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REPORT TO COUNCIL

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STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

JUNE 15, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Planning and Environment was held on Thursday, June 15, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

- PRESENT:**
- Councillor Suzanne Anton, Chair
 - Mayor Sam Sullivan
 - Councillor Elizabeth Ball
 - Councillor David Cadman
 - Councillor Kim Capri, Vice-Chair
 - Councillor George Chow
 - Councillor Heather Deal
 - Councillor B.C. Lee
 - *Councillor Raymond Louie
- ABSENT:**
- Councillor Peter Ladner
 - Councillor Tim Stevenson (Leave of Absence)
- CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Judy Rogers, City Manager
- CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Laura Kazakoff, 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 May 4, May 18 and May 25, 2006, were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

1. **1537-1539 Victoria Drive - Warning to Prospective Purchasers**
(VanRIMS No. 11-4400-10)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated April 11, 2006, in which the City Building Inspector recommended Council direct staff to file a 336D Notice against the title to the property at 1537-1539 Victoria Drive to warn prospective purchasers of by-law violations. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Peter Sweeney, Manager, Building Inspection, with the aid of photographs, provided an overview of the report.

Allan MacDonald, McLeod and Company, on behalf of the owners (materials filed), spoke in opposition to the staff's recommendation for a 336D Notice to be filed against this property. Mr. MacDonald noted the proposed recommendation did not properly fall under Sub-section (c) of Section 336D of the Vancouver Charter, as it was clearly intended to, and therefore Council cannot exercise its power under Sub-section (2) to file a notice against this property.

Mr. Sweeney, along with Iain Dixon, Legal Services, responded to questions regarding concerns raised by the foregoing speaker, and in regard to attempts which were made by staff to gain access to this property.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the City Clerk be directed to file a 336D Notice against the title to the property at 1537-1539 Victoria Drive (Lot B of 9 & 10 of 4 of D, Block 137, District Lot 264A) PID 015-385-302 in order to warn prospective purchasers that there are contraventions of the Zoning and Development, Electrical and Vancouver Building By-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. 5496 Ormidale Street - Warning to Prospective Purchasers
(VanRIMS No. 11-4400-10)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated May 19, 2006, in which the City Building Inspector recommended staff be directed to file a 336D Notice against the title to the property at 5496 Ormidale Street to warn prospective purchasers of by-law violations. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Peter Sweeney, Manager, Building Inspection, with the aid of photographs, provided an overview of the report.

MOVED by Councillor Capri
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the City Clerk be directed to file a 336D Notice against the title to the property at 5496 Ormidale Street (Lot 31, Block 6, District Lot 36 & 49, Plan 2889) in order to warn prospective purchasers that there are contraventions of the Zoning and Development, Vancouver Building, and Electrical By-laws related to this building.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Nuisance Buildings at 61-63 West Hastings Street and 95 West Hastings Street
(VanRIMS No. 11-4400-10)**

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated May 26, 2006, in which the City Building Inspector recommended Council declare the buildings at 61-63 West Hastings and 95 West Hastings Street a nuisance and order them demolished and a chain-link fence be erected around the perimeter of the sites. It was also recommended that a 336D Notice be filed against the title to these properties in order to warn prospective purchasers of by-law violations and of Council's order. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Peter Sweeney, Manager, Building Inspection, with the aid of photographs, reviewed the report and responded to questions concerning City action in regard to repeated defacement of boarded up buildings, attempts made to contact the property's owners, and how costs incurred by the City in regard to this property will be reimbursed.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council declare that the buildings at 61-63 W Hastings Street (Lot A of Lot 10, Block 3, District Lot OGT, Plan 168 Exc Ref Pln 355) and 95 West Hastings Street (Lots 9, Block 3, District Lot OGT) are a nuisance because they are, in the opinion of Council, in so dilapidated or unclean a condition as to be offensive to the community pursuant to Section 324A paragraph (3) of the Vancouver Charter.
- B. THAT Council approve the Resolution attached to the Administrative Report dated May 26, 2006, entitled "Nuisance Buildings at 61-63 West Hastings Street and 95 West Hastings Street" and order the property owners to pull down and demolish the buildings and to provide a chain-link fence around the perimeter of the properties within 30 days of a copy of the Resolution being served pursuant to Section 324A paragraph (1) of the Vancouver Charter.
- C. THAT in the event that the owners fail to comply with this order of Council, Council further orders and hereby authorizes the City Building Inspector, in his discretion, to carry out the work outlined in paragraph (B) above pursuant to Section 324A paragraph (1) of the Vancouver Charter.
- D. THAT in the event of the failure of the owners to allow the City Building Inspector and/or his designate access to the sites to carry out the work as outlined in paragraph (B) above, the Director of Legal Services is hereby authorized, in her discretion, to commence a legal action or proceeding in relation to the buildings located at 61-63 W Hastings Street and 95 West Hastings Street, and may, in her discretion, seek injunctive relief in that action or proceeding in order to bring the buildings and sites into compliance with the City By-laws and Council's resolution.

