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CITY OF VANCOUVER

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 1, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, April 1, 2008, 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 Raymond Louie Councillor Tim Stevenson

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

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

PRAYER

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

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

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;
- (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

ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2008

Council approved appointments to the following Advisory Bodies:

- Vancouver Heritage Foundation Board
- Vancouver Economic Development Commission
- Vancouver City Planning Commission

Names of those appointed can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council (Transportation and Traffic) - March 11, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Lee SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Council - March 11, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Special Council (Public Hearing) - March 11, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Anton SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - March 13, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Ladner SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

5. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - March 13, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Capri SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

6. Special Council (Public Hearing) - February 14 and 19, March 10 and 27, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Anton

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Ball SECONDED by Councillor Lee

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1, A2, A4, A5, A7, A8, A10, and A11, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. 2008 Interim Budget Estimates Update and Public Consultation Results (VanRIMS No. 05-1000-30)

Estelle Lo, General Manager of Corporate Services, and Annette Klein, Director of Budget Services, provided an update on the public consultation process and interim budget estimates for the 2008 Operating Budget, and sought final direction from Council on the 2008 Operating budget estimates, including new funding requests.

Jami Koehl, representing the Mustel Group, and Judy Kirk, representing Kirk & Co., presented the results of this year's public consultation process.

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

THAT Council approve the following motions on the 2008 Operating Budget - Interim Estimates in principle, refer them to the Special Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on April 9, 2008 to hear from delegations, and refer confirmation of the Interim Budget decision to the April 15 Council meeting:

- A. THAT Council approve the 2008 Operating Budget Interim Estimates as outlined in the Administrative Report 2008 Interim Budget Estimates Update and Public Consultation Results, dated March 18, 2008, and detailed in Appendix 1 of the Administrative Report, and instruct the Director of Finance to bring the budget into balance with a 2.42% general purposes tax increase before the application of the 2007 Work Stoppage savings, reflecting an increase of:
 - 2.14% related to growth in City costs;
 - 0.28% cost of outside agencies.

FURTHER THAT Council approve the revenue increases totaling approximately \$90,000, as outlined in Appendix 3 of the Administrative Report *2008 Interim Budget Estimates Update and Public Consultation Results*, dated March 18, 2008, effective May 2008, and instruct the Director of Legal Services to amend the Impounding By-Law No. 3519 to reflect the increase in storage fee from \$5 to \$8 for the first day, or a portion thereof, that the vehicle remains impounded.

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve the Park Board Global Budget of \$59,339,100 which includes approximately \$444,600 of added Basic and one-time adjustments in the Park Board estimates.

- B. THAT Council approve the following non-police funding requests, increasing property taxes by 0.56%:
 - 1. THAT Council approve the regularization of an existing Temporary Full Time Human Resource Consultant III position within the Attraction, Retention, Recognition, and Succession Planning Strategic Initiative Program at an annual cost of \$100,000, including benefits, offset by existing program funding with no net budget impact.
 - 2. THAT Council approve the regularization of an existing Temporary Full Time Human Resource Consultant II position within Human Resource Services' Occupational Health & Safety Division at an annual cost of \$80,000, including benefits, offset by existing program funding with no net budget impact.
 - 3. THAT Council approve the establishment of two Regular Full Time Legal Assistant positions within Legal Services at an annual cost of \$92,000, including benefits, offset by contribution from the Property Endowment Fund with no net budget impact.
 - 4. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report Office of the Chief Building Official Resource Proposal Green Building Engineer Position dated November 16, 2007, at an adjusted cost of \$67,000 offset by a reduction in the Structural Review Program budget with no net budget impact in 2008 and \$20,000 increase to the 2009 Operating Budget without offset:
 - THAT Council approve the establishment of one regular full time Engineer position in the Office of the Chief Building Official at an estimated cost of \$67,000 for 2008 and \$99,000 for 2009 and beyond (including benefits), partially offset by an ongoing \$75,000 reduction from the Structural Review program.
 - 5. THAT Council approve the regularization of an existing Temporary Full Time Information Technology Security Analyst position within Corporate Services at an annual cost of \$91,000, with benefits, offset by a reduction in the existing Temporary Help budget with no net budget impact.
 - 6. THAT Council approve the regularization of an existing Temporary Full Time Asset Coordinator/Buyer position within Corporate Services' Information Technology Division at an annual cost of \$68,000, including benefits, offset by maintenance savings with no net budget impact.

- 7. THAT Council approve the regularization of two existing Temporary Full Time Civil Engineer I positions with Engineering Services' Equipment Services Branch at a cost of \$181,000, including benefits, offset by a reduction in existing Temporary Help Budget of \$81,000 and anticipated maintenance savings of \$100,000 with no net budget impact.
- 8. THAT Council approve the regularization of an existing Temporary Full Time Landscape Designer position within Engineering Services at an annual cost of \$68,200, including benefits, offset by a reduction in the existing Temporary Help budget of \$30,900 and contribution from Capital of \$37,300 with no net budget impact.
- 9. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Carnegie Centre Cashier Positions and Outreach Program* dated November 14, 2007, at a cost of \$277,600 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.05%:
 - THAT Council approve the extension of the Carnegie Centre Outreach Program for three years to December 2010 at an estimated annual cost of \$277,600 in 2008, \$285,300 in 2009, and \$294,500 in 2010 (includes wage settlement and inflation); AND FURTHER THAT the Carnegie Centre be instructed to report back in 2010.
- 10. THAT Council approve one-time funding of \$300,000 for Project Civil City to continue with the work program in 2008 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.06%.
- 11. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Human Resources Services Staffing Request* dated November 27, 2007, at an adjusted cost of \$208,100 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.04%:
 - THAT Council approve the establishment of four (4) Regular Full-Time exempt positions (a Human Resource Consultant III; a Human Resource Consultant II; an Administrative Assistant and a Web and Systems Security position) subject to review and classification by the General Manager of Human Resources, at an estimated cost of \$208,100 for 2008 and \$290,000 for 2009 and beyond (including benefits, at April 2006 rates) to be added to the Operating Budget without offset subject to budget review.
- 12. THAT Council approve the establishment of a Regular Full Time Assistant Director position within City Clerk's Department's Corporation Communications Division at an annual cost of \$111,000 (2008 pro-rated cost \$71,000), including benefits, as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.01%.

