



CITY OF VANCOUVER

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 13, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, May 13, 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 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: Marg Coulson, Acting 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 Acting City Clerk.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Mayor acknowledged the recent major natural disasters in Burma and China and expressed Council's sympathy to the families of the victims in Vancouver.

PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA

The Mayor proclaimed May 17, 2008 as National Day against Homophobia.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Lee
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

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;
- (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;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF APRIL 29, 2008

Council approved appointments to the Public Art Committee.
Names of those appointed can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Business License Hearing - April 23, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Chow
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Council - April 29, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Capri

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - May 1, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Ladner
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - May 1, 2008

MOVED by Councillor Capri
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Lee
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Lee

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1 to A4, A6 to A9, and Policy Reports P1 and P2 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. Vancouver Sport Strategy (VanRIMS No. 12-5000-20)

Susan Mundick, General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation, and Mark Vulliamy, Manager of Research and Planning, Park Board, presented a Report Reference on the proposed Vancouver Sport Strategy and how it will define the City's relationship with sport and future planning in relation to sport programs, facilities and events.

MOVED by Councillor Anton

- A. THAT Council adopt "Vancouver Sport for Life," the Vancouver Sport Strategy (VSS) as a guide to the City's future initiatives and engagement with sport programs, facilities and events.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to conduct further consultations with sport stakeholders and the broader community, and report back later in 2008 with a detailed implementation plan, including Operating and Capital resource requirements, funding strategies and timeline.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Granville Bridge - Strengthening Design (VanRIMS No. 03-1200-30)

At the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic meeting on April 15, 2008, Council heard from a speaker and referred this matter to the April 29th In Camera meeting of Council to receive advice from Legal Services staff on the implications of not approving the recommendations contained in the Administrative Report *Granville Bridge - Strengthening Design*, dated March 25, 2008. The Administrative Report was now before Council for discussion and decision.

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

- A. THAT Council approve funds for consulting services and related expenses for the Granville Street Bridge strengthening design at an estimated cost of \$330,000; source of funding to be:
 - 2003-05 Streets Basic Capital - Aging Uncurbed Arterials Program (CBEA4B) - \$220,000
 - 2006-07 Streets Basic Capital - Major Maintenance of City Bridges Program (CCEA1C) - \$110,000
- B. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in C, D and E below, Council's normal policy of conducting an open competitive procurement process be waived and the General Manager of Engineering Services be authorized to enter into a sole-sourced contract with Buckland and Taylor Ltd. for engineering consulting services at an estimated total cost not to exceed \$227,885 plus applicable taxes with the source of funding as indicated in A above.
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement B above.
- D. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services.

- E. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by Council's adoption of B, C and D above until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. **Local Improvements by Petition - June 12, 2008 - First and Second Step Report April 22, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 01-3000-10)**

- A. THAT petition projects listed in Appendix I of the Administrative Report *Local Improvements by Petition - June 12, 2008 - First and Second Step Report*, dated April 22, 2008, be advanced as Local Improvements and be 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. Source of funds for the total City's share of \$540,759 is:
 - i. \$3,460 from 2007 Street and Lane Lighting Capital Budget
 - ii. \$197,544 from 2007 Residential Lane Pavement Capital Budget, and
 - iii. \$339,755 from 2008 Residential Pavement & Curbs Capital Budget, subject to approval of the 2008 Basic Capital Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. **Award of 311 Contract
April 18, 2008 (VanRIMS 03-1200-30)**

Council received the Administrative Report *Award of 311 Contract* dated April 18, 2008, for information.

3. **Proposed Lease of a Portion of Skeena Street, North of Cornett Road
April 25, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 02-3000-13)**

- A. THAT Council close, stop-up and lease to the abutting owners of Lot A, Section 39, Town of Hastings Suburban Lands, Plan 9962 and Lot 5, South ½ of Section 38, Town of Hastings Suburban Lands, Plan 8811 (the "Owner") that portion of Skeena Street north of Cornett Road (7867 square feet / 730.8 square metres), as shown in heavy outline on the plan attached as Appendix A to the Administrative Report *Proposed Lease of a Portion of Skeena Street, North of Cornett Road*, dated April 25, 2008, subject to the terms and conditions as noted in Appendix B of the Administrative Report.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute all documents required.

