



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

JUNE 30, 2005

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

PRESENT: Councillor Ellen Woodsworth, Vice-Chair

*Mayor Larry Campbell Councillor Fred Bass Councillor David Cadman Councillor Jim Green Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor Raymond Louie *Councillor Anne Roberts Councillor Tim Stevenson Councillor Sam Sullivan

ABSENT: Councillor Tim Louis, Chair (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Hildebrandt, 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 May 26, 2005, were adopted.

VARY AGENDA

The Committee agreed to vary the order of the Agenda in order to deal with Item 4 first. For ease of reference the items are minuted in numerical order.

RECOMMENDATION

1. 2005 "Other" Grant Request, Wildlife Rescue Association (File 2051)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated June 13, 2005, in which the General Manager of Corporate Services/Director of Finance, presented a request for funding for the Wildlife Rescue Association.

Ken Robb, Business Consultant - Corporate Services, briefly reviewed the report and, together with Janice Dickie, Executive Director, Wildlife Rescue Association of BC, responded to questions related to the funding request.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve a grant of \$5,000 to the Wildlife Rescue Association of British Columbia: the source of the funds for this request would be Miscellaneous Grants within the "Other" Grants category.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Vancouver Art Gallery - Annual Review & 2005 Operating Grant Request (File 4006)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated June 13, 2005, in which the Managing Director of Cultural Services reviewed the Vancouver Art Gallery's 2005 activities and recommended approval of the Association's 2005 Operating Grant. The General Managers of Community and Corporate Services recommended approval.

Karen Hasselfelt, Cultural Planner, was available to respond to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve a 2005 operating grant of \$2,002,400 to The Vancouver Art Gallery Association; source of funds to be the 2005 "Other" Grants budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Financing for the Redevelopment of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House (File 8020)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated June 13, 2005, in which the Director of Social Planning sought Council's approval to receive a Provincial grant ear-marked for redevelopment of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House (LMNH), to secure the City's contribution to the funding required to complete the construction of the new facility and offered for Council's consideration options for increasing the Capital funding to achieve a LEED[™] Gold standard of construction, and to cover unforeseen expenses related to delivery of electrical services to the site. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval of A, B, C and D and submitted E and F for Council's consideration.

Vickie Morris, Social Planner, reviewed the report and explained the rationale for staff's recommendations. Ms. Morris, together with Larry Adams, Architect for this project, responded to questions related to electrical services on the site and construction costs.

MOVED by Councillor Louie THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive the contribution of \$2,000,000 from the Province of BC (Community Development Initiative Program) for the redevelopment of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House (LMNH).
- B. THAT Council approve an additional Capital Grant of \$4,865,000 to the Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society for the construction of a new LMNH, as set out in the Administrative Report dated June 13, 2005, entitled "Financing for the Redevelopment of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House", it being agreed that no rights or obligations shall arise, and no grant funds shall be advanced to the Society until an agreement is drawn to the satisfaction of the Directors of Legal Services, Social Planning and Facilities Design and Management, documenting the obligations of the Society, including project development milestones to construct the facility, and is executed by the Director of Legal Services on behalf of the City; source of funds is:
 - i. The \$2,000,000 received from the Province of BC's Community Development Initiative;
 - ii. \$2,090,000 from borrowing authority approved by the electors for the City's share of projects that receive cost sharing from senior governments and other outside funders;
 - iii. \$150,000 from the City-wide Development Cost Levies held for child care developments; and
 - iv. \$625,000 from the proceeds of the sale of the existing facility.

This grant is subject to confirmation of approval of a \$250,000 Childcare grant from the Provincial Government.

C. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to execute on behalf of the City a lease/operating agreement, granting to the Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society a lease of the City premises to be built at 3867 - 3891 Main Street, legally known and described as Lot 15 and 16, Block 04, DL 630 Plan 1395, for a nominal rent commencing at the time of approval of the Occupancy Permit for a period of five years and renewable for two further five-year terms, under substantially the same terms and conditions as are contained in the draft terms appended to the Administrative Report dated June 13, 2005, entitled "Financing for the Redevelopment of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House", and on such further other terms and conditions as may be acceptable to the Directors of Legal Services, Real Estate Services and Social Planning, it being noted that no rights or obligations hereby arise or take effect pursuant to this resolution until the agreement has been executed by both the City and the Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society.