- 13. THAT Council approve the regularization of an existing Temporary Full Time Manager position within City Archives at an annual cost of \$101,000, including benefits, as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.02%.
- 14. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Planning Department Resource Proposals* dated November 21, 2007, at a cost of \$316,600 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.06%:
 - i) THAT Council approve improving the efficiency of the Central Area Division through:
 - converting 3 temporary full time Planner II positions and 1 temporary full time Planning Assistant III position to regular full time positions;
 - creating 1 new regular full time Planning Analyst position;
 - providing annual funding of program expenses (public consultation and consultant studies);

At a cost in 2008 of \$144,400, and in subsequent years of \$590,700, without offset.

- ii) THAT Council approve increasing the level of service in the Urban Design Studio by creating 1 new regular full time Planner II position at a cost in 2008 of \$64,600 and in subsequent years of \$88,900, without offset.
- iii) THAT Council approve a temporary staff team to undertake the Capacity Options Review through creating a temporary full time Planner II and a temporary full time Planning Analyst positions for 12 months, at a cost of \$107,600 in 2008 and \$48,000 in 2009, without offset.
- 15. THAT Council approve the establishment of a Regular Full Time Planning Assistant III position in Community Services Group's Planning Division to support the Financing Growth Program and Business Improvement Areas Program at an annual cost of \$58,000, (2008 pro-rated cost \$37,000), including benefits, as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.01%.
- 16. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Carnegie Centre Cashier Positions and Outreach Program* dated November 14, 2007, at an adjusted cost of \$75,000 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.02%:
 - THAT Council approve the establishment of three Regular Part Time Cashier positions (2.3 FTE) and Auxiliary hours (.17 FTE) at the Carnegie Centre, commencing May 1, 2008, at an estimated annual cost of \$109,300 (prorated for 2008 \$75,000).

- 17. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report Facilities Design and Management Reorganization dated November 14, 2007, at an adjusted cost of \$179,000 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.04%:
 - THAT Council approve the following staff additions and changes to the Facilities Design and Management Department Structure at an estimated cost of \$179,000 for 2008 and \$161,000 ongoing, including benefits, to meet current and forecasted work loads:
 - THAT two (2) regular/ full-time, exempt positions be created for a Manager, Facilities Planning and Manager, Capital Maintenance within the Facilities Development Division.
 - THAT one (1) CUPE 15 Administrative Assistant, position be deleted and a new, regular/full-time exempt position of Manager, Property Management and Administration be created.
 - THAT one (1) CUPE 15 Maintenance Technician III position be reclassified to a regular, full-time, CUPE 15 position of Construction Assistant (Facilities Planner).
 - THAT three (3) CUPE 15 temporary, full-time, Construction Assistant positions be created for a period of 23 months.
 - THAT two (2) temporary full-time, exempt Project Manager positions be converted to regular/full-time.
- 18. THAT Council approve the establishment of a 2-year Temporary Full Time Capital Asset Accountant position within Corporate Services' Financial Services Division to implement the Public Sector Accounting Board's Capital Asset Reporting Requirements at a cost of \$188,000 (2008 \$61,000, 2009 \$94,000, 2010 \$33,000), including benefits, as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.01%.
- 19. THAT Council approve conversion of an existing Claims Investigator position within Corporate Services' Risk Management Division from Regular Part Time to Regular Full Time at an incremental annual cost of \$38,300, including benefits, offset by contributions from the Liability Reserve (\$26,800) and Property Endowment Fund (\$7,700) with net funding of \$4,000 (2008 pro-rated cost \$2,000) as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0%.
- 20. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Emergency Management Priorities* dated November 14, 2007, at a adjusted cost of \$281,000 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.06%:

- THAT Council approve the creation of 2.5 regular full-time staff positions, as outlined in the Administrative Report *Emergency Management Priorities* dated November 14, 2007, at an estimated annual cost of \$281,000 (including benefits and incidental costs) to support the Emergency Management Program.
- 21. THAT Council approve one-time funding of \$200,000 for the Downtown Eastside Street Cleaning Initiative as per Council Motion on January 15, 2008 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.04%.
- 22. THAT Council approve on-going funding of \$125,000 for consultancy services for the Bridge Inspection Program offset by Street Leaf Removal Program internal efficiencies of \$50,000; net funding of \$75,000 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.01%.
- 23. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Vancouver Economic Development Commission:* 2008 Business Plan and Budget, dated November 21, 2007:
 - i) THAT Council approve the Vancouver Economic Development Commission (VEDC) one-time 2008 funding request of \$125,000, to be applied toward Phase 2 of the VEDC Economic Development Strategy as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.02%.
 - ii) THAT Council approve the request for \$828,000 in funding to maintain the existing service level; funding of \$828,000 has already provided for in the 2008 Interim Operating Budget.
 - iii) THAT Council approve an increase to the annual VEDC baseline funding for core services of \$295,000 without offset, prorated to \$196,700 in 2008 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.04%.
 - iv) THAT Council approve ongoing funding of \$295,000, prorated to \$196,700 in 2008, to fund selected recommendations in the October 2007 VEDC Report on the Business Climate in the City of Vancouver, to be released to the appropriate City department and/or to the VEDC, subject to report back to Council with the intended use and rationale, as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.04%.
- C. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Vancouver Police Department Operational Review*, dated December 5, 2007, at an adjusted cost of \$3,348,000 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.66%:

- THAT Council approve an increase to the Vancouver Police
 Department(VPD) authorized strength by 48 sworn officers 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 \$4.9 million (2010) including
 salaries, benefits and one-time and ongoing outfitting and equipment
 costs; with costs to be added to the budget beginning 2008 (\$1.3
 million); 2009 (\$3.9 million) and 2010 (\$4.9 million); subject to annual
 budget review. Funding to be reduced by any federal government
 contribution that would finance the deployment needs in the
 Administrative Report Vancouver Police Department Operational Review
 dated December 5, 2007.
- THAT Council approve an additional increase to the Vancouver Police Department (VPD) authorized strength by 48 sworn officers and 22 civilian employees to implement the highest priority requirements arising from the Investigative and Administrative Deployment Study completed in 2008; with deployment to be achieved in stages over 2008 and 2009 at an ongoing annual cost of \$5.9 million including salaries, benefits and one-time and ongoing outfitting and equipment costs; with costs to be added to the budget beginning 2008 (\$2.1 million); 2009 (\$4.2 million) and 2010 (\$5.9 million); subject to annual budget review.
- THAT all vehicles identified after applying the Key Vehicle Ratios to the increased staffing complement approved as part of (i) and (ii) above 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.
- iv) 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, including an update on how new initiatives such as Project Civil City contributions, strategies around supporting people with mental illness, the returnable warrants program (ConAir), have also had an impact.
- v) 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.
- D. THAT Council approve the following as recommended in the Administrative Report *Granville Entertainment District*, dated October 30, 2007, at an adjusted cost of \$460,000 as an increase to the 2008 Operating Budget, increasing the 2008 property taxes by 0.09%:
 - i) THAT Council approve an increase in funding to the Vancouver Police Department for year round deployment of policing resources ("LIMA Squad") in the Granville Street Entertainment District with an on-going cost of \$225,000 starting in 2008. Source of funding to be an increase to the annual Operating Budget without offset.
 - ii) THAT Council approve a one-time increase in funding to the Vancouver Police Department for an enhanced summer LIMA squad and street closure in the Granville Street Entertainment District with a one time cost of \$235,000 in 2008. Source of funding to be an increase to the annual Operating Budget without offset.
 - iii) THAT Council direct the Vancouver Police Department report back in the fall of 2008 of the effectiveness of the deployment described above in (i) and (ii).
 - iv) THAT Council direct the Chief License Inspector to review the Food Primary and Liquor Primary business license fees for 2009, including industry consultation, and report back to Council on options to increase these fees to offset the Vancouver Police Department costs for enforcement as outlined in the Administrative Report *Granville Entertainment District*, dated October 30, 2007.

All positions in B to D above are subject to classification by the General Manager of Human Resource Services

CARRIED

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed to B.10)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. CD-1 REZONING/HRA/HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 3238 Granville Street and the Westerly Portion of 1402 McRae Avenue (VanRIMS No. 08-2000-51)

On February 14 and 19, and March 10 and 27, 2008, Council heard from speakers at the Public Hearing to consider the proposed Rezoning, Heritage Revitalization Agreement and Heritage Designation of the site at 3238 Granville Street and the westerly portion of 1402 McRae Avenue.

The Public Hearing on this application was concluded and Council agreed to refer the staff summation, discussion and decision on this matter to the next Regular Council meeting on April 1, 2008.

MOVED by Councillor Anton

- A. THAT the application by Formwerks Architectural, Inc., on behalf of Bell Holdings, to rezone:
 - a) 3238 Granville Street described as PID: 008-075-948, Lot 1, Block 50, DL 526, Plan 4502; and
 - b) portion of 1402 McRae Avenue described as PID: 011-533-200, Lot 2A, Block 50, DL 526, Plan 4502 and consisting of the westerly 1 519 m² (16,346 sq. ft.)

from FSD (First Shaughnessy District) to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development District) to permit a multiple dwelling use consisting of 16 townhouses having a total floor area of 3 328 m² (35,828 sq. ft.), generally as presented in Appendix A to Policy Report *CD-1 Rezoning, Designation and Heritage Revitalization Agreement - 3238 Granville Street and the westerly portion of 1402 McRae Avenue* dated January 2, 2008, be approved, subject to the following conditions:

FORM OF DEVELOPMENT

- (a) That the proposed form of development be approved by Council in principle, generally as prepared by Formwerks Architectural Inc., and stamped "Received by the City Planning Department", April 16, 2007, provided that the Director of Planning may allow minor alterations to this form of development when approving the detailed scheme of development as outlined in (b) below.
- (b) That, prior to approval by Council of the form of development, the applicant shall obtain approval of a development application by the Director of Planning or Development Permit Board, who shall have particular regard to, among other things, the following:

Design Development:

- 1.1 design development to achieve the FSD ODP and First Shaughnessy Guidelines, with the exception of those provisions specifically varied in the CD-1 By-law.
 - Note to Applicant: Greater variety and distinction of facades for units in Block A should be achieved.
- 1.2 specify materials and finishes consistent with exemplary pre-1940 developments and the design guidelines;
 - Note to Applicant: Avoid economy measures such as chain link fencing or asphalt paving.
- 1.3 horizontal separation between the main floor walls of the Nichol House and any new building to be no less than 62 feet;

1.4 provision of an east property line for the CD-1 site located at least 10.7 m (35.1 ft.) from the Nichol House;

Note to Applicant: Porch columns may not intrude into a required yard.

1.5 establish a greater degree of visual privacy between the proposed swimming pool and Block B through added planting and other forms of screening;

Note to Applicant: Consider incorporating terraced planter walls along the southeast property line to soften the sharp grade change between the neighbouring property (McRae House) and the rear yard patios of Block B.

Landscape:

1.6 optimize the quantity of soft landscaping provided on off-slab areas;

Note to Applicant: Consider reducing the size of the water feature proposed for the common park space located between the two sets of buildings.

