

MOTION

1. Matter related to Item 4, Planning & Environment Agenda - Historic Area Height Review: Policy Implementation

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS:

1. It is Council's desire to ensure adequate consultation and community engagement in the DTES community in local area planning.
2. The DTES is a vibrant, robust and creative community in Vancouver that requires special consideration in planning.
3. It is Council's priority to build and protect adequate housing to address low income, homeless and vulnerable people in our community.
4. It is the common practice to refer items to Public Hearing without hearing speakers as referral items cannot consider content and speakers to content have the ability to speak at Public Hearing.
5. The items relating to HA-1 and HA-1A (Chinatown Historic areas) have a high degree of agreement, evidenced in Appendix E and correspondence received from the community, that the process that led to those decisions in January 2010 and this subsequent follow up report were appropriate. Content issues are appropriately discussed at the Public Hearing.
6. More time is needed for City staff to complete a social impact study on low-income residents in the DTES, as was committed to by Council in January 2010.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- A. THAT Council refer items B, C, D, E and F (as it relates to HA-1 and HA-1A) to Public Hearing and ask the City Manager to ensure the report is severed accordingly and posted in the City website for public review before the Public Hearing.
- B. THAT Council refer item A to a future Council meeting to allow the City Manager to ensure the following is implemented:
 - i. The striking of a community committee to enhance and accelerate a DTES local area plan (DD-Area C2, HA-2, DEOD districts) and to develop a clear strategy to implement the existing Council approved DTES Housing Plan;
 - ii. The committee would be co-chaired by one member of the Downtown Neighbourhood Council and one member of the

- Building Community Society. There would be at least one representative from the Strathcona Residents' Association and liaison from the City's Planning Department. The rest of the committee members and the terms of reference would be decided by the co-chairs within the parameters of point i, above.
- iii. That the City Manager ensure that appropriate resources are allocated to the above to ensure timely completion and that the work of the committee be completed by December 31, 2011.

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