- D. THAT Council authorize the transfer of 3981 Main Street, legally known and described as Lot B of 12 to 14, Block 05, DL 630 Plan 2546 to the Property Endowment Fund upon completion of the new facility at a transfer price of \$625,000.
- E. THAT Council approve an additional Capital Grant of \$150,000 to cover costs required for this project to move from LEED™ Silver standard to LEED™ Gold standard; source of funds to be borrowing authority approved by the electors for the City's share of projects that receive cost sharing from senior governments and other outside funders.
- F. THAT Council approve an additional Capital Grant of \$100,000 to cover the costs associated with the requirement to underground the electrical service from the lane to this site; source of funds to be borrowing authority approved by the electors for the City's share of projects that receive cost sharing from senior governments and other outside funders.

CARRIED

(Councillor Sullivan opposed to E and F)

4. 2005 Opportunity Initiatives Grant Allocation (File 2051)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated June 10, 2005, in which the Managing Director of Cultural Services presented staff recommendations based on an Advisory Committee's independent analysis regarding requests for Opportunity Initiatives grants received from the Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale, PuSh International Performing Arts Festival Society and Judith Marcuse Projects Society. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Cheryl Masters, Cultural Planner, reviewed the report and explained the mandate of the independent Advisory Committee. She also advised that delegations today may wish to submit additional information regarding their applications and noted that every opportunity was given to applicants to provide additional information well in advance of the Advisory Committee meetings. She reminded Council that any new information submitted today should not impact the decision of the Advisory Committee that has been previously made.

The following spoke in support of the Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale and urged Council to approve its funding request:

Carol Henriques, Founder, Arts Umbrella
David McCann
Jennifer Palmer, Principal, Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School
Phyllis Schwartz, Curriculum Specialist/Educator, Vancouver School District
Chris Kelly, Superintendent of Schools - School District #39
Paul Larocque, Senior Director of Programming - Arts Umbrella
Katherine Tong

Gordon Price

Michella Frosch, Board Member, Arts Umbrella and Vancouver Int'l. Sculpture Biennale Barry Mowatt, Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale (brief distributed - on file)

A summary of speakers' comments follows:

- urge Council to take another look at Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale's application
 and provide the financial support needed because in years to come this project will offer an
 incredible opportunity to host Vancouver as a vibrant and exciting place for others to visit;
- the last three biennales in this city have seen a lot of citizen participation this is an opportunity to say one of our citizens has had a vision to change the landscape of this city and it is time that the City and citizens say "yes" to joining this vision;
- the Vancouver International Biennale Education Advisory Committee aims to continue involving youth in the social, cultural and environmental issues in the community; have seen large student populations from several Vancouver schools participate in community projects such as "Massive Change" with Vancouver Art Gallery and "Drive on the Drive" with Gladstone Secondary School these endeavours build student ownership in their community, give youth a strong voice on issues that concern them in the city and help develop informed citizens;
- as a teacher, the Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale is seen as one of the most accessible resources for learning for young people; the sculpture sites, as learning venues, are ideal for teachers - no fees to collect, complicated booking arrangements or special juggling of school time, just obtain parental permission and head for the site specific learning space;
- this is an opportunity to connect with an initiative which is putting down roots and ready to
 flourish in the coming year and is the whole concept of Vancouver as a learning city; have
 come to know the scope, nature, quality and uniqueness of this biennale as a catalyst for this
 learning society;
- the opportunities in the community that would result from this biennale would enrich our curriculum at Arts Umbrella; students would learn from the experience of interacting with the sculptures, with the curriculum that would be developed and would have the opportunity to have direct interface with the artists themselves;
- the Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale is implementing programs to leverage the use of technology in order to increase participation and enhance experience to celebrate this major public art festival in the city; these programs include use of cell phones which would extend the learning process beyond the classroom through the ability to obtain pre-recorded information at each sculpture site;
- thanks to Council for its commitment to public life in this city; this biennale is the right thing to do at this time in Vancouver's history, in particular for what the city is anticipating over the next few years; sculpture is as much about the space around it as it is the object itself, makes familiar places new and allows people to explore the unexpected when coming across a piece; and
- ask that Council imagine the positive impacts and benefits the Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale will bring to this city - the decision made today to endorse this visionary process will define Council's vision and belief in this city and its ability to truly refer to itself as a world class city; your leadership and financial support are essential.