- 1.7 design development to retain trees wherever possible;
- 1.8 provision of a detailed report by an ISA Certified Arborist outlining the arboricultural method required for the preservation of selected retained trees (the Magnolia and Sycamore Maple as noted in the tree assessment written by David Walsh, ISA Certified Arborist, dated July 19, 2007) on the development site and close to excavation for new building construction;

Note to Applicant: The report should include the following information:

- a) site conditions and health of the trees, tree retention recommendations, tree root zone protection setbacks, special pruning and remediation techniques; and
- b) risks to tree health with proposed construction;
- 1.9 provision of a survey to confirm the location of all trees to be removed;
- 1.10 improvements to the public realm in the form of new street trees to follow the curve from McRae Avenue west to Granville Street and more substantial greening of the corner bulge at West 16th Avenue to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services;
- 1.11 provision of large scale details at ¼"=1'-0" scale of proposed landscape features including retaining walls, overheight fences/trellises/arbours, fences/gates, the pond;

1.12 provision of a full Landscape Plan including Plant List and automatic irrigation in common areas;

Engineering:

- 1.13 design development to the parking entrance to accommodate 2-way traffic flow;
- 1.14 provision of design elevations on both sides of the parking ramp measured 2 ft. off the wall on the inside radius of all curved sections of the parking ramp and throughout the parking area;
- 1.15 provision of maximum 15% slope through the inside radius on the curved portion of the parking ramp;
- 1.16 design development to the drive aisles and parking space slope to achieve the Parking by-law maximum of 5%;
- 1.17 provision of separate security gates for Block A and Block B parking areas;
- 1.18 provision of separation between resident and visitor parking;
- 1.19 provision of City building grades for the site;
- 1.20 provision of 5 Class B bicycle spaces;

Sustainability:

1.21 provision of a LEED scorecard, and consideration to achieve a LEED Silver equivalent rating in the project's sustainability performance.

Agreements

- (c) That, prior to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, the registered owner shall, at no cost to the City:
 - 1.1 Provide to the Director of Legal Services a title charge summary in accordance with her specific instructions;

Engineering

- 1.2 Make arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services for the following:
 - subdivision registration to create the townhouse and heritage sites;

- b) dedication of the 10'-0" wide building line on Granville Street for road purposes;
- c) appropriate agreements to secure all encroaching features around the site (stone walls etc.) including those created by the dedication of the Granville Street building line;
- d) clarification of the disposition of the existing 5'-0" wide Telus right-of- way that passes through the site, including alternate arrangements that ensure ongoing service to those affected by the right-of-way. Please provide written confirmation from Telus that any arrangements have considered all lots impacted by the rightof-way and are consistent with good engineering practices;
- e) relocation of the existing sewer service for 1402 McRae Avenue should the subdivision of the site create a cross boundary servicing issue including separation of the existing/new service connection for 1402 McRae Avenue;
- f) provision of a stormwater storage system for the new development;
- g) undergrounding of all new utility services from the closest existing suitable service point. All services and in particular electrical transformers to accommodate a primary service must be located on private property. The development site is not to rely on secondary voltage from the existing overhead network. Any alterations to the existing underground/overhead utility network to accommodate the development will require review and approval by the Utilities Management Branch. Early contact with the Utilities Management Branch is encouraged;

Heritage

- 1.3 Make arrangements to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and the Director of Legal Services for the following:
 - enter into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA) for the FSD site that ensures rehabilitation, long term protection, maintenance and conservation of the heritage building and front grounds, and restricts floor area on that site to 1 015 m² (10,930 sq. ft.); and
 - b) enter into an agreement to be registered against the FSD site and the CD-1 site, to provide assurance that the conservation of the heritage house, garage and front grounds is completed prior to occupancy of the townhouses on the CD-1 site.

- B. THAT the Subdivision By-law be amended as set out in Appendix B to Policy Report *CD-1 Rezoning, Designation and Heritage Revitalization Agreement 3238 Granville Street and the westerly portion of 1402 McRae Avenue* dated January 2, 2008, be approved.
- C. THAT Council by by-law designate as municipally-protected heritage property the Vancouver Heritage Register "A" listed building and front grounds at 1402 McRae Avenue.
- D. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to enter into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement to secure the rehabilitation, protection and on-going maintenance of the exterior of the Vancouver Heritage Register "A" listed building and front grounds at 1402 McRae Avenue, and to limit density on the site to that indicated in Development Permit No. DE411348.
- E. THAT the following new design development condition be added:

Design development to consider achieving a significant breakdown of the massing for Block B;

Note to Applicant: This may be accomplished by separating the units into blocks of no more than three, reducing the number of storeys for some units, and angling the blocks away from the Nichol House. Changes should not reduce the amount of continuous central open space, must continue to respect privacy and views from adjacent properties, and may result in a shift of some density from Block B to other parts of the site.

- F. THAT A to E 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; and
 - 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.

CARRIED

(Councillors Capri, Chow and Deal opposed)

Note from Meeting Coordinator: Council approved the following additional condition under Sustainability during the New Business portion of the meeting:

1.21.1 provision of a Built Green BC scorecard, and consideration to achieve a gold level standard in the project's sustainability performance.

