REPORT TO COUNCIL



STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

NOVEMBER 2, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Services and Budgets was held on Thursday, November 2, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Peter Ladner, Chair

Mayor Sam Sullivan

Councillor Suzanne Anton Councillor Elizabeth Ball Councillor David Cadman Councillor Kim Capri Councillor Heather Deal Councillor B.C. Lee

Councillor Raymond Louie, Vice-Chair

Councillor Tim Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor George Chow (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting of October 5, 2006, were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Award of Professional Services Contract for Request for Proposal PS06025 Vancouver Landfill Residential Drop-Off and Weighscale Upgrade Project (VanRIMS No. 03-1200-11)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated October 19, 2006, in which General Manager of Engineering Services, and the Manager of Materials Management, sought Council's authority to engage Gartner Lee Limited to provide professional services for the Vancouver Landfill Residential Drop-Off and Weighscale Upgrade Project at an estimated cost of \$374,202 plus applicable taxes.

Paul Henderson, former Manager of Transfer and Landfill Operations, was present to respond to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Capri THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C and D below, Council authorize a professional services contract be awarded to Gartner Lee Limited to provide professional services for the Vancouver Landfill Residential Drop-Off and Weighscale Upgrade Project at an estimated cost of \$374,202 plus applicable taxes.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A above.
- C. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Engineering Services, Manager of Materials Management and the Director of Legal Services.
- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A, B and C above until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Southeast False Creek Redevelopment: Property Endowment Fund *Pro Forma* Update (VanRIMS No. 05-2000-30)

At its meeting on October 17, 2006, Vancouver City Council referred this item to a future Standing Committee meeting in order to hear from a member of the public who had requested to speak.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated October 6, 2006, in which the Director of Financial Planning & Treasury, in consultation with the Project Manager, Southeast False Creek and Olympic Village, provided an update of the *pro forma* for the lands held by the Property Endowment Fund in SEFC. The City Manager, in her comments, advised caution in considering the updated *pro forma*, noting this is just the second year in the 18 to 20 year build-out of the site, and there are considerable uncertainties about future revenues and expenditures that may not have been captured in the *pro forma*.

Ken Bayne, Director of Financial Planning and Treasury, and Cameron Gray, Director of Housing Centre, responded to questions concerning the Property Endowment Fund *pro forma*.

Ron Bain, Southeast False Creek Stewardship Group (materials submitted - on file in the City Clerk's Office), provided comments regarding the *pro forma* update and recommended Council direct staff to work with the Stewardship Group and other City agencies to:

• develop a plan for the SEFC neighbourhood that is economically viable; and

• to assist in making future policy decisions that encourage sustainable living, business practices, and environmental performance.

Mr. Bayne responded to questions concerning the Stewardship Group's recommendation, and noted it is in line with Council's previous instructions and staff will be providing a progress update and analysis in a report back to Council at a future date.

MOVED by Councillor Anton
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Administrative Report dated October 6, 2006, entitled "Southeast False Creek Redevelopment: Property Endowment Fund *Pro Forma* Update" be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Affordable and Modest Market Housing: Sub-Area 2A of Southeast False Creek (the Olympic Village) (VanRIMS No. 11-2200-21)

At its meeting on October 17, 2006, Vancouver City Council referred this item to a future Standing Committee meeting in order to hear from a member of the public who had requested to speak.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated September 28, 2006, in which the Director of the Housing Centre, in consultation with the Project Manager of the SEFC Project Office, the Directors of Financial Planning and Treasury, Planning and Real Estate Services, and the Manager of the Sustainability Group, sought approval to allocate a total of \$32,000,000 to the Affordable Housing to be developed in the Olympic Village, approval to develop one of the Affordable Housing projects as a Net Zero demonstration project, and approval in principle for the City to take on the role of developer of one of the Modest Market Housing projects. Council's approval is subject to approval of the proposed CD-1 rezoning of Sub-Area 2A at an upcoming Public Hearing. The General Manager of Community Services recommended approval.

Ron Bain, Co-Chair, Southeast False Creek Stewardship Group (materials submitted - on file in the City Clerk's Office), expressed support for staff's recommendations A and C, and put forward for consideration additional recommendations from the Stewardship Group regarding the provision of non-market housing in SEFC and maintaining and enhancing the long-term affordability of that non-market housing.

Cameron Gray, Director of Housing Centre, responded to questions regarding the modest market housing in parcels 3 and 6, criteria for occupancy of modest market units, and longevity of the modest market housing.

