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TO: Standing Committee on Planning and Environment

FROM:

Director of Planning and the Director of Social Planning in Consultation with

the Director of Real Estate Services

SUBJECT:

Proposed Rezoning of 1211 East 6th Avenue from I-3 to CD-1 for a Community

Gaming Centre (replacing Planet Bingo at 2655 Main Street)

CONSIDERATION

THAT Council is prepared to consider an application to rezone the site at 1211 A. East 6th Avenue (2102 Glen Drive) from I-3 to CD-1 to accommodate a Community Gaming Centre which includes slot machines in addition to bingo games, and this application to include an exploration of the Community Gaming Centre as part of a multi-use, higher-density, more employment-intensive development on this site.

OR

THAT Council is not prepared to consider an application to rezone the site at В. 1211 East 6th Avenue (2102 Glen Drive) from I-3 to CD-1 to accommodate a Community Gaming Centre.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The General Manager of Community Services presents A or B for CONSIDERATION.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The City Manager presents A or B for CONSIDERATION.

COUNCIL POLICY

- Industrial Lands Strategy (1995)
- False Creek Flats Preliminary Concept Plan (1996)
- I-3 District Schedule and rezoning (1999)
- False Creek Flats Structure Plan (2001)
- I-3 District Guidelines, False Creek Flats (2002)
- Metro Core Issues and Directions report (July, 2007)
- Mount Pleasant Community Planning Program (approved May, 2007) to update the Mount Pleasant Community Development Plan (1987) including the preparation of a 'social development plan'
- Gaming Policies (1987, 1999, 2002, 2004)
- Casino Guidelines (1997 and 1999) and Bingo Hall Guidelines (1999)

PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

This report seeks Council advice about a proposal to relocate the Community Gaming Management Association's (CGMA) Planet Bingo from 2655 Main Street near Broadway, to the site at 1211 East 6th Avenue, where larger, more modern premises with improved amenities and a gaming area on one floor can be developed. (See map diagram in Figure 1 below.) This relocation would require a rezoning of the new site, from the existing I-3 industrial zoning to a site-specific CD-1 zoning by-law.

The proposed new facility will constitute a new form of gaming facility conceptualized by the BC Lottery Corporation (BCLC) which combines bingo games and slot machines in one facility referred to as a "Community Gaming Centre" (CGC). This facility would be developed on a City-owned site to be leased for 60 years to CGMA. The CGMA is an association of 86 Vancouver-based charities which have been operating Planet Bingo for the last 20 years.

The report reviews the challenges which this proposed rezoning presents as well as some opportunities. Opportunities arise in terms of potential revenues for charities and the City. Challenges are raised by the location of CGMA's proposed new site in the I-3 industrial district in False Creek Flats. Council has approved a visioning process to provide an economic development perspective to the area, to strengthen the role of the I-2 industrial district and to better integrate the I-3 district with the surrounding areas.

The report makes a case in support of a new Community Gaming Centre to replace the existing Bingo Hall at the new site proposed, but reservations are expressed in the context of City policies and decisions regarding the False Creek Flats industrial area. The pros and cons are such that staff have prepared two alternative resolutions for consideration by City Council.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In a letter dated November 17, 2007, and a further letter and accompanying material dated December 5, 2007, consultants on behalf of the CGMA describe a proposed new facility for Planet Bingo to relocate to 1211 East 6th Avenue. The proposed new Community Gaming Centre would have a floor area of 3 793.7 m² (40,835 sq. ft.): 2 959.6 m² (31,835 sq. ft.) gaming centre and 836.1 m² (9,000 sq. ft.) in restaurant and cafeteria uses.

The site is in the I-3 Industrial District, at the south-east corner of the False Creek Flats industrial area most of which is zoned I-2 District and which also includes the Great Northern Way Campus (former Finning Lands) zoned CD-1 (402).