- E. THAT the City Clerk be directed to file a 336D Notice against the Certificate of Title to the properties at 61-63 W Hastings Street and 95 West Hastings Street, in order to warn prospective purchasers that there are violations of the Vancouver Building By-law related to these properties and that there is an order of Council against the properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. 1628 Station Street - Extension of Building Permit (VanRIMS No. 11-4200-10)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated May 17, 2006, in which the Chief Building Official, in consultation with the Director of City Plans, recommended Council refuse a request for a further extension of a Building Permit for 1628 Station Street. Also put forward for Council's consideration was the option of granting another final one year extension of the Building Permit. The General Manager of Community Services supported the recommendation and put forward the other option for consideration.

Peter Sweeney, Manager, Building Inspection, provided an overview of the report.

David Hall, Angiotech Pharmaceuticals, spoke in opposition to the recommendation that Council refuse a Building Permit extension. He noted Angiotech acquired the subject site late last year, and subsequently entered into a significant debt to purchase a large American company resulting in the current funding constraint which is impacting the company's ability to commence building. He requested Council consider extending the Building Permit for two years, noting the considerable economic benefits, such as provision of employment, which will be realized by the city through this enterprise.

Mr. Sweeney, along with Thor Kuhlmann, Planner, Financing Growth, and Jacquie Forbes-Roberts, General Manager of Community Services, responded to questions regarding Development Cost Levies, the rationale for putting forward a 12 month extension for consideration rather than the 24 months requested by the property owner, and the reason why Development Permits are issued on a time limited basis.

MOVED by Mayor Sullivan
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT City Council approve another extension of Building Permit No. BU421214 for 1628 Station Street until April 15, 2008, subject to the site being maintained in a tidy condition, the submission and approval of revised plans complying with the Vancouver Building By-law in effect prior to the commencement of construction, and the continued services of the Certified Professional for the project.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the motion be amended by striking out "April 15, 2008" and inserting "April 15, 2007".

CARRIED

(Councillors Anton, Ball and the Mayor opposed)

The amendment to the motion having carried, the motion, as amended, was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION AS AMENDED

THAT City Council approve another extension of Building Permit No. BU421214 for 1628 Station Street until April 15, 2007, subject to the site being maintained in a tidy condition, the submission and approval of revised plans complying with the Vancouver Building By-law in effect prior to the commencement of construction, and the continued services of the Certified Professional for the project.

5. 610 Granville Street - Private Liquor Store (VanRIMS No. 11-3500-10)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated May 30, 2006, in which the Director of Current Planning provided an overview of a development application to change the use of a portion of the building at 610 Granville Street to allow a new private liquor store (full service) and put forward the option of either favouring or not favouring approval of the application. The General Manager of Community Services put the two options forward for Council's consideration.

Bill Boons, Co-Manager of Processing Centre, Development Services, reviewed the report and rationale for staff's inclination to not support this application as it does not comply with the City's Liquor Store Guidelines. He noted staff would be conducting a public consultation process in the near future with stakeholders in regard to these guidelines.

Robert MacDonald, MacDonald Development Corporation, spoke in support of his request to open a full-service private liquor store at this location. He noted the application of existing guidelines in regard to this request may not be appropriate given the density of the surrounding area and also advised that, contrary to the staff report, this site is more than 500 metres from the nearest government liquor store. He further noted his extensive experience in the liquor sales industry and his desire to provide the best customer service possible.

Janet Lew (materials filed) spoke in opposition to this application. She noted the subject area has a high concentration of property crime and is an area in transition with many issues which need to be resolved; a liquor store would serve to attract an undesirable element to the area. Ms. Lew advised it is her understanding the Vancouver Police Department does have some concerns with regard to this application, such as increased panhandling. She also noted there

are many international language schools within 150 metres of the proposed store, contrary to the liquor guidelines.

Tony Letvinchuk, Property Manager, 610 Granville, spoke in support of the application for a private liquor store. He noted the high quality of the overall development project for 610 Granville, which includes a high level of security for the residential tower and parkade, and which will revitalize this part of Granville Street. Mr. Letvinchuk advised the proposed private liquor store will be a good fit for this development.