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council allocate VANOC's \$30,000,000 contribution for the Olympic Village, plus the estimated \$2,000,000 for replacement housing from the Development Cost Levies generated by Sub-Area 2A of Southeast False Creek (SEFC) as a capital contribution to the 250 units of Affordable Housing to be developed in the Olympic Village, and instruct the Director of the Housing Centre and the Project Manager of the SEFC Project Office to report back to Council on the level of affordability that can be achieved once the costs to build the Affordable Housing have been determined.
- B. THAT Council authorize the City Manager to approve expenditures for the design of the Affordable Housing in the Olympic Village to a maximum total of \$3,000,000 with the source of funds to be the \$30,000,000 VANOC contribution to the Olympic Village, and instruct the Director of the Housing Centre and Project Manager of the SEFC Project Office to report back to Council for approval of the capital budgets and development arrangements for the Affordable Housing projects.
- C. THAT Council approve the development by the City of the Affordable Housing on Parcel 9 of the Olympic Village as a Net Zero Energy Healthy Housing Initiative (Net Zero) demonstration project in collaboration with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and Millennium Southeast False Creek Properties Ltd. (Millennium) as described in the Administrative Report dated September 28, 2006, entitled "Affordable and Modest Market Housing: Sub-Area 2A of Southeast False Creek (the Olympic Village)", and authorize the Manager of the Sustainability Group and Project Manager of the SEFC Project Office to negotiate the necessary arrangements with CMHC for report back to Council for final approval.
- D. THAT Council approve in principle the City undertaking the development of the Modest Market Housing on Parcel 9 of the Olympic Village by itself or with development partners as described in the Administrative Report dated September 28, 2006, entitled "Affordable and Modest Market Housing: Sub-Area 2A of Southeast False Creek (the Olympic Village)", and instruct the Director of the Housing Centre and Project Manager of the SEFC Project Office to explore developing such Modest Market Housing as either market rental or affordable home ownership, for report back to Council before the end of 2006 for final approval.
- E. THAT approval of A, B, C and D are subject to approval of the proposed CD-1 rezoning for Sub-Area 2A of SEFC at a forthcoming Public Hearing, and that no legal rights or obligations shall arise or be created until all required Council approvals have been received and all legal documentation has been executed on terms and conditions to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

F. THAT staff be directed to negotiate the acquisition of longer-term modest income housing in Sub-Area 2A.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the motion be amended to add the following:

THAT City Council invest the net income gained in Southeast False Creek (after recovery of Council's objective of \$50 million) to assist and provide workable proposals for non-market housing in SEFC.

LOST

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

The amendment having lost, Councillor Louie's motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Naming Rights and Commemorative Naming Policies, Civic Community Facilities (VanRIMS No. 01-0500-11)

The Committee had before it a Policy Report dated September 25, 2006, in which the Ad Hoc Interdepartmental Steering Committee comprised of the Director of Financial Planning, Director of Civic Theatres, Director of Social Planning, Director of Communications, Director of Corporate Services, Park Board and Managing Director of Cultural Services, in consultation with Director of Legal Services, recommended approval of naming policies to provide a clear set of guidelines and decision-making framework for Council and City staff to consider naming requests for Civic Community Facilities. The General Managers recommended approval, as did the City Manager who also provided additional comments regarding granting of naming rights.

Christina Medland, Assistant Director, Office of Cultural Affairs, reviewed the Policy Report and, along with Marco D'Agostini, Planner, Regulation Policy, and Suey Harvey, Managing Director of Cultural Affairs, responded to questions regarding the proposed naming policies.

The following people expressed concerns with regard to various aspects of the proposed naming policies:

Heather Redfern, Alliance for Arts and Culture Duncan Low, Vancouver East Cultural Centre Stan Hamilton, Arts Club Theatre Ingrid Steenhuisen, Little Mountain Neighbourhood House.

