

REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

JANUARY 18, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Services and Budgets was held on Thursday, January 18, 2007, 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 George Chow Councillor Heather Deal Councillor B.C. Lee Councillor Raymond Louie, Vice-Chair
ABSENT:	Councillor Tim Stevenson (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:	Brent MacGregor, Deputy City Manager
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:	Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meetings of November 30, and December 14, 2006, were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION

1. 2007 Assessment Roll Report (VanRIMS No. 05-1200-40)

The Committee had before it the City of Vancouver 2007 Assessment Roll Report *(limited distribution - on file)*.

Jason Grant, Area Assessor, B.C. Assessment, provided an overview of the report and, together with Deborah Francis, Deputy Assessor, and Ken Bayne, Director of Financial Planning and Treasury, responded to questions related to the non-market changes, comparisons to previous years, the homeowner's grant and appeals.

MOVED by Councillor Capri THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council receive the City of Vancouver 2007 Assessment Roll Report for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Annual Event Guidelines - Honours/Awards and National/International Events (VanRIMS No. 01-2700-10)

At the Regular Council meeting on December 12, 2006, the Chair advised that a request to speak on this matter had been received and Council agreed to refer consideration to a future Standing Committee meeting in order to hear from the speaker.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated December 1, 2006, in which the City Clerk provided Council with a policy framework for the management of those annual events of which the City of Vancouver has been involved and requested approval of funding to support those events.

Janice MacKenzie, Deputy City Clerk, provided an overview of the report and together with Sven Buemann, Chief, External Relations and Protocol, and Jacquie Forbes-Roberts, General Manager of Community Services, responded to questions concerning the events included in the report, the process surrounding the inclusion of additional events, the need for a review process and related funding.

As the registered speaker was not present, Council commenced debate.

MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT the following events be designated as City Honour and Award Events and that these events be recognized annually by the City as set out in the City Honour and Award Events Guidelines contained in the body of the Administrative Report dated December 1, 2006, entitled "Annual Event Guidelines Honours/Awards and National/International Events":
 - i. Cultural Harmony Awards
 - ii. Mayor's Environmental Awards
 - iii. Vancouver Book Awards
 - iv. Vancouver Citizen's Peace Awards
 - v. Vancouver Youth Awards
 - vi. Civic Merit Awards
 - vii. Freedom of the City Awards
 - viii. Accessibility Award.

- B. THAT the following events be designated as National and International Events and that these events be recognized annually by the City as set out in the National and International Events Guidelines contained in the body of the Administrative Report dated December 1, 2006, entitled "Annual Event Guidelines - Honours/Awards and National/International Events":
 - i. Lunar New Year
 - ii. International Women's Day
 - iii. International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
 - iv. Pride Week
 - v. Diwali Festival of Lights
 - vi. Christmas
 - vii. National Aboriginal Day
 - viii. International Day of Disabled Persons.
- C. THAT Council approve annual funding for the Honours and Awards Events in the amount of \$12,000 with funding available from the reallocation of existing funds within the City Clerk's 2007 Operating Budget.
- D. THAT Council approve annual funding for the National and International Events in the amount of \$16,000. Funding of \$5,000 is to come from the reallocation of existing funds within the City Clerk's 2007 Operating Budget and \$11,000 to be added to the 2007 Operating Budget without offset.
- E. THAT a process be put in place managed by staff, that Council approve, and that all suggestions for City Honour and Awards Events, National and International Events and Special Events go through this process for consideration before being presented to Council; and

FURTHER THAT events will be added to the City Honour and Award Events and the National and International Events lists and Special Events programmed only when such process is in place.

F. THAT Council adopt the City Honour and Award Event Guidelines, National and International Event Guidelines and Special Events Guidelines as recommended by staff.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT B be amended to add Canada Day and New Years.

referred

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the amendment to B be amended to add World Aids Day, International Day of Human Rights, BC Day, Hanukah, International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, Vancouver's Birthday and Rash Hashanah.

referred

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council lay on the table Councillor Cadman's amendment to the amendment pending the outcome of Councillor Ball's motion.

CARRIED UANIMOUSLY

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT A be amended to add the Vancouver Seniors' Awards and the amendment to B be amended to add Philipino Day, pending consultation with that community.

referred

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council lay on the table Councillor Deal's amendment to the amendment pending the outcome of Councillor Ball's motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council lay on the table Councillor Louie's amendment pending the outcome of Councillor Ball's motion.

