

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 1, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, February 1, 2011, at 2:00 pm, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

**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
- Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Penny Ballem, City Manager

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Marg Coulson, City Clerk  
Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

**PRAYER**

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with a prayer read by Councillor Chow.

**PROCLAMATION - LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION WEEK**

The Mayor proclaimed the week of February 3 to 9, 2011, as "Lunar New Year Celebration Week" in the City of Vancouver, and invited Mike Jang, Chinese Benevolent Association of Vancouver, Cecil Fung, Chinese Freemasons, Vancouver Branch, Mary Quan, Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Vancouver, and Paul Cheng, S.U.C.C.E.S.S., to the podium to receive the proclamation.

## "IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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:

(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the city or another position appointed by the city;

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF JANUARY 18, 2011

Council appointed Park Commissioner Sarah Blyth to the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) Board of Directors.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### 1. Regular Council (Transportation and Traffic) - January 18, 2011

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2. Regular Council - January 18, 2011**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Special Council (Public Hearing) - January 18, 2011**

MOVED by Councillor Deal  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - January 20, 2011**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

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

## **MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

The Mayor noted that Administrative Report A1 had been withdrawn at the request of staff. The Mayor also noted that a request to speak to Administrative Report A2 had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Administrative Report dated January 27, 2011, entitled "Annual Report on Development Cost Levies - Collection, Allocation, and Remaining Balance" be referred to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2011, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A4 and A5 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **REPORT REFERENCE**

### **1. Homelessness and Housing Strategy Update**

Penny Ballem, City Manager, Brenda Prosken, Deputy General Manager, Community Services Group, and Dan Garrison, Acting Assistant Director, Housing Policy, provided an overview of the City's Housing and Homelessness Strategy, including a review of homelessness statistics, rental housing stock and incentives, proposed public consultation, and strategies for moving forward.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **1. Implementation of "Vancouver Views" and Opportunities for Higher Buildings in the Downtown November 29, 2010**

At the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting on January 20, 2011, Vancouver City Council heard from speakers on this matter, and referred discussion and decision to the Regular Council meeting on February 1, 2011, as Unfinished Business.

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT Council approve the finalized version of the new protected public view corridors, as generally described in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated November 29, 2010, entitled "Implementation of 'Vancouver Views' and

Opportunities for Higher Buildings in the Downtown" (*as amended in the Memorandum from Kevin McNaney, Senior Planner, dated December 13, 2010*), that were adopted in principle by City Council on January 26, 2010.

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to make consequential amendments to the View Protection Guidelines and all other relevant policies and guidelines to reflect these new protected views.

- B. THAT Council adopt the revised General Policy For Higher Buildings, as generally described in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated November 29, 2010, entitled "Implementation of 'Vancouver Views' and Opportunities for Higher Buildings in the Downtown" (*as amended in the Memorandum from Brent Toderian, Director of Planning, dated January 17, 2011*), to allow for future consideration of higher buildings outside of protected public views (with the exception of the View 3.0 from Queen Elizabeth Park) in the Central Business District, "Burrard Bridge Gateway" and "Granville Bridge Gateway", noting that each such rezoning application would be subject to full review and Public Hearing.
- C. THAT, subject to the approval of the new protected public views through the adoption of A above, the Director of Planning be instructed to make application to amend Section 4 of the Downtown Official Development Plan to delete subsection 4 and Map 4-Height of Buildings in View Cones (Downtown South) and all reference to the subsection and map, and that the application be referred to a public hearing.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law, generally in accordance with Appendix C of the Policy Report dated November 29, 2010, entitled "Implementation for 'Vancouver Views' and Opportunities for Higher Buildings in the Downtown", for consideration at the public hearing.

CARRIED

(Councillor Anton opposed to A, and Councillors Anton, Cadman and Woodsworth opposed to B)

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Single Room Accommodation (SRA) Permit for 120 Jackson Avenue, International Inn (500 Alexander Street)

WITHDRAWN

**2. Annual Report on Development Cost Levies - Collection, Allocation, and Remaining Balance  
January 27, 2011**

This item was referred to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2011, in order to hear from speakers.