Mr. Boons responded to questions concerning type 1 and type 2 private liquor stores, the Police Department's position in regard to this application, whether approving a type 2 store would set a precedent and the possible impacts on the City's current licensing process.

MOVED by Mayor Sullivan

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Director of Planning be advised that Council would favour approval of Development Application Number DE409961 for a Private Liquor Store (Type 2 - Full Service) at 610 Granville Street.

CARRIED

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal and Louie opposed)

6. 895 Burrard Street - Private Liquor Store (VanRIMS No. 11-3500-10)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated May 30, 2006, in which the Director of Current Planning provided an overview of a development application to change the use of a portion of the building at 895 Burrard Street to allow a new private liquor store (wine only) and put forward the option of either favouring or not favouring approval of the application. The General Manager of Community Services put the two options forward for Council's consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Director of Planning be advised that Council would favour approval of Development Application Number DE409972, subject to design conditions to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning, for a Private Liquor Store (Type 1 - Wine only) at 895 Burrard Street.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7. SEFC Public Benefits Strategy and Compatible Housing Strategy
(VanRIMS No. 11-3600-03)**

The Committee had before it a Policy Report dated June 6, 2006, in which the Director of Current Planning, in consultation with the Director of Financial Planning and Treasury and the Director of the Housing Centre, presented a Public Benefits Strategy that responds to the need for public amenities required by new development in Southeast False Creek, and recommended approval of same. Also presented was updated information on the financial costs of the public amenity package embedded in the Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Larry Beasley, Director of Current Planning, provided an overview of the report and introduced Karis Hiebert, Senior Planner, who reviewed the proposed public benefits strategy for Southeast False Creek, and Rob Whitlock, Senior Housing Planner, who provided information regarding the proposed affordable housing strategy for the private lands in Southeast False Creek.

Staff, along with Jay Wollenberg, Coriolis Consultant Corporation, responded to questions concerning proposed development cost levy (DCL) rates and projected DCL revenues.

The following people spoke in regard to the report recommendations and a summary of their comments is noted below:

Laurie Schmidt, Brook and Associates
Brian Martin, Pinnacle International

- seven private land-owners, representing 1.5 million sq. ft. of developable property, are in unanimous support with what is being proposed, however, share concerns on a few issues, mostly related to escalating costs;
- many owners bought land on the basis of \$26 per sq. ft. in combined DCL and CAC fees; current proposal for \$32 per sq. ft. in fees is of concern to developers;
- in addition to fees, developers face rising construction costs, and costs related to providing interim energy source, under-grounding of hydro poles in lanes, and compliance with Olympics related security measures, which includes draping of buildings or a "no-occupancy" condition for some sites until after the Games;
- many of the amenities which these fees will fund will not be in place for a number of years, which, along with the afore-mentioned concerns, may impact marketability of developments;
- recommend Council approve a staged process whereby private land rezoning applications that receive enactment before December 31, 2007, pay \$26 per sq.ft. in combined DCL/CAC fees and those that occur after that date would pay \$32 per sq.ft.

Mr. Beasley, Ms. Hiebert, and Mr. Wollenberg, along with Brian Crowe, Projects Engineer, Trish French, Assistant Director of Current Planning, and Cameron Gray, Director, Housing Centre, responded to questions regarding concerns raised by the foregoing speakers.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the SEFC Public Benefits Strategy generally and as described in the Policy Report dated June 6, 2006, entitled "SEFC Public Benefits Strategy and Compatible Housing Strategy".
- B. THAT Council endorse the concept of establishing an area-specific Development Cost Levy (DCL) district for the entire SEFC ODP area shown in Figure 2 in the Policy Report dated June 6, 2006, entitled "SEFC Public Benefits Strategy and Compatible Housing Strategy", as an overlay to the City-wide Development Cost Levy.
- C. THAT the 2006 rate for collection of area-specific Development Cost Levies (DCLs) be set at in the order of \$156.08 per sq. m (\$14.50 per sq. ft) for all uses (other than cultural, recreational, institutional facilities) subject to report back with details of the DCL allocation and the DCL by-law.
- D. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-laws for report back.
- E. THAT with respect to a compatible housing strategy for the private lands, Council endorse the objective of achieving 20% affordable housing as described in the Policy Report dated June 6, 2006, entitled "SEFC Public Benefits Strategy and Compatible Housing Strategy", supported by Community Amenity Contributions and other funding as available, with details of amount and form of contributions to be reported to Council at the time of each rezoning.
- F. THAT the Manager of Real Estate Services be instructed to secure affordable housing sites in the Private Lands as a priority, with the source of funds to be Community Amenity Contributions (CACs) offered by Private landowners at the time of CD-1 rezonings and other sources of funding as available.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. 2006 UBCM Resolutions (VanRIMS No. 01-1500-10)

