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## MOTION ON NOTICE

### 2. Vancouver Participation in the GVRD Labour Relations Bureau

MOVER: Councillor Geoff Meggs

SECONDER: Councillor

WHEREAS Vancouver is the only major municipality maintaining full membership in the GVRD Labour Relations Bureau, providing more than 40 percent of the funding while exercising only a single vote on the 16-member body; and

WHEREAS the decision of the City of Burnaby to give notice of its intention to withdraw from the labour relations function has precipitated a long review of the bureau's policies and structures which will not be completed for some months; and

WHEREAS this Council has requested a staff report on the pros and cons of the city's membership which has been delayed by the long review process at the GVRD; and

WHEREAS the City must give notice two years before expiry of its collective agreements if it wishes to withdraw from the function, a deadline of December 31, 2009; and

WHEREAS a decision to give notice would protect the City's option to withdraw, with potential savings of more than \$500,000 a year starting in 2011, as the GVRD process continues;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the City of Vancouver advise the GVRD Labour Relations Bureau of its intention to withdraw from membership effective December 31, 2011.

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