

REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

APRIL 28, 2005

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Services and Budgets was held on Thursday, April 28, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Tim Louis, Chair

Councillor Fred Bass Councillor David Cadman Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor Anne Roberts *Councillor Tim Stevenson Councillor Sam Sullivan

Councillor Ellen Woodsworth, Vice-Chair

ABSENT: Mayor Larry Campbell (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

Councillor Jim Green (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

Councillor Raymond Louie (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Brent MacGregor, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting of March 31, 2005, were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Get Out! Youth Legacy Program - Phase I Program Summary and Phase II Action Plan (File 4209)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 11, 2005, in which the Managing Director of Cultural Services, the Director of the Vancouver East District, Park Board and the Director of Social Planning presented a summary of the first phase of the Get Out! Youth Legacy Program (July 04 - March 05), including program structure, communications, involvement of youth and community, the Advisory Committee role, Pilot Recreation and Grants programs, and Research and Evaluation and sought Council approval and requested funds for implementation of the Phase II Action Plan for the Program (April - December 2005). The City Manager recommended approval.

Debbie Anderson, Social Planner, reviewed the report, and along with Cherryl Masters, Cultural Planner, Susan Gordon, Coordinator, Arts and Culture and Booth Palmer, Child and Youth Services, both of Parks and Recreation, responded to questions regarding addressing concerns of the funding and application process in future years, the number of applications submitted and given, and tracking the number of youth engaged.

The following delegations spoke in favour of the program:

The Tupper Get Out! Youth Action Team

Stan Williams, RedWire Magazine

Kelly L'Hirondelle, Knowledgeable Aboriginal Youth Advocates (KAYA) (*brief submitted - on file*)

Elizabeth Henry, Youth Environmental Alliance

David Nichols, Youth Reporters

Their comments included:

- the Get Out! program has engaged youth;
- the program is very important to the aboriginal community;
- Get Out! grants are an international best practice and are a youth-friendly model to bring diverse people together;
- grants are an excellent resource for many organizations;
- there should be a second round of grant allocations as so many failed on the first round;
- no grant means a slowdown for many organizations as they will have to continue to seek funding; and,
- Youth Reporters has a mentoring system that will continue if Phase II is implemented.

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive the Phase I Summary Report of the Get Out! Youth Legacy Program.
- B. THAT Council approve \$200,000 for the implementation of Phase II of the Get Out! Youth Legacy Action Plan, source of funds to be the Olympic budget in City Manager's office.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. 2005-2007 Contract Extension - Ray-Cam Co-operative Association (File 1805)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 8, 2005, in which the General Manager of Corporate Services and the Director of Social Planning sought Council approval for a three-year contract extension with the Ray-Cam Co-operative Association for the operation of core programs at the Ray-Cam centre, and detailed a modification to the existing contract. The City Manager recommended approval.

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council direct staff to amend the contract for the Ray-Cam Co-operative Association, to address the issue of wages and retroactivity in a year of bargaining for eligible program staff identified in Appendix A of the existing contract, according to the terms outlined in the Administrative Report dated April 8, 2005, entitled, "2005-2007 Contract Extension Ray-Cam Co-operative Association," and to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services, the General Manager of Corporate Services, the General Manager of Community Services and the General Manager of Human Resource Services.
- B. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to finalize and execute a three-year contract extension including the amendment in Recommendation A of the aforementioned report, subject to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Corporate Services and the General Manager of Community Services for the period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2007.
- C. THAT Council approve a payment of \$161,139 for 2005 to the Ray-Cam Cooperative Association to satisfy the requirements of the contract; source of funds to be the 2005 Operating Budget.
- D. That Council authorize a review of the City's operating relationship with Ray-Cam with recommendations to be submitted to Council prior to the submission of the 2007 budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. 2005 Celebration Grant Recommendations, Spring Deadline (File 2051)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 6, 2005, in which the Managing Director of Cultural Services sought Council approval relating to grants to 28 community organizations, and outlined the evaluation criteria and selection process. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

The Committee also had before it a memorandum dated April 25, 2005, in which the Managing Director of Cultural Services advised one of the events recommended for funding had been cancelled. Accordingly, the Managing Director of Cultural Services recommended funding for the remaining 27 organizations, with the extra funding to be allocated through the second deadline of the grant program.

Sue Harvey, Managing Director of Cultural Services, reviewed the report and, along with Roy Yen, Cultural Planner, Office of Cultural Affairs, responded to questions regarding extra funding, the definition of a cultural event, what the Department is looking at in terms of a

community partner, and specific questions related to the Salmon Festival and the Collingwood Neighbourhood House festival.

