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MOTION ON NOTICE

1. No-Smoking Signs

MOVER: Councillor David Cadman

SECONDER: Councillor

WHEREAS:

1. Smoking remains the number one cause of premature deaths in British Columbia accounting for over 5,000 deaths a year and hospitalizations annually;
2. In 2007, the Provincial Legislature unanimously passed a number of regulatory changes prohibiting smoking in all indoor public places, workplaces and at entryways;
3. Provincial legislation takes effect on March 31, 2008 designating all fully or substantially enclosed public places and workplaces, entryways, common areas of buildings and dormitories, including: hallways, foyers, stairways, elevators, laundry rooms, amenity areas and wash rooms, transit shelters, and school grounds as smoke free areas;
4. The prescribed distance of 6 meters from entryways including a doorway, window or air intake, is applicable within the City of Vancouver;
5. Vancouver Health By-Law 9535 states that "A responsible person must display, or ensure the display of, a sign at all times:
 - (a) at each entrance to a building or customer service area or to premises, or in a vehicle for hire, where section 2.2 prohibits smoking, stating:
THIS IS A SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT - NO SMOKING; and
 - (b) on each exterior wall of a building, where section 2.2 prohibits smoking, stating:
SMOKING IS PROHIBITED WITHIN SIX METRES OF OPENINGS INTO THIS BUILDING INCLUDING DOORS AND WINDOWS THAT OPEN AND ANY AIR INTAKE. "
6. A variety of sign templates are available from Vancouver Coastal Health.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The City of Vancouver partner with Vancouver Coastal Health to produce and place appropriate signage in all civic buildings and facilities including libraries, community and recreation centres, swimming pools, ice rinks, theatres, galleries, museums and fire halls, to inform the public and ensure compliance with provincial regulations and the Vancouver Health By-law.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT

The City of Vancouver ask TransLink to place appropriate signage on all transit shelters within the City of Vancouver.

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