



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: General Manager of Engineering
SUBJECT: Local Improvement Flat Rates and Project to be Cancelled - 2009

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT the flat rates shown on the "List of Projects Certified Complete in 2009", a summary of which is attached as Appendix A (complete list on file in the City Clerk's Office) be approved.
- B. THAT previously approved project Numbered Court #621, Item #36 as described in detail in the body of this report be cancelled.

COUNCIL POLICY

Policies governing the Local Improvement process are set out in the Vancouver Charter and Local Improvements Procedure By-law.

Clause 51B of the Local Improvement Procedure By-law provides that, by resolution, Council may establish a flat rate per foot frontage with respect to any two or more projects of a like nature, based on the average cost per foot frontage of such projects, as established by Council.

PURPOSE

This report requests Council approval of flat rates to be charged to property owners for their share of local improvement projects certified complete in 2009. These rates will be used for local improvement billing to be sent out in March, 2010.

DISCUSSION

For the Local Improvement projects certified complete in 2009, flat rates have been derived from contract costs and the cost of work done by City forces, together with other general expenses and an allowance for interest over the construction period. In general terms, the flat rates are the average cost (per foot of frontage of adjacent properties) for similar projects constructed in 2009.

These flat rates have been developed in accordance with the provisions of the Vancouver Charter and the Local Improvement Procedure By-law: they do not exceed by more than the allowable 10% of the estimated rates approved by Council in the respective Second Step reports for each Court of Revision. The applicable rates are shown on the "List of Projects Certified Complete in 2009" on file in the City Clerks office.

This is the final formal step in the Local Improvement process which is done once the projects are complete and that result in the costs being billed to the owners on their next property tax statement.

Project to be cancelled

This project was approved at a previous Court of Revision and should be cancelled for the following reason explained below.

1. Court #621, Item #36, for a Sidewalk on Commercial Street, West Side, from Kingsway to the lane north of Kingsway

Due to site development the owner elected to construct a sidewalk as part of their development permit.

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**LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS CERTIFIED COMPLETE IN 2009
SUMMARY**

TYPE OF IMPROVEMENT	ESTIMATED P.O. SHARE	ACTUAL P.O. SHARE	INTERIM INTEREST INCLUDED	TEMPEST ADJUSTMENT	BILLING TOTAL
Pavement & Curbs, Higher Zoned	\$262,534.73	\$288,782.49	\$7,043.48	-\$0.30	\$288,782.19
Pavement & Curbs, Local Residential	\$632,049.71	\$693,252.39	\$16,908.60	-\$2.05	\$693,250.34
Lane Pavement	\$723,653.87	\$515,902.73	\$12,583.00	-\$1.12	\$515,901.61
Speed Humps	\$9,029.46	\$6,117.12	\$149.20	\$0.59	\$6,117.71
P.C. Concrete Sidewalks	\$108,395.77	\$118,809.63	\$2,897.80	\$0.44	\$118,810.07
Lane Lighting	\$12,439.52	\$7,833.39	\$191.06	-\$0.41	\$7,832.98
TOTALS	\$1,748,103.06	\$1,630,697.75	\$39,773.14	-\$2.85	\$1,630,694.90