Vancouver City Council, at its Regular Meeting on June 13, 2006, referred consideration of this matter to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment Committee, in order to hear from a member of the public who had requested to speak.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it a Memorandum dated June 6, 2006, from the City Clerk's Office, along with eight resolutions which, if approved, would be submitted to the 2006 UBCM Convention.

The Committee agreed to deal with each resolution separately.

(Note from Meeting Coordinator: The resolutions below reflect amendments which were agreed to by the Committee and which are denoted by bold italics.)

A. MEASURING UP

MOVED by Mayor Sullivan

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS accessibility and inclusion are fundamental factors in empowering people with disabilities to fully participate in and contribute to society and the City of Vancouver strives to take a leadership role in increasing accessibility and inclusion both within and outside its own city limits;

AND WHEREAS the City has partnered with 2010 Legacies Now and the Provincial and Federal governments to produce *Measuring Up*, a comprehensive, step-by-step guide that enables communities to assess and remedy their accessibility and inclusion barriers;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council endorse *Measuring Up* as a resource for communities throughout British Columbia as they work to improve accessibility and inclusion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City bring a resolution to the UBCM 2006 convention requesting every BC municipality adopt *Measuring Up* as their guide to accessibility and inclusion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City propose a resolution to UBCM that a formal request be made to the Provincial and Federal governments to allocate infrastructure funding to support accessibility and inclusion initiatives in communities throughout BC.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. PROVINCIAL MENTAL HEALTH PLAN AND AN ADDICTIONS TREATMENT

MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS problematic drug use is a persistent and serious issue that municipalities across British Columbia must continue to address;

AND WHEREAS responsibility for the implementation of Mental Health and Addiction Services lies with regional health authorities;

AND WHEREAS provincial mental health and addictions policy advocates partnerships with municipalities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the *Union of British Columbia Municipalities request the* Provincial Government through the Ministry of Health to articulate a provincial Mental Health Plan and an Addictions Treatment plan that addresses regional needs, outlines best practice in treatment interventions, addresses the need for expanded treatment capacity, particularly in the area of youth treatment and acknowledges municipalities as key partners in the development and implementation of the treatment plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

C. PROVINCIAL SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

MOVED by Councillor Ball
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS the Ministry of Education in its 2005/06 fiscal year began the implementation of its strategic plan for public libraries "Libraries Without Walls", by providing new direct and indirect funding programs exceeding \$6 million to the benefit of BC's public libraries;

AND WHEREAS these new funds have increased the benefits derived from local public Library expenditures and enhanced library collaboration Province-wide;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities thank the Minister of Education for this significant increase in financial support for BC's public libraries and encourage the Minister to enhance this support in future years.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

D. BEDBUGS

MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS the infestation of bedbugs is a serious problem specifically in the low-income housing stock in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver and possibly in other types of housing and hotel accommodation across the city and in other BC municipalities;

AND WHEREAS bedbugs are impacting not only the health of tenants, but also the livability and economic viability of the rental housing;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of BC Municipalities request that the Provincial government acknowledge that the infestation of bedbugs in Vancouver and other BC municipalities poses a health and social risk and that the Provincial Ministry of Health be directed to convene a task force to work with local health authorities and municipalities to:

- Provide financial resources to develop innovative programs to control bedbugs;
- Further research the impact on individuals with a compromised immune system; and
- Increase public awareness and education about controlling and preventing the spread of bedbugs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

E. MILK CONTAINERS

MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS beverage containers for milk, milk substitutes and meal replacements are not yet covered by the Provincial Beverage Container Product Stewardship Program, contribute to garbage and litter, and require extensive space in municipal blue boxes and collection vehicles;

AND WHEREAS *milk containers make up 20% by volume of the materials collected in municipal recycling programs*, and the Beverage Container Stewardship Program is the most effective and environmentally responsible way to divert these containers from disposal;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial government include milk, milk substitute and meal replacement beverage containers in the Provincial Beverage Container Stewardship Program.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

F. EXCESSIVE PACKAGING

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS there is excessive and wasteful packaging that ends up in the garbage;

