



CITY OF VANCOUVER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 16, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, October 16, 2007, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Sam Sullivan
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor Elizabeth Ball
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor Kim Capri
Councillor George Chow
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Peter Ladner
Councillor B.C. Lee
Councillor Tim Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor Raymond Louie (Leave of Absence)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Syd Baxter, City Clerk
Tarja Tuominen, Meeting Coordinator

PRAYER

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with a prayer read by the City Clerk.

PROCLAMATION - Homelessness Action Week

The Mayor proclaimed October 15 - 21, 2007 Homelessness Action Week.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT Council will go into a meeting later this day which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraph(s):

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;

- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council - October 2, 2007

MOVED by Councillor Ladner
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1 to A4, and A6, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. 2008 Operating Budget Schedule and Public Consultation Options (VanRIMS No. 05-1000-20)

Estelle Lo, General Manager of Corporate Services/Director of Finance, presented a Report Reference which outlined the 2008 Operating Budget schedule and presented options for a budget consultation program.

The Chair advised that a request to speak on the Report Reference has been received. Council agreed to refer consideration of the Administrative Report *2008 Operating Budget Schedule and Public Consultation Options*, dated October 9, 2007, to the Standing Committee

on City Services and Budgets meeting on October 18, 2007, in order to hear the speaker.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. **Task Force on Film Industry**
September 24, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 08-3000-13)

MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT Council receive the *Report of the Mayor's Task Force on Filming*, dated October 2007, and refer the report to staff for a report back.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. **Business License Hearing Panels for November 2007**
October 4, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 08-2000-40)

THAT Council delegate the holding of the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for November 14, 2007, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm; November 21, 2007, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm; and November 27, 2007 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, to a panel of three Council Members, pursuant to Section 277.1 of the Vancouver Charter, as follows:

The Business License Hearings pursuant to Section 275 of the Vancouver Charter regarding referrals to Council by the Chief License Inspector for the year 2007 business licenses and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearing be delegated to:

November 14 - 9:30 am

- Councillor Louie, Chair
- Councillor Lee
- Councillor Deal
- Councillor Capri, Alternate

November 21 - 9:30 am

- Councillor Cadman, Chair
- Councillor Chow
- Councillor Deal
- Councillor Louie, Alternate

November 27 - 9:30 am

- Councillor Capri, Chair
- Councillor Ball
- Councillor Louie
- Councillor Anton, Alternate

Should any of the above members of Council be unable to attend the hearings, the hearings and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings be delegated to the remaining two Councillors and alternate Councillors.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. Donation of Three (3) Decommissioned Fire Engines to the Rotary Clubs of the Lower Mainland of BC World Help Network (for the benefit of the National Fire Service of El Salvador)

September 27, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 03-3000-11)

- A. THAT, subject to B and C below, Council approve a one time donation of three (3) City of Vancouver decommissioned Fire Engines to the Rotary Clubs of the Lower Mainland of BC World Help Network, Certificate of Incorporation Number -S-37357 Address; #315-475 Howe St. Vancouver, BC V6C 2B3 (for the benefit of the National Fire Service of El Salvador).
- B. THAT the transfer, insurance, shipping, export and any other legal documentation required to implement A above be executed and delivered by the City's Director of Legal Services.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise from Council's approval of A above unless and until the legal documentation referred to in the Administrative Report *Donation of Three (3) Decommissioned Fire Engines to the Rotary Clubs of the Lower Mainland of BC World Help Network (for the benefit of the National Fire Service of El Salvador)* is reviewed, approved, and executed by the City's Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**3. Form of Development - 1 Athlete's Way (Olympic Village - Parcel 11)
October 1, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 11-2000-11)**

THAT the form of development for this portion of the CD-1 zoned site known as the Olympic Village site (1 Athlete's Way being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE41198, prepared by Walter Francl Architecture and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services, July 13, 2007", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**4. Form of Development - 1677 Manitoba Street (Olympic Village - Parcel 5)
October 1, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 11-2000-11)**

THAT the form of development for this portion of the CD-1 zoned site known as the Olympic Village site (1677 Manitoba Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE411328, prepared by GBL Architects Group Inc. and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services, August 17, 2007", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**5. Trout Lake Ice Rink Replacement
October 5, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 12-1000-30)**

Also before Council was a letter dated October 16, 2007 from the General Manager of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation forwarding motions approved by the Board after considering the Administrative Report *Trout Lake Ice Rink Replacement*, dated October 5, 2007.

MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT Council approve an increase in the budget for the Trout Lake Ice Rink Replacement project of \$2.86 million (to a total \$15,940,000); source of funding to be from the VANOC contribution to the post-Olympic conversion of the Hillcrest Centre.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**6. Resort Municipality of Whistler 2010 Partnership Agreement
October 1, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 08-8000-20)**

- A. THAT Council approve the 2010 Partnership Agreement between the Resort Municipality of Whistler and the City of Vancouver, attached as Appendix A to the Administrative Report *Resort Municipality of Whistler 2010 Partnership Agreement*, dated October 1, 2007.
- B. THAT Council authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign the Partnership Agreement.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by the adoption by Council of A and B above, nor will any legal rights or obligations be created by the execution by the Mayor and City Manager of the Resort Municipality Partnership Agreement.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

None.

B. Motions on Notice

1. Free Parking for Veterans during Remembrance Day Week 2007 (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 2007 marks the 62nd 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;

AND WHEREAS City Council failed to honour our veterans in 2006 with free meter parking;

AND WHEREAS City Council's direction to 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 is unlikely to be fulfilled in time for 2007 Remembrance Day;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the city of Vancouver provide free meter parking from Sunday, November 4, 2007 to Sunday, November 11, 2007 for Veterans with veteran's license plates as a way to acknowledge their sacrifice and service to our community.

Referred

The Chair noted that a request to speak on Motion B.1 has been received. Council agreed to refer the motion to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on October 18, 2007 to be considered with the Administrative Report *Veterans Parking*, dated September 26, 2007 (Agenda Item 3).

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Financial and Staffing Impacts of Civic Strike (VanRIMS No. 07-1000-20)**

MOVED by Councillor Chow
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS the residents of the city of Vancouver have endured three months of decreased and suspended services during the civic strike; and

WHEREAS the 2000 civic strike lasted 7 weeks and produced a net savings to the City of \$1.3 million; and

WHEREAS the 2007 job action by CUPE 15 and CUPE 1004 lasted for 12 weeks with CUPE 391 issues still not resolved as of October 15; and

WHEREAS Vancouver City Council voted to use any savings from the strike to reduce property taxes in 2008; and

WHEREAS exempt staff were deployed to perform a variety of services during the strike; and

WHEREAS there have been reports of significant resignations of inside workers, outside workers and exempt staff since the beginning of the strike; and

WHEREAS these staff losses could have implications for the City's ability to return to full operational status;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council request staff to report back with:

- a full accounting of gross and net savings realized by the City of Vancouver and Vancouver Park Board during the strike;
- a complete analysis of city spending on operations and services during the strike; and
- an accounting of all staff (inside workers, outside workers and exempt staff) who have resigned since the beginning of the strike.

Notice

Councillor Ladner called Notice under Section 5.4(c) of the Procedure By-law. The motion will be considered at the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on October 18, 2007.

The Council adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

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