# CITY OF VANCOUVER

# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

# **DECEMBER 11, 2007**

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, December 11, 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 Kim Capri Councillor George Chow Councillor Heather Deal Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor B.C. Lee

Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Tim Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor David Cadman (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Judy Rogers, City Manager

James Ridge, Deputy 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 - MADD Tie One On for Safety Month

The Mayor proclaimed December 2007 as Mothers Against Drunk Drivers "Tie One On for Safety" Month.

# "IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Anton

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):

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the city or another position appointed by the city;
- (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for an award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the city on condition of anonymity;
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Business License Hearing - November 21, 2007

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Council - November 27, 2007

MOVED by Councillor Lee SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Special Council (Public Hearing) - November 13, 15 and 27, 2007

MOVED by Councillor Ladner SECONDED by Councillor Anton

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# 4. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - November 29, 2007

MOVED by Councillor Ladner SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Capri SECONDED by Councillor Ball

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1, A3 to A19, and Policy Report P1, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# REPORT REFERENCE

1. Vancouver Police Department Operational Review (VanRIMS No. 05-1000-30)

James Ridge, Deputy City Manager; Bob Rolls, Deputy Chief Constable - Support Services; Dr. Curt Griffiths, Senior Project Consultant; and Inspector Adam Palmer, Vancouver Police Department, presented a Report Reference on the Vancouver Police Department Operational Review. The presentation provided an update on the remaining items from Phase 1 of the Operational Review, discussed the results of Phase 2 of the Operational Review, and presented the recommendations of the joint City of Vancouver/Vancouver Police Department Operational Review Steering Committee for patrol and non-patrol resources.

# MOVED by Councillor Chow

- A. THAT Council receive the Administrative Report *Vancouver Police Department Operational Review*, dated December 5, 2007 for information and defer the following a through e to the 2008 Interim Operating Budget:
  - a. THAT Council approve an increase to the Vancouver Police Department

(VPD) authorized strength by 48 sworn officers (Stage 0 in Appendix A) to complete the deployment requested from the Patrol Deployment Study reported to Council in February 2007 and also implement the internal efficiencies identified (Stage 1); with deployment to be achieved in 2008 at an ongoing annual cost of approximately \$4.60 million (2010) including salaries, benefits and one-time and ongoing outfitting and equipment costs; with costs to be added to the budget beginning 2008 (\$1.20 million); 2009 (\$3.51 million) and 2010 (\$4.60 million); subject to annual budget review.

- b. THAT Council approve an additional increase to the Vancouver Police Department (VPD) authorized strength by 48 sworn officers and 22 civilian employees (Stages 2 and 3 in Appendix A) to implement the highest priority requirements arising from the Investigative and Administrative Deployment Study completed in 2007; with deployment to be achieved in stages over 2008 and 2009 at an ongoing annual cost of \$6.77 million including salaries, benefits and one-time and ongoing outfitting and equipment costs; with costs to be added to the budget beginning 2008 (\$2.07 million); 2009 (\$3.88 million) and 2010 (\$5.54 million); subject to annual budget review.
- c. THAT all vehicles identified after applying the Key Vehicle Ratios to the increased staffing complement approved as part of Recommendations A and B be purchased through the Plant and Equipment Reserve (Plant Account) based on the VPD Master Schedule and after a thorough analysis done by EQS and VPD Fleet Services to determine the exact number of vehicles necessary. Final approval of the purchases will be subject to final approval of the City Manager.
- d. THAT the Chief Constable, in consultation with the Police Board and the City Manager, report to Council on a full review of the deployment strategy after one year of implementation of the recommendations.
- e. THAT Council approve a one-year extension of the service agreement between the City, Police Board and the Community Policing Centres at a cost of \$979,900 AND THAT the Police Board and the Community Police Centres be instructed to report back before the funding is renewed for 2009 on a service agreement revision which includes:
  - Identification of common goals and objectives between the department and the CPCs;
  - A regular process for ensuring that the policies and direction of the CPCs and the VPD are coordinated;
  - Establishment of appropriate performance indicators to ensure the effectiveness of the city's investment in the CPCs; and
  - A recommended funding level for the following five years and a recommended resource allocation from the department.