AND WHEREAS the producers rather than the taxpayers should fund the recycling of this packaging;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities request that the Provincial and Federal governments mandate reduction of excessive packaging through product stewardship recycling programs, including *materials such as* plastic shopping bags, disposable cups and dishes, Styrofoam packing, bubble wrap packing and plastic film packaging.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

G. ENABLING MUNICIPALITIES TO CREATE BLANKET SPEED ZONES

Richard Campbell, Better Environmentally Sound Transportation, spoke in support of the resolution, noting the ability to set blanket speed zones would be an important tool for municipalities to reduce speeds and thereby increase safety for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists. He also noted it is a relatively inexpensive measure which would provide a good return on City resources.

MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS the speed limit in cities and municipalities in BC is "50 km/h unless otherwise posted", with no differentiation between major roads and local streets;

AND WHEREAS lower speeds can decrease the severity and incidence of car crashes, benefit livability and safety of neighbourhoods, improve drivers' respect for neighbourhoods, and improve cyclist and pedestrian safety;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities request the Minister of Transportation and Highways to consider an amendment to the *Motor Vehicle Act* that would allow incorporated municipalities to institute blanket speed zones.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

H. MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COOPERATION ON TELECOMMUNICATION POLICY

MOVED by Councillor Chow
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2006 Union of BC Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS the current Federal legislation governing the telecommunications industry and, in particular, the use of municipal and provincial lands and streets, is complex and results in a subsidy to telecommunications companies from the municipal and provincial taxpayers;

AND WHEREAS the recent report from the Telecommunications Policy Review Panel established by the Federal Minister of Industry has recommended significant changes to the Telecommunications Act, which will increase the level of regulation imposed upon municipalities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Office of the Premier and the Minister of State for Intergovernmental Affairs be invited to join with the UBCM and ask the Federal Minister of Industry to consult with municipalities and provinces on contemplated changes to the Federal Telecommunications Act that might further favour the telecommunication companies in their relationship with municipalities and provinces.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

(Note from Meeting Coordinator: During discussion of the foregoing resolutions, Council requested staff to provide some additional and/or alternate wording for the resolutions regarding Blanket Speed Zones and Telecommunication Policy. Council also agreed to prioritize all of the above resolutions, along with the Police Board resolutions, at the Regular Council Meeting on June 27, 2006.)

The Committee adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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

JUNE 15, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, June 15, 2006, at 7:00 p.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 B.C. Lee

ABSENT: Councillor Peter Ladner
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Tim Stevenson (Leave of Absence)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

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
June 15, 2006

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

1. 1537-1539 Victoria Drive - Warning to Prospective Purchasers
2. 5496 Ormidale Street - Warning to Prospective Purchasers
3. Nuisance Buildings at 61-63 West Hastings Street and 95 West Hastings Street
4. 1628 Station Street - Extension of Building Permit
5. 610 Granville Street - Private Liquor Store
6. 895 Burrard Street - Private Liquor Store
7. SEFC False Creek Public Benefits Strategy and Compatible Housing Strategy
8. 2006 UBCM Resolutions

Items 1-8

MOVED by Councillor Lee

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment at its meeting of June 15, 2006, as contained in items 1-8, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Capri

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

SECONDED by Councillor Ball

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Urban Aboriginal Awards 2006 (VanRIMS No: 07-2200-40)

MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT the Mayor, on behalf of City Council, send a letter of congratulations to Kamala Todd, Aboriginal Social Planner for the City of Vancouver, for receiving the Award for Community Leadership at the Urban Aboriginal Awards ceremony on June 14, 2006.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Mayor's News Releases (VanRIMS No. 08-9000-30)

Councillor Deal referenced a News Release from the Mayor's Office this morning regarding a densification policy initiative to be announced by the Mayor on June 16th, and expressed concern that information and materials regarding an announcement of new City policy had not been provided to all members of Council.

Councillor Cadman also expressed concern and noted Council members' inability to respond to enquiries related to such announcements if information is not shared with Council.

Mayor Sullivan advised his announcement was related to a Mayor's initiative, rather than a new City policy.

Councillor Deal further requested that all members of Council be provided with copies of the materials that were recently presented in Ottawa on behalf of the City of Vancouver.

2. Mugs (VanRIMS No. 13-6000-50)

Councillor Chow enquired if there is a City policy of supplying mugs and cups to City employees as a way to reduce the use of disposable cups. The City Manager advised there was a program several years ago in which employees were provided with mugs; however, there is no such current program.

The Council adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

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