The following spoke on behalf of their specific grant requests:

Jenny Siomalakis, Greek Days Committee
Lindy-Lou Truman, Little Mountain Neighbourhood House
Michael Barkusky, Salmon Celebration (Outdoor Recreation Council of BC)
Cary Jang, Collingwood Neighbourhood House (*brief submitted - on file*)
Chris Taulu, Collingwood CPC
Emaneula Sheena
Carmen Rosen, Still Moon Art Society

Their comments included:

- requests for Council to reconsider grant requests and allocations;
- the goals and results of individual festivals, in terms of community-building and exposure to a variety of cultures;
- these grants will allow the Salmon Celebration to eventually become less dependent on public funds;
- there is a need for better communication between the City and applicants; and,
- acquiring consistent funding for the Renfrew Ravine Moon Festival has been difficult.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve a total of \$102,500 in Celebration Grants to 27 organizations (excluding the Vancouver Community Festival Society *CityFest* celebration following its cancellation), listed in Tables 1 and 2 of the Administrative Report dated April 6, 2004, entitled, "2005 Celebration Grant Recommendations, Spring Deadline", source of funds to be the 2005 Celebration Grants program budget.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bass

THAT Council also approve the following: \$5000 for the Greek Days festival, \$2000 for the Salmon Festival, \$2500 for Collingwood Neighbourhood House, and \$2500 for West Coast Child Care, bringing the total grant amount to \$114,500, source of funds to be the 2005 Celebration Grants program budget.

LOST

(Councillors Cadman, Ladner, Roberts and Sullivan opposed)

The amendment having lost, the original motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Reconsideration of 2005 Cultural Grant Recommendations (File 2051)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 8, 2005, in which the Managing Director of Cultural Services sought Council approval relating to the results of the staff team's reconsideration of one Project application and one Operating application from the Operating and Project Grants deadline of December 8, 2004, as requested by the two applicants.

Cherryl Masters, Cultural Planner, reviewed the report.

The following delegations spoke on behalf of their specific applications

Eric Watt, Children's Arts Umbrella Michel Pan, Sweet Basil & Thyme Jazz Society (brief submitted - on file)

Their comments included:

- overviews of events planned;
- requested Council to reconsider the amount of grants allocated; and,
- current grants are not enough to cover operating expenses, including property taxes.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. That Council not approve a Project Grant to Basil & Thyme.
- B. That Council approve an Operating Grant to Arts Umbrella, in the amount of \$7,500. Source of funds is the 2005 Cultural grants budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Allocation of Addition to the Community Services Grants Budget (File 2151)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report, dated April 12, 2005, in which the Director of Social Planning sought Council approval relating to the allocation of \$500,000, which was added to the Community Services Grants budget. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Rick Gates, Social Planner, reviewed the report and along with Jeff Brooks, Director of Social Planning, responded to questions regarding the new grant stream, what the money would be used for, why this grant is different from other funding sources, whether consultation can be done in terms of the new grant stream, social sustainability, costs of community consultation, where the idea for a new grant stream came from, clarification on reports back, and amount of grant requests.

The following spoke in support of their applications

Melanie Crombie, Canadian Paraplegic Association Louise Gaudry, Canadian Paraplegic Association Caryn Duncan, Vancouver Women's Health Collective

Their comments included:

- requests for additional funding;
- explanations of past, present and future focuses;
- suggestion for Council to table item E in the staff recommendations until community consultation can occur;
- extra funding is better used as core funding; and,
- consultations should occur in a timely fashion for next year.

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve increases, totalling \$18,583, to 4 previously approved Organizational Capacity Building Grants, as listed in Appendix A of the Administrative Report, dated April 12, 2005, entitled, "Allocation of Addition to the Community Services Grants Budget". Source of funds is the 2005 Community Services Grants budget.
- B. THAT City Council approve increases, totalling \$40,000, to 3 previously approved Neighbourhood Organization Grants, as listed in Appendix A of the aforementioned report. Source of funds is the 2005 Community Services Grants budget.
- C. THAT Council approve increases, totalling \$115,066, to 26 previously approved Direct Social Service Grants, as listed in Appendix A of the aforementioned report. Source of funds is the 2005 Community Services Grants budget.
- D. THAT Council approve an additional \$10,000 to be set aside from the 2005 Community Services Grants budget for the Partners in Organizational Development program (for a total reserve of \$30,000). Specific allocation recommendations will be made at a later date.

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the decision on the creation of a new Community Services grants stream, called the innovations program be postponed until community consultation has taken place, funds to be placed in the current budget.

