MOTION ON NOTICE

3. Support for Vancouver School Board Application to Union of British Columbia Municipalities Grant

MOVER: Councillor Andrea Reimer
SECONDER: Councillor Raymond Louie

WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver supports early care and learning as a cornerstone of healthy child development;

2. The City of Vancouver shares a common vision with Vancouver School Board to support children and their families through an accessible, integrated, neighbourhood-based and culturally responsive system of quality early and middle years childhood development learning and care services;

3. The StrongStart Program and the Circles of Care and Connection (CCC) Refugee Project which address the settlement needs of young refugee children under the age of 6 and their primary care givers, are key early care and learning programs and housed in the outbuilding at Nightingale Elementary school;

4. The space which houses both programs is in need of repair and is eligible for a UBCM grant of $12,500, to assist with upgrading expenses.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT as part of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) grant requirement the City of Vancouver fully supports the Vancouver School Board’s application for grant funding to make such space upgrades to Nightingale Elementary School in order to better accommodate young children and their families in early learning programs.

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