Ilena Lee Cramer, Board Member/Producer - PuSh International Performing Arts Festival, spoke in support of the PuSh Festival, provided details of this project, reviewed future plans and

explained the rationale for the funding request. She encouraged Council to approve the funding request for 2005 and the commitment, in principle, to further funding support in 2006.

Camyar Chai, Freelance Actor/Writer/Director, also spoke in support of the PuSh Festival and thanked Council for acknowledging artists in this city. He also acknowledged the Advisory Committee and staff for their efforts, described how this festival has helped his company and other artistic initiatives in this city and stressed the need for this funding request.

During the hearing of speakers, Ms. Masters, together with Sue Harvey, Managing Director of Cultural Services, Marnie Rice, Cultural Planning Assistant and Judy Rogers, City Manager, responded to questions concerning Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale's grant application, including other funding opportunities and the application review process.

MOVED by Councillor Green
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

A. THAT Council approve 2005 Opportunity Initiatives grants totalling \$325,000 to:

PuSh International Performing Arts Festival Society: \$200,000 for the PuSh Festival; and

Judith Marcuse Projects Society: \$125,000 for the Earth Festival.

Funding for both grants shall be SUBJECT TO the respective conditions as described in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated June 10, 2005, entitled "2005 Opportunity Initiatives Grant Allocation". Source of funds to be the 2005 Opportunity Initiatives grants budget.

- B. THAT Council direct staff to undertake a program review of the Opportunity Initiatives program which is at the end of a three-year trial period, and to report back with options for future support mechanisms and funding in the context of the City Creative Task Force strategic planning process.
- C. THAT staff work with the applicant to identify civic, other orders of government and the business community funding opportunities in order to secure the funding needed to support Vancouver International Sculpture Biennale.

CARRIED

(Councillors Ladner and Sullivan opposed to C)

5. Employee Relations at Telus (File 5806)

A motion on the above noted matter was submitted by Councillor Louis at the Regular Council meeting on June 14, 2005. Councillor Sullivan called Notice under section 5.4(c) of the Procedure By-law and the motion was placed on the Regular Council agenda immediately following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on June 16, 2005, at which time the Mayor advised requests to speak had been received. Council agreed to refer

consideration of the motion to a future Standing Committee meeting in order to hear from members of the public.

Accordingly the Committee had before it the following motion:

MOVED by Councillor Louis SECONDED by

WHFRFAS:

- 1. Telus has begun to lock out its employees who are members of the TWU; and
- 2. This unnecessarily confrontational action by Telus will degrade the quality of telecommunications services in this community; and
- 3. Telus corporation is a global leader in the telecommunications sector with respect to revenue, earnings and cash-flow growth rates, thanks to the hard work and dedication of its employees; and
- 4. The company is demanding sweeping contract concessions that threaten its employees' job security and working conditions; and
- 5. The Canada Industrial Relations Board has found that Telus has interfered in the operation of the Telecommunications Workers Union in a bargaining process which has dragged on for more than five years; and
- 6. The Board ordered the company to offer the TWU binding arbitration as a way out of this situation; and
- 7. The Board subsequently reversed the remedy portion of this ruling;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1. This Council communicate their concerns to politicians capable of exerting pressure on the Canada Industrial Relations Board and the Minister of labour to do the right thing and appoint an Industrial Inquiry commission; or
- 2. Order the parties to participate in Binding Arbitration; or
- 3. Resolve their dispute in order to maintain both industrial peace and high quality telecommunications service.

amended

Sid Shniad, Research Director, Telecommunications Workers Union, provided an overview of the labour dispute, noting that over the last number of months the union has been trying to avoid a confrontation that Telus appears determined to have with the organization. Subsequently, Burnaby and North Vancouver City Councils passed similar motions recently asking the federal

minister responsible to use the proper organizations and powers to prevent a confrontation. Mr. Shniad advised that this union would like to avoid a repetition of what happened in Quebec with Videotron which was a protracted dispute that had a tremendous negative fall-out and asked that Council pass a resolution similar to those passed by the other municipalities.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Whereas statements be struck and the Motion be amended by striking out the RESOLVES and substituting the following:

- 1. THAT Vancouver City Council communicate its concerns to politicians that have a relationship with the Telus labour dispute that a protracted dispute in this area will have major impacts on the citizens of Vancouver; and
- 2. THAT Vancouver City Council urge the parties to resolve their labour dispute in order to maintain both industrial peace and high quality telecommunications service.