B. THAT Council authorize the Vancouver Police Department to distribute funds quarterly to each of the nine operating community policing centres (up to \$106,100 annually) beginning in the first quarter of 2008, on the condition that each CPC continues to meet the terms and conditions as outlined and specified in the CPC Operations and Indemnity Agreement AND THAT funding for the proposed CPC in District 4 be held pending establishment of a non-profit society sponsor for the office.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Staff Analysis of the Recommendations of the Property Tax Policy Review Commission

(VanRIMS No. 08-3000-01)

Karen Levitt, Manager of Financial Planning, presented a Report Reference on the staff analysis and recommendations related to the recommendations of the Property Tax Policy Review Commission. She also sought Council approval to refer the recommendations of the Commission to public consultation, before considering the recommendations and considerations contained in the Administrative Report *Staff Analysis of the Recommendations of the Property Tax Policy Review Commission*, dated December 1, 2007.

# MOVED by Councillor Ladner

THAT Council receive the Administrative Report *Staff Analysis of the Recommendations of the Property Tax Policy Review Commission*, dated December 1, 2007, for information and defer the following recommendations and considerations until after a public consultation process on this issue has been completed.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. THAT Council instruct staff to seek an amendment to the Vancouver Charter, to allow the City to use up to five years of land assessments in the land assessment averaging formula available to the City for the calculation of property taxes, as compared to the current formula which allows for three-year land averaging only.
- B. THAT, if the Charter amendment described in Recommendation A is approved, Council instruct the General Manager of Corporate Services to report back with an analysis that compares the use of five-year land averaging to three-year land averaging in the calculation of property taxes, with respect to their respective efficacy in mitigating year-over-year volatility in property taxes for individual properties.

# **CONSIDERATIONS**

- C. THAT Council approve a target redistribution of the tax levy, that would shift \$23.8 million proportionately from Classes 2, 4, 5 and 6, to Classes 1, 8 and 9, in order to achieve the Property Tax Policy Review Commission's recommended tax levy distribution of 48% non-residential and 52% residential.
- D. THAT in order to achieve the target redistribution described in Consideration C, Council reduce the tax share borne by the non-residential property classes (Classes 2, 4, 5 and 6) at a rate of one percent of the overall tax levy per year, and increase the share borne by the residential classes (Classes 1, 8, and 9) by the same amount until a total of \$23.8 million has been shifted from the non-residential property classes to the residential property classes.
- E. THAT following the achievement of the recommended target tax redistribution described in Consideration C, Council keep the tax distribution shares unchanged for a period of five years.

# CARRIED

(Councillors Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed to Considerations C to E)

# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 1. 2008 Advance Grant Instalments Major Exhibiting Institutions November 13, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)
  - A. THAT monthly instalments, based on 2007 funding levels, be made to the following organizations beginning January 2008, in advance of consideration of these organizations' individual 2008 annual grant requests:

A.S.T.C. Science World Society	\$7,592
Vancouver Art Gallery Association	\$173,608

B. THAT bi-weekly instalments, based on 2007 funding levels, be made to the following organizations beginning January 2008, in advance of consideration of these organizations' individual 2008 annual grant requests:

H.R. MacMillan Space Centre Society	\$19,385
Vancouver Maritime Museum Society	\$15,181
Vancouver Museum Commission	\$27,600

Source of funds for both A and B is the Cultural Grants budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

# 2. 2007 Diversity Initiatives Grants November 9, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Council approve thirteen (13) Diversity Initiatives grants totaling \$103,000 as outlined in Table 1 of the Administrative Report *2007 Diversity Initiatives Grants*, dated November 9, 2007; source of funds to be the 2007 Cultural Grants budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Council approve the addition of the Jewish Community Centre for a Diversity Initiatives Grant of \$10,000.

LOST, NOT HAVING RECEIVED
THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner, and Lee, and the Mayor opposed)

3. 2007 Community Service and Cultural Capital Grant Allocations November 22, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)

THAT Council approve eight Capital Grants, totalling \$90,000, subject to the conditions outlined in the Administrative Report *2007 Community Service and Cultural Capital Grant Allocations*, dated November 22, 2007 and as noted in Appendix A of that report; source of funds to be the 2007 Capital Grants unallocated Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

- 4. Civic Public Art Allocations 2007 from Capital November 15, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 11-2600-20)
  - A. THAT Council approve allocation of \$295,000 to the following civic public art projects:
    - i. \$80,000 final payment to complete and install First Nations artwork at Brockton Point, *People Amongst the People*, by Susan Point;
    - ii. \$90,000 final payment to complete the public artwork *Flow* at the new Mount Pleasant Civic Centre at One Kingsway by artists Fiona Bowie, Rebecca Belmore, and Sydney Lets;
    - iii. \$60,000 for public art for Carrall Street Greenway as detailed in the greenway implementation plan approved by Council June 27, 2006; and

iv. \$65,000 for ongoing and project management and program administration.

