

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JULY 10, 2012

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, July 10, 2012, at 9:30 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Elizabeth Ball

Councillor George Affleck\*
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Heather Deal\*
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Andrea Reimer
Councillor Tim Stevenson
Councillor Tony Tang

ABSENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson (Leave of Absence)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

David McLellan, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Janice MacKenzie, Acting City Clerk

Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

# WELCOME

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with welcoming comments from Councillor Deal.

### "IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Jang SECONDED by Councillor Carr

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;

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

- (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for an award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the city on condition of anonymity;
- (d) the security of the property of the city;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting 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

### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Chauffeur's Permit Appeal Hearing - June 20, 2012

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Ball SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2. Regular Council - June 27, 2012

MOVED by Councillor Tang SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

## CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (Planning, Transportation and Environment) - June 27, 2012

MOVED by Councillor Meggs SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, Deputy Mayor Ball in the Chair.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A2, A4 and A5 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. 2012 Emergency Preparedness Conference - Partnership Donation May 23, 2012

MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT City Council approve a Partnership Donation in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the 2012 Vancouver Emergency Preparedness Conference. The source of funds for the donation to be from the Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services' 2012 Operating Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

2. Allocation of Cash Community Amenity Contribution to Duke Street Childcare Playground Renovation
July 3, 2012

THAT Council approve a grant of \$105,846 to Collingwood Neighbourhood House for renovations to the Duke Street childcare outdoor playground subject to conditions outlined in the Administrative Report dated July 3, 2012, entitled "Allocation of Cash Community Amenity Contribution to Duke Street Childcare Playground Renovation". Source of funding: the Community Amenity Contribution received from the rezoning of 2667-2703 Kingsway, to be added to the 2012 Capital budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

3. Debenture Program - 2012 June 22, 2012

# MOVED by Councillor Carr

A. THAT Council authorize the issuance of up to \$120 million City of Vancouver debentures, utilizing borrowing authorities approved as part of the 2009, 2010 and 2011 Capital Budgets and through special approvals as follows:

•	Waterworks	\$ 17,000,000
•	Sewers & Drainage	\$ 38,200,000
•	Public Works	\$ 21,348,000
•	Parks & Recreation	\$ 18,365,000
•	Public Safety & Civic Facilities	\$ 22,687,000
•	Neighborhood Energy Utility System	\$ 2,400,000
		\$ 120,000,000

B. THAT, until the borrowing authorities established pursuant to A above are exercised, the Director of Finance, in consultation with the Mayor, the Chair of the City Services and Budgets Committee, and the City Manager, or a majority of them, be empowered to act and instruct the City's Fiscal Agent to proceed with the issuance of the debentures, and to set the interest rate, price, and other terms and conditions on which the debentures will be issued by the City.

It should be noted that once the Director of Finance instructs the Fiscal Agent to offer the debentures in the public market, Council will be required to enact the appropriate borrowing by-law to authorize issuance of the debentures.

- 4. Roof Replacement Buildings at 270 Terminal Avenue and at 875-925 Terminal Avenue
  June 7, 2012
  - A. THAT Council approve the recommended capital expenditure for roof replacement for the City-owned building at 270 Terminal Avenue, legally described as Lot 19, Block A2, Plan VAP5703, District Lot 2037, NWLD; (as shown on Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated June 7, 2012, entitled "Roof Replacement Buildings at 270 Terminal Avenue and at 875-925 Terminal Avenue"); in the amount of \$262,500 including HST and contingencies; source of funding to be the Property Endowment Fund (PEF), to be recovered from the rental income generated by this building.
  - B. THAT Council approve the recommended capital expenditure for roof replacement for the City-owned building at 875-925 Terminal Avenue, legally described as Lot 5, except part in Plan 8304, Block E, District Lot 2037, Plan 8122, and Amended lot A (Explanatory Plan 5052) of Lot E, District Lot 2037,

Plan 8304, and Lot D, District Lot 2037, Plan BCP802 (as shown on Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated June 7, 2012, entitled "Roof Replacement - Buildings at 270 Terminal Avenue and at 875-925 Terminal Avenue"); in the amount of \$1,710,800 including HST and contingencies; source of funding to be the Property Endowment Fund (PEF), to be recovered from the rental income generated by this building.

C. THAT Council authorize the Director of Supply Chain Management (Chief Purchasing Official) to tender the proposed immediate roof replacement at 270 Terminal Avenue, and at 875-925 Terminal Avenue.

# ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- Fleet Additions Replace Streets, Traffic and Electrical Operations Leases with City-Owned Units June 20, 2012
  - A. THAT Council approve the allocation of \$1,177,500 from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account to add 18 city owned units to the Streets, Traffic and Electrical Operations fleet to replace 18 existing leases.
  - B. THAT the annual costs of the vehicles including the asset repayment (for the portion funded from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account), be paid through annual charges of \$397,300 with funding to be provided from the existing Streets, Traffic and Electrical Operations budget, and future funding will be managed within the context of the annual budget process.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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

## **BY-LAWS**

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 3 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

# **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- 1. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (111 Princess Avenue) (By-law No. 10530)
- 2. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (111 Princess Avenue) (By-law No. 10531)
- 3. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to Secured Market Rental Housing (By-law No. 10532)

### **MOTIONS**

- A. Administrative Motions
- 1. Approval of Form of Development: 2298 Galt Street (2300 Galt Street)

MOVED by Councillor Jang SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2298 Galt Street (2300 Galt Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE415651, prepared by PH5 Architecture Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on June 28, 2012, 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.

