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MOTION ON NOTICE

At the Regular Council meeting on October 3, 2006, the following motion was submitted by Councillor Stevenson. Councillor Ladner called Notice under Section 5.4(c) of the Procedure By-law. The motion will be considered at the Regular Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting of October 5, 2006.

1. Moratorium on SRA Conversions

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS:

1. the number of homeless in Vancouver's streets is steadily climbing
2. conversions of single room accommodation units is increasing despite the SRA bylaw; and
3. these conversions within a few blocks of the Olympic village may constitute a violation of the City of Vancouver's commitments to the IOC under the Inclusivity Intent Statement with our bid to host the 2010 Olympic Winter Games and Winter Paralympic Games;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. That Council impose a moratorium on any conversions of SRA accommodation pending a report from staff on the threat to this crucial housing.
2. Direct staff to recommend measures necessary to strengthen the SRA bylaw, including increasing the conversion fee.
3. Be it finally Resolved that council, through the Mayor, call on both senior levels of government to commit to restore funding for affordable housing to confront the crisis.

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