Note to Applicant: Were City standards with respect to water conservation and energy efficiency to be stricter at the time of Building Permit application, you would be required to meet that higher standard. For more information, please see 222.vancouver.ca\greenhomes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 1. Local Improvements by Initiative June 12, 2008 First and Second Step Report February 14, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 13-1200-20)
 - A. THAT the projects listed in Appendix I of the Administrative Report *Local Improvements by Initiative June 12, 2008 First and Second Step Report*, dated February 14, 2008, be advanced as Local Improvements by Initiative and brought before a Court of Revision on June 12, 2008.
 - B. THAT the reports of the City Engineer and Director of Finance be adopted together with details of the Second Step Report as summarized in Appendix II of the Administrative Report *Local Improvements by Initiative June 12, 2008 First and Second Step Report*, dated February 14, 2008, and Council declare it is desirable that the projects set out in Appendix I of the Administrative Report be undertaken and deem that each will specially benefit the real property abutting it. Source of funds for the total City share of \$160,559 is from the existing 2006 Engineering Basic Capital Account for New Sidewalks (CC1EA2AX1).
 - C. THAT sidewalk projects numbered 1-4-inclusive, as described in Appendix I of the Administrative Report *Local Improvements by Initiative June 12, 2008 First and Second Step Report*, dated February 14, 2008, be designated as "pedestrian collector routes" so that the abutting residential property owners' rates are reduced by the required 25%.
 - D. THAT should any of the sidewalk projects noted in C above be defeated, they proceed for Council's consideration on Special Grounds.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND B
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

- 2. Health By-law No. 9535 & Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066: Smoking Regulations February 25, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 11-4600-25)
 - A. THAT Council approve amendments to section 2.5 of the Health By-law to adopt new minimum size of signs in vehicles for hire as outlined in the Administrative Report *Health By-law No. 9535 & Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066: Smoking Regulations* dated February 25, 2008.
 - B. THAT Council, approve the revocation of section 23 (11) (e) of the Vehicles for Hire By-law as outlined in the Administrative Report *Health By-law No. 9535 & Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066: Smoking Regulations* dated February 25, 2008.
 - C. THAT Council, request the Director of Legal Services to prepare the necessary amendment to the Health By-law and Vehicles for Hire By-law generally in accordance with the Administrative Report *Health By-law No. 9535 & Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066: Smoking Regulations* dated February 25, 2008.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

3. Demolition of City-owned Building at 5370 Elgin Street; the establishment of the South 17 feet of the Lot for road purposes; and the sale of the residual portion of the lot

March 11, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 02-3000-10)

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

- A. THAT Council approve the demolition of the residential building at 5370 Elgin Street legally described as Parcel Identifier: 014-825-198 Amended Lot 18 (see 525575L), Block14, District Lots 668 to 670, Plan 1369 (the "Lot"); and the establishment of the South 17 feet of the Lot for road purposes. The cost of demolition estimated to be \$50,000 will be charged to Land Purchase Fund.
- B. THAT Council approve the sale of the residual portion of Amended Lot 18 following the road establishment with the proceeds to be credited first to repay the Land Purchase Fund and then to the Capital Facilities Reserve.

FURTHER THAT the sale of the residual portion of Amended Lot 18 be offered first to the Vancouver Park Board at fair market value.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

- 4. Fleet Additions Sewer Operations Branch March 11, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 03-2400-10)
 - A. THAT Council approve the following:
 - i. the allocation of \$318,000 from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account to add six equipment units to the Sewer Operations Branch fleet to replace five existing leased units;
 - ii. the allocation of \$74,500 from the existing Sewer Operations Branch Operating Budgets to pay for annual operating costs associated with the new units, including repayment of the Truck and Equipment Plant Account.
 - B. THAT Council authorize one currently unauthorized rodder truck at no cost to the Truck and Equipment Plant Account and operating costs of which to be funded from the existing Sewer Operations Branch Operating Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 5. Award of Contract for RFP #PS07128, Professional Services for the Implementation of the SAP E-Recruitment modules Version 6.0 ERP March 17, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 06-6200-10)
 - A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in B, C and D below, the General Manager of Human Resource Services, in concurrence with the General Manager of Corporate Services and the Director of Legal Services, be authorized to negotiate a contract with HCM Solutions Inc. for professional services up to a maximum contract value of \$249,900 plus applicable taxes; source of funds to be the approved capital budget for the implementation of E-Recruitment.
 - 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 Human Resource Services, the General Manager of Corporate Services and the Director of Legal Services.
 - D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by Council's adoption of A, B, and C above until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

6. 2008 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations March 18, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

- A. THAT Council approve 9 Neighbourhood Organization Grants totalling \$679,252, including any recommended Conditions on the grants, as listed in Appendix A-1 of the Administrative Report 2008 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations dated March 18, 2008. Source of funding is the 2008 Community Services Grants budget.
- B. THAT Council approve 6 Organizational Capacity Building Grants totalling \$178,224, including any recommended Conditions on the grants, as listed in Appendix A-2 of the Administrative Report *2008 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations* dated March 18, 2008. Source of funding is the 2008 Community Services Grants budget.
- C. THAT Council approve 87 Direct Social Services Grants totalling \$2,885,860, including any recommended Conditions on the grants, as listed in Appendix A-3 of the Administrative Report 2008 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations dated March 18, 2008. Source of funding is the 2008 Community Services Grants budget.
- D. THAT Council approve a terminating Direct Social Services Grant of \$17,500 to Vancouver Women's Health Collective, as listed in Appendix A-4 of the Administrative Report 2008 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations dated March 18, 2008. Source of funding is the 2008 Community Services Grants budget.
- E. THAT Council approve a terminating Direct Social Services grant of \$4,000 to Environmental Youth Alliance as listed in Appendix A-4 of the Administrative Report 2008 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations dated March 18, 2008. Source of funding is the 2008 Community Services Grants budget.
- F. THAT Council approve the establishment of a reserve of \$34,428 in the 2008 Community Services Grants budget for youth outreach services, pending on a report back on recommendations for a service provider.
- G. THAT Council approve the establishment of a \$30,000 reserve in the 2008 Community Services Grants budget for the Partners in Organizational Development program.
- H. THAT Council approve three Rent Subsidy grants totalling \$63,453 as listed in Appendix A-5 of the Administrative Report *2008 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations* dated March 18, 2008. Source of funding is the 2008 Social Planning Grants budget.

