

REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

NOVEMBER 4, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Services and Budgets was held on Thursday, November 4, 2010, at 9:34 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Raymond Louie, Chair
Mayor Gregor Robertson*
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

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

**1. By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System
October 22, 2010**

The Program Manager for Bylaw Adjudication provided an overview of the report, and along with the City Manager and Legal Services staff, responded to questions.

The Committee heard from one speaker in support of the recommendations but who also expressed concerns with aspects of the report.

MOVED by Councillor Anton
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council direct staff to inform the Province of British Columbia of its intent to proceed with implementing a By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System.
- B. THAT Council approve the proposed By-law Notice Enforcement By-law as set out in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated October 22, 2010, entitled, "By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System", and that the Director of Legal Services be directed to prepare a by-law generally in accordance with Appendix B of the aforementioned report for consideration by Council.

- C. THAT Council adopt the Screening Officer Policy attached as Appendix C of the Administrative Report dated October 22, 2010, entitled, "By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System".
- D. THAT Council approve the proposed consequential amendments to the Parking Meter By-law No. 2952, Street and Traffic By-law No. 2849, Granville Mall By-law No. 9978, and Motor Vehicle Noise and Emission Abatement By-law No. 9344 as set out in Appendix D of the Administrative Report dated October 22, 2010, entitled, "By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System", and that the Director of Legal Services be directed to prepare the by-laws generally in accordance with Appendix D of the aforementioned report for consideration by Council.
- E. THAT operating funding (\$238,000 in 2011) be allocated to support the ongoing administration expense of a By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System as set out in the Administrative Report dated October 22, 2010, entitled, "By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System", which is to be recovered from the additional revenue to be generated by implementing the By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System.
- F. THAT the City Manager continue to negotiate with the Province of BC as to collection options, including possibly through ICBC.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT F above be struck and replaced with the following:

THAT Council write to the Province and reinforce Councils desire for additional collection options, including through ICBC, and that the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) be copied on the letter.

CARRIED

(Councillor Anton opposed)

(Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

The amendment having CARRIED, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, with Mayor Robertson absent for the vote.

2. Streamlining Support for Small Business

Vancouver City Council, at its meeting on November 2, 2010, referred this matter to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on November 4, 2010, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from two speakers in support of the motion who also provided additional suggestions.

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Small businesses are the backbone of Vancouver's local economy.
2. The City of Vancouver's services for small businesses are not currently offered in a streamlined manner.
3. Reducing the time and effort involved in accessing permits and services would save a small business valuable time, money, and resources.
4. Increasing efficiency for Vancouver's small businesses would help support and grow our local economy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council move to establish a 'one stop shop' to provide a single destination for services and support for small businesses in Vancouver, including but not limited to advice, referrals, and permits.
- B. THAT the City Manager work with Vancouver's small business community through its various associations and representatives to ensure this singular destination for small businesses is providing service in the way that is most effective to help support and grow our local economy, without compromising legitimate public and business interest.

referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council reaffirms its commitment to small business and refers this motion back to staff as part of the Vancouver Service Review.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

3. Neighbourhood Planning Priorities - Options for Increasing Additional Planning Areas

Vancouver City Council, at its meeting on November 2, 2010, referred this matter to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on November 4, 2010, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from seven speakers, one in support of the motion and six who expressed concerns with aspects of the motion.

Planning staff responded to questions.

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During the hearing of speakers, it was

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT, under Section 2.3 (a) of the Procedure By-law, Council extend the length of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting by one hour or less.

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillor Stevenson absent for the vote)*

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MOVED by Councillor Reimer
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS at the Planning and Environment Committee meeting on April 8, 2010 Council provided direction to staff to bring a report in Fall 2010 with recommended timelines for a West End planning process, using a criteria based system to rank the relative need for a West End planning process alongside the other neighbourhoods with plans and/or zoning guidelines that predate the City Plan process.

WHEREAS the preliminary ranking prepared by staff for a community meeting held on October 3, 2010 indicates that the five neighbourhoods studied - Grandview-Woodlands, Marpole, West End, Fairview and Kitsilano - all score very closely using the criteria developed in 2005 for the process that determined Mount Pleasant would be the next planning area at that time.

WHEREAS staff indicated during the April 8, 2010 Planning and Environment Committee debate that, under current budget constraints and using the existing neighbourhood planning process, there are only resources to initiate a new planning process in one additional neighbourhood.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT in order to inform the Fall 2010 staff report to Council regarding the timelines for neighbourhood plans to be initiated, Council express an interest in undertaking up to three additional neighbourhood planning processes at one time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT as part of the report, staff include information on the implications of undertaking up to three additional neighbourhood planning processes, including potential impacts on finances, staffing, other ongoing planning processes, and/or changes to the process used to develop the additional neighbourhood plans.

carried unanimously

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the following be added at the end of the motion:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT before Council selects the next neighbourhood(s) to undergo a neighbourhood planning process, the community groups in these proposed next neighbourhoods (specifically but not limited to Grandview-Woodlands, Marpole, West End, Fairview and Kitsilano) be given adequate time to assess the outcomes of the current planning processes in Mount Pleasant and Norquay Village, and that these assessments be used in the city's consideration and design of future neighbourhood planning processes;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT rezonings not consistent with existing Community or Local Area Plans or Area Policy Plan development guidelines not be brought forward for consideration by Council while these neighbourhoods are under consideration for a planning process.

WITHDRAWN

Note From Meeting Coordinator: Councillor Reimer agreed to bring the amendment above to a Standing Committee of Council when the Fall 2010 staff report regarding neighbourhood planning is completed.

The amendment having been WITHDRAWN, the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Committee adjourned at 1:03 pm

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

NOVEMBER 4, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, November 4, 2010, at 1:04 pm, 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: Mayor Gregor Robertson
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor George Chow
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Andrea Reimer
Councillor Tim Stevenson
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"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT Council will go into a meeting later this day which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (d) the security of the property of the city;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 [*disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party*] of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets
November 4, 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. By-law Notice Dispute Adjudication System
2. Streamlining Support for Small Business
3. Neighbourhood Planning Priorities - Options for Increasing Additional Planning Areas

Items 1-3

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of November 4, 2010, as contained in items 1 to 3, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Jang

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 1:05 pm

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