CARRIED

(Councillors Deal and Louie opposed)

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Councillor Ball's motion be referred to staff for a report back on a process for all awards and to assess the items that have been tabled at the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting of January 18, 2007.

LOST

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

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT E be amended to strike out the words and substitute them with the following:

THAT staff investigate an application and review process for the annual City Honour and Award Events category, the annual National and International Events category, the Special Events category and report back to Council for consideration.

lost

MOVED by Councillor Chow

THAT Council lay on the table discussion and decision on the Annual Event Guidelines -Honours/Awards and National/International Events until after Item 3 has been dealt with.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

* * * * *

The Committee dealt with Items 3 and 4 then recessed at 1:30 p.m. to convene in Council, with Deputy Mayor Capri in the Chair, to waive Section 3.2 of the Procedure By-law as it relates to the start time of the afternoon Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting and reconvened at 2:25 p.m. with the same members present, to deal with Items 5 and 2 in that order.

For ease of reference, the items are minuted in numerical order.

* * * * *

Councillor Louie's AMENDMENT was put and LOST, with Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner, Lee and the Mayor opposed.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT E and F of the motion be struck and replaced with the following:

- E. THAT Council instruct staff to report back on an evaluation process to facilitate inclusion of other events, (in all categories), to be suggested by members of the general public and/or individual Councillors for report back to Council with recommendations.
- F. THAT the Heritage Awards be added to A.
- G. THAT Council adopt the Guidelines for City Honour and Award Events, National and International Events and Special Events as recommended by staff.

H. THAT all new events suggested today to be referred to an evaluation process and reported back at the same time as in E above.

referred

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT F be amended to add Arts Awards.

LOST

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

Due to time constraints, Council agreed to refer decision on this matter as Unfinished Business to the Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting to be held later this day.

3. Seniors' Centre in Southeast Vancouver (VanRIMS No. 11-2200-21)

At the Regular Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on November 16, 2006, a motion on this matter was submitted by Councillor Louie. Council Capri called Notice under Section 5.4 (c) of the Procedure Bylaw. The motion was to be considered at the Regular Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting held later that day. At that meeting, Council agreed to postpone consideration of the motion to the Regular Council meeting on December 12, 2006, and subsequently agreed to refer consideration of the motion to a future Standing Committee meeting in order to hear from speakers.

Accordingly, the Committee had before it the following Motion:

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS the demand for seniors' facilities is expected to increase city-wide as the population ages and Southeast Vancouver as a whole is currently inadequately served with respect to seniors' facilities;

AND WHEREAS staff has indicated that there is merit in pursuing the goal of developing a new seniors' centre in Southeast Vancouver as it could play an important role in addressing this demand;

AND WHEREAS the optimum solution would involve a facility in an accessible, neighbourhood centre location;

AND WHEREAS staff believe that the most likely way to achieve additional seniors' space and programming would be via the development of satellite space administered by a group such as South Vancouver Neighbourhood House or some other broad-based community coalition;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council direct staff to provide further guidance by undertaking exploratory work relating to potential funding sources, governance models and site/building selection with the goal of developing a new seniors' centre in Southeast Vancouver at the earliest opportunity;

AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council direct staff to work with the community in Southeast Vancouver and particularly the Victoria-Fraserview/Killarney Community Vision Implementation Committee for their input.

Mary Clare Zak, Director, Social Planning, along with Anne Kloppenborg and Vickie Morris, Senior Social Planners, were available to respond to questions.

The following spoke in support of a new stand-alone seniors' centre in Southeast Vancouver and urged Council to approve the Motion:

Keith Jacobson, President - Killarney Community Centre Society John Pawluk, President - Killarney Seniors Association Tom Holmes Lorna Gibbs Joan Wright, Coordinator - South Vancouver Seniors Council Bert Massiah Margaret Levine Mary King, Coordinator - South Vancouver Seniors' Network Society Gerty Sivertson

Speakers' comments included the following:

- the City has, over the past number of years, put lots of development in this area which has created an increase in traffic density and put a strain on facilities – ask that the City work with the community to find a way and means to put a seniors' centre in Southeast Vancouver;
- a seniors' centre should have been built in this neighbourhood 20 or 30 years ago urge Council to move forward on this issue;
- there are more seniors' centres on the westside than on the eastside out of the six community health areas in the city, Southeast Vancouver has the largest number of seniors;
- a room in a community centre or church basement does not constitute a suitable seniors' centre;
- would like to see a stand-alone seniors centre in Southeast Vancouver, similar to Kerrisdale, which would allow seniors who are mobile as well those who have difficulty with accessibility to have all programs under one roof.