I. THAT staff provide a memorandum outlining accountability and evaluation requirements for all rent subsidy grants provided by the City of Vancouver.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Chow and Lee absent for the vote)

- 7. Sub-lease for Child Care Facility at 1188 West Pender Street March 18, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 02-3000-13)
 - A. THAT Council approve the Vancouver Society of Children's Centres (VSOCC) as the operator of the facility at 1188 W. Pender Street, and authorize the General Manager of Community Services and the Director of Real Estate Services to negotiate and enter into a sub-lease on the general terms and conditions as set out in Appendix A of the Administrative Report Sub-lease for Child Care Facility at 1188 West Pender Street dated March 18, 2008.
 - B. THAT Council approve an increase in the Facility Design and Management operating budget of \$10,000 annually (prorated to \$7,800 for 2008) to provide for the City's ongoing operating maintenance responsibilities; source of funding to be the \$1.1 million community amenity contribution provided by the developer to the Childcare Endowment Reserve.
 - C. THAT Council instruct staff to allocate one-time funding of up to \$200,000 to offset anticipated future capital maintenance and replacement in the amenity space; source of funding to be the \$1.1 million community amenity contribution provided by the developer to the Childcare Endowment Reserve.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND A BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

- 8. Award of Contract on Request for Proposal PS07132 The Supply and Deployment of Computer Equipment and Hardware Maintenance March 12, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 06-6200-10)
 - A. THAT Council (subject to the conditions set out in C, D, and E below) authorize a contract with Compugen Inc. for the supply and deployment of computer equipment for a term of four (4) years (with the ability to extend the term upon the agreement of both parties) at a total estimated cost of \$14.8 million plus GST. The source of the funding will be provided through the Information Technology Long Term Financing Plan and approved departmental Capital and Operating Budgets.
 - B. THAT Council (subject to the conditions set out in C, D, and E below) authorize a contract with Compugen Inc. for on-site computer hardware maintenance at an estimated cost of \$300,000 per year plus GST for a term of four (4) years

(with the ability to extend the term upon the agreement of both parties). The source of the funding will be the Corporate Services Corporate Infrastructure Maintenance Operating Budget.

- C. THAT all legal documentation is to be in a form which is satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services and General Manager of Corporate Services.
- D. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver the necessary legal agreements on behalf of the City.
- E. THAT no legal rights or obligations shall arise hereby and none shall arise or be granted hereafter unless and until all legal documentation has been executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. Report Back on the Transition of Services from Vancouver Coastal Health to Community Services and Related Resources Proposals
March 13, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 08-4400-01)

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council approve the transition of services from Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) to the Community Services Group (Licenses and Inspections Department) as follows:

- i) THAT Council approve the establishment of three full time Property Use Inspector positions in Community Services (Licenses and Inspections Department) at an estimated cost of \$129,649 for 2008 and \$229,382 for 2009 and beyond including benefits, subject to review and classification by the Director of Human Resources.
- ii) THAT Council approve the establishment of one full time Policy Analyst position in Community Services (Licenses and Inspections Department) at an estimated cost of \$46,571 for 2008 and \$82,630 for 2009 and beyond including benefits, subject to review and classification by the Director of Human Resources.
- iii) THAT Council approve the establishment of one full time clerical position in Community Services (Licenses and Inspections Department) at an estimated cost of \$29,645 for 2008 and \$52,599 for 2009 and beyond including benefits, subject to review and classification by the Director of Human Resources.
- iv) THAT Council approve a one-time start up cost of \$195,000.00 for leasehold improvements, work stations, computers and training for the new positions noted in i), ii) and iii).

v) That Council approve the cost of leasing office space for five staff at an estimated cost of \$29,200 for 2008 and \$51,500 for 2009 and beyond and a cost of \$10,000 annually for ongoing training.

The source of funding for the above is from the savings associated from the termination of the Environmental Health Services agreement resulting in an estimated annual savings of \$264,634 starting in 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Anton and Chow absent for the vote)

- 10. 801 West Georgia Street (Hotel Georgia) Replacement of the Heritage Revitalization Agreement February 26, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 11-2000-11)
 - A. THAT Council authorize the City to enter into a replacement Heritage Revitalization Agreement for the designated heritage building at 801 West Georgia Street (Hotel Georgia), containing registrable charges to secure the rehabilitation and long term protection of the building.
 - B. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment the by-law(s) to authorize the Heritage Revitalization Agreement.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

11. Legal Agreements for Air Space Parcel to be Acquired by the City at 788 Richards Street

March 25, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 06-6200-10)

- A. THAT, subject to B below, Council approve the entering into of legal agreements by the City related to reciprocal easements, indemnities and other legal obligations appropriate to be implemented in connection with the acquisition and operation of an air space parcel by the City at 788 Richards Street.
- 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, and that all such documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

12. Funding Allocations for the Olympic and Paralympic Community Celebrations Program

March 25, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 08-8000-20)

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

A. THAT Council approve the 2008 through 2010 program direction for the Olympic and Paralympic Community Celebrations Program entitled 'Host City Happenings' as outlined in the Administrative Report *Funding Allocations for the Olympic and Paralympic Community Celebrations Program*, dated March 25, 2008, and the funding allocations totalling \$1 million to the following programs:

i.	Host City Happenings Departmental Program	\$525,000
ii.	Host City Happenings Community Grant Program	\$300,000
iii.	Host City Happenings Program Design, Development,	
	Support and Promotion	\$175, 000

Source of fund to be the Olympic and Paralympic Legacy Reserve approved by Council on December 11, 2007.

