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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: Director of Planning

SUBJECT: Form of Development: 100 West 1st Avenue

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the form of development for this site known as 140 West 1st Avenue (100 West 1st Avenue being the application address), be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE411503, prepared by GBL Architects Group, and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, July 3, 2007", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The General Manager of Community Services RECOMMENDS approval of the foregoing.

COUNCIL POLICY

There is no applicable Council Policy except that Council did approve in principle, the form of development for this site when the rezoning was approved following a Public Hearing.

PURPOSE

In accordance with the *Charter* requirements, this report seeks Council's approval for this portion of the above noted CD-1 site.

BACKGROUND

At a Public Hearing on September 26, 2006, City Council approved a rezoning of this site from Industrial District (M-2) to Comprehensive Development District (CD-1). Council also approved in principle, the form of development for these lands. CD-1 By-law No. 9594 was enacted on February 12, 2008.

On February 21, 2008, Council approved amendments to the Southeast False Creek (SEFC) Official Development Plan and the CD-1 By-law to allow a height increase on this site. The amendment to the Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan (By-law No. 9728) was enacted on September 30, 2008.

The site is located on the south side of West 1st Avenue with Manitoba Street to the east and Columbia Street to the west. The site and surrounding zoning are shown on the attached Appendix A.

Subsequent to Council's approval of the CD-1 rezoning, the Development Permit Board approved Development Application Number DE411503. This approval was subject to various conditions, including Council's approval of the form of development. The latter condition is one of the few outstanding prior to permit issuance.

DISCUSSION

The proposal involves the development of a mixed-use building including 399 dwelling units, retail and a cultural amenity space (260 seat Theatre) within 4 towers, all over three levels of underground parking.

The proposed development has been assessed against the CD-1 By-law and responds to the stated objectives.

Simplified plans, including a Site Plan and Elevations of the proposal, have been included in Appendix B.

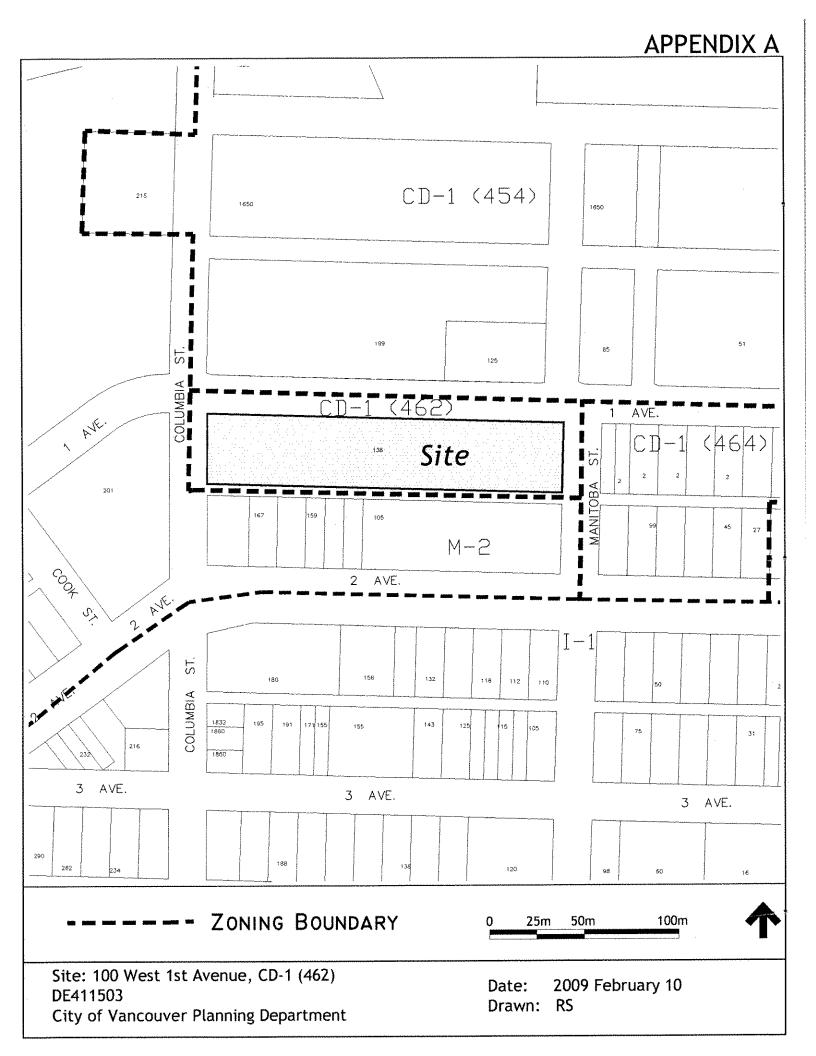
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

CONCLUSION

The Development Permit Board has approved Development Application Number DE411503 subject to various conditions to be met prior to the issuance of the development permit. One of these conditions is that the form of development first be approved by Council.

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