

These Minutes will be adopted at the Regular Council meeting on January 17, 2006.



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

DECEMBER 15, 2005

- PRESENT:**
- Councillor Suzanne Anton, Chair
 - *Mayor Sam Sullivan
 - Councillor Elizabeth Ball
 - Councillor David Cadman
 - Councillor Kim Capri
 - *Councillor George Chow
 - Councillor Heather Deal
 - Councillor Peter Ladner
 - Councillor B.C. Lee
 - Councillor Raymond Louie
 - Councillor Tim Stevenson
- CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:**
- Judy Rogers, City Manager
 - Brent MacGregor, Deputy City Manager
- CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:**
- Diane Clairmont, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meetings of October 20, 2005 and November 3, 2005, were adopted.

1. **Vancouver City Planning Commission (VCPC) - Annual Report for the Year 2005**
(File 3107-1)

The Committee had before it an Other Report dated November 15, 2005, in which the Vancouver City Planning Commission (VCPC) outlined the work undertaken by the VCPC in 2005. The City Manager recommended approval.

Bob Williams, Chair of the former VCPC, reviewed the report and along with Robert Buller, Commission Manager, responded to questions relating to current VCPC staffing, potential impact of the suspension of advisory bodies on various on-going projects including affordable housing, World Urban Forum, and the Neighbourhood Engagement Task Force.

MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Other Report *Vancouver City Planning Commission - Annual Report for Year 2005*, dated November 15, 2005, be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Louie requested a memo back from the City Clerk to clarify procedures regarding points of order and issues germane to items before Council.

2. 665 East 30th Avenue - Request for Injunctive Relief (File 2701-1)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated November 23, 2005 in which the City Building Inspector sought Council approval to seek injunctive relief with respect to the unapproved additions at the rear of the building at 665 East 30th Avenue in order to have the building brought into By-law compliance. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Peter Sweeney, Manager, Building Inspection Branch, reviewed the report.

Janice Ebenstiner and Paul Vanteenen, owners, spoke in opposition to the recommendations.

Speakers' comments included:

- reviewed the history of concerns relating to this property;
- noted inaccuracies relating to the issues, including development permits and discussions with staff;
- requested that pertinent documents be forwarded to them as requested;
- financial implications;
- stated that staff should have pursued this matter with the original owner and filed a 3336D notice on title at that time; proper procedure has not been followed; and
- Minutes of the May 12, 2005 meeting of Standing Committee on Planning and Environment, indicated that staff would assist owners - this has not occurred.

Mr. Sweeney, along with Carlene Robbins, By-law Administration, responded to questions and made the following comments:

- documents not forwarded to owners as formal request not received - will now forward;
- file not lost, but enforcement dropped for approximately two years;
- status of work/permitting, including electrical, noting the owner was advised by staff to arrange for Electrical Branch to have electrical issues reviewed and this was not done;
- legal options of owners, city and real estate agents at time of purchase;
- concerns related to unapproved work, specifically alterations to bathroom and enlargement of third floor;

- timeframes relating to process to date, injunctive relief and next steps; and
- staff will meet with owners to review procedure to bring building into compliance.

MOVED by Councillor Ladner.

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

That decision regarding injunctive relief for the building at 665 East 30th Avenue be postponed for 3 months to March 15, 2006.

Withdrawn

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Director of Legal Services is hereby authorized, in her discretion, to commence a legal action or proceeding in relation to the premises located at 665 E 30th Avenue (Lot C Blocks 203 and 204 of Blocks 10 to 13 and 22 to 25, District Lots 391 and 392, Plan 3724) and may, in her discretion, seek injunctive relief after March 15, 2006 in that action or proceeding, in order to bring this building into compliance with City By-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. 3621 East 29th Avenue - Warning to Prospective Purchasers (File 2701-1)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated October 19, 2005, in which the City Building Inspector sought Council approval to file a 336D Notice against the title to the property at 3621 East 29th Avenue to warn prospective purchasers of By-law violations and approval to seek injunctive relief. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Peter Sweeney, Manager, Building Inspection Branch, reviewed the report and responded to questions relating to the 336D process.