- B. THAT Council approve the criteria for the Host City Happenings Departmental Program outlined in Appendix A of the Administrative Report *Funding Allocations for the Olympic and Paralympic Community Celebrations Program*, dated March 25, 2008, delegate the authority to the General Manager of Olympic and Paralympic Operations to approve specific projects and distribution of funds, and instruct staff to report on the progress on the annual basis.
- C. THAT Council approve the criteria for the Host City Happenings Community Grant Program as outlined in Appendix B of the Administrative Report Funding Allocations for the Olympic and Paralympic Community Celebrations Program, dated March 25, 2008. Individual grant applications will be reported back to Council for approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Anton SECONDED by Councillor Ladner

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

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 8 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 (re miscellaneous text amendments) (By-law No. 9616)

(Councillors Capri, Ladner, Louie and Stevenson ineligible to vote on By-law 1)

2. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (re miscellaneous text amendments) (By-law No. 9617)

(Councillors Capri, Ladner, Louie and Stevenson ineligible to vote on By-law 2)

3. A By-law to amend CD-1 By-law No. 9116 (re miscellaneous text amendments) (By-law No. 9618)

(Councillors Capri, Ladner, Louie and Stevenson ineligible to vote on By-law 3)

4. A By-law to amend CD-1 By-law No. 9588 (re miscellaneous text amendments) (By-law No. 9619)

(Councillors Capri, Ladner, Louie and Stevenson ineligible to vote on By-law 4)

- 5. A By-law to amend Vancouver Development Cost Levy By-law No. 8149 regarding community energy centres (By-law No. 9620)
- 6. A By-law to amend Area Specific Development Cost Levy By-law No. 9418 regarding community energy centres (By-law No. 9621)
- 7. A By-law to amend CD-1 By-law No. 9454 (re the Olympic Village) (By-law No. 9622) (Councillors Deal and Lee ineligible to vote on By-law 7)
- 8. A By-law to authorize Council entering into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement with the Owner of Heritage Property (re 801 West Georgia Street) (By-law No. 9623)

MOTIONS

- A. Administrative Motions
- 1. Form of Development: 5909 5989 Oak Street WITHDRAWN
- B. Motions on Notice
- 1. Request for Leave of Absence Councillor Stevenson

MOVED by Councillor Cadman SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Councillor Stevenson be granted Leave of Absence for personal reasons from the Special Council (EcoDensity) meeting to be held April 7, 2008.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Supporting Public Safety through ID Scanning Software (VanRIMS No. 01-5500-20)

The following Motion reflects an amendment to the Notice on Motion agreed to by Council.

MOVED by Councillor Capri SECONDED by Councillor Ladner

WHEREAS:

- Barwatch was created in response to growing safety issues facing the nightlife industry;
- Barwatch is mandated to assist its member establishments in meeting their legal obligations in providing a safe and secure environment for their staff and patrons;
- Membership in Barwatch is conditional and all members must adhere to strict guidelines and adopt security measures and procedures;
- In 2002, the Board of Directors of Barwatch created a privacy committee to investigate PIPA compliant and customer friendly solutions to the Liquor Control and Licensing Board suggestions that members "record each person's name and ID serial number...[and] use video surveillance to record an image of the person and his or her ID";
- The Barwatch privacy committee identified the current product they use as the only acceptable software;
- The software in use if the only product that does not extract all the information from a patron's identification - the software allows members to restrict access to the necessary personnel, does not record address, and information has high security protection and is stored in locked down stations;
- The Barwatch board and membership determined that use of this software was mandatory for membership in Barwatch;
- Use of the system is supported by Vancouver Police Department;
- Almost all of the Barwatch members have had a reduction in their liability insurance premiums due to safer environments facilitated by the use of this software;

- In 2004, the Office of the Information and Privacy Commission for BC, under the Personal Information and Privacy Act commenced investigation following a complaint arising from the security software; and
- A decision by the Privacy Commission which impacts the usefulness and effectiveness of the software product would stand directly in the face of attempts with law enforcement to improve the safety and security of staff and patrons.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

 Vancouver City Council be on record in support of the nightlife industry using client identification software as supported by Barwatch and the Vancouver Police Department.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Increase Protection for Renters (VanRIMS No. 01-5500-20)

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS funding cuts have made the Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB) and Dispute Resolution processes inaccessible to tenants;

WHEREAS there are renters who are signing voluntary rent increase letters above and beyond the legislated cap of 4% per year rent increases;

WHEREAS tenants are being evicted from their homes by landlords for cosmetic renovations to their suites;

WHEREAS some of the residents evicted from these buildings will be unable to find appropriate accommodation and will add to those already living on the street;

WHEREAS landlords are using loopholes in the Residential Tenancy Act to force renters from their homes in order to obtain massive rent increases far beyond the legislated 4% per year rent increases;

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has closed most Residential Tenancy Offices across BC, leaving just two offices to serve BC's one million tenants, and only one office to serve landlord/tenant disputes in the Lower Mainland;

WHEREAS a lack of rental housing exacerbates Vancouver's labour shortage, particularly in neighbourhoods like the West End;

WHEREAS between 2003 and 2005, despite the development of 99 new units, the city incurred a net loss of 415 housing units for low-income singles;

WHEREAS the City lost almost 400 units of low-income housing due to conversions, rent increases, and closures between June 2005 and June 2006;

WHEREAS in the last three months, the City has seen the closure of the Phoenix Apartments, the apartment building at 334 Carrol, the Dominion Hotel, Marie Gomez Place, and the Backpackers Inn;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government does not keep track of evictions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The City of Vancouver immediately request the Provincial Government to:
 - Re-establish a Residential Tenancy Office within the City of Vancouver to a core and transit accessible location;
 - Lengthen the period of time for notice of evictions from 60 to 90 days.
- 2. City staff report back on a recommendation to proceed on:
 - Amend Section 49 of the Residential Tenancy Act to allow for renters to have the right of first refusal with their original rent;
 - A publicly accessible database to monitor evictions throughout the city, as well as conversions to student housing, and buildings protected under the SRA regulations;
 - An anti-vacancy by-law, which would increase levels of taxation on vacant properties being held for the purposes of speculation;
 - A program for twice-yearly standards of maintenance inspections of all occupied rental housing listed in the City of Vancouver Single Room Accommodation By-law Schedule;
 - The consideration of past compliance with building standards and owner history when granting new development permits;
 - A DTES planning office, whose sole responsibility would be to inform local residents of planned developments, and facilitate meaningful community participation in neighbourhood development.

Amended

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the question be put on the motion.

