

## **REPORT TO COUNCIL**

### STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY SERVICES AND BUDGETS

## FEBRUARY 17, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Services and Budgets was held on Thursday, February 17, 2011, at 9:39 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 Kerry Jang Councillor Geoff Meggs, Vice-Chair Councillor Andrea Reimer Councillor Tim Stevenson* Councillor Ellen Woodsworth
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:	Penny Ballem, City Manager David McLellan, General Manager, Community Services Group
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 Item 1 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Anton, Cadman, Chow, Deal, and Stevenson absent for the vote)

# 1. 606 North Kootenay Street - Parking in Required Front Yard December 15, 2010

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the Director of Legal Services is hereby authorized, in her discretion, to commence a legal action or proceeding to discontinue the unauthorized use of the required front yard of the property at 606 North Kootenay Street, Lot 16, Block F, Plan 4537, District Lot HT, New Westminster, PID 011-513-659, for the parking of motor vehicles in contravention of City by-laws.

## ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- 2. 2011 Social Grants
- a) 2011 Community Services and Social Responsibility Grants February 3, 2011

Staff from Social Policy provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from twelve speakers; eleven of whom were in support of the recommendations and provided information on their organizations, and one who had concerns regarding one of the grant recommendations.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve 110 Community Services Grants totaling \$4,073,400 including any recommended Conditions on the grants, as listed in APPENDICES A-1, 2 and 3 of the Administrative Report dated February 3, 2011, entitled "2011 Community Services and Social Responsibility Grants". Source of funding is the 2011 Community Services Grants budget.
- B. THAT Council approve \$25,000 to be set aside from the Community Services Grants budget and then allocated to address issues within the women's sector, following stakeholder consultation and a report back to Council in 2011.
- C. THAT Council approve \$30,000 of the 2011 Community Services Grants budget for the capacity building of non-profit organizations. Staff will report back on specific allocations.
- D. THAT Council approve 7 grants for a total of \$100,000 from the Social Responsibility Fund, as described in Appendix A-4 of the Administrative Report dated February 3, 2011, entitled "2011 Community Services and Social Responsibility Grants".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)  Approval of 2011 Child Care Grants: Civic Child Care Grants Program, Child Care Capital, and Child Care Reserve Fund Allocations February 3, 2011

Staff from Social Policy provided an overview of the report and responded to questions.

#### MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve a grant of \$114,791 to Vancouver Society of Children's Centres (VSOCC) for the administration of City owned child care facilities and a grant for \$233,278 to the Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre for city wide support services, totaling \$348,069. Source of funds: 2011 Civic Child Care Grants, 2011 Operating Budget.
- B. THAT Council approve a one time grant of up to \$172,500 to Developmental Disabilities Association (DDA) for furnishings, equipment and supplies for the Creekside Child Care Centre, subject to a detailed and costed budget approved by the Assistant Director of Social Infrastructure and subject to entering into the lease agreement contemplated in the Vancouver Park Board report in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated February 3, 2011, entitled "Approval of 2011 Child Care Grants: Civic Child Care Grants Program, Child Care Capital, and Child Care Reserve Fund Allocations". Source of funding is the 2011 Child Care Capital Budget.
- C. THAT Council authorize payment of up to \$478,995 to 14 programs as an operating subsidy for 276 infant/toddler spaces, to be allocated as outlined in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated February 3, 2011, entitled "Approval of 2011 Child Care Grants: Civic Child Care Grants Program, Child Care Capital, and Child Care Reserve Fund Allocations", for the period from January 1, 2011 December 31, 2011. Source of funds: Child Care Reserve.
- D. THAT Council authorize payment of up to \$69,000 to Vancouver Society of Children's Centres as a Start-up Grant for 69 spaces operating at the Sea Star Children's Centre, for the period January 1- December 31, 2011. Source of funds: Child Care Reserve.
- E. THAT Council approve a Start-up Grant of up to \$138,000 over 24 months, prorated to \$69,000 in 2011, to the Developmental Disabilities Association subject to a detailed and costed budget approved by the Assistant Director of Social Infrastructure and subject to entering into a lease agreement contemplated in the Vancouver Park Board report in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated February 3, 2011, entitled "Approval of 2011 Child Care Grants: Civic Child Care Grants Program, Child Care Capital, and Child Care Reserve Fund Allocations". Source of funding is the Child Care Reserve.

F. THAT no legal rights or obligations be created or arise by Council's adoption of Recommendations B and E of the Administrative Report dated February 3, 2011, entitled "Approval of 2011 Child Care Grants: Civic Child Care Grants Program, Child Care Capital, and Child Care Reserve Fund Allocations", until the lease is fully signed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

## 3. Reducing Regulations for Small Businesses

Vancouver City Council, at its meeting on February 15, 2011, referred this matter to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on February 17, 2011, in order to hear from speakers.

MOVED by Councillor Anton SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

#### WHEREAS

- 1. In 2007 a number of changes were made to C zones allowing greater flexibility in regulations affecting small businesses, that is, businesses occupying space less than 200 sq meters (RTS 06532, 13 February 2007 report, meeting date 1 March 2007);
- 2. In particular, the changes in regulations were helpful to limited food service restaurants and allowed them to become full service restaurants;
- 3. Changes included reducing parking requirements and allowing more flexible loading arrangements;
- 4. Many small businesses in other C zones would like the opportunity to benefit from similar regulation changes.

#### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT staff be directed to report back with recommended changes in bylaws to help small businesses, including consideration of:

- i. Expanding the changes made in 2007 to all commercial zones;
- ii. Whether small businesses in CD-1 zones can be included;
- iii. Whether the washroom requirements may be reduced from two to one where it is impracticable to build a second washroom.

referred

## REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Deal THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the motion above be referred back to staff to support work already underway regarding reducing regulations for small businesses.

CARRIED (Councillor Anton opposed)

The Committee adjourned at 11:52 am

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

### FEBRUARY 17, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, February 17, 2011, at 11:53 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:	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
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"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:

(c) labour relations or other employee relations.

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 February 17, 2011

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. 606 North Kootenay Street Parking in Required Front Yard
- 2. 2011 Social Grants
- a) 2011 Community Services and Social Responsibility Grants
- b) Approval of 2011 Child Care Grants: Civic Child Care Grants Program, Child Care Capital, and Child Care Reserve Fund Allocations
- 3. Reducing Regulations for Small Businesses

Items 1 to 3

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets at its meeting of February 17, 2011, as contained in items 1 to 3, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

#### **URGENT BUSINESS**

#### 1. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Cadman

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Councillor Cadman be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from the Public Hearing meetings to be held on February 21 and 24, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal

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 11:58 am

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