LOST

(Councillors Bass, Cadman, Ladner, Louis, Stevenson and Sullivan opposed)

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve the creation of a new Community Services Grants stream, called the Innovations Program, as described in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated April 12, 2005, entitled, "Allocation of Addition to the Community Services Grants Budget"; and

FURTHER THAT \$100,000 be allocated from the 2005 Community Services Grants budget to this new grants program, and

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bass

THAT the figure of \$100,000 be struck and replaced with \$50,000.

LOST

(Councillors Cadman, Ladner, Louis, Stevenson and Sullivan opposed)

The amendment having lost, the original motion was put and CARRIED with Councillors Bass, Roberts and Woodsworth opposed.

FINAL MOTION AS ADOPTED

- A. THAT Council approve increases, totalling \$18,583, to 4 previously approved Organizational Capacity Building Grants, as listed in Appendix A of the Administrative Report, dated April 12, 2005, entitled, "Allocation of Addition to the Community Services Grants Budget". Source of funds is the 2005 Community Services Grants budget.
- B. THAT City Council approve increases, totalling \$40,000, to 3 previously approved Neighbourhood Organization Grants, as listed in Appendix A of the Administrative Report, dated April 12, 2005, entitled, "Allocation of Addition to the Community Services Grants Budget".
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- D. THAT Council approve an additional \$10,000 to be set aside from the 2005 Community Services Grants budget for the Partners in Organizational Development program (for a total reserve of \$30,000). Specific allocation recommendations will be made at a later date.
- E. THAT Council approve the creation of a new Community Services Grants stream, called the Innovations Program, as described in Appendix B of the Administrative Report, dated April 12, 2005, entitled, "Allocation of Addition to the Community Services Grants Budget".

FURTHER THAT \$100,000 be allocated from the 2005 Community Services Grants budget to this new grants program.

6. Reconsideration of Community Services Grants Allocations (File 2151)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report, dated April 4, 2005, in which the Director of Social Planning presented the results of the reconsideration process which was initiated by eleven Community Services Grants applicants, and made recommendations based on the outcome of this process.

Rick Gates, Social Planner, reviewed the report and criteria for reconsideration, and along with Jeff Brooks, Director of Social Planning, responded to questions regarding the distribution of funding and what the City has done to support these services.

The following delegations spoke in support of their applications

Enzo Guerriero, Britannia CSCS
David Diamond, Theatre for Living (Headlines)
Caryn Duncan, Vancouver Women's Health Collective
Alison Brewin, West Coast LEAF Association
Judy McGuire, Downtown Eastside Youth Activity Society (DEYAS)
Stephanie Blanco
Jane Dyson, BC Coalition of People with Disabilities
Judith Marcuse
Aline LaFlamme, Aboriginal Front Door Society
Denise Valdecantos, Phillippine Women's Centre

Their comments included:

- need and appreciation for grants in the face of cutbacks;
- request for funding to pay for staff under the collective agreement at Britannia Centre;

- requests for Council to reconsider the amounts granted and conditions on the use of funding;
- asking for clarification of criteria for consideration and the application of the criteria;
- asking for leeway to use a portion of the funds as needed for DEYAS;
- request for clarification on future policies on grants; and,
- request for reconsideration of weekly hours for the Executive Director position at the Phillippine Women's Centre.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

A. THAT Council approve Community Services Grants, totalling \$334,348 including any conditions as noted in the attached appendices to the Administrative Report dated April 4, 2005, entitled, "Reconsideration of Community Services Grants Allocations", to the following agencies:

Agency	Grant Recommended
Aboriginal Front Door Society (With Condition 1)	\$30,000
Britannia Community Services Centre Society for Latin American Youth	\$45,000
Outreach	
Britannia Community Services Centre Society for Vietnamese Seniors Worker	\$45,000
Downtown Eastside Youth Activities Society (With condition ²)	\$67,500
Kiwassa Neighbourhood Services Association	\$84,000
Philippine Women Centre	\$17,848
Theatre for Living (Headlines) (With Condition ³)	\$10,000
Vancouver Women's Health Collective	\$35,000

Note: Source of funds for all of the recommended grants is the 2005 Community Services Grants budget.

B. THAT Council NOT approve a Community Services Grant to the following Agencies:

End Legislated Poverty
Self-Help Resources Association - On-line Project
Vancouver Area NETWORK OF Drug Users (VANDU)
West Coast Legal Education and Action Fund Association - Community Speakers
Bureau Program.