**3. East Fraser Lands Area 2: New Public Street Names  
January 4, 2011**

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

- A. THAT the new public street located in East Fraser Lands Area 2 shown in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated January 4, 2011, entitled "East Fraser Lands Area 2: New Public Street Names" and noted as Road E, be named "Pierview Crescent".
- B. THAT the new public street located in East Fraser Lands Area 2 shown in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated January 4, 2011, entitled "East Fraser Lands Area 2: New Public Street Names" and noted as Road H, be named "Riverwalk Avenue".
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the appropriate amendments to the Street Name By-law.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)

**4. 2011 Sustainable Communities Conference: February 8-10, 2011, Victoria BC  
January 24, 2011**

THAT Council authorize Councillor Andrea Reimer to attend the 2011 Sustainable Communities Conference - February 8 - 10 2011, Victoria, BC, with expenses estimated at \$377.60 on behalf of Mayor Robertson who was invited to address the conference with source of funding from the Councillors 2011 Travel budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**5. Closure and Sale of a Portion of Road Adjacent to 289 East 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
December 9, 2010**

THAT Council close, stop-up and convey to the abutting owners of 289 East 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue that approximately 346.5 square foot portion of road legally described as [PID: 011-250-194] The South 7 Feet of Lot 11 Block 72 District Lot 301 Plan 5112 (hereinafter, the "Road Portion"), the same as generally shown hatched on the plan attached as

Appendix "A" of the Administrative Report dated December 9, 2010, entitled "Closure and Sale of a Portion of Road Adjacent to 289 East 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue", subject to the terms and conditions as noted in Appendix "B" of the above-noted Administrative Report.

THAT the sale proceeds of \$48,000 be credited to the Property Endowment Fund.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

#### RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)

#### ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal  
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)

#### BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1-5 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)

1. **By-law Notice Enforcement By-law (By-law No. 10201)**
2. **A By-law to amend Parking Meter By-law No. 2952 to approve parking meter rate changes and other definitional changes and consequential amendments (By-law No. 10202)**

3. **A By-law to amend Street and Traffic By-law No. 2849 regarding owners and lessees of vehicles (By-law No. 10203)**
4. **A By-law to amend Granville Mall By-law No. 9978 regarding miscellaneous amendments (By-law No. 10204)**
5. **A By-law to amend Motor Vehicle Noise and Emission Abatement By-law No. 9344 (By-law No. 10205)**

#### MOTIONS

##### A. Administrative Motions

##### 1. Approval of Form of Development - 2908 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2908 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue (2900 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE414010, prepared by Mackenzie Street Development Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services", on November 3, 2010, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)

##### 2. Approval of Form of Development - 2200 South East Marine Drive

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as Riverside (2200 South East Marine Drive being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE413639, prepared by HR Hatch Architect, and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services", on December 1, 2010, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)



### 3. Closure and Sale of a Portion of Road Adjacent to 289 East 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Chow

#### THAT WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;
2. The owners of [PID: 003-371-522] Lot 11, Except the South 7 Feet, Now road, Block 72 District Lot 301 Plan 5112 Group 1 New Westminster District ("Lot 11") have made application to purchase a 7 foot wide portion of 19th Avenue abutting Lot 11;
3. The subject 7 foot portion of road to be closed, stopped-up and conveyed to the owners of abutting Lot 11 is legally described as [PID: 011-250-194] The South 7 Feet of Lot 11 Block 72 District Lot 301 Plan 5112 Group 1 New Westminster District ("The South 7 Feet of Lot 11");
4. The South 7 Feet of Lot 11 was established as road by document filed 40698, deposited in the Land Title Office on October 10, 1945;
5. The said portion of lane to be closed is no longer required for municipal purposes;
6. The South 7 Feet of Lot 11 to be closed will be conveyed to the owners of Lot 11 and subdivided with Lot 11 to form two new parcels.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT [PID: 011-250-194] The South 7 Feet of Lot 11 Block 72 District Lot 301 Plan 5112 Group 1 New Westminster District established as road by document filed 40698 be closed, stopped-up and conveyed to the owners of abutting [PID: 003-371-522] Lot 11, Except the South 7 Feet, Now road, Block 72 District Lot 301 Plan 5112 Group 1 New Westminster District subject to the said portion of closed road being subdivided with the said Lot 11 to create two new parcels to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services and the Approving Officer.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)