Staff responded to questions related to the feasibility of moving forward on this project and agreed to report back with options.

MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council, having heard from speakers on this matter, refer discussion and decision to the next Regular Council meeting on January 30, 2007, as Unfinished Business, pending a report back from staff on the respective roles of staff and the community in moving forward on a seniors centre in Southeast Vancouver.

CARRIED

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal and Louie opposed)

4. A Process for Alerting Council to Economic Impacts of Major Decisions coming before Council - Vancouver Economic Development Commission ("the VEDC") Policy Advice Pilot Process (VanRIMS No. 08-3000-11)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated November 30, 2006, in which the General Manager of Corporate Services in consultation with the Director of Planning and CEO - Vancouver Economic Development Commission outlined a Policy Advice Pilot Process in order for Council to obtain VEDC's input into economic impacts of major decisions coming before Council and sought approval to test the Pilot process on two test cases selected by the VEDC and City staff.

Estelle Lo, General Manager of Corporate Services, provided a brief summary of the report.

MOVED by Councillor Capri

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council authorize the VEDC and City Staff to move forward with testing the Policy Advice Pilot Process on two test cases selected, namely:

- Municipal Wireless Broadband and Digital Community; and
- False Creek Flats Planning.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Development Cost Levies in South East False Creek (SEFC) and consolidation and modernization of Area-Specific Development Cost Levy by-laws (VanRIMS No. 02-3000-11)

The Committee had before it an Administrative Report dated January 5, 2007, in which the Director of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Finance, Director of Social Planning,

Director of Legal Services, General Manager of Engineering Services and the General Manager of Parks and Recreation, recommended establishing a Development Cost Levy for the SEFC ODP area, in addition to the City-wide DCL already in place, consistent with the Councilapproved SEFC Public Benefits Strategy and Compatible Housing Strategy. He also recommended the consolidation and modernization of the existing nine individual areaspecific development cost levy by-laws together with the new SEFC Area-specific DCL into one comprehensive by-law.

John Madden, Planner - Central Area Planning Branch, briefly reviewed the report and together with Brent MacGregor, Deputy City Manager, Thor Kuhlmann, Planner - City Plans, and Karis Hiebert, Planner - Central Area Major Developments Group, responded to questions related to DCL funding, inflationary increases and the review process for DCLs and whether there can be an annual review.

Staff agreed to provide a Memorandum on a City-wide DCL review process, including cost recovery.

MOVED by Councillor Capri

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT the area shown in Figure 1 of the Administrative Report dated January 5, 2007, entitled "Development Cost Levies in South East False Creek (SEFC) and consolidation and modernization of Area-Specific Development Cost Levy by-laws" be established as a South East False Creek Development Cost Levy (DCL) District and that the policies set out in Appendix A of the abovenoted report be adopted to guide administration of the DCLs in the South East False Creek area.
- B. THAT the rate for the South East False Creek Development Cost Levy be set at \$156.08 per square metre (\$14.50 per square foot), not to exceed 10 percent of the building permit value, for all uses except those uses identified for rate reductions.
- C. THAT the South East False Creek Development Cost Levy proceeds be spent in proportions as follows:
 - i. 61.5% for providing and improving park land;
 - ii. 21.6% for sewage, water, drainage and highway facilities; and
 - iii. 16.9% for day care.
- D. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment an Area-Specific Development Cost Levy by-law generally in accordance with Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated January 5, 2007, entitled "Development Cost Levies in South East False Creek (SEFC) and consolidation and modernization of Area-Specific Development Cost Levy by-laws", which:

- consolidates into one by-law the existing individual area-specific Development Cost Levy by-laws for Arbutus Neighbourhood, Burrard Slopes Neighbourhood, Cedar Cottage/Welwyn Street Neighbourhood, Downtown South Neighbourhood, Dundas/Wall Neighbourhood, False Creek Flats Area, Grandview Boundary Industrial Area, Oakridge/Langara Neighbourhood, and Triangle West Neighbourhood,
- (ii) modernizes the by-law language, and
- (iii) includes in the consolidated Area-Specific Development Cost Levy bylaw the South East False Creek Area generally in accordance with the by-law provisions set out in Appendix A for that area.
- E. THAT, consistent with the Financing Growth Policy, the SEFC DCL shall be reviewed every three years (and possibly sooner as directed by Council) and adjusted to reflect changes in the costs of the public amenities and other relevant factors.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee recessed at 1:30 p.m., reconvened at 2:25 p.m. and adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

* * * * *



CITY OF VANCOUVER

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

JANUARY 18, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, January 18, 2007, at 1:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, during the recess of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting, with Deputy Mayor Capri in the Chair.

PRESENT:	*Mayor Sam Sullivan Councillor Suzanne Anton Councillor Elizabeth Ball Councillor David Cadman Deputy Mayor Kim Capri Councillor George Chow Councillor Heather Deal Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor B.C. Lee Councillor Raymond Louie
ABSENT:	Councillor Tim Stevenson (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:	Brent MacGregor, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton SECONDED by Councillor Chow

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (the Mayor absent for the vote)

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council waive Section 3.2 of the Procedure By-law as it relates to the start time of the afternoon Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (the Mayor absent for the vote)

VARY AGENDA

Council agreed to vary the order of the Agenda to deal with a New Business item before recessing the Council meeting. Deputy Mayor Capri stepped down and Councillor Anton assumed the Chair. The items are minuted in the order in which they were dealt with.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Rebuilding of Stanley Park (VanRIMS No. 12-2000-11)

Councillor Capri submitted the following motion. Councillor Deal called Notice under Section 5.4 (c) of the Procedure By-law.

WHEREAS individuals and the corporate community from across British Columbia have been extremely supportive and generous in their financial contributions toward the rebuilding of Stanley Park;

WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia and the Federal Government of Canada have committed financial support toward the restoration efforts;

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver wants to express its sincerest thanks for this support to everyone in British Columbia and Canada;

WHEREAS Canwest Global initiated a fundraising campaign which has garnered over \$2.5 million directed to Stanley Park.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver partner with Canwest Global by placing advertisements in the Vancouver Sun and Province acknowledging the efforts and financial support provided by individuals, corporations and senior levels of government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the source of funding be the 2006/07 budget.

Notice

The motion will be considered at the Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting to be held later that day.

* * * * *

Council recessed at 1:50 p.m., and reconvened at 3:06 p.m., with all members present and Mayor Sullivan in the Chair, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee

* * * * *

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Indemnification for Property Tax Policy Review Commissioners (VanRIMS No. 08-3000-01)

At its meeting on January 16, 2007, Vancouver City Council postponed consideration of this matter to a Regular Council meeting on Thursday, January 18, 2007, to allow staff to provide additional information.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council refer the Administrative Report dated December 11, 2006, entitled "Indemnification for Property Tax Policy Review Commissioners" as Unfinished Business to the Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting to be held later this day, pending a report back from staff on other groups that get indemnified and the financial risks for the City of Vancouver.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets January 18, 2007

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. 2007 Assessment Roll Report
- 2. Annual Event Guidelines Honours/Awards and National/International Events
- 3. Seniors' Centre in Southeast Vancouver
- 4. A Process for Alerting Council to Economic Impacts of Major Decisions coming before Council - Vancouver Economic Development Commission ("the VEDC") Policy Advice Pilot Process
- 5. Development Cost Levies in South East False Creek (SEFC) and consolidation and modernization of Area-Specific Development Cost Levy by-laws

Items 1 - 5

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of January 18, 2007, as contained in Items 1 - 5, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton

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 Chow

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Capri SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council vote to enact the by-law listed on the Agenda for this meeting as number 1 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-law.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to establish a development cost levy for South East False Creek, and to consolidate the individual area specific development cost levy by-laws into one comprehensive and modernized by-law (By-law No. 9418).

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

None

- B. Motion on Notice
- 1. Joint Council Planning Session (VanRIMS No. 08-2000-01)

MOVED by Councillor Capri SECONDED by Councillor Anton

THAT a joint Council planning session be scheduled to discuss Council's priorities for the upcoming year and a date be secured as soon as possible.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 3:17 p.m.