CARRIED

(Councillors Ladner and Sullivan opposed)

MOTION AS AMENDED

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Vancouver City Council communicate its concerns to politicians that have a relationship with the Telus labour dispute that a protracted dispute in this area will have major impacts on the citizens of Vancouver; and
- B. THAT Vancouver City Council urge the parties to resolve their labour dispute in order to maintain both industrial peace and high quality telecommunications service.

CARRIFD

(Councillors Ladner and Sullivan opposed)

6. Grow Busters Program (File 3701)

Vancouver City Council, at its meeting on June 28, 2005, received a request to speak on this matter and agreed to refer consideration to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on June 30, 2005, in order to hear from the speaker.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 26, 2005, in which the Chief Building Official and Assistant Director, Licencing and Inspections, in consultation with the Vancouver Police Department, Vancouver Fire & Rescue and Legal Services, reviewed the success of the Grow Busters program to date and recommended that the program be approved on a permanent basis. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Carlene Robbins, Manager, By-law Administration, briefly reviewed the report and responded to questions concerning the timing of this request, budget issues, permit fees and policing costs.

Kirk Tousaw, BC Marijuana Party, spoke against staff's recommendation to continue the Grow Busters Program, noting the program, despite the hard work of those involved, has not been successful at either achieving any substantial reduction in the number of grow ops in the city or making the public any safer. He added that there is nothing dangerous in growing marijuana as it is just like any other crop; however, it is the prohibition that creates the dangers such as electrical theft, risk of fire, mold, etc. If properly understood, this program is part and partial of a policy approach that creates the problems that it is designed to combat. He suggested the City take the Dutch approach and turn a blind eye to marijuana.

Ms. Robbins, together with Inspector Dave Nelmes, Police Services, Dave Jackson, Chief Building Official and Co-Director of Licencing & Inspections, Barb Windsor, Deputy Chief License Inspector, and Jacquie Forbes-Roberts, General Manager of Community Services, responded to questions regarding the program, including its effectiveness in reducing grow ops, issues related to electrical theft, and whether staff could create a by-law to restrict or prohibit businesses from selling products designed for grow ops.

MOVED by Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT the Grow Busters Program be approved as an ongoing program as described in the Administrative Report dated April 26, 2005, entitled "Grow Busters Program".
- B. THAT the following temporary staff positions be converted to regular full-time (the classifications of which will be subject to review by Human Resources):
 - District Electrical Inspectors (3)
 - District Building Inspector
 - District Plumbing/Gas Inspector
 - District Property Use Inspector
 - Fire Prevention Officer
 - Clerk III.
- C. THAT Council approve a Grow Busters Program Operating Budget estimated to be \$622,200 for fiscal 2006 to be fully offset by related permit revenues and penalties generated by the program. Salary and fringe benefits are estimated at \$535,400 (\$455,500 CSG, \$79,900 Fire Department) and program costs estimated at \$86,800 (Truck, Supplies, Health and Safety Equipment, Auto Allowance, Travel and Training).

D. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services and Assistant Director, Licencing and Inspections, to prepare and bring forward a report on a by-law to restrict or prohibit businesses from selling equipment, including electrical equipment and venting materials, chemicals and fertilizers, supplies and/or merchandise which is designed, intended to be used or capable of being used for the purpose of setting up and maintaining a marijuana grow operation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Roberts and the Mayor absent for the vote)

The Committee adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

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CITY OF VANCOUVER

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

JUNE 30, 2005

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, June 30, 2005, at 12:40 p.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 Fred Bass

Councillor David Cadman Councillor Jim Green *Councillor Peter Ladner *Councillor Raymond Louie *Councillor Anne Roberts Councillor Tim Stevenson Councillor Sam Sullivan

*Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

ABSENT: Mayor Larry Campbell

Councillor Tim Louis (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman SECONDED by Councillor Louie

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Green

THAT the order of the Agenda be varied in order to deal with a Motion concerning Security Guard Dogs first.

LOST (Tie Vote) (Councillors Cadman, Ladner, Roberts and Sullivan opposed) (Councillor Woodsworth absent for the vote.)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

NOTE FROM CLERK: Due to time constraints, the following Administrative Reports were referred from the Regular Council meeting on June 28, 2005.

2. Queen Elizabeth Park - Road Dedication and Subdivision June 13, 2005 (File 4151)

Also before Council was a Letter dated June 28, 2005, from the General Manager of Parks and Recreation.