Source of funds to be \$250,000 from the 2007 unallocated Public Art Capital Budget and \$45,000 from the 2006 unallocated Public Art Capital Budget.

B. THAT Council give the Director of Legal Services standing authority to execute, on behalf of the City, agreements with artists and others respecting the projects above, provided the documents are drawn to her satisfaction in consultation with the Managing Director of Cultural Services.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

5. 2007 Social Services Partners in Organizational Development Grant - Fall Cycle November 27, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)

THAT Council approve a Social Services Partners in Organizational Development (POD) grant of \$15,000 to the Centre for Sustainability for subsequent distribution to four Vancouver community services organizations; source of funds to be the Partners in Organizational Development component of the 2007 Community Services Grants budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

- 6. Appointment of External Auditor for 2008
  November 23, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-2000-50)
  - A. THAT the accounting firm of KPMG LLP (KPMG) be confirmed as the City's External Auditor for the fiscal year 2008 in accordance with the terms of the Form of Agreement between the City and KPMG to supply audit services to the City.
  - B. THAT the audit fee be set at \$160,860 (exclusive of GST). Funding is included in the 2008 Operating Budget.

#### ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 7. 2008 Assessment Averaging Program: Notice to Assessment Commissioner November 23, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-4200-11)
  - A. THAT, pursuant to legislative requirements in the Assessment Act, the City Clerk be instructed to notify the Assessment Commissioner before January 1, 2008 that Vancouver City Council is considering land assessment phasing and/or three year land averaging as property tax calculation options for 2008.

It should be noted that this notice of intent is revocable should Council, at a

later date, decide not to proceed with either of these taxation options.

- B. THAT the Director of Finance be instructed to report back in 2008 on the projected taxation impacts of three-year land averaging, based on the assessment values provided by the BC Assessment Authority in the 2008 Completed Roll.
- C. THAT the Area Assessor for Vancouver be invited to address Council on the assessment trends in the 2008 Completed Roll.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 8. Annual Financial Authorities 2008 November 26, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-2000-90)
  - A. THAT, for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2008, Council authorize the Director of Finance to draw warrants for payment in accordance with Section 215 and 216 of the Vancouver Charter and to report the same in writing to the City Clerk for the information of Council as soon as possible following the month end in which the warrant is issued.
  - B. THAT, during the period January 1 to July 15, 2008, Council authorize the Director of Finance to temporarily use such capital funds as are available to meet the other expenditures requirements of the City pending collections of taxes, as provided by Section 259 (b) of the Vancouver Charter.
  - C. THAT the Director of Finance be authorized, for the year 2008, to invest the funds of City not immediately required, and to vary the investments from time to time as may be expedient, in accordance with Sections 201, 259 and 260 of Vancouver Charter, as follows:
    - securities of Canada or of a province;
    - securities quaranteed for principal and interest by Canada or by a province;
    - securities of a municipality, including the city, or a regional district;
    - securities of the Greater Vancouver Water District or the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District;
    - securities of the Municipal Finance Authority;
    - securities of or investments guaranteed by a chartered bank;
    - deposits in a savings institution, or non-equity or membership shares of a credit union;
    - pooled investment funds under section 16 of the Municipal Finance Authority Act;
    - any of the investments permitted for the Municipal Finance Authority under section 16 (3) of the Municipal Finance Authority Act, including pooled investment portfolios under the Financial Administration Act.

