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MOTION ON NOTICE

4. Empowering Citizen Voices on Citizen Advisory Committees

MOVER: Councillor Andrea Reimer

SECONDER: Councillor

WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver is committed to bringing the community into City Hall by engaging citizens, and soliciting their ideas, input and creative energy;
2. In February 2009 Council reinstated the Multicultural, Seniors and Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committees, established the City's first Women's and LGBTQ Advisory Committees, and renewed the mandates of Food Policy Council and Bicycle Advisory Committee and over the past three years these seven committees have provided invaluable policy advice, undertaken important research, and fostered noted city initiatives;
3. On July 26, 2011 Council committed to expanding the mandate of the Bicycle Advisory Committee to include all forms of active transportation, and particularly that pedestrian voices and issues were included in transportation decisions;
4. On October 18, 2011 and October 20, 2011 Council committed to establishing an Arts and Culture Advisory Council and Urban Aboriginal Peoples Advisory Committee respectively;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT Council establish the following Type A committees as advisory to Council and that their mandates and terms of reference remain unchanged from those established during the previous council's term:
 - Food Policy Council
 - LGBTQ Advisory Committee
 - Multicultural Advisory Committee
 - Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee
 - Seniors Advisory Committee
 - Women's Advisory Committee.
- B. THAT Council establish an Active Transportation Advisory Committee as a new Type A committee, advisory to Council, and that the terms of reference be established as outlined in Appendix A.

- C. THAT Council re-confirm the commitment of the previous Council to establishing two new advisory committees in 2012 as follows:
- Urban Aboriginal Peoples Advisory Committee (motion of Council, [October 20, 2011, City Services & Budgets minutes](#)).
 - Arts and Culture Advisory Council (staff presentation, [October 18, 2011, Council meeting](#)).
- D. THAT Council renew the following Type B committees as advisory to staff and that their mandates and terms of reference remain unchanged:
- Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee
 - First Shaughnessy Design Panel
 - Gastown Historic Planning Committee.
- E. THAT Council appoint a non-voting Councillor liaison to each of the committees listed in A, B, and D and invite the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation and the Vancouver Board of Education to send a non-voting liaison.
- F. THAT Council direct the City Manager to assign a staff liaison to each committee listed in A, B, and D above for the purpose of providing information and advice on City programs and work that is relevant to the mandate and workplan of the assigned advisory body.
- G. THAT Council direct staff to proceed with advertising for all committees requiring appointment with the goal that all committee members be appointed no later than February 2012. Interim to this date, and to aid in continuity of workplans, existing members from committees listed in A and D may continue the committee's existing work should they wish to.
- H. THAT Council direct staff to organize an annual "Council of Councils". This facilitated meeting shall be: open to all members of Type A advisory committees; include information on roles, responsibilities and rights; allow each advisory committee to briefly present their priorities/workplans for the year; and provide information on effective meeting facilitation and follow up.
- I. THAT Council acknowledge the dedication of all outgoing committee members and thank them for their service to the City of Vancouver.

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE

Overview	The Active Transportation Advisory Committee was approved by City Council on July 26, 2011. Active transportation is defined as walking, cycling and other non-motorized modes of transportation.
Mandate	The mandate of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee is to advise City Council on strategic priorities relating to walking, cycling and all active transportation modes in Vancouver.
Terms of Reference	<p>The Committee advises Council and staff on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• strategic priorities relating to active transportation directions, policies, and guidelines;• the Transportation Plan and Active Transportation Master Plan as they are developed, implemented, and updated; <p>The Committee advises staff on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the education and promotion of active transportation modes, as well as on partnership opportunities.
Membership	12 voting members (7 is quorum). The Committee Chair is selected by the members at the first meeting for the Council term of the Committee.
Committee Members	To be selected through the City of Vancouver's Civic Committee public selection process.