Comments provided by the foregoing speakers included the following:

- not allowing renaming of existing cultural facilities gives an unfair advantage to new facilities;
- requirement for a signed lease is of concern to many existing facilities which have operated for many years without a long-term lease;
- corporations may not be amenable to a public opinion survey being conducted in regard to their proposed naming of a facility;
- proposed policies would result in inequities between private and civic facilities;
- concern expressed regarding staff recommendation that enforcement be withheld with regard to existing signage at two civic facilities;
- recommend dealing with naming applications on a case-by-case basis, rather than restrict everyone into a bureaucratic policy; guidelines are preferable over a policy;
- public consultation in regard to naming policies produced conflicting results; should view survey results with caution;
- the tasteful use of corporate logos should be considered on a case-by-case basis;
- proposed policy would restrict non-profits access to corporate funding, and could restrict their ability to proceed with building new facilities in a timely fashion;
- if policies are approved, a connected process to allow non-profits to consult with City staff throughout needs to be established; and
- neighbourhood houses may need to be in a position to be able to explore corporate and individual sponsorship opportunities given the circumstances they sometimes find themselves in.

Ms. Harvey, in response to questions, noted staff could provide additional information prior to the next Regular Council meeting to respond to Council members' questions and issues raised by the foregoing speakers.

MOVED by Councillor Ball
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council's decision in regard to the Policy Report dated September 25, 2006, entitled "Naming Rights and Commemorative Naming Policies, Civic Community Facilities", be referred to the Regular Council meeting on November 14, 2006, as Unfinished Business.

carried

MOVED by the Mayor

THAT the question be put on the motion to refer Council's decision to the next Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

(Councillors Cadman, Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed)

The motion to call the question having carried, the motion to refer Council's decision in regard to the Policy Report to the next Regular Council meeting was put and CARRIED with Councillors Cadman, Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed.

5. Planning Process for Development of Cultural Precinct (VanRIMS No. 11-2600-01)

Due to time constraints, this item was referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting to be held later this day.

6. Advisory Bodies Review (VanRIMS No. 08-2200-20)

Due to time constraints, this item was referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting to be held later this day.

The Committee adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

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CITY OF VANCOUVER

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

NOVEMBER 2, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, November 2, 2006, at 1:08 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets 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 Heather Deal Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor B.C. Lee

Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Tim Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor George Chow (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Anton

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets November 2, 2006

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

- 1. Award of Professional Services Contract for Request for Proposal PS06025 Vancouver Landfill Residential Drop-Off and Weighscale Upgrade Project
- 2. Southeast False Creek Redevelopment: Property Endowment Fund *Pro forma* Update
- 3. Affordable and Modest Market Housing: Sub-Area 2A of Southeast False Creek (the Olympic Village)
- 4. Naming Rights and Commemorative Naming Policies, Civic Community Facilities
- 5. Planning Process for Development of Cultural Precinct
- 6. Advisory Bodies Review

Items 1-6

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of November 2, 2006, as contained in items 1 to 6, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Lee

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Ball SECONDED by Councillor Capri

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Free Parking for Veterans during Remembrance Day Week (VanRIMS No. 13-5500-20)

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

WHEREAS the Federal Government declared 2005 the Year of the Veteran and Canadians celebrated, honoured and remembered the contributions and sacrifice of our veterans throughout the year;

AND WHEREAS the City of Vancouver honours veterans and their service every year through a ceremony at the Victory Square Cenotaph and other locations like the Chinatown Cenotaph to mark Remembrance Day;

AND WHEREAS 2006 marks the 61st anniversary of the end of the Second World War and many of our armed forces are currently engaged overseas;

AND WHEREAS City Council has previously unanimously supported the provision of free meter parking for Veterans during the week of Remembrance Day;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver provide free meter parking from Sunday, November 5, 2006 to Saturday, November 11, 2006 for Veterans with veteran's license plates as a way to acknowledge their sacrifice and service to our community and country;

AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council direct staff to explore options to provide free metered parking for Vancouver resident Veterans on an ongoing basis for future weeks of Remembrance Day and report back to Council for consideration.

notice

Councillor Capri 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 Planning and Environment meeting on November 2, 2006.

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Use of City Staff for News Conferences (VanRIMS No. 08-9000-30)

Councillor Cadman expressed concern with regard to the use of City Communications staff to support a press conference held recently in City Hall in relation to a motion on homelessness being brought forward by a member of Council, and requested the City Manager provide an explanation of this incident and to clarify City policy in this regard.

The City Manager agreed to look into the matter and provide the requested information.

2. Dragon Boat Association and Southeast False Creek (VanRIMS No. 11-2000-14)

Councillor Deal referred to a letter recently received by Council from the Dragon Boat Association asking about future facilities for the association after the development of Southeast False Creek lands. Councillor Deal requested staff provide a memo to Council responding to the concerns from the association that they won't have a space after the redevelopment.

The Council adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

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