MOVED by Councillor Green

- A. THAT Council rescind the July 22, 1983 resolution to designate Block 807, District Lot 526, Plan 19375 (Queen Elizabeth Park) as permanent public park, subject to approval of Recommendation D below.
- B. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to proceed with a subdivision application to the Approving Officer, dedicating as road all that portion of Block 807, District Lot 526, Plan 19375 (Queen Elizabeth Park), being the same as shown cross-hatched on the plan attached hereto as Appendix "A" of the Administrative Report dated June 13, 2005, entitled "Queen Elizabeth Park Road Dedication and Subdivision".
- C. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to execute all plans and required documentation ancillary to the subdivision, on behalf of the City.
- D. THAT Council designate the newly created parcel as permanent public park subject to charges and reservations as noted in Appendix "D" of the Administrative Report dated June 13, 2005, entitled "Queen Elizabeth Park Road Dedication and Subdivision".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Councillor Woodsworth absent for the vote.)

4. Lease with British Columbia Transit and Licence of City-owned Lanes June 7, 2005 (File 1203)

MOVED by Councillor Roberts

- A. THAT Council approve the lease by the City, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Directors of Real Estate and Legal Services, of the vacant lots at 11th Avenue identified in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated June 7, 2005, entitled "Lease with British Columbia Transit and Licence of Cityowned Lanes" (the BC Transit Lands) from British Columbia Transit (BC Transit) for ten years, for a nominal rent of one dollar a year plus property taxes, which will be paid by My Own Backyard Community Association, with an option to renew for a further ten years on the same general terms and conditions as the original lease.
- B. THAT Council approve the licence of the BC Transit Lands from the City to My Own Backyard Community Association. The terms and conditions of the licence are to be drawn to the satisfaction of the Directors of Legal and Real Estate Services and Social Planning.
- C. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to enter into a licence with My Own Backyard Community Association for the use of portions of Cityowned lane, between the lane south of 10th Avenue and 12th Avenue, the same as shaded and labelled on Appendix A of the above-noted report. The terms and conditions of the licence are to be drawn to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Directors of Legal and Real Estate Services.
- D. THAT Council approve the execution of an Indemnity Agreement in favour of BC Transit on terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Directors of Real Estate and Legal Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Energy Savings Project June 14, 2005 (File 4160)

MOVED by Councillor Louie

A. THAT the City enter into an agreement with the Vancouver School Board, drawn to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services and the City Manager, to document an arrangement to undertake certain energy conservation measures at the Britannia Community Services Centre on a cost-sharing basis, all as set out in the Administrative Report dated June 14, 2005, entitled "Energy Savings Project", on the basis that no legal right be created hereby and none shall arise until the agreement is executed by the Director of Legal Services on behalf of the City.

B. THAT the City's maximum contribution to the cost of the energy conservation measures discussed in Recommendation A above be \$297,000, the source of the funds being a loan from the Property Endowment Fund on terms acceptable to the Director of Finance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Allocation of Capital Plan Funds in the Downtown Eastside June 14, 2005 (File 1611/8104)

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Council approve grants totalling \$682,000 to support six community projects as the City's contribution towards the Downtown Eastside revitalization, with funding to be provided from the Downtown Eastside Revitalization unallocated capital accounts (\$170,000 from 2002 account and \$512,000 from 2003-05 accounts).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

11. Single Room Accommodation Permit for 434 Richards Street (Empress Rooms) June 14, 2005 (File 4657)

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

- A. THAT Council authorize an exemption from the requirements of the Single Room Accommodation By-law for 7 SRA designated rooms at 434 Richards Street (Empress Rooms).
- B. THAT Council approve a Single Room Accommodation conversion and demolition permit for 11 designated rooms at 434 Richards Street (Empress Rooms), to allow for development of 10 self-contained rental dwelling units within the existing building and with the condition that non-stratification of the site for 30 years or the life of the existing building, and heritage retention and maintenance measures are secured for the life of the building.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Green

THAT B be amended by adding the following words after "units within the existing building":

"with the condition that the owner pay the \$5000 per room demolition fee for the non-exempt rooms (\$55,000) to be deposited into the City's reserve fund for the creation of replacement housing"

CARRIED

(Councillors Ladner and Sullivan opposed)

