



STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

SEPTEMBER 23, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Services and Budgets was held on Thursday, September 23, 2010, at 9:35 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Raymond Louie, Chair
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor George Chow*
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Geoff Meggs, Vice-Chair
Councillor Andrea Reimer
Councillor Tim Stevenson
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

ABSENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the Committee adopt Items 1, 3 and 4 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

1. 2010 Operating Budget - 2nd Quarter Review
August 13, 2010

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council receive the Administrative Report dated August 13, 2010, entitled
"2010 Operating Budget - 2nd Quarter Review" for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. Women's Advisory Committee - 2009-2010 Annual Report, and Plans for 2011
July 15, 2010

The Committee heard from two members of the Women's Advisory Committee who reviewed the goals and activities of the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Other Report dated July 15, 2010, entitled "Women's Advisory Committee - 2009-2010 Annual Report, and Plans for 2011", be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. 2010 Animal Welfare Grant
September 3, 2010

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve grants totalling \$10,400 to the following organizations:

- i. Greyhaven Exotic Bird Sanctuary for \$4,275;
- ii. HugABull Advocacy and Rescue Society for \$2,500;
- iii. Small Animal Rescue Society of BC for \$3,625;

source of funds to be the 2010 Community Services Grants budget for Animal Welfare.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

4. Garbage Container Licence Program - 2011 License Agreement Fee
September 15, 2010

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve increases to Container Licence Agreement permit fees of \$37 per year (from \$175 to \$212) for containers greater than 1 cubic yard, and of \$12 per year from (\$58 to \$70) for containers of less or equal to than 1 cubic yard, both effective January 1, 2011 to ensure street cleanliness does not deteriorate to pre-2008 levels as outlined in the Administrative Report dated September 15, 2010, entitled "Garbage Container Licence Program - 2011 License Agreement Fee".
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to modify all Garbage Container License agreements between the City and solid waste removal companies using city lanes for storage of solid waste containers in accordance with A above.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

5. Core Need and Affordable Rental Housing on C-2 Commercial

Vancouver City Council, at its meeting on September 21, 2010, referred this motion to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on September 23, 2010, in order to hear from speakers.

Note from Meeting Coordinator: The following motion contains an addition to the original Motion on Notice.

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. 56 percent of Vancouver households occupy rental housing units and that 31 percent of those households are in core need and that there are low vacancy rates for core need rental housing units.
2. Council's housing priorities are to maintain and expand housing opportunities in Vancouver for low-and-modest income households with priority being given to families with children, seniors on fixed incomes or in need of support, SRO residents, and the mentally ill, physically disabled, and others at risk of homelessness.
3. Council approved a City Plan directive to maintain a stock of rental housing and developed a Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan as one of several actions to maintain affordability in the city.
4. C-2 Commercial zoning is not included in the Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan (the "Rental Housing ODP"), which sets out the City's rate of change policy and requires one-for-one replacement of existing rental accommodation for developments of 6 or more dwelling units.
5. C-2 properties do provide residential rental housing units on upper floors, providing relatively affordable accommodation that will be lost through redevelopment.
6. A review of development activity in "C" commercial zones since May 2007, when the revised rate of change policy came into effect, shows a steady rate of new development, in which 167 existing units of affordable rental housing is proposed for demolition (including the 89 for a site on Fraser Street).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to provide a report back as soon as possible on including C-2 Commercial zoning in the Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan (the "Rental Housing ODP").
- B. THAT any development permit application for C-2 rezoning that could lead to the demolition of rental housing not be received by the City until the above-noted report on this matter is considered by Council.

- C. THAT staff add other zoning areas where the City is losing rental housing and state whether they can come under the Rate of Change By-laws.

postponed

Councillor Woodsworth provided a brief overview of the motion.

The Committee agreed to separate the vote on the components of the motion.

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT A and C above be postponed and referred back to City staff for consideration when preparing their upcoming Report to Council on this matter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- B. THAT any development permit application for C-2 rezoning that could lead to the demolition of rental housing not be received by the City until a report back to Council on C-2 Commercial zoning in the Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan is considered by Council.

LOST

(Councillors Anton, Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer and Stevenson opposed)

The Committee adjourned at 10:07 am

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

SEPTEMBER 23, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, September 23, 2010, at 10:08 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Heather Deal
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor George Chow
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Andrea Reimer
Councillor Tim Stevenson
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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, Deputy Mayor Deal in the Chair.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets
September 23, 2010

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets. Its items of business included:

1. 2010 Operating Budget - 2nd Quarter Review
2. Women's Advisory Committee - 2009-2010 Annual Report, and Plans for 2011

3. 2010 Animal Welfare Grant
4. Garbage Container Licence Program - 2011 License Agreement Fee
5. Core Need and Affordable Rental Housing on C-2 Commercial

Items 1-5

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of September 23, 2010, as contained in items 1 to 5, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND ITEM 3
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 10:09 am

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