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT the City Clerk be directed to file a 336D Notice against the title to the property at 3621 East 29th Avenue (Lot 28, Block 4, District Lot Sec 51 SE QTR, THSL Plan 2630) in order to warn prospective purchasers that there are contraventions of the Zoning and Development and Vancouver Building By-laws related to this building.

- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services is hereby authorized, in her discretion, to commence a legal action or proceeding in relation to the premises located at 3621 East 29th Avenue (Lot 28, Block 4, District Lot Sec 51 SE QTR, THSL Plan 2630) and may, in her discretion, seek injunctive relief in that action or proceeding, in order to bring this building into compliance with City By-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillor Chow not present for the vote)

4. 1064 East 13th Avenue - Warning to Prospective Purchasers (File 2701-1)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated November 9, 2005, in which the City Building Inspector sought Council approval to file a 336D Notice against the title to 1064 East 13th Avenue to warn prospective purchasers of By-law violations and to seek injunctive relief. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Peter Sweeney, Manager, Building Inspection Branch, reviewed the report and responded to questions relating to the number of suites in the building. He further advised staff have not been permitted full access to the building.

MOVED by Councillor Capri

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT the City Clerk be directed to file a 336D Notice against the title to the property at 1064 East 13th Avenue, Lot E of B, Block 173, District Lot 264A, Plan 18786, PID 007-088-868 in order to warn prospective purchasers that there are contraventions of the Zoning and Development and Vancouver Building By-laws related to this building.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services is hereby authorized, in her discretion, to commence a legal action or proceeding in relation to the premises located at 1064 East 13th Avenue, Lot E of B, Block 173, District Lot 264A, Plan 18786, PID 007-088-868 and may, in her discretion, seek injunctive relief in that action or proceeding, in order to bring this building into compliance with City By-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillor Chow not present for the vote)

5. Central Valley Greenway Section 1 - Detailed Design (File 5767)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated November 29, 2005, in which the General Manager of Engineering Services sought Council approval of the detailed design, an increase to the Operating Budget and a report back on the awarding of the construction contract for Section 1 of the Central Valley Greenway.

Scott Edwards, Structures and Greenways Engineer, and Douglas Scott, Landscape Architect - Greenways, reviewed the report and responded to questions relating to routing patterns, cycling pathways/lanes, pedestrian signaling controls, street and pedestrian crossings, safety issues, sidewalk widths, budgeting process, use of resources, bicycle bridge crossing, and rights of way.

Jack Becker, Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition, spoke in opposition to the recommendations. His comments included:

- report should be redone and presented again;
- proposal does not support City's strategic directions relating to environmental sustainability, transportation priorities, commitment to greenhouse gas reduction and Kyoto Protocol;
- proposal does not support in-line skating/skateboard/wheelchair access;
- Central Valley Greenway should provide key residential pathway, but does not;
- proposal does not meet standards of Showcase Design, can be considered false advertising and funding could be jeopardized;
- safety factors, including lighting, are a concern;
- grade not suitable for disabled or in-line skaters;
- motions of advisory committees should be brought to Council independently from reports;
- provided suggestions relating to the bridge from Grandview Highway North and Clark Drive, sourcing of additional funding, the construction contract, the False Creek Planning process, and proposed bike lanes on 1st Avenue; and
- recommended staff proceed with the design of Sections 2 and 3 of the Greenway.

Bonnie Fenton, Chair of the former Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC), expressed concerns regarding the report. Her comments included:

- BAC does not support path on both sides of Great Northern Way as indicated by staff; BAC response to this aspect of the proposal was lukewarm;
- BAC's June 15, 2005 motion is in contrast to what is being presented for Section 1;
- proposal as presented does not meet what was envisioned; and
- an extension should be agreed upon and request for further funding be made.

Tamim Raad, Project Manager, Sustainable Region Showcase, Project Planning, TransLink, responded to questions relating to granting an extension and availability of more funding. He also acknowledged the proposed grade is not acceptable and is an interim measure.

Tom Timm, General Manager of Engineering, along with staff, responded to questions relating to the Showcase program and financial concerns, timeframes and intent of design, impact of physical constraints, grade and accessibility issues, lighting standards and potential for postponing components.

MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT in "A", noted below, the word "design" be changed to "description":

"THAT Council approve the detailed design of Section 1 of the Central Valley Greenway, and staff report back on the awarding of the construction contract, using funding for the project approved in 2004.

LOST
(Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner, Lee, and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

MOVED by Councillor Ladner
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the detailed design of Section 1 of the Central Valley Greenway, and staff report back on the awarding of the construction contract, using funding for the project approved in 2004.
- B. THAT Council approve the following increases to the Operating Budget, without offset, beginning in 2007 and subject to an annual review:
 - \$42,660 to the Streets Operating Budget for horticultural maintenance;
 - \$12,350 to the Traffic Operating Budget for sign and paint maintenance;
 - \$5,300 to the Sanitation Operating Budget for litter collection and street sweeping; and
 - \$5,940 to the Electrical Operating Budget for street lighting maintenance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The Committee recessed at 6:00 p.m. and reconvened at 6:25 p.m. with the same members present.

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6. Re-establishment of Advisory Committees and Reinstatement of Current Members (File 3001)

At its meeting on December 13, 2005, Vancouver City Council referred this item to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment on December 15, 2005.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it a memorandum dated December 9, 2005.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT all Committees be reinstated.

not put

The Chair ruled the motion out of order as this was not the matter before Council.

Councillor Stevenson challenged the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair then put the question:

Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?

(Councillors Chow, Deal, Louie, Stevenson 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.

MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission and Advisory Committee on Disability Issues be added to the list of Committees to be re-established for the term December 5, 2005 to December 2008, as they are integral to the workings of the City.

not put

The Chair ruled the motion out of order as this was not the matter before Council and the content of the motion would be dealt with in a later agenda item.

MOVED by Mayor Sullivan
THAT the Committee recommend to Council.

THAT Council approve the re-establishment of the following Advisory Committees for the term December 5, 2005 to December 8, 2008, with current members being reinstated until their successors are appointed:

- Building Board of Appeal
- Development Permit Board Advisory Panel
- Urban Design Panel
- Vancouver Athletic Commission; and

FURTHER THAT Council approve the appointment of Councillor Suzanne Anton as the Council representative to the Vancouver Athletic Commission.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The Committee recessed at 9:10 p.m. and reconvened at 9:40 p.m. with the same members present.

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MOVED by Councillor Deal
That the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Item 9 *Cultural Performances at Council Meetings* be postponed to the January 19, 2006 meeting of Standing Committee Meeting on Planning and Environment.

LOST
(Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner, Lee, and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

MOVED by Councillor Deal
That the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Item 10 *Burrard Bridge* be postponed to the January 19, 2006 meeting of Standing Committee Meeting on Planning and Environment.

LOST
(Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner, Lee, and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

MOVED by Councillor Deal
That the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Item 11 *Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan and Financial Plan and Strategy* be postponed to the January 19, 2006 meeting of Standing Committee Meeting on Planning and Environment.

LOST
(Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner, Lee, and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

MOVED BY Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT a Special Council meeting be convened on Tuesday December 20, 2005, to consider Item 9 *Cultural Performances at Council Meetings*.

LOST
(Councillor Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner, Lee and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

MOVED BY Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the motion related to *Burrard Bridge* be referred to a Special Council Meeting to be held Tuesday December 20, 2005 at 9:30 a.m.

CARRIED
(Mayor Sullivan opposed)

MOVED BY Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the motion related to *Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan and Financial Plan and Strategy* be referred to a Special Council Meeting to be held Tuesday December 20, 2005 at 9:30 a.m.

CARRIED
(Councillor Ball and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

7. Triple R Review (File 3001/1251)

Vancouver City Council, at its meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budget meeting on December 15, 2005, received requests to speak on this matter and agreed to refer this item to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting on December 15, 2005, to hear speakers.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it a Motion on Notice originally submitted by Mayor Sullivan at the Regular Council meeting on December 13, 2005.

Councillor Louie rose on a point of order asking for clarification of the motion. The Chair ruled Councillor Louie out of order.