MOTION AS AMENDED

- A. THAT Council authorize an exemption from the requirements of the Single Room Accommodation By-law for 7 SRA designated rooms at 434 Richards Street (Empress Rooms).
- B. THAT Council approve a Single Room Accommodation conversion and demolition permit for 11 designated rooms at 434 Richards Street (Empress Rooms), to allow for development of 10 self-contained rental dwelling units within the existing building, with the condition that the owner pay the \$5000 per room demolition fee for the non-exempt rooms (\$55,000) to be deposited into the City's reserve fund for the creation of replacement housing, and with the condition that non-stratification of the site for 30 years or the life of the existing building, and heritage retention and maintenance measures are secured for the life of the building.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. Miscellaneous Amendments to the Development Cost Levy (DCL) By-laws June 13, 2005 (File 1755)

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT Council request the Director of Legal Services to report back with by-laws for enactment to amend the City's area-specific Development Cost Levy (DCL) by-laws to align with the Vancouver DCL By-law (the City-Wide DCL) by:
 - making the definition of "floor space" in the area-specific DCL by-laws consistent with the Zoning and Development By-law, where applicable (i.e. the Downtown South, Burrard Slopes, Arbutus, Dundas-Wall, Oakridge/Langara, Triangle West, Cedar Cottage by-laws);
 - ii. reducing the DCL rate for parking garages to \$0.10 per square foot (\$1.08 per square metre) in all area-specific DCL by-laws;
 - iii. reducing the DCL rate for temporary buildings in False Creek Flats to a flat rate of \$10.00 per Building Permit for temporary buildings, as in all other DCL by-laws; and
 - iv. reducing the DCL rate for child care uses to \$10.00 per Building Permit in all area-specific DCL by-laws.
- B. THAT Council request the Director of Legal Services to report back with by-laws for enactment to amend the City-Wide by-law by:
 - i. updating the gross growth cost amounts to the following amounts:

Park

\$556,500,000

 Replacement housing
 \$494,170,000

 Transportation
 \$115,000,000

 Child care
 \$94,000,000

- ii. adjusting the metric format industrial DCL rate to \$25.83 per square metre; and
- iii. adjusting the metric format commercial/residential DCL rate to \$64.59 per square metre.
- C. THAT Council request the Director of Legal Services to report back with by-laws for enactment to amend the area-specific and City-Wide DCL by-laws by:
 - i. updating the definition of child care; and
 - ii. modifying the definition of "social housing".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. Capital Grant to the Coal Harbour Arts Complex and Bill Reid Foundation June 20, 2005 (File 2005)

MOVED by Councillor Green

- A. THAT Council endorse a co-ordinated planning approach to the redevelopment of the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Complex and the development of a new arts complex containing two performance venues and a national gallery of contemporary aboriginal art as part of a mixed-use development on the adjacent City-owned site at Dunsmuir and Georgia Street;
- B. THAT Council approve a repayable grant of up to \$125,000 to the Coal Harbour Arts Complex Society and a further repayable grant of up to \$75,000 to the Bill Reid Foundation for the development of planning and funding studies as outlined in the Administrative Report dated June 20, 2005, entitled "Capital Grant to the Coal Harbour Arts Complex and Bill Reid Foundation"; source of funds is the Coal Harbour Arts Complex Reserve;
- C. THAT Council direct staff to review and report back with development options for the City-owned site at Dunsmuir and Georgia Streets;
- D. THAT Council approve in principle the inclusion of the Coal Harbour Arts Complex Society and Bill Reid Foundation in the development of the Cityowned land at Dunsmuir and Georgia Street, subject to the confirmation to the satisfaction of the City Manager within 9 months from the date of the abovenoted report of secured capital and operating funding commitments from senior governments to complete and sustain these projects, noting that nothing contained in these approvals commits the City to fund or make available City land in support of any projects; and

E. THAT if the requirements of Recommendation D above are not fulfilled as outlined, that the City will make alternate arrangements for the site and direct staff to report back on the allocation of the Arts Complex Reserve Funds towards alternate cultural capital projects arising from the City Creative Task Force strategic planning process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

19. Pacific National Exhibition 2004 Yearend Review and 2005 Operating and Capital Budgets

June 14, 2005 (File 8009)

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

THAT Council receive the Administrative Report dated June 14, 2005, entitled "Pacific National Exhibition 2004 Yearend Review and 2005 Operating and Capital Budgets" for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets June 30, 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. 2005 "Other" Grant Request, Wildlife Rescue Association
- 2. Vancouver Art Gallery Annual Review & 2005 Operating Grant Request
- 3. Financing for the Redevelopment of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House
- 4. 2005 Opportunity Initiatives Grant Allocation
- 5. Employee Relations at Telus
- 6. Grow Busters Program

