

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 11, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, at 9:35 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 Geoff Meggs* Councillor Andrea Reimer Councillor Tim Stevenson Councillor Tony Tang
ABSENT:	Councillor Raymond Louie (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:	Penny Ballem, City Manager Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:	Janice MacKenzie, City Clerk Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with welcoming comments read by Councillor Stevenson.

RECOGNITION - Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference

The Mayor recognized the following City staff and special events coordinators who led the 2013 Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference held in Vancouver from May 31 - June 3, 2013, and thanked them for their dedication and hard work:

Wendy Au Lesley Matthews Paul Hendren Sandra Nikolic King Wan Kari Bergrud Katie Schaeffers Michael Wipf.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

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;

(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 (Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Chauffeur's Permit Appeal Hearing - May 21, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the Minutes of the Chauffeur's Permit Appeal Hearing of May 21, 2013, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

2. Regular Council - May 28, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Jang SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of May 28, 2013, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

3. Regular Council (Planning, Transportation and Environment) - May 29, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Tang SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting of May 29, 2013, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Tang SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Affleck

THAT Council adopt Administrative Report 1 and Policy Reports P1, P2, P4 and P5, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Mayor's Engaged City Task Force

At the Regular Council meeting on May 28, 2013, Vancouver City Council postponed decision on a pending motion regarding the recommendations of the Engaged City Task Force to the next Regular Council Meeting to be held on June 11, 2013.

MOVED by Mayor Robertson

THAT Council receive the Quick Start recommendations from the Engaged City Task Force, as presented to Council on May 28, 2013, and direct staff to implement; and

FURTHER THAT staff be directed to report back with recommendations for implementing any quick starts that cannot be absorbed within the existing budget.

Summary of Quick Start Recommendations: Engagement at a Neighbourhood Level

- 1. Bring City Hall to the Community
- 2. Participatory Budgeting for Neighbourhoods
- 3. Declare a City-wide Neighbourhood Block Party Day
- 4. Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons

Improve Civic Education

- 5. Open the Doors to City Hall
- 6. City Hall 101
- 7. Make it Easy to Register to Vote
- 8. City Hall Storytelling

Improve the Development Process

- 9. Earlier Public Involvement in Major Rezoning Proposals
- 10. Enhanced Notice of Planning Changes
- 11. Rethink Public Signs and Notices

Social Media for Civic Engagement

- 12. Bring 3-1-1 Online
- 13. Crowdsourced Venue List
- 14. Create and Promote an Engaged City Listserv
- 15. Create and Promote an Online Engagement Panel
- 16. Create and Promote an Engaged City Twitter Handle

referred

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

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the item be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on June 12, 2013, at 9:30 am, as the first item of business, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

2. Oakridge Centre Rezoning - Issues and Directions May 21, 2013

At the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting held May 29, 2013, Vancouver City Council heard from speakers on the above-noted matter and postponed further discussion and decision on the Policy Report dated May 21, 2013, entitled "Oakridge Centre Rezoning - Issues and Directions", to the Regular Council meeting to be held on June 11, 2013, as Unfinished Business.

Planning and Development Services staff and Engineering Services staff, along with the Applicant for the Oakridge Centre rezoning, responded to questions.

Council agreed to separate the vote on the components of the motion.

MOVED by Councillor Meggs

- A. THAT Council indicate it is willing to consider an intensification of the Oakridge Centre site beyond density envisaged in the 2007 Oakridge Centre Policy Statement to include additional residential, office, and retail space as generally outlined in the Policy Report dated May 21, 2013, entitled "Oakridge Centre Rezoning - Issues and Directions", noting that the final density will be refined and analysed through the rezoning process, which will include additional public consultation and a Public Hearing.
- B. THAT Council indicate it is willing to consider tower height of up to 45 storeys for the tower closest to the intersection of 41st Avenue and Cambie Street, with heights decreasing as distance from the intersection increases, noting that the final built form will be further refined and analysed through the rezoning process, which will include additional public consultation and a Public Hearing.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to work with the applicant to revise the rezoning application to better address the City's inclusionary housing policies, with a focus on maximizing the number of social housing units that can be achieved within the development.

D. THAT Council consider payment-in-lieu of park land to satisfy the outstanding obligation to provide 1.15 ha (2.83 acres) of park space on the Oakridge Centre site;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back at time of Public Hearing on the value of the payment-in-lieu and opportunities for re-investment as part of the Oakridge Centre public benefits strategy for park and recreation services.

