



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 29, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, January 29, 2013, at 9:30 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson
Councillor George Affleck
Councillor Elizabeth Ball
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Heather Deal*
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Andrea Reimer*
Councillor Tim Stevenson
Councillor Tony Tang

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager
Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Janice MacKenzie, City Clerk
Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

**Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.*

WELCOME

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

Mayor Robertson announced that Council had its first in a series of meetings with local First Nations, beginning with the Council of the Tsleil-Waututh Nation on January 21, 2013.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council will go into a meeting later this day and on Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 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;

(c) labour relations or other employee relations;

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of 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

ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF JANUARY 15, 2013

Council made the following appointments to Civic Agencies:

- Benjamin Ling to the First Shaughnessy Advisory Design Panel
- Ryan Bragg, Walter Francl and Joseph Hruda to the Urban Design Panel.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council - January 15, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Deal

SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held January 15, 2013, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Public Hearing - January 15, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Tang

SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing held January 15, 2013, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (Planning, Transportation and Environment) - January 16, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting held January 16, 2013, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Jang

THAT Council adopt Communication 1, Administrative Report 2 and Policy Report 2 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. Report of the Missing Women Commission of Inquiry

Mary Clare Zak, Director of Social Policy, provided a presentation regarding the City of Vancouver response to the Report of the Missing Women Commission of Inquiry and, along with Deputy Chief Constable Doug LePard, Vancouver Police Department, Abigail Bond, Assistant Director of Housing Policy, and the City Manager responded to questions. Ms. Zak noted that staff will be reporting back to Council on this matter in June of this year.

2. Vancouver Food Strategy

Mary Clare Zak, Director of Social Policy, and James O'Neill, Social Planner, provided an overview of the draft Vancouver Food Strategy and, along with Brian Jackson, General Manager, Planning and Development Services, and Chris Underwood, Manager, Solid Waste Management, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT consideration of the Policy Report dated January 15, 2013, be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on January 30, 2013, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Reimer absent for the vote)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Revision to 2013 Council Meetings Schedule

- A. THAT the following public hearing dates that were approved by Council at the Regular Council meeting on November 27, 2012, be cancelled:
- February 12
 - February 14 (back up)

The reason for the proposed change is that four new public hearing dates were established in accordance with s.2.4 of the Procedure By-law due to the number of items requiring public hearing in February. As a result of the new dates, the previously approved dates are no longer required.

- B. THAT Council approve changes to the following meetings:

Meeting	Proposed 2013 Schedule		2013 Schedule	
	Date	Time	Date	Time
Regular Council	Wednesday, May 15	9:30 am	Tuesday, May 14	9:30 am
City Finance & Services	Thursday, May 16	9:30 am	Wednesday, May 15	9:30 am

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. 2013 Street Cleaning Grants January 10, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council approve 2013 Street Cleaning Grants totalling \$175,000 for supplementary cleaning of sidewalks, lanes and public spaces in Vancouver as follows:

- a. \$115,000 to Save Our Living Environment - United We Can, with funding of \$105,000 from the 2013 Street Cleaning Operating Budget and \$10,000 from the 2013 Street Operations Maintenance Budget;
- b. \$35,000 to Family Services of Greater Vancouver - Street Youth Job Action, with funding from the 2013 Street Cleaning Operating Budget;
- c. \$25,000 to The Kettle Friendship Society - SEED Employment Program, with funding from the 2013 Street Cleaning Operating Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

2. Vancouver Sport Hosting Grant: 2012 Fall Intake Allocations January 7, 2013

THAT Council approve Sport Hosting Grants totalling \$63,500 as listed in the Administrative Report dated January 7, 2013, entitled "Vancouver Sport Hosting Grant: 2012 Fall Intake Allocations". Source of funds to be the 2012 and 2013 Sport Hosting Grant Budgets.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

POLICY REPORTS

1. Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law Regarding Farmers' Markets January 21, 2013

During questions to staff from Councillor Carr, Councillor Reimer rose on a Point of Order to note that the matter before Council was a recommendation to refer the application to a Public Hearing. The Mayor agreed and noted discussion should be limited to the merits of referring this matter to Public Hearing.

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT, to implement improvements to the regulation of farmers' markets, the Director of Planning be instructed to make an application to amend the Zoning and Development By-law to:

- i) amend the definition of "Farmers' Market" in Section 2 to better distinguish between "local prepared foods" and "local ready-to-eat foods"; and
- ii) amend Section 11.21 to increase the minimum required number of stalls from 10 to 11 and to increase the limit on stalls selling local ready-to-eat foods and local artisan crafts from 20% of all stalls to 40% of all stalls; and
- iii) add a cross-reference to Section 11.21 into the various district schedules which permit farmers' markets;

all generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated January 21, 2013, entitled "Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law Regarding Farmers' Markets", and that the application be referred to a public hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with the above-noted Appendix A for consideration at the public hearing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Farmers' Market Report Back and Recommendations January 21, 2013

- A. THAT, to align the permit structure for farmers' markets located on streets with that for zoned lands, the General Manager of Engineering Services be instructed to:
 - i) align the Special Event Marketing Permit fee similar to the development permit fee for a farmers' market, by bringing forward Special Event Permit fee increases in concert with the Zoning and Development Fee By-Law increases; and
 - ii) allow one-year and multi-year permits on streets, similar to permit duration on zoned lands, in accordance with the Policy Report dated January 21, 2013, entitled "Farmers' Market Report Back and Recommendations".

