

Supports Item No. 5(a)
CS&B Committee Agenda
July 28, 2009

MOTION ON NOTICE

5(a) Funding for Mobile Access Project (MAP) Van

MOVED by Councillor Anton
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

Whereas:

1. The Mobile Access Project (MAP) has provided services for the last 6 years to women survival sex workers living and working on the streets of Vancouver.
2. Funding for the MAP van has been provided by various sources, including Status of Women Canada, the Office of the Federal Interlocutor for Métis and Non-Status Indians, and particularly from the Government of BC including the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, the former Ministry of Community Services, the former Ministry of Employment and Income Assistance and the Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation.
3. The MAP van costs about \$20,000 per month to staff and operate.
4. The service is essential for the health and safety of women survival sex workers, and has provided resources and training and employment for women who have exited or are exiting the sex trade.
5. Funding has been withdrawn for the MAP van and it has been parked since June 13, 2009.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Vancouver City Council respectfully requests that the Solicitor General of British Columbia assist in recreating the funding partnership so that the MAP van service can be restored, and that the Mayor make that request to the Solicitor General.

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