E. THAT Council endorse in principle the use of the rooftop of Oakridge Centre as public space for the community, noting that all obligations for operation, ongoing maintenance and capital renewal will be the requirement of the owner of Oakridge Centre;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back at time of Public Hearing on programming options for the public space as part of the public benefits package for Oakridge Centre, informed by additional public consultation.

F. THAT Council endorse its commitment to prioritizing walking, cycling, and transit as transportation options for Oakridge Centre;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to continue to work with the applicant to determine appropriate parking supply, measures to reduce the required parking, and methods to manage parking spill-over onto nearby residential streets.

G. THAT Council endorse in principle the proposed public benefits package for Oakridge Centre, including a City-owned civic centre and affordable housing, noting that the ultimate configuration and location of the public benefits will be further refined and analysed through the rezoning process;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to develop a comprehensive funding strategy for public benefits associated with the Oakridge Centre redevelopment.

H. THAT the passage of the above resolutions will in no way fetter Council's discretion in considering any rezoning application for Oakridge Centre, and does not create any legal rights for any person or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditures of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the costs.

Consultation

I. THAT staff continue to work with the community on enhancing the consultation process on the Oakridge Centre in the rezoning process. In addition to proposed Phase 2 Open Houses and online surveys, Council direct staff to seek further input from the community on other methods of public consultation, including kiosk displays in the Oakridge mall, special events other than Open Houses and meetings with interested stakeholders.

Principles

J. THAT Council direct staff to continue to evaluate the rezoning application for Oakridge Centre against the principles contained in Section 2.3 of the Oakridge Centre Policy Statement (2007) and Section 2 of the Cambie Corridor Plan (2011), and to report back to Council with any recommended revisions to these principles based on community feedback prior to the rezoning coming to Council.

CARRIED (Councillor Carr opposed to A and B)

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- Closure and Sale of a Portion of Lane South of Ferndale Street, Adjacent to 2050 Ferndale Street May 16, 2013
 - A. THAT Council close, stop-up and convey to the owner of 2050 Ferndale Street (legally described as [PID: 010-901-949] Lot A of Lot 12 Block 49 District Lot 184 Plan 6359 (hereinafter, "Lot A")), that approximately 297 square foot portion of abutting lane (the "Lane Portion"), the same as generally shown hatched on the plan attached as Appendix B to the Administrative Report dated May 16, 2013, entitled "Closure and Sale of a Portion of Lane South of Ferndale Street, Adjacent to 2050 Ferndale Street", at a price of \$21,500.00, subject to the terms and conditions noted in Appendix A of the above-noted report.
 - B. THAT the sale proceeds of \$21,500.00 be credited to the Property Endowment Fund (PEF).

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

POLICY REPORTS

1. Miscellaneous Text Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law and to the CD-1 By-laws for 800 Griffiths Way and 982 Howe Street May 28, 2013

THAT the General Manager of Planning and Development Services be instructed to make application to:

 amend the Zoning and Development By-law for a miscellaneous text amendment to the RT-11/RT-11N Districts Schedule, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated May 28, 2013, entitled "Miscellaneous Text Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law and to the CD-1 By-laws for 800 Griffiths Way and 982 Howe Street";

- (ii) amend CD-1 (311) By-law No. 7201 for 800 Griffiths Way (Rogers Arena) for miscellaneous text amendments, generally as presented in Appendix B of the aforementioned report;
- (iii) amend CD-1 (546) By-law No. 10688 for 982 Howe Street for miscellaneous text amendments, generally as presented in Appendix C of the aforementioned report;

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-laws, generally in accordance with appendices A, B and C of the aforementioned report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

- CD-1 Text Amendment: 777 Richards Street and 520 West Georgia Street (Telus Block) May 28, 2013
 - A. THAT the application by Henriquez Partners, on behalf of 501 Robson Property Inc, to amend CD-1 (525) By-law No. 10433 for 777 Richards Street (Lot 1 Block 54 District Lot 541 Group 1, NWD Plan BCP50275; PID 028-779-592) and on behalf of 500 Georgia Property Inc for 520 West Georgia Street (Lot A Block 54 District Lot 541 Group 1, NWD Plan BCP 50274; PID 028-779-576) to allow an increase in the permitted floor area to accommodate additional commercial space within the buildings, be referred to a public hearing, together with:
 - (i) draft by-law amendments generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated May 28, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 777 Richards Street and 520 West Georgia Street (Telus Block)"; and
 - (ii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning and Development Services to approve the application;