- C. THAT Council authorize the Director of Finance to hold the annual income from the lease in Still Creek Greenway Enhancement Reserve to be used for ongoing initiatives toward achieving Council objectives to protect, enhance and daylight Still Creek.
- D. THAT no legal right or obligation shall be created and none shall arise hereafter, until the documents are executed to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

4. **Form of Development: 4887 Cambie Street
April 29, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 11-4200-10)**

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 4887 Cambie Street be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE411741, prepared by Eikos Planning Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services, April 25, 2008", provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

5. **Allocation of Community Amenity Contributions (CACs) from various rezonings
April 23, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 11-2000-01)**

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council approve allocation of \$1,246,454 from the community amenity contributions collected from 14 rezonings: 6475 Elliott Street, 2450 West 2nd Avenue, 1175 Broughton Street, 601 West 10th Avenue, 1475 Howe Street, 1100 West Georgia Street, 4028 & 4078 Knight Street, 4176 Alexandra Street, 1302 East 12th Avenue, 711 West Broadway, 950 Quebec Street, 1650 West 1st Avenue, 833 Helmcken Street, and 1221 West Georgia & 1250 Melville Street to the following projects:

- a. \$34,040 to community gardens;
- b. \$11,244 to the Eastside Crosscut Greenway;
- c. \$55,150 to Downtown Historic Railway Interpretive Programming;
- d. \$65,064 to intersection improvements at Morton and Beach Avenue as part of the Downtown Transportation Plan implementation;
- e. \$51,903 to improvements to the Seaside bike route at Hornby and Howe Streets;
- f. \$50,228 to bicycle connections as part of the Kingsway and Knight Street intersection improvements;
- g. \$58,122 to the 29th Avenue Bikeway;
- h. \$450,000 to Oppenheimer Park Renewal;

- i. \$410,703 to the Childcare Endowment Fund, targeted for the #1 Kingsway childcare facility, on terms and conditions resulting from the review of the Endowment Reserve as stated in the Council report Child Care Issues and Endowment Reserve, RTS 6752;
- j) \$60,000 to the Childcare Endowment Fund, targeted to the City Gate II childcare facility, on terms and conditions resulting from the review of the Endowment Reserve as stated in the Council report Child Care Issues and Endowment Reserve, RTS 6752.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 6. **Canada Day Fireworks**
April 27, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 13-4800-10)
 - A. THAT Council approve a grant of \$10,000 to the Burrard Inlet Fireworks Society to help offset the cost of purchasing and presenting a Canada Day fireworks show in Burrard inlet off Canada Place; source of funds the 2008 Contingency Reserve.
 - B. THAT Council approve a budget of up to \$43,000 to cover anticipated costs of Police, Park Board and Engineering services for a Canada Day fireworks show in the water off Canada Place on Sunday, July 1st 2008; source of funds the 2008 Contingency Reserve.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

- 7. **Neighbourhood Energy Utility ("NEU") - Innovations Fund Application**
April 29, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-20)

THAT Council authorize staff to submit a grant application to the Government of Canada's Innovations Fund in support of the Neighbourhood Energy Utility.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 8. **Vancouver South Transfer Station Emergency Tipping Floor Repairs**
May 1, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 13-6400-01)
 - A. THAT Council approve the total project budget of \$363,000 for emergency repairs to the Vancouver South Transfer Station at 377 West Kent Avenue North. Funding for these repairs will be from user fees charged at the Transfer Station and the City's portion of these costs will be funded by a reduced transfer to the Solid Waste Capital Reserve and to the Metro Vancouver surplus.

- B. THAT Council approve increasing the scope of the existing consulting contract with Earth Tech (Canada) Inc. for the structural analysis, design and construction supervision for repairs to the commercial tipping floor and pit walls in the amount of \$62,425, excluding GST. Funding for this consulting work will be from user fees charged at the Transfer Station and the City's portion will be funded by a reduced transfer to the Solid Waste Capital Reserve and to the Metro Vancouver surplus.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. **Municipal Wireless Network Update**
April 28, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 04-4000-21)

THAT Staff postpone further work on searching for a private partner to co-build and manage a municipal wi-fi network, due to the costs and business risks highlighted by supplier responses to the *Request for Expressions of Interest (RFEOI) PS08004 - Community Wireless Broadband Initiative*.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

10. **Nanook Daycare Replacement - Capital Grant, Closure of Road, License and Lease**
April 29, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 05-5000-10)

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT Council approve a \$500,000 capital grant to the Young Men's Christian Association of Greater Vancouver (the "YMCA") for a 37 space childcare facility to replace an existing childcare portable known as Nanook Daycare, subject to the YMCA entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the City and Vancouver Park Board setting out terms and conditions for designing, constructing, operating and maintaining the childcare facility as outlined in Appendix A of the Administrative Report *Nanook Daycare Replacement - Capital Grant, Closure of Road, License and Lease*, dated April 29, 2008, at the location shown as road on Appendix B of the Administrative Report. The source funding for the grant to be the 2007 Childcare Capital Budget.
- B. THAT as of the day following issuance of the full building permit for the replacement of the Nanook Daycare, Council close and stop up the site, more particularly described as Parcel Identifier 027-132-153 That Portion Lot E Shown on Plan BCP31198, Block 159, District Lot 264A, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 19383 established as lane by document BB275975 on July 12, 2007.