D. THAT Council authorize the Director of Finance to establish a short term borrowing facility to assist in managing the City's cash flow for the period January 8, 2008 to January 7, 2009, with the maximum outstanding amount not to exceed \$60 million.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. UBCM Seniors' Housing and Support Iniative - Neighbourhood House November 22, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-20)

THAT Council endorse the City's application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Seniors' Housing and Support Initiative Pilot Project for a grant of \$35,000 to support a community initiative to increase the effectiveness and sustainability of Neighbourhood House Seniors' Services.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 10. Application for Payment-In-Lieu of Parking at 1062 Homer Street November 20, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 13-5500-10)
  - A. THAT Council approve in principle, the offer of payment-in-lieu in the amount of \$20,200 by Merwin Chercover of Chercover Massie and Assoc. Ltd for the waiver of one parking space required by Section 4.1.2 of the Parking By-law; and
  - B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be requested to bring forward a By-Law to amend Schedule A of the Parking By-Law pursuant to Section 4.12.5 to effect this waiver.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. Form of Development: 699 Howe Street (Hotel Georgia) November 27, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 11-1200-01)

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 687 Howe Street (699 Howe Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE410870, prepared by Endall Elliott Associates and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, June 18, 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

# 12. Direct Purchase - Six (6) Case 590 Backhoe Loaders November 16, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 03-1200-11)

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C, and D below, Council authorize the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Manager of Materials Management to direct award to Parker Pacific Equipment Sales six Case 590 Backhoe Loaders, the standardized backhoe loader for the fleet as approved by City Council on February 10, 2004, at a total cost of \$593,289, plus the Provincial Sales tax, the Goods and Services Tax (less any municipal rebate received) and the Provincial Environmental Levy, subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services and the expiration of the posted Notice of Intent to Contract.
- 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 unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.
- E. THAT, funding for the purchase described in A above be provided from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

# 13. Award of Consulting Contract - Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) November 21, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 03-1200-30)

- A. THAT, subject to conditions set out in B, C, and D below, Council authorize a sole-sourced consultancy contract with Ms. Carrie Marsh, Telecommunications Consultant to provide advice and implementation services for the implementation of a VoIP telephone system at a maximum value of \$175,000 plus applicable taxes, subject to a contract satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services, the City Manager and the Manager, Materials Management: source of funding to be the VoIP Capital budget.
- 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 City Manager, the Manager, 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 unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

# Business License Hearing Panels November 22, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 08-2000-40)

THAT Council delegate the holding of the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for January 23, 2008, from 9:30am to 12:30pm; January 29, 2008, from 9:30 am to 12:30pm; and January 31, 2008, from 7:30pm to 10:30pm, 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 2008 business licenses and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings be delegated to:

January 23, 2008 - 9:30am Councillor Chow - Chair Councillor Ladner Councillor Louie Councillor Ball - Alternate

January 29, 2008 - 9:30am Councillor Cadman - Chair Councillor Ball Councillor Deal Councillor Lee - Alternate

January 31, 2008 - 7:30pm Councillor Louie - Chair Councillor Anton Councillor Chow Councillor Deal - 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

# 15. 2007 Civic Child Care Grant Report - Allocation 3 of 3 November 26, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)

- A. THAT Council approve a Research, Policy Development and Innovation Grant of \$15,000 to Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre as described in the Administrative Report *2007 Civic Child Care Grant Report Allocation 3 of 3*, dated November 26, 2007. Source of funds: 2007 grants budget, 2007 operating budget.
- B. THAT Council approve a Program Development Grant of \$5,000 to Kitsilano Neighbourhood House as described in the Administrative Report 2007 Civic Child Care Grant Report Allocation 3 of 3, dated November 26, 2007. Source of funds: 2007 grants budget, 2007 operating budget.
- C. THAT Council approve a Program Stabilization Grant of \$5,000 to Kitsilano Neighbourhood House as described in the Administrative Report *2007 Civic Child Care Grant Report Allocation 3 of 3*, dated November 26, 2007. Source of funds: 2007 grants budget, 2007 operating budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

16. Adjustments to 2007/08 Theatres Rental (Operating and Project) Files November 5, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)

THAT Council approve the conversion of four (4) previously approved 2007 Theatre Rental Grants in the amount of \$32,485 to one-time cash grants as outlined in the Administrative Report *Adjustments to 2007/08 Theatre Rental (Operating and Project) Grants*, dated November 5, 2007. Source of Funds is the 2007 Theatre Rental Grants, a program within the Cultural Grants budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