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

- B. THAT A above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;

- (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
- (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

3. CD-1 Text Amendment: 1650 West 1st Avenue May 31, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Carr

- A. THAT the application by Chercover Massie & Associates Ltd., on behalf of Constellation Capital Ltd. (Lululemon Athletica), to amend the text of CD-1 (315) By-law No. 7208 for 1650 West 1st Avenue [Strata Lots 1 to 6, District Lot 526, Group 1, New Westminster District, Strata Plan LMS1875; PIDs: 019-196-083, 019-196-091, 019-196-105, 019-196-113, 019-196-121 and 019-196-130 respectively] to increase the maximum total floor space ratio (FSR) for office and service uses to 1.51, and retail uses to 1.00, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
 - (i) plans received by Chercover Massie & Associates Ltd., submitted January 2013;
 - draft CD-1 By-law amendments, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated May 31, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 1650 West 1st Avenue"; and
 - (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning and Development Services to approve the application;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the aforementioned report for consideration at Public Hearing.

B. THAT, subject to enactment of the amending by-law, the Parking By-law be amended to include the CD-1 By-law and to provide parking regulations generally as set out in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated May 31, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 1650 West 1st Avenue";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Parking By-law at the time of enactment of the amending by-law.

- C. THAT A and B above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
 - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
 - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillor Meggs absent for the vote)

- 4. CD-1 Rezoning 508 Helmcken Street June 4, 2013
 - A. THAT the application by GBL Architects Inc., on behalf of Brenhill Developments Ltd. (with consent in writing of the registered owner, City of Vancouver), to rezone 508 Helmcken Street (Lots 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38, Block 94, District Lot 541, Plan 210, PIDs: 015-482-073,015-482-081, 015-482-138, 015-482-162 and 015-482-260 respectively) and adjacent portions of lane to be closed and conveyed to the registered owner of 508 Helmcken Street from DD (Downtown) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to increase the floor area from 3.0 FSR to 17.19 FSR and the height from 21.3 m (70 ft.) to 97.5 m (320 ft.) to allow for a 36-storey building with 448 residential units, of which 110 are secured market rental, with retail and a private pre-school/kindergarten space at grade, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
 - (i) plans prepared by GBL Architects, received April 26, 2013;
 - draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated June 4, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning – 508 Helmcken Street"; and
 - (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning and Development Services to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the aforementioned report for consideration at Public Hearing.

B. THAT, if the application is referred to a Public Hearing, the application to amend Schedule E of the Sign By-law to establish regulations for this CD-1 in accordance with Schedule B to the Sign By-law [assigned Schedule "B" (DD)],

generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated June 4, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 508 Helmcken Street", be referred to the same Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law generally as set out in Appendix C of the aforementioned report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

C. THAT, subject to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this CD-1 in Schedule A, generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated June 4, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning – 508 Helmcken Street";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

D. THAT, subject to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, the Parking By-law be amended to include this CD-1 and to provide parking regulations generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated June 4, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 508 Helmcken Street";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Parking By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

- E. THAT, if after public hearing Council approves in principle this rezoning and the Housing Agreement described in section (c) of Appendix B of the Policy Report dated June 4, 2013, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning – 508 Helmcken Street", the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary Housing Agreement By-law for enactment prior to enactment of the CD-1 By-law contemplated by the aforementioned report, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required at the discretion of the Director of Legal Services and the Managing Director of Social Development.
- F. THAT A through E above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
 - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of Brenhill Developments Ltd.; and

(iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

5. Proposed Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-Law to Accommodate Lounges as an Accessory Use to Breweries and Distilleries May 29, 2013

THAT the General Manager of Planning and Development Services be instructed to make application to amend the Zoning and Development By-Law to allow lounge use accessory to a Brewing or Distilling use, to a maximum size of 80 m2 and wholly contained within the principal building, in the M-1, M-2, I-1, I-2, I-3, IC-1 and IC-2 and IC-3 Industrial Districts, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Policy Report dated May 29, 2013, entitled "Proposed Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-Law to Accommodate Lounges as an Accessory Use to Breweries and Distilleries";