- C. THAT Council licence the site to the YMCA, at nominal rates, to construct a childcare facility based on terms outlined in Appendix C of the Administrative Report *Nanook Daycare Replacement - Capital Grant, Closure of Road, License and Lease*, dated April 29, 2008, it being understood that no legal rights are created hereby and none shall arise until the licence is signed.
- D. THAT Council lease the site for 30 years to the YMCA at nominal rates for the operation of the YMCA Nanook House on the terms outlined in Appendix D of the Administrative Report *Nanook Daycare Replacement - Capital Grant, Closure of Road, License and Lease*, dated April 29, 2008, it being understood that no legal rights are created hereby and none shall arise until the lease is signed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

11. **Amendments to Election By-law**
April 7, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 08-1000-02)

MOVED by Councillor Ladner

- A. THAT the Election By-law No. 9070 be amended to require that a nomination for office as a member of Council be made by 25 qualified nominators;

FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to bring forward the necessary amendments to the Election By-law, generally in accordance with Part 1 of Appendix A of the Administrative Report *Amendments to Election By-law*, dated April 7, 2008, for enactment by Council.

- B. THAT the Election By-law No. 9070 be amended to require the City Clerk to make the following documents more open and accessible to the public by posting them to the City's web site and making photocopies available to citizens:

- 1) Nomination documents for Mayor, Councillors and Park Commissioners (starting with the 2008 civic election documents), and
- 2) Campaign Financial Disclosure Statements for Mayor, Councillors and Park Commissioners (starting with the 2008 civic election statements);

FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services to bring forward the necessary amendments to the Election By-law, generally in accordance with Part 2 of Appendix A of the Administrative Report *Amendments to Election By-law*, dated April 7, 2008, for enactment by Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

POLICY REPORTS

1. **Zoning Amendments to CD-1 #402 and to the IC-3 District related to the New Structure Plan for the Great Northern Way Campus
April 29, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 11-3600-20)**

THAT, as part of the implementation of the new structure plan for the Great Northern Way Campus, ("New Structure Plan"), approved by Council on April 29, 2008, the Director of Planning be instructed to make application to undertake the following consequential amendments to Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 and that the draft amendments be referred to a Public Hearing:

- (i) rezone the easterly portion of Lot O District Lots 200A and 264A Group 1 New Westminster District Plan BCP_____, ("Lot O"), from CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District to IC-3 (Industrial) District, so that all of this property is within the IC-3 District;
- (ii) amend the Floor Area and Density section of CD-1 By-law No. 8131 (#402) to decrease the floor area permitted by 8 244 m² and amend various other parts of the CD-1 By-law for consistency with the New Structure Plan, all as set out in Appendix A of the Policy *Report Zoning Amendments to CD-1 #402 and to the IC-3 District related to the New Structure Plan for the Great Northern Way Campus*, dated April 29, 2008;
- (iii) amend the IC-3 District Schedule to allow external design requirements to be relaxed for irregular-shaped lots, as set out in Appendix B of the Policy Report; and
- (iv) amend the Great Northern Technology Park (555 Great Northern Way) CD-1 Guidelines, as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-laws, generally as described in Appendices A and B of the Policy Report, for consideration at a Public Hearing.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. **CD-1 Rezoning: 1020 - 1090 Victoria Drive (Britannia Lodge Expansion)
April 29, 2008 (VanRIMS No. 11-3600-10)**

- A. THAT the application by Karl Gustavson Architect, to rezone 1020 - 1090 Victoria Drive (PID 014-697-572 & 014-697-581, Lots 3 & 4, Plans 1271 and 1771, & PID 017 683-998, Lot E, Plan LMP 3223, Blk 31, DL 264A, Group 1, New Westminster District) from RT-5 (Two Family Dwelling) District to a CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District to allow an expansion of Britannia Lodge (1090 Victoria Drive), a Special Needs Residential Facility - Class B, onto the adjacent site at 1020 Victoria Drive, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:

- (i) plans prepared by Karl Gustavson Architect Inc., received November 6, 2007, represented in Appendix D of the Policy Report *CD-1 Rezoning: 1020 - 1090 Victoria Drive (Britannia Lodge Expansion)*, dated April 29, 2008;
- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report; and
- (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve the application, subject to 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 generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Policy REport for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare a Heritage Designation By-law for consideration at the same Public Hearing, should the rezoning be approved, to designate as municipally protected heritage property the category "A" listed building at 1020 Victoria Drive.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

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

MOVED by Councillor Capri
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. Closing a portion of Wall Street lying to the east of Renfrew Street

MOVED by Councillor Capri

SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;
2. There is a proposal to re-develop privately-owned Lot A, Block U, District Lot 1216, Town of Hastings, Plan BCP_____;
3. The proposal requires the closure of a portion of Wall Street lying to the east of Renfrew Street, and being adjacent to Lot A, Block U, District Lot 1216, Town of Hastings, Plan BCP_____;
4. The said portion of Wall Street was dedicated by the deposit of Plan 100, circa 1886, and by the deposit of Plan 21509 on November 5, 1987;
5. The said portion of road to be closed is no longer required for municipal purposes;
6. The proposal requires the consolidation of the said portion of Wall Street to be closed with said Lot A to create a single parcel;
7. The City is to take back a Right of Way for public utilities and access over a portion of the single parcel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all that portion of Wall Street lying to the east of Renfrew Street, as dedicated by the deposit of Plans 100 and 21509, and being adjacent to Lot A, Block U, District Lot 1216, Town of Hastings, Plan BCP_____, the same as shown in heavy outline on the Reference Plan attested to by Edmund T. Wong, B.C.L.S., completed and checked on the 18th day of May, 2006 and inspected on the 18th day of March, 2008, and marginally numbered FILE: SU-1733A, be closed, stopped-up and conveyed to the abutting owner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the said portion of Wall Street to be closed is to be consolidated with Lot A, Block U, District Lot 1216, Town of Hastings, Plan BCP_____ to form a single parcel, to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City is to take back a Right of Way for public utilities and access over a portion of the said single parcel to be created, a reduced copy of which is attached as Schedule B to Administrative Motion A.1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. **Establishing Road at the east side of Clark Drive between 7th Avenue and 8th Avenue, adjacent to 2330 Clark Drive, for widening of the sidewalk**

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner will be conveying to the City of Vancouver for road purposes lands in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

All that portion of that portion of Lot 5, except part in Plan 4094, of Lot D, Block 155, District Lot 264A, Plans 1351 and 1771, Group 1, New Westminster District, as shown heavy outlined on plan of survey completed March 20, 2006, attested to by Fred Wong, B.C.L.S. and marginally numbered LD4411.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to accept and allocate the said lands for road purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED that the above described lands to be conveyed are hereby accepted and allocated for road purposes and declared to form and to constitute a portion of a road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Motions on Notice

1. **Supporting Vancouver's Faith Communities**

MOVED by Councillor Lee
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

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.

Referred

The Chair noted a request to speak on Motion B.1 has been received. Council agreed to refer consideration of the motion to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on May 15, 2008 in order to hear the speaker.

2. Supporting Vancouver's Sick Children

MOVED by Councillor Ball

SECONDED by Councillor Lee

WHEREAS

1. Sunny Hill Foundation for Children ("Sunny Hill") is the registered owner of lands ("the Lands") in the City of Vancouver municipality identified as 3644 Slocan Street and more particularly known and described as:
Parcel Identifier: 006-798-128
Lot 2 Block F Section 44 Town of Hastings Suburban Lands Plan 11660
Which were purchased from the City of Vancouver in 1956;
2. As part of the purchase transaction, the City was granted an option to repurchase the Lands for the same price as it sold them, \$26,450.00, should they cease to be used as a children's hospital;
3. Sunny Hill expects to move its operations to another location in Vancouver and therefore cease using the Lands as a children's hospital;
4. The City welcomes a dialogue with Sunny Hill Hospital to determine the future use of this property in order that it can maximize the benefits for both Sunny Hill Hospital and the City;

5. BC Children's Hospital is planning to invest almost \$500 million dollars to establish a new and modern medical facility in Vancouver located within close proximity of the new Canada Line;
6. A new children's hospital located in Vancouver would be a tremendous asset for families living in Vancouver;
7. A new children's hospital would help to become a centre of excellence in research and become a significant job creator;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- A. City staff be directed to open a dialogue with Sunny Hill to determine their future plans for the Lands, registered in the Vancouver/New Westminster Land Title Office on December 10, 1956, under the number 241788M.
- B. City staff be directed to report back on the options available to Sunny Hill and the City regarding the sale of this property as a means to help facilitate the relocation of Sunny Hill to a new site elsewhere in the city.