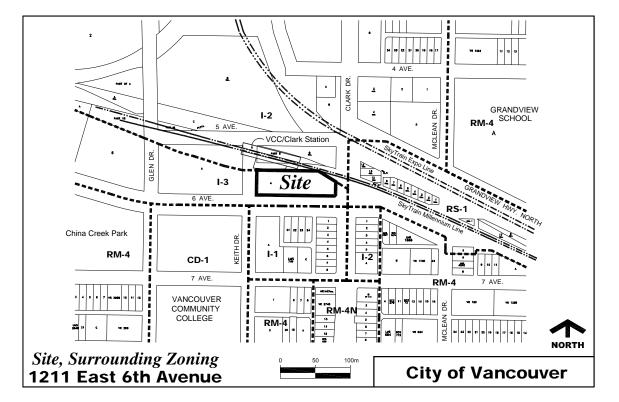


Figure 1. Site and Surrounding Zoning

The Community Gaming Management Association (CGMA) has operated Planet Bingo at 2655 Main Street since 1986. CGMA representatives advise that their lease on these premises ends December 31, 2009, and that if every opportunity can be taken by the applicant and City staff to expedite rezoning and permit processing, occupancy could be achieved in early 2010. They note that very little excavation is required on the sloped site, and also that a month-to-month lease extension is possible at the present location.

The proposed site is almost an acre in size, 3 823.5 m² (41,156 sq. ft.), comprising half a city block. It is bounded on the south by East 6th Avenue, on the east by Clark Drive, East 5th Avenue on the north, and Keith Drive to the West. The VCC (Vancouver Community College) Millennium Line Station is immediately to the north, and China Creek Park and Vancouver Community College to the southwest. To the south of 6th Avenue is the Mount Pleasant neighbourhood and to the east of Clark Drive is Grandview-Woodland neighbourhood.

In July, 2007, City Council approved in principle and without prejudice a 60-year lease of this vacant City-owned site to the Community Gaming Management Association (CGMA). The report to Council noted that City rezoning, development, building and related approvals would be required before the project could proceed and would be undertaken in the usual manner.

DISCUSSION

The questions raised by proposals to rezone a site and develop a building typically involve matters of land use and location, density and form of development. The following discussion addresses in the first part (1. below) the proposed new Community Gaming Centre in the context of gaming in the city, both the City's gaming policies and the gaming environment.

1. Proposed New Community Gaming Centre

1.1 Community Gaming Management Association (CGMA)

CGMA has operated Planet Bingo at 2655 Main Street (zoned C-3A) since 1986. CGMA describes itself as a unique service provider to the BC Lottery Corporation. It is an organization that is totally owned by 86 Vancouver-based charitable and community organizations, including nine from the Mount Pleasant neighbourhood (see submission in Appendix A, including the list of member organizations on the last page of this report).

The organizations that form CGMA are the direct beneficiaries of the funds raised on this site. The present revenue from the Planet Bingo operation, received in the form of a monthly grant from the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch in Victoria, is about \$6 million per year, or \$18 million dollars for each three-year grant program. CGMA has so far delivered over \$120 million dollars to the Charities and Community members its serves since 1988.

CGMA has for several years been seeking to relocate its operations from a three-storey obsolete structure to a one-floor operation. City staff have been aware of CGMA's plans to find a new location for Planet Bingo. At the time of the rezoning for the Edgewater Casino at Plaza of Nations in 2004, one of the elements considered by Council in its decision was the fact that the bingo charities supported the rezoning. In part, the charities were able to lend their support to the casino operators, due to the fact that they secured a commitment on the part of the casino to financially support the bingo hall relocation in the future.

More recently, the BC Lottery Corporation (BCLC) has been replacing bingo halls by "Community Gaming Centers". A Community Gaming Centre (CGC) is a new form of gaming facility which would provide 50 to 100 slot machines in addition to bingo games and it would require a liquor license. There are 11 Community Gaming Centres established in the province so far. If CGMA cannot meet the specifications for a CGC, BCLC may find another Service Provider which would not have Charitable and Community owners but rather property and development investors, as is the case with the other CGCs in the province.

CGMA's relocation needs have become more pressing. First, it is becoming increasingly difficult for CGMA to remain at the existing Main Street location in an aging and obsolete three-storey structure which divides the gaming activities on three separate floors and is not conducive to appropriate customer service. To remain on this small site in a new structure would require multi-storey development while new CGC standards recommend a one-storey

layout. Although relocation and reconfiguration of Planet Bingo to the CGC format presents a challenge, it is estimated that CGMA revenues would increase by a minimum of \$1 million per year through these changes.