FURTHER THAT the application be referred to a Public Hearing;

AND FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law for consideration at the public hearing.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Tang

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 24 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

- 1. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the West Broadway Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10712)
- 2. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Cambie Village Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10713)
- 3. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Chinatown Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10714)
- 4. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Collingwood Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10715)
- 5. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Commercial Drive Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10716)
- 6. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10717)
- 7. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Dunbar Village Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10718)
- 8. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Fraser Street Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10719)
- 9. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Gastown Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10720)
- 10. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Hastings Crossing Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10721)
- 11. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Hastings North Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10722)
- 12. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Kerrisdale Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10723)

- 13. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Kitsilano Fourth Avenue Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10724)
- 14. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Marpole Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10725)
- 15. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Mount Pleasant Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10726)
- 16. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Point Grey Village Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10727)
- 17. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Robson Street Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10728)
- 18. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the South Granville Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10729)
- 19. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Strathcona Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10730)
- 20. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Victoria Drive Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10731)
- 21. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the West End Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10732)
- 22. A By-law to levy rates on qualifying real property in the Yaletown Business Improvement Area (By-law No. 10733)
- 23. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 1500 East Hastings Street (By-law No. 10734)
- 24. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 611 Main Street (By-law No. 10735)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. Closure and Sale of a Portion of Lane South of Ferndale Street, Adjacent to 2050 Ferndale Street

MOVED by Councillor Jang SECONDED by Councillor Tang

THAT WHEREAS:

- 1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;
- 2. The owner of [PID: 010-901-949] Lot A of Lot 12 Block 49 District Lot 184 Plan 6359 ("Lot A") has made application to purchase the abutting 6.0 foot wide portion of lane west of Lakewood Drive, south from Ferndale Street;
- 3. The said portion of lane to be closed was dedicated by the deposit of Plan 6359 in August, 1931;
- 4. The said portion of lane to be closed is no longer required for municipal purposes;
- 5. The said portion of lane to be closed will be conveyed to the owner of Lot A and consolidated with Lot A to form a single parcel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all that portion of lane south of Ferndale Street adjacent to Lot A, the same as shown in heavy outline on the Reference Plan prepared by Ivan Ngan, B.C.L.S., completed on the 4th day of February, 2013, and numbered Plan EPP28224, be closed, stopped-up and conveyed to the owner of abutting Lot A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the said portion of lane to be closed is to be consolidated with said Lot A to form a single parcel, to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

B. Motions on Notice

1. Request for Leave of Absence - Mayor Gregor Robertson

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT Mayor Gregor Robertson be granted a Leave of Absence for Personal Reasons from the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on June 12, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

2. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Heather Deal

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT Councillor Heather Deal be granted a Leave of Absence for Personal Reasons from the Public Hearing to be held on June 18, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

3. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Tim Stevenson

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT Councillor Tim Stevenson be granted a Leave of Absence for Personal Reasons from all meetings to be held on November 5 and 6, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

4. Support Renters with Pets

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

WHEREAS

- 1. Over half of Vancouver households are renters, and the city of Vancouver is home to more than a quarter of the rental housing for the entire province;
- 2. The vacancy rate in Vancouver over the last 30 years has averaged 0.9%, making it difficult for tenants with pets to find suitable rental accommodation;

- 3. Section 18.1.a. of the BC Residential Tenancy Act states that "A tenancy agreement may include terms or conditions doing either or both of the following: (a) prohibiting pets, or restricting the size, kind or number of pets a tenant may keep on the residential property";
- 4. The Province of Ontario does not allow landlords to ban pets in rental housing;
- 5. Part II, Section 14 of the Ontario Residential Tenancies Act states that "A provision in a tenancy agreement prohibiting the presence of animals in or about the residential complex is void";
- 6. Part V, Section 76 of the Ontario Residential Tenancies Act outlines how a tenant can be evicted based on inappropriate behavior or impact of an animal in a residential complex;
- 7. Supporting renters is a priority for the City of Vancouver, as part of the 2011-2021 Housing and Homelessness Strategy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City ask the Seniors Advisory Committee, the BC Apartment Owners and Managers Association, and the Renters' Roundtable to provide recommendations to Council on regulations that better enable tenants to keep pets in rental buildings.

referred

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

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Ball SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the item be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on June 12, 2013, at 9:30 am, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Tang SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillors Carr and Meggs absent for the vote)

The Council adjourned at 11:30 am.

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