- 17. Arterial Street Bicycle Lanes
  November 1, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 13-5000-20)
  - A. THAT Council receive for information the plan for installation of bicycle lanes and shared-use lanes on arterial streets as described herein, to be funded from the previously approved 2007 Streets Basic Capital Budget for the Bicycle Network (CC2EA2EX1), in the amount of \$150,000.
  - B. THAT, commencing in 2009, the Operating Budget be increased by \$19,000, without offset, subject to Budget Review, for maintenance of signage and paint markings.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- Heritage Façade Rehabilitation Program Façade Grant for 158-160 East Pender Street - Chin Wing Chun Society November 21, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 11-2800-10)
  - A. THAT Council approve a façade grant of up to \$50,000 to the Chin Wing Chun Society for the rehabilitation of the principal façade at 158-160 East Pender Street in association with the Development Application Number DE410769. The source of funding is the 2006 Capital Budget for the Heritage Façade Rehabilitation Program.
  - B. AND THAT the Owner shall grant to the City a covenant that is prepared, registered and given priority to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services in consultation with the Director of Planning to evidence the terms of this relationship.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

- 19. Replace Leases with City-Owned Units Streets Operations Branch November 28, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 03-2400-10)
  - A. THAT Council approve the allocation of \$721,100 from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account to add 18 City owned units to the Streets Operations Branch fleet to replace 20 existing leased units.
  - B. THAT the capital and operating costs be repaid to the Truck and Equipment Plant Account through annual charges of \$222,300 with funding to be provided from the existing Streets Operations Operating Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

Olympic Legacy Reserve Fund
 November 27, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 08-8000-20)

MOVED by Councillor Anton

A. THAT Council approve the programs and budgets as outlined in the Administrative Report *Olympic Legacy Reserve Fund*, dated November 27, 2007, for the Olympic Legacy Reserve Fund in the amount of \$20,000,000 with funding approvals for specific projects to be reported to Council.

- B. THAT Council approve the following funding sources for the Olympic Legacy Reserve:
  - i) \$16.0 million 2007 (\$5.2 million) and 2008 through 2010 (\$3.6 million annually) Operating Budgets from extension of a lease on City property
  - ii) \$4.0 million Vancouver Landfill revenues from SEFC Soil Disposal \$20.0 million

# Carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the motion be amended by adding the following as C:

C. THAT staff report back in 6 months with a far more detailed analysis and budget, including a housing legacy.

# LOST

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

The amendment having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED with Councillors Chow, Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed.

# **POLICY REPORTS**

- CD-1 Rezoning 999 Seymour Street
   November 27, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 11-36000-10)
  - A. THAT the application by Acton Ostry Architects to rezone 999 Seymour Street (PID: 026-186-187; Parcel B, Block 73, DL 541, Group 1, NWD Plan BCP15761) from DD (Downtown District) to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development District) be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
    - (i) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report *CD-1 Rezoning 999 Seymour Street*, dated November 27, 2007;
    - (ii) revised plans prepared by Acton Ostry Architects, received November 26, 2007, presented in Appendix F of the Policy Report; and
    - (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve the application, subject to approval of conditions contained in Appendix B of the Policy Report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law for consideration at the Public Hearing;

B. THAT, if the application is referred to a public hearing, the application to amend the Sign By-law, to establish regulations for this CD-1 in accordance with Schedule E [assigned Schedule "B" (DD)], be referred to the same Public Hearing; and

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report *CD-1 Rezoning - 999 Seymour Street*, dated November 27, 2007, for consideration at the Public Hearing;

C. THAT, subject to approval of the rezoning at a Public Hearing, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this Comprehensive Development District in Schedule B as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report *CD-1 Rezoning - 999 Seymour Street*, dated November 27, 2007,;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law;

- D. THAT, should the application be referred to a Public Hearing, the registered property owner shall submit confirmation, in the form of "Letter A", that an agreement has been reached with the registered owner of a suitable donor site for the purchase of heritage bonus density as described in the Policy Report CD-1 Rezoning 999 Seymour Street, dated November 27, 2007; and
- E. THAT A to C above be adopted on the following conditions:
  - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the public hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