Second, there has been increasing pressure to relocate due to the lease at the present site expiring on December 31, 2009. While a year to year arrangement is possible, both CGMA and BCLC are looking for long-term certainty.

A third reason for seeking a new location is that the present site does not have the physical capacity to accommodate slot machines. Furthermore, neither existing zoning regulations nor guidelines and location criteria for Bingo Hall and Casino land uses enable consideration of the proposed new CGC format at this location. (Note: Both Bingo Hall and Casino - Class I are listed as conditional approval uses in the C-3A district, but Zoning By-law amendments would be necessary to introduce a new land use term which combines both uses in one facility.)

It can also be noted that Planet Bingo is located in the middle of a high density residential neighbourhood centered on the intersection of Main and Kingsway with Broadway. There is potential for increased growth in this area and Main Street is showing increased strength as a significant neighbourhood shopping street. This raises questions about continued Bingo Hall use at the Main Street location, let alone the implementation of a revised format which would see the introduction of 50 to 100 slot machines. In the context of the Mount Pleasant Community Planning Program now in progress, a less central location for a CGC would very likely be supported. City guidelines for the location of gaming facilities prefer sites away from residential areas, and the proposed new site for the CGC is in an industrial area with some distance from residential development.

CGMA representatives advise that if City staff and the applicant team expedite rezoning and development application preparation and processing, occupancy could be achieved in early 2010. They note that very little excavation is required on the sloped site, and also that a month-to-month lease extension is possible at the present location in the meanwhile.

1.2 Gaming in Vancouver

Planet Bingo is part of a very active gaming sector in Vancouver, which at present has an inventory of one casino, one horseracing track (with a teletheatre and slot machines), and one bingo hall. These facilities directly employ over 1,400 individuals and generate significant revenues for the provincial government, for the City, for the private operators and for the charities. The facilities are also part of the city's entertainment sector. The entertainment component of gaming facilities is becoming a prevalent feature for the region. There are six casinos, two racetracks, and five bingo halls (one of them a Community Gaming Centre) in the Vancouver Metropolitan region.

At present, the projected City gaming revenue is \$6.4 million (both from the Edgewater Casino and the Hastings Racecourse). The potential addition of 50 to 100 slot machines at a reconfigured and relocated Planet Bingo would potentially provide the City with additional revenues between \$500,000 and \$1 million dollars.

Starting January 27, 1987, Council has passed a number of resolutions outlining its position on a variety of gaming policy issues. Most resolutions have dealt with the need to recognize the

municipal role in defining gaming policy matters as they affect local communities, a role now defined under the Gaming Control Act (2002), as well as in the Memorandum of Agreement (signed in 1999) with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM). Other resolutions have dealt with the need to protect the right of charities to generate revenue through gaming activities.

On January 22, 2004, following the conclusion of a Public Hearing, Council approved in principle the application by Patrick Cotter Architect Inc. to amend CD-1 By-law No. 7592 for Plaza Of Nations to permit slot machines at the Edgewater Casino. On July 22, 2004, following the conclusion of a Public Hearing, Council approved in principle the application by Hastings Entertainment Inc. and British Columbia Lottery Corporation to amend CD-1 By-law No. 3656 for East Hastings Street (Hastings Park) to permit slot machines at Hastings Racecourse. Therefore, the policy discussion is not related to the introduction of slot machines, but rather their introduction into a particular site.

2. Proposed Location in False Creek Flats

The following part of discussion addresses the proposal in the context of land use policy.

2.1 Land Use and Location

Current Zoning

The proposed Community Gaming Centre (CGC) combines Bingo Hall and Casino uses which are not permitted in the I-3 zoning district, just as they are not permitted in most other zoning districts in the city. The I-3 district is intended for high technology industry, related industry with a significant amount of research and development activity, and generally compatible light industrial uses. (In this district too, maximum height is 18.3 m, relaxable to 30.5 m, and maximum FSR is 3.0 for manufacturing uses, 1.0 for all other uses combined, and with special provisions for retail uses.)