Councillor Louie challenged the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair then put the question:

Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Louie and Stevenson 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 following spoke in opposition to the recommendations:

Caryn Duncan, Vancouver Women's Health Collective
Bonnie Fenton, Chair of the former Bicycle Advisory Committee
Richard Campbell, B.E.S.T.
Carol Ranger, Co-Chair of the former Vancouver Food Policy Council
Mary Sherlock
Ellen Woodsworth
Kate Sutherland
Richard Keate, Chair of former Vancouver Heritage Commission (brief submitted - on file)
Christopher Mott
John Irwin
Ron Van der Eerden
Ned Jacobs

Speakers' comments included:

- advisory bodies are essential to development of City policies and this avenue of communication should not be disrupted;
- Women's Advisory Committee and gendered lens essential to women's health services, advancing women's equality;
- waiting for establishment of this committee is a disservice to women;
- advisory bodies need to continue with important work on current City projects and scheduled events coming to Vancouver while review is in progress;
- some volunteers/committees feel disrespected by this process, while others do not; many do not have quorum problems and believe their work is valued;
- 2003 review resulted in late start for committees; they received direction and requirements for workplans and annual reports and it is too early for another review;
- committees/sub-committees provide expertise/manhours otherwise not available;
- more public education regarding City services needs to be done;
- public should not have been notified of the review through media; insufficient time to formulate response and attend meeting;
- pedestrian, inline sustainability and transit advisory committees should be added;
- concern expressed about Vancouver liveability and importance of cycling infrastructure;
- concern expressed regarding diversity of the proposed review panel;
- review should not go forward until Council's strategic planning process developed;
- staff-dominated review process is inappropriate;
- open government and transparency not in place with this process;
- successful cities run on partnerships with advisory committees;
- if problems exist with specific committees, staff should help them improve;
- Vancouver Heritage Commission (VHC) working on issues including Evergreen Building, Charles Dickens School, 2006 Vancouver Heritage Awards, Victory Square Guidelines;
- applicants waiting for direction from VHC before they continue with their projects;
- without VHC input, development permit process will back up;
- VHC representatives to re-established advisory bodies will not be in place and valuable input lost;

- setting City's overall goals and objectives must be first step before committees can be aligned with those goals and objectives; and
- budget for review should be presented to Council prior to decision on review.

MOVED by Mayor Sullivan

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Council is starting a new term and this is an opportunity to consider how to make this an effective one for the citizens of Vancouver.
2. Council should establish policies and priorities that take positive, proactive steps ensuring effective government this term. The inaugural speech spoke of a Triple R Review to consider roles, relationships and responsibilities for the City. Such a framework should define and differentiate political and staff roles and responsibilities. It should establish the different relationships that Council and staff have with the community. It should formalize, in policy, Council's commitment to both good government and ethical public administration.
3. Community consultation and advice is an essential part of civic government, both to City Council directly and to staff in the development and implementation of policies and programs. The contribution of citizen members of advisory committees, boards and commissions is invaluable. We owe those citizens the respect of Council by establishing mechanisms that allow them to be heard and that makes an effective and efficient use of their valuable personal time. Council should consider what methods of community input best serve citizens, Council and staff.
4. To be effective, Council must set priorities and goals for this term. With these established Council can evaluate policy, program, financial and staffing decisions. In the absence of priorities and goals not only does it make Council less effective, it also makes it difficult for staff to serve the Council. Council should meet early in the new year to plan its direction for the term.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Council establish a Triple-R Review (the "Review") to consider the roles, relationships and responsibilities of Council, city staff and citizens in an effort to ensure that they are properly aligned with the City's overall goals and objectives leading up to and beyond 2010.

