

MOTION

9. Request to Develop a City App

On February 14, 2012, Vancouver City Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting later that day, in order to hear from speakers.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by

WHEREAS

1. City Council has a strong and demonstrated commitment to bringing the community into City Hall by engaging citizens, and soliciting their ideas, input and creative energy.
2. The City of Vancouver is seen as a global leader in open data and open standards as a result of work done under the Open 3 initiative (more information at data.vancouver.ca).
3. The City of Vancouver has committed to technologies, such as implementing 311 and developing a new website format, that increase resident and business access to City functions such as licenses, recreation programs, reporting of bylaw infractions and other common transactions with the City.
4. Residents and businesses are increasingly moving from phone and web to smartphone and mobile technologies.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City staff report back on a financial analysis and timeline for a mobile "City App" that works across common mobile platforms (including Blackberry, Android and iPhone), and that allows residents and business to fulfill desired interactions with the City including access to timely information and services such as business licenses and recreation programs, as well as the ability to report problems in their local area.

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