File 1103)

MOVED by Councillor Ladner
SECONDED by Councillor Sullivan

WHEREAS, the City of Vancouver should be innovative in its efforts to increase voter turnout;

AND WHEREAS, it is likely that e-democracy will become commonplace over the next decade;

AND WHEREAS, voter turnout for municipal elections has been on the decline over the last decade;

AND WHEREAS, introducing more flexible options for younger voters to participate in the democratic process will likely help to increase their turnout at the polls;

AND WHEREAS, secure technology currently exists to conduct voting over the internet;

AND WHEREAS, advanced voter turnout increased by 300% in the city of Markham, Ontario when internet voting was implemented;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT: staff report back to City Council on the options available to introduce internet voting in the upcoming 2005 city election;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, if staff determines this issue to fall within the mandate of the electoral reform commission that it be referred to the commission for their consideration and recommendation to Council.

A member of Council requested to separate the resolved in the Motion on Notice for the vote.

MOTION (a): **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** staff report back to City Council on the options available to introduce internet voting in the upcoming 2005 city election.

CARRIED
(Councillors Cadman, Louis and Roberts opposed)

MOTION (b): **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, if staff determines this issue to fall within the mandate of the electoral reform commission that it be referred to the commission for their consideration and recommendation to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Collection of Litter (File 3751)

Councillor Bass referred to correspondence from citizens expressing concern at litter accumulating on the street north of Trinity and the lack of a secured litter barrel in the area. He requested the telephone number of a contact in the Engineering Department to which he could refer calls.

The City Manager agreed to provide the number.

2. User Pay Options for the Removal of Waste (File 3751)

Councillor Bass requested a report from staff providing user pay options for fast food outlets and advertisers for the removal of waste they generate, such as fast food containers and junk mail inserted in weekly papers.

The City Manager agreed to provide the report.

3. Update on Southlands Riverfront Trail (File 8005)

Councillor Ladner advised of requests from community associations in the Southlands area for an update on what is happening to the Riverfront Trail as it goes past the Marine Drive Golf Club.

The City Manager agreed to provide the requested information by memo.

4. Impact of Provincial Cuts on Women's Centres (File 1263)

Councillor Woodsworth requested a memo from staff providing information on what the City can do to follow up with the Provincial Government about the impact on the City of Vancouver of anticipated cuts to provincial funding of women's centres.

The Council adjourned at 6:40 p.m.