- B. THAT the General Manager of Park Board be requested to seek approval from Park Board to align farmers' market permits on Park lands with those on zoned lands and streets:
 - i) by setting the fee at \$529 per site for 2013 and by increasing it annually in step with the Zoning and Development Fee By-law increases; and
 - ii) by allowing permit duration for one year and multi-year, similar to permit duration on zoned lands, in accordance with the Policy Report dated January 21, 2013, entitled "Farmers' Market Report Back and Recommendations".

- C. THAT Council approves one-time funding of up to \$45,000 towards infrastructure support for farmers' markets on Park Board sites as described in the Policy Report dated January 21, 2013, entitled "Farmers' Market Report Back and Recommendations", with the source of funding being the "2012 Social Policy Capital Budget - Access to Nature", subject to a detailed cost budget being approved by the Director of Social Policy and the Director of Finance;

FURTHER THAT staff be instructed to work with Park Board's Local Food Asset Task Force in exploring opportunities for electricity and water as top priorities for farmers' markets on Park Board sites by spring/summer 2013.

- D. THAT Council approve the Guidelines for Farmers' Markets to streamline the application process as per Appendix B of the Policy Report dated January 21, 2013, entitled "Farmers' Market Report Back and Recommendations".

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Jang

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Carr

SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

BY-LAWS

Councillor Ball advised she had reviewed the proceedings with regard to By-laws 2 to 11 and she would therefore be voting on the by-laws.

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 11 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

1. A By-law to modify maximum fines for breaches of City by-laws and minimum and maximum fines for continuing breaches of City by-laws and related provisions (By-law No. 10642)
2. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (437 Vernon Drive and 445 Vernon Drive) (By-law No. 10643)
3. A By-law to authorize Council entering into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement with the Owner of Heritage Property (437 Vernon Drive and 445 Vernon Drive) (By-law No. 10644)
4. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (3308 Ash Street) (By-law No. 10645)
5. A By-law to authorize Council entering into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement with the Owner of Heritage Property (3308 Ash Street) (By-law No. 10646)
6. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (1677 East 22nd Avenue) (By-law No. 10647)
7. A By-law to authorize Council entering into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement with the Owner of Heritage Property (1677 East 22nd Avenue) (By-law No. 10648)
8. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (4629 West 2nd Avenue) (By-law No. 10649)
9. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 regarding maximum fines (By-law No. 10650)
10. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 regarding maximum fines (By-law No. 10651)
11. A By-law to amend False Creek North Official Development Plan By-law No. 6650 regarding land use in Area 5b (68 Smithe Street) (By-law No. 10652)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

None.

B. Motions on Notice

1. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Reimer

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT Councillor Andrea Reimer be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from all meetings to be held on February 12, 13 and 14, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

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VARY AGENDA

Council agreed to deal with Motion on Notice 3 prior to Motion on Notice 2. The items are minuted in numerical order, for ease of reference.

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2. Identify and Protect Arts and Culture Spaces in Vancouver

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

WHEREAS

1. It is challenging for local artists to find affordable and appropriate space in Vancouver;
2. People have very different opinions on what type of arts and culture is important to them; and
3. Cultural facilities are often located in older buildings and neighbourhoods that can be vulnerable to development pressures.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council request staff to work with the City's Arts and Culture Policy Council (ACPC) on a process for identifying and mapping artistic and cultural resources in the city, including facilities at risk from development.
- B. THAT this process include an opportunity for public input and involve Vancouver's open data community.
- C. THAT staff and the ACPC provide recommendations for Council regarding opportunities for additional protection of existing cultural facilities, based on best practices in other cities.

referred

The Mayor noted requests to speak to this motion had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 30, 2013, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Responsible Investing by the City of Vancouver

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

WHEREAS

- 1. According to the City of Vancouver's 2011 Statement of Financial Information, the market value of the City's total cash and investments was \$809,832,000;
- 2. The City and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan, with \$53.9 million paid by the City and employee contributions of \$42.1 million to the plan in 2011;
- 3. The City has an ethical purchasing policy that ensures the City does business with companies who respect the environment, human and civil rights, and ensures that purchasing activities are aligned with the City's mission statement and values;
- 4. The City of Vancouver's pension plan is required to be managed by the BC Investment Management Corporation (BCIMC), which invests on behalf of public sector clients in British Columbia;

5. Ethical and responsible investment policies have become commonplace with many organizations, including the UN, which has established a Principles for Responsible Investment Initiative.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff report back on how the City's cash investments and pension plan align with the City's mission, values and ethical purchasing policy.

referred

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

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 30, 2013, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF MOTION

1. Support for Vancouver's Film and TV Industry

Mayor Robertson submitted the following Notice of Motion. The motion will be placed on the agenda of the Regular Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2013, as a Motion on Notice.

MOVER: Mayor Gregor Robertson

WHEREAS

1. Vancouver has a long-standing film and TV industry that is a major contributor to the City's economy;
2. Vancouver and British Columbia's ability to remain a competitive film and TV market requires support from the Provincial Government;
3. Ontario has overtaken BC to become North America's third-biggest production centre;
4. The competition between provinces for tax credits is creating a 'race to the bottom' situation for Canada's film and TV industry;
5. BC's film industry is worth an estimated \$1.19 billion, and employs 25,000 people;

6. The Motion Picture Production Industry Association of BC is predicting employment rates will be down at least 40% from last year in the first quarter of 2013;
7. There are significant concerns about the decline of Vancouver's film and TV industry, and the spin-off impacts it will have on other creative industries.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Manager and the Vancouver Economic Commission provide an update to Vancouver City Council on the state of the film and TV industry in Vancouver, what the City is doing to support the industry, and any actions it can take;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor write to the Premier, Leader of the Provincial Opposition, and the Prime Minister expressing concern for the industry, and urging a national approach that would see a level playing field across Canada in the film and TV industry.

notice

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Tang
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 12:05 pm.

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