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## MOTION ON NOTICE

### 2. Housing on Top of the New Downtown Eastside Library

MOVER: Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

SECONDER: Councillor

#### WHEREAS:

1. Carnegie Community Action Project's (CCAP) visioning process with 1200 people found that DTES residents need and want more low income housing in the DTES;
2. The new library on Hastings Street presents a great opportunity for more housing without having to pay for the cost of land;
3. Residents in the CCAP process said they wanted all types of low income housing, for families, children, seniors, Aboriginal people, people who live independently and people who need supports;
4. Market housing rents for amounts that are too high for most DTES residents to afford; and
5. Market housing in the DTES will create ripple effects that serve to increase property values, push up rents in nearby hotels, and displace long term residents.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver instruct its staff to work with the Library Board, BC Housing and Non profit housing providers to ensure that social housing for low income people is built on top of the new library.

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