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

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the following bullets in the second resolve be postponed for two weeks:

- A program for twice-yearly standards of maintenance inspections of all occupied rental housing listed in the City of Vancouver Single Room Accommodation By-law Schedule;
- The consideration of past compliance with building standards and owner history when granting new development permits;
- A DTES planning office, whose sole responsibility would be to inform local residents of planned developments, and facilitate meaningful community participation in neighbourhood development.

CARRIED

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Louie and Stevenson opposed)

The postponement having carried, the motion as amended, was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED

WHEREAS funding cuts have made the Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB) and Dispute Resolution processes inaccessible to tenants;

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AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government does not keep track of evictions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

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 - An anti-vacancy by-law, which would increase levels of taxation on vacant properties being held for the purposes of speculation.

NOTICE OF MOTION

1. Supporting Vancouver's Faith Communities (VanRIMS No. 11-1200-01)

The following Notice of Motion was submitted by Councillor Lee for the Regular Council meeting on May 13, 2008 and was recognized by the Chair:

WHEREAS

- 1. Vancouver's mission is "To create a great city of communities, which cares about its people, its environment, and the opportunities to live, work and prosper"; and
- 2. a sustainable city is achieved through community participation and the reconciliation of factors which affect short and long term economic, social, and environmental well-being; and
- 3. the three components of a socially sustainable community are that the basic needs of residents are met, that individual capacity is maintained and enhanced, and that community capacity is maintained and enhanced; and
- 4. faith communities of all persuasions provide a range of programs and activities which support social sustainability, including assistance with basic needs, such as meals and temporary shelter to marginalized members of the community, as well as activities which support individual and community capacity; and

5. faith communities have a longstanding, historical role in providing for the basic needs of marginalized members of the community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT staff be instructed to include in the administration of land use policies, acknowledgement that provision of services to marginalized people is a service customarily provided by faith communities, and as such, that these services, where provided in conjunction with an existing centre of a faith community's use, will not require special land use permits, other than those required to ensure adequate fire and life safety provisions.

Notice

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proclamation of Tartan Day (VanRIMS 01-5200-40)

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Louie

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver is known world-wide for its dedication to and support for multiculturism;

AND WHEREAS the City of Vancouver takes various measures, including issuing proclamations, to stimulate pride in the diversity, harmony and enjoyment of the many cultures which collectively comprise the population of the City;

AND WHEREAS Scots and the descendants of Scots have in the past and continue in the present to contribute to the building of a vibrant City of Vancouver;

AND WHEREAS the historical enactment of the Declaration of Arbroath on April 6th 1320 A.D., the Scottish Declaration of Independence, is recognized as one of the first significant steps on the long journey to Scottish democracy;

AND WHEREAS the United States, Australia, New Zealand, Ontario, Nova Scotia and countless municipal jurisdictions across both Canada and the United States have officially proclaimed April 6th as Tartan Day in recognition of the legacy that flows from the Declaration of Arbroath and in recognition of the contribution of Scots and their descendants to nation building;

AND WHEREAS there are examples of other communities in Vancouver wearing tartans including the Singh tartan, the Irish Pipe and Drums tartan and the Gung Haggis Fat Choy tartan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver proclaim the date of April 6th to be TARTAN DAY "until tomorrow and so on forever".

2. Opposition to Proposed Federal Immigration Changes (VanRIMS No. 01-5500-30)

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

WHEREAS two-thirds of Canada's population growth between 2001 and 2006 was fuelled by immigrant newcomers; and

AND WHEREAS By 2012, immigration is expected to account for all net labour force growth, and the Conference Board of Canada estimates a shortfall of 3 million skilled workers by the year 2020; and

AND WHEREAS Vancouver ranks as Canada's second most popular destination for new immigrants which brings a rich tapestry of language and culture that contributes to Vancouver's social and cultural dynamic; and

AND WHEREAS the mandate of the Mayor's Task Force on Immigration was to set the context for City of Vancouver and community partners to have a voice in the development of government policies and programs related to immigrants and refugees; and

AND WHEREAS the proposed amendments to the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act will give the Minister the power to pick and choose which immigrants; and

AND WHEREAS more than 900,000 prospective immigrants that are currently on the waiting list could be stripped of their right to a visa.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council voice its opposition of these amendments, which would centralize power in the hands of one person, open up the system for political interference, and cripple the flow of immigrants necessary for Canada's future success; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council encourage the Federal Government to allocate more resources to the immigration system to alleviate the huge backlog of immigrant applicants that currently exists; and

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver's position regarding this matter be communicated by letter to the UBCM and the FCM.

Notice

Councillor Anton 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 April 3, 2008.

3. UNESCO World Heritage Listing for Buildings in Vancouver's Chinatown (VanRIMS No. 11-2800-01)

MOVED by Councillor Chow SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Chinatown Society Heritage Buildings Association in its effort to secure a UNESCO World Heritage listing for some of the historical buildings in Vancouver's Chinatown.

Notice

Councillor Anton 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 April 3, 2008.

4. CD-1 REZONING/HRA/HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 3238 Granville Street and the Westerly Portion of 1402 McRae Avenue (VanRIMS No. 08-2000-51)

MOVED by Councillor Anton SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT Council reconsider the vote on the CD-1 REZONING/HRA/HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 3238 Granville Street and the Westerly Portion of 1402 McRae Avenue.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

MOVED by Councillor Anton SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT Council reconfirm its earlier decision on the CD-1 REZONING/HRA/HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 3238 Granville Street and the Westerly Portion of 1402 McRae Avenue and approve the following additional condition under the section on Sustainability:

1.21.1 provision of a Built Green BC scorecard, and consideration to achieve a gold level standard in the project's sustainability performance.

Note to Applicant: Were City standards with respect to water conservation and energy efficiency to be stricter at the time of Building Permit application, you would be required to meet that higher standard. For more information, please see 222.vancouver.ca\greenhomes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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