



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

CITY OF VANCOUVER

APRIL 3, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Services and Budgets was held on Thursday, April 3, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT:

- Councillor Peter Ladner, Chair
- Mayor Sam Sullivan
- Councillor Suzanne Anton
- Councillor Elizabeth Ball
- Councillor David Cadman
- Councillor Kim Capri
- Councillor George Chow
- Councillor Heather Deal
- Councillor B.C. Lee
- Councillor Raymond Louie, Vice-Chair
- Councillor Tim Stevenson

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:

- Judy Rogers, City Manager
- James Ridge, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:

- Denise Salmon, Meeting Coordinator

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting of March 13, 2008, were adopted.

VARY THE AGENDA

The Committee agreed to vary the agenda in order to deal with Item 2 first.

2. 2008 Annual Special Events Report March 19, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 13-4800-10)

Also before the Committee was a memorandum dated March 31, 2008, from the Deputy City Engineer, which submitted an additional recommendation to the report.

Staff from Engineering Services reviewed the report and responded to questions. The event producer for Red Bull and the representative for the Kitsilano/4th Avenue BIA, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT the Special Events in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated March 19, 2008, entitled "2008 Annual Special Events Report" be approved, subject to staff finalizing acceptable arrangements with the event organizers.

- B. THAT Council delegate approval authority for use of City streets for recurring annual events and new events not requiring significant road closures and not having other major public impacts to the City Engineer.
- C. THAT Council approve an application by the UMA Foundation to present a South Asian music festival on Water Street in Gastown on May 3rd, 2008, subject to details being approved by FEST.
- D. THAT Council approve West Coast Wheelers Society application to hold the Westside Cycling Classic in Point Grey on June 1, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- E. THAT Council approve International Triathlon Union application to hold the 2008 Vancouver BG Triathlon World Championships in the West End from June 5 to 8, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST; and subject to approval of the use of Stanley Park and English Bay by the Park Board.
- F. THAT Council approve 4 applications to hold 2008 Car Free Day events in Kits Point, on Denman Street, on Cambie Street and on Main Street on June 15, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- G. THAT Council approve the Vancouver Pride Society application to extend the route of the 2008 Pride Parade and to expand the Pride Festival to include a street party on the August long weekend; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- H. THAT Council approve the Trojan One application to hold the Nike Human Race running event around False Creek on August 31, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- I. THAT Council approve in principle an application by Red Bull to present a Soapbox Derby street race event in early September, 2008; subject to a location and other details being approved by FEST.
- J. THAT Council approve a change in date for the Rogers Santa Claus Parade, to December 7, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- K. THAT Council approve the South Hill Neighbourhood Festival on Saturday, May 24th; subject to final details being approved by FEST.
- L. THAT staff review and report back on possible limits and frequency of events to mitigate possible negative impacts, taking into account economic impacts, as part of next year's special events report.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Capri

THAT the words: "as part of next year's special events report" be struck from L. to read:

THAT staff review and report back on possible limits and frequency of events to mitigate possible negative impacts, and taking into account economic impacts.

LOST

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

Council agreed to separate the vote on the components of the Motion.

The amendment having LOST, the Motion was put and CARRIED, with Councillors Anton, Ball and Capri opposed to L.

1. **Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee - Annual Report for the year 2007**
March 4, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 08-3000-11)

The Co-Chair of the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee's report, dated March 4, 2008, entitled "Annual Report for the year 2007" be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

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CITY OF VANCOUVER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

APRIL 3, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, April 3, 2008, at 10:43 a.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets 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 Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Anton

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets
April 3, 2008

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

1. Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee - Annual Report for the year 2007
2. 2008 Annual Special Events Report

Items 1 and 2

MOVED by Councillor Chow

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of April 3, 2008, as contained in items 1 and 2, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Lee

SECONDED by Councillor Ball

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

None.

B. Motions on Notice

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

At the Council meeting of April 1, 2008, Councillor Louie submitted a Notice of Motion, which was recognized by the Chair. The following motion reflects amendments accepted by the Mover.

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS the proposed amendments to the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act will give the Minister the power to pick and choose which immigrants; 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 express concerns with the amendments and suggests that:

- such amendments be presented in an independent bill so that changes such as ministerial discretion over approval of applications can be fully explained and discussed through the parliamentary hearing process; and
- the Federal Government consult with the City of Vancouver on proposed immigration policy and program changes; 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.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

At the Council meeting of April 1, 2008, Councillor Chow submitted a Notice of Motion, which was recognized by the Chair. The following motion reflects amendments accepted by the Mover.

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 the area of Vancouver's Chinatown.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Safer Parking Initiative

Councillor Capri referred to the formal February 8th launch of the Safer Parking Initiative, noted one more parking lot has been awarded, and requested a status update on the following:

- what resources the Vancouver Police Department are presently allocating for the Safer Parking Program;
- What are the goals for growing the program, and the general plan for achieving these goals;
- how is the program being promoted to participants and stakeholders and the general public;
- what steps are being take to benchmark data regarding auto thefts in parking lots in order to track the success of this program; and
- what mechanisms are in place for the City to be engaged in the program and to be kept informed of its progress.

The City Manager agreed to provide the requested information.

The Council adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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