The proposed location at 1211 East 6th Avenue does not meet location criteria set out in Council-approved Casino and Bingo Hall Guidelines:

- In the FC-1 District, development applications should only be considered on Terminal Avenue between Quebec Street and Glen Drive (excluding Thornton Park); and
- rezoning applications should only be considered on the north side of Grandview Highway between Kaslo Street and Boundary Road, and the south side of Marine Drive between Yukon and Main Streets, in accordance with applicable policies and guidelines for these industrial areas.

The proponents of the proposed new site have indicated that no alternative sites could be found in those areas where City policies state that development applications or rezoning applications can be considered.

Evolving False Creek Flats Land Use Policy

The proposed new site is located in False Creek Flats which the City's Industrial Lands Policies (1995) seek to retain as an area for transportation related and downtown serving industrial uses (see map diagram in Figure 2). The I-3 zoning and CD-1 zoning of the former Finning

lands along Great Northern Way were undertaken to facilitate 'high tech" development, pursuant to the Policies.

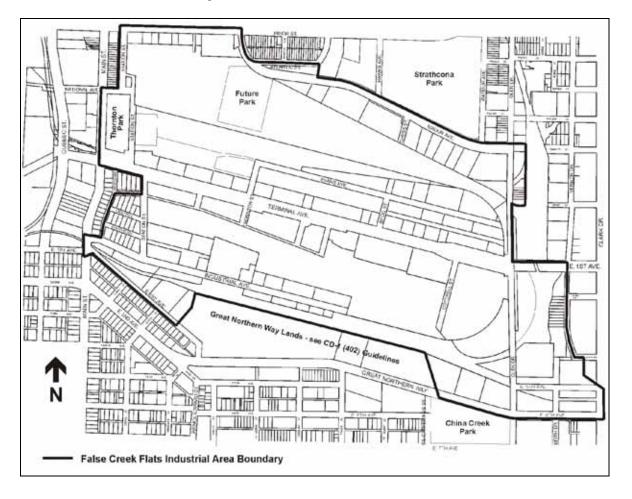


Figure 2. False Creek Flats Industrial Area

In 2003 and 2004, Council approved a process to undertake further planning for the False Creek Flats, including 'detailed long range visioning'. The proposed planning for False Creek Flats has several intentions:

- to take advantage of a number of opportunities to better integrate the I-3 area in the western and southern Flats into the urban fabric of the city,
- to articulate long-range land use and transportation directions for the False Creek Flats and provide an overall economic development perspective, and
- to maintain and strengthen the role of the I-2 area in the eastern Flats in servicing the Port and Downtown.

While work on Phase 1 of the program (scoping) was completed, the report back on detailed terms of reference and Phase 2 has been on hold due to staff resource issues and competing City priorities including Olympic Village and Metro Core Jobs and Economy Study.

The Metro Core Issues and Directions report calls for the Flats to maintain and increase job space within the area, noting that high tech zoning has not been taken up and that there is an opportunity to look at other more diverse office space in the western I-3 area. The Great Northern Way Campus near the subject site was zoned for a variety of job uses, emphasizing high tech. However, recent discussions with the four post-secondary educational institutions indicate it is likely that they will be pursuing a broadening of the diversity of jobs-related uses on that large site: more education, more office, and some supporting uses and services.

In addition, a potential new hospital has been under consideration by Providence Health Care in the north-east sector of False Creek Flats. The City has indicated that it would consider planning and rezoning for this site, as it is consistent with Council's overall direction for the I-3 areas noted above.

Otherwise, while Flats planning has been on hold, staff have discouraged site-specific rezoning proposals in advance of the anticipated planning. Such proposals are problematic when they involve residential, retail and office uses which are not compatible with the light industrial and related activities for which the Flats are reserved. On most sites and locations in the Flats, such proposals would affect the present or potential future functioning of surrounding areas. They also raise questions and concerns about the provision of amenities and services which might be required to serve new land uses, and about the impacts on surrounding land values which new uses and possibly higher densities typically encourage.