Items 1 - 4

MOVED by Councillor Green

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of Thursday, June 30, 2005, as contained in items 1 - 4, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

Items 5 - 6

MOVED by Councillor Green

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of Thursday, June 30, 2005, as contained in items 5 - 6, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Green

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Roberts SECONDED by Councillor Sullivan

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Pride Week 2005 (File 4201)

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS

- 1. Vancouver's Gay, Lesbian, Transgendered and Bisexual community is a vital part of our city's economic, social and cultural life; and
- 2. the Vancouver Pride Parade is the expression of the community's strength, pride and solidarity; and
- 3. the Vancouver Pride Week is one of the most important events on the City's summer calendar and a major contributor to the City's economy; and
- 4. the Vancouver Pride Week is being launched at City Hall on July 22, 2005.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- 1. THAT this Council express its appreciation to the organizers of the Launch of Pride Week for their community spirit and dedication; and
- 2. THAT the City of Vancouver fund the Launch of the Vancouver Pride Week, in the amount of \$5000, to cover the costs for advertising, posters, event setup and food; source of funds to be the Contingency Reserve.

CARRIED

(Councillor Sullivan opposed) (Councillor Louie absent for the vote.)

2. Security Guard Dogs (File 3507)

MOVED by Councillor Green SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

WHEREAS:

- A. All municipal police service dogs in the Province of British Columbia are certified under the British Columbia Police Service Dog Standards which cover all facets of police dog training including tracking, criminal apprehension, area, building and evidence searches, obedience and agility; and
- B. To remain in service, police dogs must train on a regular basis and pass the British Columbia Police Service Dog Standards validations on an annual basis; and
- C. There are no similar formalized standards for the training, deployment and validation of security guard dogs in the Province of British Columbia, the capability, degree of force and obedience of security guard dogs may be called into question in the following instances:
 - When security guard dogs and their handlers attend to police incidents requiring the possible deployment of police dogs;
 - When the deployment of security guard dogs compromises public safety on both private and public property; and
 - When the deployment of a security guard dog results in a court decision that may compromise existing Provincial police dog training standards and deployment; and
- D. To resolve the problems with security guard dogs, formal province-wide training standards similar to those for police service dogs are required; and
- E. Establishing such training standards for security guard dogs requires legislative action from the Provincial Government.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the City of Vancouver urge the Provincial Government to act as quickly as possible to establish and enact appropriate guidelines, standards and validation processes for security guard dogs that will ensure all dogs used for security purposes have at least a standard basic level of training and that effective monitoring and enforcement measures are in place to ensure that these province-wide training standards are strictly adhered to by all licensed security companies in the Province; and

FURTHER THAT this motion be forwarded to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities for endorsement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Ladner and Louie absent for the vote.)

3. Highway Oriented Retail Rezoning Policies and Guidelines: Marine Drive Industrial Area (File 5317)

Councillor Roberts submitted the following motion. Councillor Green called Notice under Section 5.4 (c) of the Procedure By-law and the Motion was referred to the next Regular Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment held later this day.

THAT staff report back on the implications of repealing the "Highway Oriented Retail Rezoning Policies and Guidelines: Marine Drive Industrial Area";

FURTHER THAT the report back occur at the same time as the staff report on "Non-industrial Conditional Uses in Industrial Zones";

AND FURTHER THAT Council will not entertain rezoning applications submitted under Marine Drive and Highway Oriented Retail Policy pending a report back from staff on the Highway Oriented Retail Policy for Marine Drive".

Notice

4. World Peace Forum (File 3120-1)

MOVED by Councillor Cadman SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Vancouver City Council ask the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to endorse and support Council's unanimous endorsement of the World Peace Forum and ask that their member municipalities endorse and participate in the World Urban Forum June 19 - 23, 2006, and the World Peace Forum June 23 - 28, 2006.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Ladner, Louie and Roberts absent for the vote.)

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. **Ice Rinks** (File 3102)

Councillor Green requested a memorandum from staff on ice rink use while there are temporary closures and upgrades to some rinks in preparation for the 2010 Olympics.

The City Manager advised she would refer this request to the Park Board for a response.

The Council adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

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