

# B.1

## MOTION ON NOTICE

### 1. Expand Patios in Vancouver

MOVER: Mayor Gregor Robertson

SECONDER:

#### WHEREAS

1. Commercial patios are a popular street activation, especially in the summer;
2. The City has two categories of patio permits, large and small, with large patios typically licensed, and small patios typically a few tables and chairs;
3. There were 317 large patio permits, and 260 small patio permits, in Vancouver in 2012;
4. The hours of operation for large patios are 7 am to 11 pm;
5. The last review of patio hours and permits was in the lead-up to the 2010 Winter Games, and there has been a consistent demand for more patios in public spaces like plazas and pedestrian-oriented streets.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff work with industry stakeholders and Business Improvement Associations to identify near-term actions that are revenue neutral to increase patio hours and space for establishments with a track record of good behaviour;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff report back to Council with recommendations for longer-term policy changes that improve the patio experience, including ways to increase space, extend hours, relax fencing restrictions, provide patio options throughout Vancouver, and improve the efficiency of the patio permit process.

\* \* \* \* \*