By contrast, there are some non-industrial land uses for which a good case might be made that a location in the False Creek Flats would be appropriate. it might also be argued that rezonings could be considered for land uses and development proposals which are likely to have little negative impact or consequence for the future functioning of the Flats, few consequences for amenities and services, and limited impact on land values.

The locating of a CGC in False Creek Flats might not be supported in zoning or land use policy, but it is a use which is not particularly in conflict with evolving land use policy which will involve looking at a greater diversity of land uses in the I-3 District. If a rezoning application for a reconfigured and Planet Bingo were to be considered at this new location, staff would provide Council with further information and Council would make a decision. However, a few preliminary comments follow.

First, the present proposal contemplates limited development in a very peripheral I-3 location. It can confidently be expected that the proposed land use and development would have limited traffic impact on the adjoining industrial areas to the north and west, and that it would have limited demand on City services and amenities. The land value impacts would also be negligible given that it is a site-specific rezoning which is contemplated.

Second, it was earlier noted that Planet Bingo presently employs 54 people, and this is expected to grow by 30 to 40 jobs in the new location. While this amount of jobs by itself might be small, for the amount of floor area proposed in the new facility it would be a significant job-creating space.

Third, while the proposed site is peripheral in terms of the I-3 district and large False Creek Flats, it is uniquely located immediately adjacent to a rail rapid transit station, suggesting a case for a mix of uses and intensity of development which is different from the rest of the Flats.

If a case could be made in support of the proposal, in addition to the land use and related considerations addressed above, and based also on social, economic, environmental or other considerations, then there could be sufficient rationale for departing from current zoning in advance of further Flats planning without too much fear of impacts and precedents. It should also be borne in mind that any such impacts and related consequences would be matters for review and assessment during the processing of a rezoning application if one were to be considered.

As a final observation, the City's Bingo Hall and Casino Guidelines call for a pre-site clearance application procedure which concludes with a decision of Council to endorse or not, possibly with a request for a neighbourhood referendum, prior to staff considering a development application for a site in a zoning district in which these uses can be approved. City procedures for rezoning, including the public hearing, will achieve the intent and principles of these guidelines.

2.2 Density and Form of Development

The emerging vision for False Creek Flats, founded on the Industrial Lands Policies and Central Area Plan of the 1990s, is that this large area rich with rail infrastructure so near the downtown can provide location opportunities for new economic activities and development, both to serve and complement the more office- and tourism-focused downtown. A high-technology precinct and the Great Northern Way Campus in the southern part of the Flats are an instance of this.

In this context it is not difficult to imagine a higher-density, mixed-used development on the subject site which accommodates a variety of tenants and many employees. The site's proximity to a rail rapid transit station, Vancouver City College, and the emerging educational precinct to the west identify potentials for the site. Possibly the proposed CGC might be a catalyst for a significant development opportunity on this site. This suggests it could be appropriate for the proponents, with City staff assistance, to explore additional land uses, including more employment-intensive activities, and higher density, on this City-owned site.

In due course, questions might arise about whether the City should undertake a Request for Proposals to redevelop the site, or utilize some other approach. However, it is important to honour the decision reached by Council regarding a lease of this site to CGMA and not impose any further expectations at this time. Staff believe, however, that if City Council is prepared to consider a rezoning as described in this report, then the preparation of a rezoning application should include exploration of the potential and benefits of multi-use, higher-density, more employment-intensive development on this City-owned site. It is acknowledged that the time horizon depicted by CGMA for achieving its relocation is a difficult one in the best of circumstances, but it is conceivable that means can be found for achieving additional City objectives within the time constraints confronting CGMA or within a time line that can be adjusted without detracting from CGMA and BCLC objectives.

COMMUNITY AMENITY CONTRIBUTION (CACs)

CACs are generally offered by developers to mitigate the impacts of rezoning for change of use, increased height and/or density. Generally it is unlikely and also unexpected that a non-profit organization, particularly one leasing a City-owned site, would offer such a contribution

to the City, unless other uses and development are contemplated in a bigger development and these might offer CACs.

SOCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The sustainability of the non-profit sector is an important social objective as Vancouverites rely heavily on this sector for the provision of important needed social services. The successful relocation of Planet Bingo would allow the existing 86 sponsoring charities to continue to receive revenue from this venue, and therefore have additional resources to fund needed services and programs.