# 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 Ladner SECONDED by Councillor Anton

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **BY-LAWS**

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Anton

THAT Council, except for those members excused as noted in the agenda, enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 21 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 1. A By-law to amend Solid Waste By-law No. 8417 regarding recyclable material amendments and 2008 fee increases (By-law No. 9558)
- 2. A By-law to amend Water Works By-law No. 4848 regarding 2008 fee increases (By-law No. 9559)
- 3. A By-law to amend Sewer and Watercourse By-law No. 8093 regarding 2008 fee increases (By-law No. 9560)
- 4. A By-law to amend Building By-law No. 9419 to increase fees (By-law No. 9561)
- 5. A By-law to amend Electrical By-law No. 5563 to increase fees (By-law No. 9562)
- 6. A By-law to amend Gas Fitting By-law No. 3507 to increase fees (By-law No. 9563)
- 7. A By-law to amend Miscellaneous Fees By-law No. 5664 regarding fee increases (By-law No. 9564)
- 8. A By-law to amend Private Property Tree By-law No. 7347 to increase fees (By-law No. 9565)
- 9. A By-law to amend Secondary Suite Inspection Fee By-law No. 6553 to increase fees (By-law No. 9566)
- 10. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 to increase fees (By-law No. 9567)
- 11. A By-law to amend Subdivision By-law No. 5208 to increase fees (By-law No. 9568)

- 12. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 to expand the boundaries of the payment-in-lieu map (By-law No. 9569)
- 13. A By-law to amend 2007 Taxation Exemption By-law No. 9392 regarding the Baptist Foundation of B.C. (By-law No. 9570)
- 14. A By-law to exempt from taxation certain lands and improvements pursuant to section 396 of the Vancouver Charter (By-law No. 9571)
- 15. A By-law to amend Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066 regarding 2008 taxicab fee increases (By-law No. 9572)
- 16. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (re 388 West 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue) (By-law No. 9573)
   (Councillor Deal ineligible to vote on By-law No. 16)
- 17. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (re 388 West 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue) (By-law No. 9574) (Councillor Deal ineligible to vote on By-law No. 17)
- 18. A By-law to amend CD-1 By-law No. 9195 (re 1133 West Georgia Street) (By-law No. 9575)
- 19. A By-law to authorize the borrowing of certain sums of money from January 8, 2008 to January 7, 2009, pending the collection of real property taxes (By-law No. 9576)
- 20. A By-law to authorize Council entering into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement with the Owner of Heritage Property (re 1529 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue) (By-law No. 9577) (Councillor Chow ineligible to vote on By-law No. 20)
- 21. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (re 1529 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue) (By-law No. 9578) (Councillor Chow ineligible to vote on By-law No. 21)

#### **MOTIONS**

- A. Administrative Motions
- 1. Form of Development 1133 West Georgia Street (VanRIMS No. 11-3600-10)

MOVED by Councillor Lee SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 1133 West Georgia Street be approved generally as illustrated in Development Application No. 410715 prepared by Musson Cattell Mackey Partnership Architects, and stamped "Received, City of Vancouver Planning Department, June 22, 2007" provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character and livability of this site or adjacent properties.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Form of Development - 388 West 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue (VanRIMS No. 11-3600-10)

MOVED by Councillor Lee SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 388 West 1st Avenue be approved generally as illustrated in Development Application No. 411210 prepared by Burrowes Huggins Architects, and stamped "Received, City of Vancouver Planning Department, July 12, 2007", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character and livability of this site or adjacent properties.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- B. Motions on Notice
- 1. Presentations on Municipal Governance (VanRIMS No. 01-5000-12)

MOVED by Councillor Lee SECONDED by Councillor Ball

# WHEREAS:

- The development of citizen awareness of their history, governing structure and current planning is a key element in the development of a sense of belonging and identity with the City; and
- Vancouver has a rich tradition as an inclusive city that involves citizens' participation in civic issues and municipal development; and
- City Hall should play a significant and active role in civic education programs for students as well as newcomers, so that a healthy and trustful relationship between citizens and civic government be developed; and

• Every citizen of Vancouver will be a host to the world in the 2010 Olympics and the celebration of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Vancouver in 2011;

#### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. Council direct staff to determine the feasibility of developing a new program for citizens and school delegations to access City Hall through guided tours and presentations on municipal governance highlighting historical milestones and report back to Council with budget and source of funding for consideration in the 2008 operational budget;
- 2. To reduce or eliminate costs to the City, Council direct staff to consider ways to encourage the development of such a program in partnership with other agencies, such as the Vancouver School Board, colleges or universities, Continuing Education programs, 2010 LegaciesNow, etc.;
- 3. Council direct staff to coordinate with former city staff that are in retirement to volunteer as ambassadors for this program.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### NOTICE OF MOTION

1. Animal Services in the City of Vancouver (VanRIMS No. 11-4600-21)

Councillor Capri submitted the following Notice of Motion for the Regular Council meeting on January 15, 2008, which was recognized by the Chair.

