

REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Planning and Environment was held on Thursday, February 28, 2008, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Kim Capri, Chair

Councillor Suzanne Anton, Vice-Chair

Councillor Elizabeth Ball Councillor David Cadman Councillor George Chow * Councillor Heather Deal Councillor Peter Ladner * Councillor B.C. Lee *

Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Tim Stevenson *

Mayor Sam Sullivan *

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: James Ridge, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Pat Boomhower, Meeting Coordinator

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting of February 14, 2008, were adopted.

VARY THE AGENDA

The Committee agreed to vary the agenda in order to deal with Item 3 first.

 1062 Granville Street - Jasper Morgan Non-Alcohol Cabaret (Dance Hall) February 11, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 11-4600-22)

The Chair advised of correspondence received from the applicant regarding Item 3 (distributed - on file in City Clerk's Office)

^{*} Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Cadman THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Administrative Report 1062 Granville Street - Jasper Morgan, Non-Alcohol Cabaret (Dance Hall), dated February 11, 2008, be postponed to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment on March 13, 2008, in order to allow an opportunity to hear from the applicant.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Chow, Ladner, Stevenson and the Mayor absent for the vote)

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Anton
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT agenda item 4 be adopted on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Chow, Ladner, Stevenson and the Mayor absent for the vote)

1. Annual Report for the year 2007

December 17, 2007 (VanRIMS No. 08-3000-11)

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Diversity Issues provided an overview of the report.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Advisory Committee on Diversity Issues report, dated December 17, 2007, entitled "Annual Report for the year 2007" be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Chow and Ladner and the Mayor absent for the vote)

2. 860 East 35th Avenue - Warning to Prospective Purchasers February 12, 2008 (VanRIMS NO. 11-3000-12)

This Item was WITHDRAWN by staff.

888 Burrard Street Unit 103 0679372 BC Ltd Liquor Primary Liquor License for Outdoor Patio Seating February 12, 2008 (VanRIMS NO. 11-4600-23)

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council endorse the application by 0679372 BC Ltd for a Liquor Primary patio (on City property) at the Khamoro Kafe, 888 Burrard Street-Unit 103 subject to:

- i. A maximum capacity of 15 persons;
- ii. The signing of a Good Neighbour Agreement with the City;
- iii. The patio ceasing all liquor service and vacated by 11:00 p.m.;
- iv. No music permitted on the patio;
- v. A license agreement with an initial one-year term; and
- vi. Food service while the patio is open.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

5. Motion to Establish a Mental Health Advocate in the City of Vancouver

At its meeting on February 26, 2008, Vancouver City Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment on Thursday, February 28, 2008, in order to hear from a delegation who requested to speak on the matter.

The Chair advised there was no delegation present.

MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS there is a lack of community and consumer input around mental health services in the City of Vancouver;

WHEREAS there is an increasing number of homeless individuals with multiple service needs, and a gap in services for these individuals, in the City of Vancouver and the Lower Mainland;

WHEREAS Project Civil City, the city's primary program to deal with homelessness and addictions, operates in a framework focusing on public disorder and not on the root causes of these problems;

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver is at the forefront of pushing for new, progressive solutions to homelessness and drug addiction, yet has been reluctant to assertively engage in issues of mental health;

WHEREAS a recent report produced by the Vancouver Police Department stated that 31% of police incidents involved at least one mentally ill person;

WHEREAS there is an absence of information sharing among mental health resources within the City of Vancouver and the Lower Mainland;

WHEREAS there are estimates that up to 60-70% of the mentally ill treated at St. Paul's Hospital have multiple addictions;

AND WHEREAS there is a severe lack of public accountability with the delivery of mental health services in Vancouver;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The City of Vancouver establish a Mental Health Advocate, with the job of:

- reviewing quality of care issues around mental health services;
- ensuring public consultation and education on new facilities and programs dealing with mental health;
- coordinating the delivery of mental health services with other local, regional, provincial and advocacy organizations;
- developing an information base to inform policy development and planning in the area of mental health;
- advocating within the city and at senior levels of government for people dealing with all aspects of mental illness;
- reporting to council twice a year on the status of mental health services in the city, with a focus on service deficiencies and providing solutions and recommended courses of action.

not put

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Stevenson THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT decision on the motion regarding the establishment of a mental health advocate for the City be postponed to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment on March 13, 2008, in order to permit feedback from the community.

CARRIED

(Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri and Ladner opposed) (Councillor Lee and the Mayor absent for the vote)

NOTE FROM CLERK: Postponement and the main motion were subsequently not approved at the Regular Council meeting immediately following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment held later that day.

The Committee adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

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CITY OF VANCOUVER

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, February 28, 2008, at 2:48 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment 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 George Chow Councillor Heather Deal Councillor Peter Ladner Councillor B.C. Lee Councillor Raymond Louie Councillor Tim Stevenson

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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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Planning and Environment February 28, 2008

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

- 1. Annual Report for the year 2007
- 2. 860 East 35th Avenue Warning to Prospective Purchasers
- 3. 1062 Granville Street Jasper Morgan Non-Alcohol Cabaret (Dance Hall)
- 4. 888 Burrard Street Unit 103 0679372 BC Ltd
 - Liquor Primary Liquor License for Outdoor Patio Seating
- 5. Motion to Establish a Mental Health Advocate in the City of Vancouver

Council requested the vote on Item 5 be separated.

Items 1 - 4

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment at its meeting of February 28, 2008 as contained in items 1 - 4, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 5

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment's recommendation for Item 5, as set out below be approved:

THAT decision on the motion regarding the establishment of a mental health advocate for the City be postponed to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment on March 13, 2008, in order to permit feedback from the community.

LOST

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

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

THAT the previous question be called, being the pending motions:

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- reporting to Council twice a year on the status of mental health services in the city, with a focus on service deficiencies and providing solutions and recommended courses of action.

AND THAT Council refer consideration of the motion in order to hear the request to speak on the matter.

LOST NOT HAVING RECEIVED THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed)

Following further debate, the motion to refer consideration was put and LOST with Councillors Anton, Ball, Capri, Ladner and Lee and the Mayor opposed.

The referral having LOST, the original motion as set out below, was put:

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Chow

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LOST

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

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The report of the Committee of the Whole was adopted by general consent.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Funding for Municipal Police Forces' Beat Officers

MOVED by Councillor Capri SECONDED by Councillor Lee

WHEREAS the Federal Government has committed to putting more police on the beat of municipalities across Canada;

AND WHEREAS \$53 Million over 5 years has been allocated to British Columbia for more police on the beat;

AND WHEREAS the Vancouver Police have requested 48 beat officers this year;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver go on record that the new funding provided in the 2008 Federal budget go to beat officers in municipal police forces;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this position be shared with the both the Federal and Provincial Solicitor Generals, municipalities and police departments throughout the province.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENQUIRIES & OTHER MATTERS

1. Update Requested on Pendrell Street

Councillor Capri requested a memorandum from staff as an update on a Pendrell Street redevelopment with respect to conversion of market rentals and the current replacement moratorium.

The Deputy City Manager advised the memorandum is being prepared and will be distributed to Council shortly.

The Council adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

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