### B. Motions on Notice

1. Completion of the City of Vancouver's Seawall - Kitsilano to Jericho

MOVED by Councillor Affleck SECONDED by Councillor Carr

#### WHEREAS

- 1. The seawall defines the City of Vancouver and distinguishes Vancouver from all other cities;
- 2. The seawall is about 22 km long and encompasses most of the waterfront of Vancouver, excluding industrial zones and the Fraser River;
- 3. The seawall is the most heavily used of all Vancouver Park Board facilities;
- 4. The only remaining major area of the city not included in the seawall network is in Kitsilano near Point Grey Road;
- 5. The Transportation Plan is considering options to improve cycling facilities along Point Grey Road;
- 6. The 2040 Transportation Plan does not incorporate the option of extending the seawall along the foreshore in this area;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff report back on the public process, cost, options, and potential funding partners related to building a seawall for cyclists and pedestrians along the foreshore area adjacent to Point Grey Road, in order to complete the seawall network from Kitsilano Pool to Jericho Park. The report should also address concerns related to the environment, residential security, and rising seawater levels and potential erosion.

### amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Motion be struck and replaced with the following:

#### **WHEREAS**

- 1. The seawall defines the City of Vancouver and distinguishes Vancouver from all other cities;
- 2. The seawall is about 22 km long and encompasses most of the waterfront of Vancouver, excluding industrial zones and the Fraser River;
- 3. The seawall is the most heavily used of all Vancouver Park Board facilities;

- 4. The Transportation Plan is considering options to improve cycling facilities along Point Grey Road;
- 5. There are gaps in public access to the waterfront in the city, including along the Fraser River for residents in South Vancouver;

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT staff support the Vancouver Park Board in their efforts to assess and develop options to expand the seawall from Jericho to Kits Beach, as well as research on environmental impacts, residential security and seawater levels.
- B. THAT staff continue to develop long-term transportation options for Cornwall and Point Grey Road, which may include a seawall extension.
- C. THAT staff work with the Park Board to identify possibilities for increasing public access to the waterfront city-wide, including along the Fraser River.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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During discussion on the above motion, Councillor Stevenson rose on a Point of Order and noted that Councillor Affleck was out of order by raising aspersions with comments regarding potential influence of an anonymous donor over a political party.

Councillor Affleck retracted his comments.

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2. Protecting Commercial Bicycle Rentals

MOVED by Councillor Affleck SECONDED by Councillor Ball

#### **WHEREAS**

- 1. A robust cycling infrastructure is a key component of the City of Vancouver transportation plan;
- 2. Many bicycle rental businesses operate in Vancouver, particularly in the Stanley Park area;
- 3. The taxpayer subsidized Public Bike Share (PBS) network will significantly detract from the viability of the private rental sector;

### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT no Public Bike Share installations be placed near prominent tourist destinations specifically, but not limited to, Stanley Park, the Vancouver Convention Centre and English Bay.
- B. THAT the Public Bike Shares be installed at transit hubs only.
- C. THAT any Public Bike Share contract will require that no promotional memberships be offered at any time.

### amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Motion be struck and replaced with the following:

# **WHEREAS**

- 1. A robust cycling infrastructure is a key component of the City of Vancouver transportation plan;
- 2. Many bicycle rental businesses operate in Vancouver, particularly in the Stanley Park area;
- 3. There are over 300 public bike share systems in the world;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council reaffirm its support for staff to work with local bicycle rental businesses in the design and implementation of a public bike share system and the location of rental stations.

## **CARRIED**

(Councillor Affleck and Deputy Mayor Ball opposed)

3. Continuation of Funding for Vancouver's Historic Railway

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Ball SECONDED by Councillor Affleck

### **WHEREAS**

- 1. The City of Vancouver relies heavily on the tourism sector as an economic generator;
- 2. The City of Vancouver is proud of its history and heritage;

- 3. The Historic Railway has been in seasonal operation since 1998 (no service in 2007 & 2009 while tracks were being upgraded) and has carried 133,092 passengers over that time;
- 4. The City of Vancouver has invested considerable resources to the preservation of the Historic Railway, including the initial purchase of the land from Canadian Pacific Railway for \$8.95 million and \$8.5 million to upgrade the Downtown Historic Railway infrastructure prior to the 2010 Olympics;
- 5. The City of Vancouver has not allocated funds for the operation and maintenance of the Historic Railway for 2012;
- 6. The Historic Railway is operated by volunteers, and adds immensely to the experience of tourists and citizens of all ages in the City;

# THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT staff provide a report to Council on or before council meetings scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012, on the factors behind the refusal to contribute \$100,000 in 2012 to the operations of the Historic Railway.
- B. THAT staff provide short term and long term financial and operational options to Council for the Historic Railway between Granville Island and Moberly Road, on or before July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 with a goal to have the railway running for summer 2012.