The neighbourhood impact at the new location will be reduced, as the present location on Main Street is in the middle of a high density residential neighbourhood, while the new proposed location is further removed from residential development.

In terms of problem gambling issues the new facility would bring additional gambling opportunities to gamblers, as no slot machines are available at present at Planet Bingo, and therefore potentially increasing addiction risks. However, there are mitigation measures in place for addressing gambling addiction and advances in these are continually explored and implemented. It can also be noted that Vancouverites already have plenty of opportunities to access slot machines at the Edgewater Casino, at the Hastings Racecourse, and at the other regional gaming facilities in Burnaby, Richmond, Coquitlam, New Westminster, Surrey, and Langley.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Approval of the report recommendations will have no financial implications with respect to the City's operating expenditures, fees, staffing or other costs. In terms of revenues, at present the City projected annual revenues from gaming are \$6.4 million a year of gaming revenue (from the Edgewater Casino and the Hastings Racecourse). If 50 to 100 slot machines were added to a new and reconfigured bingo facility, the City could potentially receive an additional estimated \$500,000 to \$1 million a year from the province, through the Local Host Agreement.

CONCLUSION

Staff conclude there is a compelling case, based on social, economic, and financial considerations, in support of the proposed relocation and reconfiguration of Planet Bingo, from Bingo Hall to Community Gaming Centre which would include 50 to 100 slot machines. The proposed rezoning from I-3 to CD-1, raises some concerns from a land use policy perspective, but initial staff review also suggests there could be, on balance, a supportable land use case. Therefore, Council is presented with two resolutions for its consideration, one indicating a willingness to consider a rezoning application, and the other indicating that Council would not be prepared to consider a rezoning application.



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COMMUNITY GAMING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION HISTORY AND UPDATE

Prepared by Wendy Thompson March 14, 2008

The Community Gaming Management Association (CGMA) operates Planet Bingo at 2655 Main Street in Vancouver. We started in 1986, and this site was used as a test of electronic bingo, conducted by the BC Lottery Corporation (BCLC).

CGMA is a unique Service Provider to the BC Lottery Corporation. It is an organization that is wholly owned by the 86 charitable and community organizations that are also the direct beneficiaries of the funds raised at this site (list attached). BCLC manages and conducts all gaming in the province under the Gaming Act of 2002.

Since first opening twenty years ago, this charitable operated bingo site has returned in excess of \$120,000,000.00 to charities and community organizations in Vancouver, plus in excess of \$250,000,000.00 to our valued bingo players. All this from a rented facility that is costly to operate over three floors and quite frankly a deterrent to achieving a new customer base to restore new players interest in what is considered a declining entertainment venue. The lease for this site concludes on December 31, 2009 and the hope of moving to a one-floor operation at 6th and Clark from the existing three floors of obsolete structure remains the focused goal of this organization.

The funding path for the Provincial granting program, known as Bingo Affiliation, is directed through the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch (GPEB) in Victoria. Eligible charities that have been members here for many years make an application for a grant every three years. Once approved by GPEB, they receive monthly grants that total over \$6 million dollars annually, or \$18 million dollars over the three-year grant program. No new Bingo Affiliations are being issued. The current grants expire on May 31, 2009.

GPEB also allows charities in the province to apply for a Direct Access Grant. This grant is issued four times per year depending on the nature of the organization and is usually for a much smaller amount of funding than the Bingo Affiliation Grant; not all groups are eligible.

For the organizations that are members of the CGMA group, there are definite advantages to participation in this organization. In addition to the three-year guaranteed funding, as owners of CGMA, they receive all profits from this organization after expenses. These funds may be used in any way they choose and are issued quarterly based on a formula the organization and the members established many years ago. In addition to being on the leading edge of fundraising, the CGMA provides the 86 organizations a forum for networking and enhanced community involvement.