2. The advisory bodies considered as part of this Review are only those that were originally formed pursuant to s. 160 of the Vancouver Charter. They include:
 - Peace and Justice Committee
 - Vancouver Food Policy Council
 - Pedestrian Safety Task Force
 - Neighbourhood Engagement Task Force
 - Women's Advisory Committee
 - City Creative Task Force
 - Sustainable Purchasing Task Force
 - Mayor's Working Group on Immigration
 - Vancouver Prevention Task Force
 - Advisory Committee on Disability Issues
 - Advisory Committee on Diversity Issues
 - Advisory Committee on Seniors Issues
 - Bicycle Advisory Committee
 - Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee
 - Fire and Rescue Services Advisory Committee
 - First Shaughnessy Advisory Design Panel
 - Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee
 - Public Art Committee
 - Vancouver City Planning Commission
 - Vancouver Civic Theatres Board
 - Vancouver Heritage Commission
3. One component of the Review will be to consider whether advisory bodies that were in existence as of 19 Nov 2005:
 - (a) should be continued;
 - (b) should be disbanded;
 - (c) the terms of reference of the advisory body should be varied.
4. The Review will consider whether new advisory bodies should be formed.
5. Staff report to the January 17, 2006 Council meeting recommending the terms of reference for the Review Panel, with the goal of completing the advisory body component of the Review by Feb 2006.
6. Staff prepare a strategic planning process for Council early in 2006 in order to establish the directions and work plan for this Council.
7. The Review will consider the strategic directions and work plan of Council in making its recommendations.
8. The Review include the examination of current and alternative methods of input for citizen advice to Council and staff that will be the most effective.

9. The following individuals will comprise the Triple R Review Panel: Dr. Allan Tupper, May Brown, Milton Wong, Judy Rogers, Syd Baxter.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Mayor Sullivan

THAT the Vancouver Heritage Commission be established for the term December 5, 2005 to March 31, 2006, with current members being reinstated until their successors are appointed.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Clause 2 of the main motion be amended to read "advisory bodies itemized below be established and functioning pending the outcome of the proposed review:

- Peace and Justice Committee
- Vancouver Food Policy Council
- Pedestrian Safety Task Force
- Neighbourhood Engagement Task Force
- Women's Advisory Committee
- City Creative Task Force
- Sustainable Purchasing Task Force
- Mayor's Working Group on Immigration
- Vancouver Prevention Task Force
- Advisory Committee on Disability Issues
- Advisory Committee on Diversity Issues
- Advisory Committee on Seniors Issues
- Bicycle Advisory Committee
- Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee
- Fire and Rescue Services Advisory Committee
- First Shaughnessy Advisory Design Panel
- Gastown Historic Area Planning Committee
- Public Art Committee
- Vancouver City Planning Commission; and
- Vancouver Civic Theatres Board
- Vancouver Heritage Commission; and

FURTHER THAT on January 17, 2006, Council will consider appointments or a process for appointments to these committees."

CARRIED

(Councillor Lee and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the issue of the composition of the Triple R Review Panel be referred to the Regular Council meeting on January 17, 2006.

CARRIED

(Councillors Anton, Ball, Ladner, Lee and Mayor Sullivan opposed)

Amendments having been approved, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with Mayor Sullivan not present for the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED

WHEREAS

1. Council is starting a new term and this is an opportunity to consider how to make this an effective one for the citizens of Vancouver.
2. Council should establish policies and priorities that take positive, proactive steps ensuring effective government this term. The inaugural speech spoke of a Triple R Review to consider roles, relationships and responsibilities for the City. Such a framework should define and differentiate political and staff roles and responsibilities. It should establish the different relationships that Council and staff have with the community. It should formalize, in policy, Council's commitment to both good government and ethical public administration.
3. Community consultation and advice is an essential part of civic government, both to City Council directly and to staff in the development and implementation of policies and programs. The contribution of citizen members of advisory committees, boards and commissions is invaluable. We owe those citizens the respect of Council by establishing mechanisms that allow them to be heard and that makes an effective and efficient use of their valuable personal time. Council should consider what methods of community input best serve citizens, Council and staff.
4. To be effective, Council must set priorities and goals for this term. With these established Council can evaluate policy, program, financial and staffing decisions. In the absence of priorities and goals not only does it make Council less effective, it also makes it difficult for staff to serve the Council. Council should meet early in the new year to plan its direction for the term.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Council establish a Triple-R Review (the "Review") to consider the roles, relationships and responsibilities of Council, city staff and citizens in an effort to ensure that they are properly aligned with the City's overall goals and objectives leading up to and beyond 2010.

