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CITY OF VANCOUVER POLICY REPORT URBAN STRUCTURE

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TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: Director of Planning

SUBJECT: Miscellaneous Text Amendment to the Downtown Official Development

Plan By-law

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Director of Planning be instructed to make application to amend the Downtown Official Development Plan By-law generally as described in Appendix A, and that the application be referred to Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law, generally as described in Appendix A, for consideration at the Public Hearing.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The General Manager of Community Service RECOMMENDS approval of the foregoing.

COUNCIL POLICY

There is no Council policy directly applicable to the proposed amendments.

PURPOSE

This report recommends a miscellaneous text amendment to the Downtown Official Development Plan By-law (DODP) to correct a staff omission and thereby achieve the intent of the earlier rezoning.

DISCUSSION

From time to time, Council has approved packages of miscellaneous text amendments intended to fix typographical or inadvertent errors, and to provide clarity for the public and staff in interpretation of by-laws. The following such amendment requires a public hearing.

Downtown District Official Development Plan By-law (DODP)

During a recent review of development applications for downtown sites, staff discovered an inadvertent error in Section 3 of the DODP.

On March 21, 2006, City Council amended the DODP to define Victory Square as a separate sub-area 'C2'. In preparing the amending by-law, staff inadvertently included sub-area 'C' in Section 3.4(a) rather than sub-area 'C1'. Since then, sub-area C1 has been removed from the DODP, and is now the subject of a separate CD-1 by-law.

The amendment proposed in Appendix A removes 'C' from Section 3.4(a) in order to achieve the intent of the original rezoning.

CONCLUSION

This report proposes an amendment to correct Section 3.4(a) of the DODP By-law. It is recommended that staff be instructed to make application to amend the DODP By-law and that the application be referred to Public Hearing.

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PROPOSED MISCELLANEOUS TEXT AMENDMENTS Downtown District Official Development Plan By-law [All additions are shown in *bold italics*. Deletions are shown in strikethrough]

Draft by-law amendments will be prepared generally in accordance with the provisions listed below, subject to change and refinement prior to posting, to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

DODP By-law

Section 3 - Density

Amendment:

In subsection 4(a), delete reference to "'C'".

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