**4. Approval of Form of Development - 4898 Nanaimo Street**

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth  
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2330-2372 Kingsway and 2319 East 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue (4898 Nanaimo Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE413940, prepared by Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on January 14, 2011, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Jang absent for the vote)

**B. Motions on Notice**

**1. Request for Leaves of Absence - Councillor Deal**

*The motion below reflects an amendment to the original Motion on Notice, which was accepted by the Council.*

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Councillor Deal be granted Leaves of Absence for Civic Business from the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meetings to be held on May 19 and September 22, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Meggs**

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Councillor Meggs be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from meetings to be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Deal**

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Councillor Deal be granted Leaves of Absence for Civic Business from the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic and the Regular Council meetings to be held on February 15, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Louie**

*The motion below reflects an amendment to the original Motion on Notice, which was accepted by the Council.*

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Councillor Louie be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from the evening meeting of February 1, 2011, and from meetings to be held on February 3, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**5. Olympic Legacy Fund**

MOVED by Councillor Anton  
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS

1. City of Vancouver taxpayers contributed \$20m to the Olympic Legacy fund;
2. The fund was used to support Vancouver's participation in the 2010 Olympic games, including Live City sites, neighbourhood celebrations, public art, torch relays and protocol;
3. When the fund was implemented the political opposition was loud and clear, with the fund being frequently described as a "slush fund";
4. In fact, the fund allowed the city to finance a number of activities, and without doubt contributed to the outstanding success of the Olympic Games in Vancouver;

5. A high level summary of the expenditures from the fund was provided in a report to council received 20 Apr 2010 but a detailed summary has not been provided; and
6. Mayor Robertson campaigned on openness and transparency.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the City Manager be requested to publish the full accounting for the use of the Olympic Legacy fund.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the motion be struck and replaced with the following:

THAT the City Manager be requested to continue to provide regular reporting on the use of the Olympic Legacy Fund.

CARRIED  
(Councillor Anton opposed)

## 6. Vancouver House

MOVED by Councillor Anton  
NOT SECONDED

WHEREAS

1. Vancouver House was the primary hosting site for the City of Vancouver during the 2010 Olympics;
2. Many people were hosted at Vancouver House functions;
3. The Mayor has declined to provide the list of invitees;
4. \$2m of Vancouver taxpayers' money was spent on protocol and hosting through the Olympic Legacies Fund;
5. Repeated requests for the list of invitees have been refused;
6. Mayor Robertson campaigned on openness and transparency.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the City Manager be requested to publish the complete guest lists for Vancouver House during the 2010 Olympics.

not put

The motion was not put to a vote, having not received a seconder.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**1. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Woodsworth**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Councillor Woodsworth be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from meetings to be held on February 3, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Stevenson**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Councillor Stevenson be granted Leave of Absence from the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic meeting to be held on February 15, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

**1. Staffing and Personnel Issues**

Councillor Anton noted the recent resignation of the Manager of Property Use Inspection, and enquired whether certain circumstances around the resignation would be reported to Council and/or made public. The City Manager agreed to follow up on the enquiry and also noted that she has requested data from Human Resources concerning staff turnover statistics which will be circulated to Council shortly.

**2. Communications and Media Issues**

Councillor Woodsworth expressed concern with regard to a recent media event involving Communications and Planning staff along with a major developer. The City Manager provided an explanation of the circumstances around the interview, and noted that explanatory memorandums which were circulated to Council following the event could be made public in order to provide more clarity. She further noted that, at Council's request, a workshop could be arranged to discuss communications and media processes.

**3. Southeast False Creek Daycare Facility**

Councillor Anton enquired on the status of the daycare facility at the Southeast False Creek community centre. The City Manager agreed to follow up and provide that information in a memo to Council.

The Council adjourned at 6:10 pm

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