MOTION ON NOTICE B.8

8. Seeking Provincial Commitments to Social and Supportive Housing

MOVER: Councillor Adriane Carr

SECONDER:

WHEREAS

- 1. The Vancouver Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2012 Report Card, presented to City Council in February of 2013, noted that 340 more units of new supportive housing and 828 more units of new social housing are needed to meet the City's 2012-2014 targets;
- 2. Vancouver's Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2012-2021: A home for everyone has targeted an additional 750 new supportive housing units to be built from 2015 to 2021 plus an ultimate total of 5,000 new social housing units (over 2011 numbers) by 2021;
- 3. An increase in Provincial Government financial support would help ensure that the City of Vancouver achieves its goals to increase the supply of new social and supportive housing;
- 4. The May 2013 provincial election is an opportune time for the City of Vancouver to press for Provincial Government commitments in the area of new social and supportive housing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff estimate the cost to supply the number of new supportive and social housing units as targeted in Vancouver's Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2012-2021, including land costs if there is insufficient City of Vancouver land available for such purposes;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor on behalf of City Council write to the BC Liberal Party, BC New Democratic Party, BC Green Party and BC Conservative Party to inform them of the need for Provincial Government assistance to meet the costs of providing needed supportive and social housing as detailed in Vancouver's Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2012-2021 and request that they inform Mayor and Council prior to April 22, 2013 of their specific commitments to provide the needed financial support.

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