- C. THAT the Downtown Eastside Youth Activities Society be given leeway to spend up to \$6000 from the grant for program expenses.
- D. THAT staff prepare a contract for services agreement with Britannia Community Services Centre, analogous to the Ray-Cam Co-operative

Association, for the two funded positions, and with the grants providing interim funding until such an agreement is finalized.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bass

THAT funding for Theatre for Living (Headlines) be restored to \$16,160

CARRIED

(Councillors Ladner and Sullivan opposed, and Councillor Stevenson not present for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bass

THAT Theatre for Living (Headlines) be permitted to also use the funding for community outreach for mainstage outreach projects.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the funding for Aboriginal Front Door Society and the Vancouver Women's Health Collective be increased by \$10,000 each.

CARRIED

(Councillors Ladner and Sullivan opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Sullivan

THAT the funding amounts be returned to the original amounts recommended in the Administrative Report dated April 4, 2005, entitled, "Reconsideration of Community Services Grants Allocations."

LOST

(Councillors Bass, Cadman, Ladner, Louis, Roberts, Stevenson, and Woodsworth opposed)

The Committee requested the votes on Theatre for Living (Headlines) and the Vancouver Women's Health Collective be separated.

MOVED BY Councillor Cadman THAT the Committee recommend to Council

Part A.i THAT Council approve Community Services Grants, totalling \$360,508 including any conditions as noted in the attached appendices to the Administrative Report dated April 4, 2005, entitled, "Reconsideration of Community Services Grants Allocations", to the following agencies:

Agency	Grant Recommended
Aboriginal Front Door Society	\$40,000
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- D. THAT staff prepare a contract for services agreement with Britannia Community Services Centre, analogous to the Ray-Cam Co-operative Association, for the two funded positions, and with the grants providing interim funding until such an agreement is finalized.
- E. THAT Theatre for Living (Headlines) be permitted to also use the funding for community outreach for mainstage outreach projects.

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Bass

THAT the vote on Theatre for Living (Headlines) and the Vancouver Women's Health Collective be postponed until the next Regular Council meeting when a full council is available.

LOST

(Councillors Cadman, Ladner, Roberts and Sullivan opposed)

MOVED BY Councillor Cadman

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

Part A.ii THAT Council approve Community Services Grants, totalling \$360,508 including any conditions as noted in the attached appendices to the Administrative Report dated April 4, 2005, entitled, "Reconsideration of Community Services Grants Allocations", to the following agencies

Theatre for Living (Headlines)	\$16,160
Vancouver Women's Health Collective	\$45,000

CARRIED

(Councillor Sullivan opposed)

FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED

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- E. THAT Theatre for Living (Headlines) be permitted to also use the funding for community outreach for mainstage outreach projects.

7. 2005 Property Taxation: Distribution of the Property Tax Levy (File 1552)

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT consideration of the Policy Report Dated April 18, 2005, entitled "2005 Property Taxation: Distribution of the Property Tax Levy", be postponed to be the first item on the agenda for the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting on April 28, 2005.

CARRIED

(Councillor Sullivan opposed)

8. City of Vancouver 2004 Annual Financial Report (File 1503)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 14, 2005, in which the General Manager of Corporate Services and the Director of Finance presented the 2004 Financial Statements to Council for information and to fulfill the legislative requirements of the Vancouver Charter.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council receive for information the City of Vancouver Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2004.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Roberts
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the start of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting be postponed until 2:15 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

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CITY OF VANCOUVER

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

APRIL 28, 2005

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, April 28, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Peter Ladner

Councillor Fred Bass
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor Tim Louis
Councillor Anne Roberts
Councillor Tim Stevenson
Councillor Sam Sullivan
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

ABSENT: Mayor Larry Campbell (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

Councillor Jim Green (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

Councillor Raymond Louie (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Brent MacGregor, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets April 28, 2005

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

- 1. Get Out! Youth Legacy Program Phase I Program Summary and Phase II Action Plan
- 2. 2005-2007 Contract Extension Ray-Cam Co-operative Association
- 3. 2005 Celebration Grant Recommendations, Spring Deadline
- 4. Reconsideration of 2005 Cultural Grant Recommendations
- 5. Allocation of Addition to the Community Services Grants Budget
- 6. Reconsideration of Community Services Grants Allocations
- 7. 2005 Property Taxation: Distribution of the Property Tax Levy
- 8. City of Vancouver 2004 Annual Financial Report

Items 1, 2, 7, and 8

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of April 28, 2005, as contained in items 1, 2, 7 and 8, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Items 3, 4, 5 and 6

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of April 28, 2005, as contained in items 3, 4, 5 and 6, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY and BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

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