WHEREAS responsible pet ownership contributes to neighbourhoods and communities that are safer, more enjoyable and more liveable for everyone;

WHEREAS licensing of pets in other cities has proven to be financially beneficial and well-supported, as it helps the pets, their owners and the city;

WHEREAS other cities have demonstrated that licensing compliance of over 90% is achievable;

WHEREAS the Vancouver animal services facility is inadequate for the current needs of the city;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff are requested to work in cooperation with the School Board and Park Board to:

- 1) Develop and pursue a self-sustaining funding model for dog licensing, urban animal education, by-law enforcement and related programs;
- 2) Bring forward a request to the 2009-2011 capital plan for a new animal services facility; and
- 3) Consider community partnerships which may assist in the City's delivery of animal services.

# Notice

# 2. Little Mountain Housing Site (VanRIMS No. 11-2400-10)

Councillor Louie submitted the following Notice of Motion for a Regular Council meeting on December 13, 2007 which was recognized by the Chair.

WHEREAS the Little Mountain Housing site is in a process of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS the site contains an existing 224 units of Social Housing and approximately 197 units are currently occupied; and

WHEREAS on November 26, 2007 a meeting was held with interested citizens on the redevelopment of the site; and

WHEREAS the major concern expressed at the meeting was the opportunity of residents to remain living in the local community during redevelopment; and

WHEREAS the current enhanced rent subsidy program is limited and is not sufficiently efficient to react to local rental opportunities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council send a letter to the Provincial Government, encouraging them to:

- 1. Make available an enhanced market rental subsidy to all current residents (including seniors and people with disabilities) of the Little Mountain Housing site, not just persons with school aged children.
- 2. Fully define what "reasonable" market rent is.
- 3. Create a rental pre-approval process in order to facilitate renting in the local area.

# **Notice**

Note: The Motion will be considered at the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on December 13, 2007.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Poet Laureate Map of Canada (VanRIMS No. 01-5200-50)

MOVED by Councillor Ball SECONDED by Councillor Lee

#### WHEREAS:

- the City of Vancouver's goal is to promote Vancouver as a premiere destination for arts and culture:
- the City of Vancouver supports arts and culture organizations and through those organizations the artists of Vancouver;
- the City of Vancouver appointed the city's first Poet Laureate, George McWhirter, on October 17, 2006;
- the City of Owen Sound, Ontario, a Cultural Capital of Canada is in celebration of their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary;
- Vancouver has been invited to participate in Owen Sound's "Poet Laureate Map
  of Canada" in which participating Poet Laureates and their host municipalities
  are identified on the web-based "Poet Laureate map of Canada";
- the participating Poet Laureates will submit a poem to the Owen Sound Poet Laureate and all the poems will be made available to all participating municipalities and their Poet Laureates, and will be linked to the "Poet Laureate Map of Canada";

# THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

• The City of Vancouver through our Poet Laureate will participate in the Poet Laureate Map of Canada as coordinated by Owen Sound's Poet Laureate and hosted by the Owen Sound and North Grey Union Public Library.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# **ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS**

1. City of Vancouver Volunteer Recognition (VanRIMS No. 08-3000-01)

Councillor Capri enquired on the status of the City's volunteer recognition. The City Clerk advised the volunteer recognition reception is scheduled for January 2008.

2. Council Members' Attendance at GVRD Meetings (VanRIMS No. 08-3900-01)

Councillor Louie advised of Council members' attendance at GVRD meetings over the past year.

3. Mayor's Attendance at National Drug Policy Conference (VanRIMS No. 08-9000-01)

Councillor Chow noted the Mayor recently attended the National Drug Policy Conference in New Orleans and requested Councillors be provided copies of any factual material the Mayor received at the Conference.

The Mayor agreed to provide the information.

The Council adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

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