The CHALLENGE:

The face of gaming is rapidly changing in Vancouver and in adjacent municipalities. Bingo halls such as Planet Bingo throughout the Province have been closed and replaced with Community Gaming Centers (CGC). BCLC wants a CGC in Vancouver. CGMA has been looking for a suitable location to open a CGC in Vancouver. If CGMA is not successful in finding a location for a CGC, then BCLC will allow a private developer to open a CGC in Vancouver, and will be a severe financial blow to the CGMA member organizations.

At the same time, the introduction of slot machines to Hastings Park and Edgewater and the development of a new casino in Burnaby, close to the Vancouver border, have made it difficult to compete in our current location, without the addition of slot machines. We are deeply concerned about our future in light of the growing slot machine gaming numbers, when we have no additional product or offerings to keep our base of players coming to bingo. Should we fail, our 86 Charities and Community groups may not receive the Bingo Affiliation Grant due to the fact that they would no longer be affiliated with a bingo or Community Gaming Center operation. They would have no choice but to apply for a smaller Direct Access grant with no certainty of long term funding as provided by CGMA.

Another pressing matter we face on March 31st, 2008 is the Provincial total non-smoking ban indoors. We anticipate we will see an immediate 30 to 40% loss of business. There is no doubt, we will struggle to survive; without a move in the near future to a Community Gaming Center with slots, we will not be viable in the long term.

We have delivered over \$120 million to the 86 Charities and Community members we serve. We want to continue to be the principal Community Gaming Center in Vancouver, to be named "Chances Vancouver". This will allow us to continue the distribution of profits to our members and to keep their Bingo Affiliation Grants.

The uncertainty of commitment to a new location may allow the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch to use this opportunity to move the 86 current Bingo Affiliates out of Bingo Affiliation and into a less costly Direct Access program.

This will severely impact CGMA members' work within the City of Vancouver. They may receive a substantially lesser amount of grant funding from the Province. Annually, we could see our members grants drop to less than \$3 million or \$9 million over three years from the present \$6 million annually or \$18 million over three years.

THE SOLUTION:

After years of searching, we have found a City-owned site at 6th and Clark, which we believe is an excellent location for a new facility. It abuts a rapid transit station and has bus service both on Clark and nearby Broadway. We are now faced with a delay that will see us not move to the new location until much later than we had hoped and we are seeking Council support to proceed to a rezoning hearing for this location.

In an effort to advance the project and meet the impending critical deadlines, CGMA has retained the services of Henriquez Partners Architects and other consultants to prepare preliminary designs, geotechnical investigations and survey the Clark and 6th site. To date conceptual programming and site investigation works have been completed.

We are seeking Council support to stay viable and continue to function as a major contributor to those in need in our City. Anything that helps us move to our new competitive location would be greatly appreciated by our member organizations. Planet Bingo, operated by Community Gaming Management Association, is a substantial funding leader and we seek your support in remaining so. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMUNITY GAMING MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

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Knight of Columbus #4615 Lions Club of Capilano Lions Club of North Vancouver Host Lions Club of Shaughnessy Lions Club Richmond Chinatown Lions Club Richmond Mandarin Lions Club Vancouver Pacific Little Mountain Neighbour House Society Mount Pleasant Community Centre Association MS Society of Canada BC Div. North Shore Disability Resource Centre Assoc. Osteoporosis Canada - BC Division **PACE Society** Public Dreams Society Ray-Cam Community Assoc Reach Centre Association Richmond Multicultural Concerns Society Rotary Club of Vancouver Arbutus Royal Canadian Legion #114 Royal Canadian Legion #179 Royal Canadian Legion #60 Shrine Club - Gizeh Mini Corps Shrine Club - Gizeh Vintage Vehicles Simon Fraser Society For Community Living Soroptimist International of North & West Van Special Olympics British Columbia Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Assoc of B.C. St John Society (BC & Yukon) Strathcona Community Centre Assoc Turning Point Recovery Society Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society Vancouver Chamber Choir Vancouver Killarney Minor Lacrosse Vancouver Minor Hockey Assoc. Vancouver New Music Society Vancouver Oral Centre for Deaf Children Vancouver Rape Relief Society Vancouver Volunteer Centre Vancouver Women's Health Collective Vela Microboard Assoc of BC West End Seniors Network Society Western Institute for Deaf and Hard of Hearing

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