

#### REPORT TO COUNCIL

## STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC

MAY 16, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Transportation and Traffic was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor B.C. Lee, Chair

Mayor Sam Sullivan

Councillor Suzanne Anton Councillor David Cadman Councillor Kim Capri Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Tim Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor Elizabeth Ball, Vice-Chair (Sick Leave)

Councillor George Chow (Leave of Absence) Councillor Heather Deal (Leave of Absence)

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Pat Boomhower, Meeting Coordinator

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. Annual Speed Hump Installation Program, 2006 (VanRIMS No. 13-1400-30)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 21, 2006, in which the General Manager of Engineering Services recommended approval and funding for the 2006 Annual Speed Hump Installation Program, identified proposed speed hump locations, and outlined a method for public consultation.

David Rawsthorne, Greenways and Neighbourhood Transportation Engineer, reviewed the report and noted the proposed speed humps would be built this summer, subject to resident consultation and approval. Mr. Rawsthorne responded to questions regarding the traffic calming budget, 2006 speed hump cost estimates, citizen input and location review.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

A. THAT speed humps be installed on the local residential streets specified in the Administrative Report dated April 21, 2006, entitled "Annual Speed Hump Installation Program, 2006", subject to approval from a resident survey, with funding of \$135,000 from the Local Area Traffic Plans and Other Improvements program (A5a), subject to approval of the 2006 Streets Basic Capital Budget.

B. THAT commencing in 2007, the Traffic Operating Budget be increased by \$4,000, subject to review as part of the 2007 Operating Budget without offset.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(NOTE FROM CLERK: An Addendum Report to Council is forthcoming which notes corrections to Table 1, page 3 of the Administrative Report specifying street segments for speed humps.)

2. Langara College Traffic Calming Plan (VanRIMS No. 13-1400-30)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 7, 2006, in which the Neighbourhood Transportation Branch sought Council approval and funding to implement the Langara College Traffic Calming Plan, as described in this report. The General Manager of Engineering Services recommended approval of the report recommendations.

Genevieve Tokgoz, Greenways and Neighbourhood Transportation, reviewed the report and noted benefits for the bikeway and greenway from anticipated reduced traffic volumes exiting the campus on to Ontario Street at 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue and that comments from the cycling community would be sought for future projects affecting bikeways, as well as following the Langara College traffic calming plan trial period.

Ms. Tokgoz, together with Jerry Dobrovolny, Assistant City Engineer - Transportation, and Scott Edwards, Structures and Greenways Engineer, responded to questions regarding Bicycle Advisory Committee input, the Langara area Master Plan and the College's Transportation Management Plan, Ontario Street traffic volumes and access, campus parking lot traffic and impact of Canada Line construction, and monitoring traffic on bike routes.

Arno Schortinghuis, Director, Vancouver Area Cycling Coalition, spoke of the importance of Ontario Street as a bicycle route and the need for measures to ensure low vehicle counts in the neighbourhood to encourage cycling. He expressed concern about the increased motorized traffic on the street over the past year, and recommended closing Ontario Street to motorized vehicles south of Langara College and installing right-in right-out diverters on the south side of the intersection at Ontario Street and 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the Langara College Traffic Calming Plan as described in the Administrative Report dated April 7, 2006, entitled "Langara College Traffic Calming Plan", at an estimated cost of \$60,000 to be funded from the following source:
  - \$60,000 from Langara College, secured through the Langara Parkade Development Permit (DE409072) for the proposed measures on 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue at Ontario Street.

- B. THAT following the trial period, of not less than six months, traffic counts be taken as well as a follow-up consultation with the affected residents to determine whether the trial Right-In/Right-Out measure and/or the One-Way measure be installed on a permanent basis.
- C. THAT additional costs of \$400 related to the ongoing maintenance of the traffic calming measures- be reflected in future operating budgets commencing in 2007, subject to the 2007 Budget Review process.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Parking Enforcement in Residential Areas (VanRIMS No. 13-5500-20)

At the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic meeting on April 18, 2006, Council agreed to postpone this matter to a future meeting due to time constraints.

Accordingly, Jerry Dobrovolny, Assistant City Engineer - Transportation, provided an overview of the City's residential parking programs and related enforcement practices, and noted increasing degrees of parking restriction in the programs, depending on the amount of competition for parking. The three programs and Street and Traffic By-laws discussed pertained to: Unregulated Street and the 3-Hour Parking By-Law, Residential Parking Only (RPO) and Resident Parking Permit (RPP) Zones.

Mr. Dobrovolny, together with Tom Timm, General Manager of Engineering Services, Ralph Yeomans, Manager - Parking Operations and Enforcement, and Doug Louie, Parking Management Branch Engineer, responded to guestions regarding:

- differences in RPO and RPP parking restrictions and enforcement;
- permit pricing, purpose and demand;
- complaint confidentiality, statistics and process;
- provision for visitor, client and employee parking;
- parking problems near bus routes;
- campers and oversized vehicles;
- time period and signage with respect to the 3-Hour Parking limit;
- identifying stolen abandoned vehicles; and
- street parking as public space.

#### MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council receive for information the staff presentation on residential parking programs.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

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#### CITY OF VANCOUVER

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC

MAY 16, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2006, at 10:35 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Mayor Sam Sullivan

Councillor Suzanne Anton Councillor David Cadman Councillor Kim Capri Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor B.C. Lee

Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Tim Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor Elizabeth Ball (Sick Leave)

Councillor George Chow (Leave of Absence) Councillor Heather Deal (Leave of Absence)

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Pat Boomhower, Meeting Coordinator

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Ladner 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 Transportation and Traffic May 16, 2006

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

- 1. Annual Speed Hump Installation Program, 2006
- 2. Langara College Traffic Calming Plan
- 3. Parking Enforcement in Residential Areas

Items 1 - 3

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic at its meeting of May 16, 2006, as contained in items 1 - 3, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

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 Louie

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

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