Referred

The Chair noted requests to speak on Motion B.2 have been received. Council agreed to refer consideration of the motion to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on May 15, 2008 in order to hear the speakers.

3. Farmers Markets

The following motion reflects amendments and an addition to the Motion on Notice.

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

WHEREAS in July 2003, City Council approved a motion supporting the creation of a just and sustainable food system for the City of Vancouver that fosters equitable food production, distribution, consumption, nutrition, community development, and environmental health, and

WHEREAS in December 2003, Council approved the creation of a "Food Policy Council" with a mandate to act as an advisory body on food system issues within the City's jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS in December 2003, City Council approved a Food Action Plan for the City of Vancouver. One of five specific actions identified the creation of more Farmers Markets as a priority. A copy of the proposed Food Action Plan can be found at: <http://vancouver.ca/ctyclerk/cclerk/20031209/rr1.htm> and

WHEREAS in February 2007, Council approved the Vancouver Food Charter, and

WHEREAS farmers markets are strongly supported by and strongly support Vancouver's Food Charter's vision and principles including food security, and

WHEREAS Vancouver's four farmers markets are visited by 250,000 people a year, and

WHEREAS these markets provide locally produced food, support local farmers, provide a gathering place for neighbours and provide free tables for community groups, and

WHEREAS these markets have substantial spin-off economies, including providing a place for local businesses to start up and thrive, and

WHEREAS many cities support local farmers markets through zoning, funding and signage,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to report back on additional measures that the City of Vancouver could take to support farmers markets, including;

- ways to incorporate Farmers Markets into its Visioning processes;
- how zoning and related by-laws can facilitate a greater number of and support permanency for Farmers Markets;
- ways to secure locations for Farmers Markets;
- ways permanent signage can be accommodated to promote Farmers Markets;
- accommodating multi-year operating leases;
- a weekend Farmers Market at City Hall.
- THAT staff report back early in 2009 with recommendations for any new or revised policies that strengthen our local Farmers Markets.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the last bullet in the resolve be amended by striking the words "early in 2009".

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the last bullet be amended to read as follows:

- THAT the City Manger report back prior to the 2009 Farmers Market season with recommendations for any new or revised policies that strengthen our local Farmers Markets, including those which can be implemented immediately.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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

FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED

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- a weekend Farmers Market at City Hall.
- THAT the City Manager report back prior to the 2009 Farmers Market season with recommendations for any new or revised policies that strengthen our local Farmers Markets, including those which can be implemented immediately.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - 2008 CITY SUMMER BANNER UNVEILING

The Mayor acknowledged the City Summer Banner Program and the unveiling of the 2008 Banners. The Street Decoration Committee and the artist, Mr. Bratsa Bonifacho, were recognized for their contributions.

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The Council recessed at 4:00 p.m. and, following a reception in the foyer, reconvened at 4:30 p.m. with all Councillors present.

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4. Cuts to Public Post Secondary Institution Funding (VanRIMS No. 01-5500-20)

Councillor Stevenson declared Conflict of Interest as he teaches at a post-secondary institution and left the Council Chamber at 3:40 p.m. He did not return until the conclusion of the vote on the motion.

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

WHEREAS at a March 12, 2008 meeting with the Minister of Advanced Education, public post-secondary institutions were advised that there would be cuts to the operating grants from the provincial government, and

WHEREAS Vancouver Community College and Langara College have been positive and important contributors to the social and economic conditions within Vancouver, and

WHEREAS Universities serving the Vancouver area work closely with these colleges, and are also facing untenable cuts, and

WHEREAS the prospect of cuts to the operating grants will seriously undermine the capacity of the Colleges and Universities to continue to play a vital role in our community.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council write the Minister of Advanced Education and express its concern over the proposed cuts to operating grants for post-secondary institutions and the impacts that those cuts will have on affordability and access for students from this community and on the ability of public colleges to continue serving our community.

Not put

MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the Motion be received for information, and that Council take no action.

CARRIED
(Councillors Chow, Deal and Louie opposed)
(Councillor Stevenson absent for the vote)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Lee

MOVED by Councillor Capri
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT Councillor Lee be granted Leave of Absence for personal reasons from the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets and the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meetings to be held May 22, 2008.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Deal and Stevenson absent for the vote)

At 4: 40 p.m. Councillor Stevenson returned to the Council Chamber.

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Use of Email Addresses

Councillor Anton enquired on the use of email addresses from emails which are sent to the City. The Acting City Clerk clarified the policy under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and agreed to send the information in a memorandum to all members of Council.

The Council adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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