2. The advisory bodies itemized below be established and functioning pending the outcome of the proposed review:
 - Peace and Justice Committee
 - Vancouver Food Policy Council
 - Pedestrian Safety Task Force
 - Neighbourhood Engagement Task Force
 - Women's Advisory Committee
 - City Creative Task Force
 - Sustainable Purchasing Task Force
 - Mayor's Working Group on Immigration
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 - Vancouver City Planning Commission
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 - Vancouver Heritage Commission
3. One component of the Review will be to consider whether advisory bodies that were in existence as of 19 Nov 2005:
 - (a) should be continued;
 - (b) should be disbanded;
 - (c) the terms of reference of the advisory body should be varied.
4. The Review will consider whether new advisory bodies should be formed.
5. Staff report to the January 17, 2006 Council meeting recommending the terms of reference for the Review Panel, with the goal of completing the advisory body component of the Review by Feb 2006.
6. Staff prepare a strategic planning process for Council early in 2006 in order to establish the directions and work plan for this Council.
7. The Review will consider the strategic directions and work plan of Council in making its recommendations.
8. The Review include the examination of current and alternative methods of input for citizen advice to Council and staff that will be the most effective.

9. The issue of the composition of the Triple R Review Panel be referred to the Regular Council Meeting on January 17, 2006.

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The Committee recessed at 1:35 a.m. and reconvened at 1:40 a.m. with the same members present.

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8. Re-establishment of Advisory Committees (File 3001)

This item was withdrawn.

9. Cultural Performances at Council Meetings (File 1259)

Vancouver City Council, at its meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budget meeting on December 15, 2005, referred this item to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting on December 15, 2005.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it a Motion on Notice originally submitted by Councillor Ladner at the Regular Council meeting on December 13, 2005

MOVED by Councillor Ladner
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS:

1. The Mayor has announced his commitment to the arts and our artists, by seeking to establish a new Vancouver Arts Partnership Agreement with the federal and provincial governments to provide for significantly larger investments in arts infrastructure throughout the City of Vancouver;
2. The contract with the Greater Vancouver Alliance for Arts and Culture Society to arrange cultural performances at Council meetings expires at year end;
3. Civic funding in support of the arts community should be directed to initiatives that connect artists to the community, rather than to the provision of entertainment for City Councillors;
4. The City currently has a variety of recognition programs and awards which highlight the contribution of Vancouver artists to our city, including:
 - i. Vancouver Arts Awards
 - ii. City of Vancouver Book Award
 - iii. City of Vancouver Artist Residency Award
 - iv. City of Vancouver Artist Studio Rental Award
 - v. Starwalk/BC Entertainment Hall of Fame
 - vi. Freedom of the City

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT in the 2006 operating budget the \$18,000 allocated to fund cultural performances at Council meetings be reallocated to increase general cultural grants.

CARRIED

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed)

10. Burrard Bridge (File 5752)

This item was referred to a Special Council Meeting to be held Tuesday December 20, 2005, at 9:30 a.m.

11. Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan and Financial Plan and Strategy (File 8206)

This item was referred to a Special Council Meeting to be held Tuesday December 20, 2005 at 9:30 a.m.

The Committee adjourned at 1:59 a.m.

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CITY OF VANCOUVER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

DECEMBER 15, 2005

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Friday, December 16, 2005, at 1:59 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Mayor Sam Sullivan
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor Elizabeth Ball
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor Kim Capri
Councillor George Chow
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Peter Ladner
Councillor B.C. Lee
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Tim Stevenson

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Diane Clairmont, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton
SECONDED by Councillor Capri

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Planning and Environment
December 15, 2005

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

1. Vancouver City Planning Commission - Annual Report for the Year 2005
2. 665 East 30th Avenue - Request for Injunctive Relief
3. 3621 East 29th Avenue - Warning to Prospective Purchasers
4. 1064 East 13th Avenue - Warning to Prospective Purchasers
5. Central Valley Greenway Section 1 - Detailed Design
6. Re-establishment of Advisory Committees and Reinstatement of Current Members
7. Triple R Review
8. Re-establishment of Advisory Committees - withdrawn
9. Cultural Performances at Council Meetings
10. Burrard Bridge
11. Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan and Financial Plan and Strategy

Items 1 - 11

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment at its meeting of December 15, 2005, as contained in items 1 to 11, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton
SECONDED by Councillor Capri

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Leave of Absence - Councillor Cadman (File 1254)

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Councillor Cadman be granted Leave of Absence for the Special Council meeting to be held on December 20, 2005.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 2:00 a.m.

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