#### referred

The Deputy Mayor noted a request to speak to this motion had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Affleck SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held later this day, in order to hear from speakers.

# 4. Provincial Recycling Regulation

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Prior to discussion on this matter, Councillor Affleck rose and declared a Conflict of Interest on this matter in relation to a client of his. Councillor Affleck therefore left the Chamber at 10:42 am and did not return until the vote on this matter had been concluded.

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The following motion contains amendments to the original Motion on Notice.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Louie

#### WHEREAS

- 1. Recycling rates for residential homes in Metro Vancouver is currently at 48%, and 58% in the city of Vancouver;
- 2. In Metro Vancouver, the municipal blue box curbside service is the most established and successful aspect of the waste stream in terms of diversion;
- 3. Recyclable materials represent a potential revenue stream for municipalities;
- 4. Public policy priorities to drive zero waste should focus on diverting waste from multi-family dwellings, and the commercial and industrial sectors;
- 5. The Province has amended the Recycling Regulation to include extended producer responsibility for paper and packaging by 2014;
- 6. Municipalities have the most knowledge about the recycling system in their communities; and
- 7. The new stewardship program doesn't require municipal pick up and could eliminate publicly controlled residential collection of paper and packaging;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver request the Province amend the Recycling Regulation to require that where local governments choose to provide recycling services to stewardship organizations that municipalities be fully compensated for those services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be circulated to all Lower Mainland Municipalities and Metro Vancouver.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Affleck and Deal absent for the vote)

### NOTICE OF MOTION

1. Federal Government: Long-Term Infrastructure Plan

Councillor Louie submitted the following Notice of Motion. The motion will be placed on the agenda of the next Regular Council meeting, as a Motion on Notice.

MOVER: Councillor Raymond Louie SECONDER: Mayor Gregor Robertson

### **WHEREAS**

- 1. The Building Canada Plan and a number of important federal-provincial transfer agreements vital to Canada's cities and communities will expire in March 2014;
- 2. Federal investments over the last few years have helped to slow the decline of our cities and communities, and the Government of Canada has committed to develop a new long-term plan for municipal infrastructure funding in consultation with municipal and provincial/territorial governments;
- 3. A seamless transition from the Building Canada Plan to a new long term plan is necessary to ensure that municipalities can continue planning their capital spending effectively;
- 4. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities has launched a campaign to ensure the new plan reflects municipal priorities across the country and asks its member municipalities to pass a Council resolution supporting the campaign;
- 5. The City of Vancouver has identified a series of large-scale infrastructure projects linked to economic development such as building rapid transit serving the Central Broadway business district and improving connections with the Port of Vancouver, in addition to ongoing long-term infrastructure needs such as maintaining and upgrading the water and sewer systems, addressing housing affordability, renewing and expanding community facilities/infrastructure to serve a growing population, and replacing or upgrading facilities/infrastructure to meet current seismic standards;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council endorses the campaign by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and urges the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities to work with FCM to ensure the new long-term infrastructure plan meets the core infrastructure needs of cities and communities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Vancouver City Council urges the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities to ensure that the new long-term plan is fully in place when existing programs expire in 2014; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, the Honourable Denis Lebel; to BC Minister

of Transportation and Infrastructure, the Honourable Blair Lekstrom; to BC Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, the Honourable Ida Chong; to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities; and to the Union of BC Municipalities.

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2. Building By-law Review: Emergency Services Access

Councillor Louie submitted the following Notice of Motion. The motion will be placed on the agenda of the next Regular Council meeting, as a Motion on Notice.

MOVER: Councillor Raymond Louie SECONDER: Councillor Tony Tang

### **WHEREAS**

- 1. Life safety and property preservation requires timely access to multi-unit structures; and
- 2. The Vancouver Fire Department already has access to multi-unit structures through Vancouver's Building Bylaw; and
- 3. City staff are currently in the process of updating Vancouver's Building Bylaws;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council instruct staff to consult with emergency service providers and other jurisdictions on the issue of emergency access to multi-unit buildings: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff as part of their Vancouver Building Bylaw review, consider providing all emergency service providers with similar access as the Vancouver Fire Department currently has to multi-unit structures.

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Councillor Affleck returned to the meeting at 10:55 am.

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#### **ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS**

1. Provincial Response to Pandora Street Fire Inquest

Councillor Reimer requested an information memorandum from staff regarding the Provincial response to the recommendations arising from the inquest into the Pandora Street fire. The City Manager agreed to provide a memo.

# 2. Carbon Tax Review

Councillor Reimer noted that the Province was accepting input into the Carbon Tax Review until August 31, 2012, and enquired whether the City of Vancouver was preparing a submission based on Council's standing policy with relation to the Carbon Tax and transit funding. The City Manager advised that staff were working on a submission from the City.

# 3. Deputy Mayor Duties

Councillor Tang requested the City Clerk provide an information memorandum regarding the duties and responsibilities of a Councillor while serving as Deputy Mayor, with specific reference to information as to when the title is to be used at public events.

The Council adjourned at 11:10 am

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