



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT

OCTOBER 9, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Planning, Transportation and Environment was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2013, at 9:36 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Andrea Reimer*, Chair
Councillor George Affleck
Councillor Elizabeth Ball
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Kerry Jang*
Councillor Raymond Louie*, Acting Chair (Portion of Item 5)
Councillor Geoff Meggs*, Vice-Chair (Leave of Absence - Civic Business - Item 5 and portion of Item 1)
Councillor Tim Stevenson
Councillor Tony Tang

ABSENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator (Minutes)
Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Items 2 and 3 be adopted on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Reimer absent for the vote)
(Councillor Meggs on Leave of Absence for Civic Business)

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On October 8, 2013, Vancouver City Council referred the Administrative Report dated September 24, 2013, entitled "2014 Budget Outlook", to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting on October 9, 2013, as the first item of business, in order to hear from speakers. For clarity, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.

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**5. 2014 Budget Outlook
September 24, 2013**

At its meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, Vancouver City Council referred the above-noted report to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting on Wednesday, October 9, 2013, as the first item, in order to hear from speakers.

The General Managers of Financial Services, Engineering, Community Services and Human Resource Services, along with the Director of Sustainability, Senior Public Engagement Advisor and the City Manager, responded to questions.

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At 10:32 am Councillor Reimer arrived and assumed the Chair.

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The Committee heard from one speaker who addressed the effects of municipal budgets on small business.

MOVED by Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive for information, the 2014 Budget Outlook as outlined in Appendix 1 of the Administrative Report dated September 24, 2013, entitled "2014 Budget Outlook".
- B. THAT City staff provide the public with the detailed draft 2014 capital and operating budget at least two weeks (November 26, 2013,) in advance of the December 10, 2013, budget meeting by City Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. **Responsible Investing by the City of Vancouver**
August 28, 2013

The Treasury Manager responded to questions.

The Committee heard from six speakers who were in support of the recommendations and offered further suggestions for responsible investing.

Following the hearing of speakers, the City Manager, the General Manager of Financial Services and the Treasury Manager responded to questions.

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At 11:58 am, during the hearing of speakers, it was

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the length of the meeting be extended to conclude the business on the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY**

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During debate, Councillor Carr rose on a Point of Order to note that Councillor Stevenson was impugning motive on her. The Chair agreed and ruled Councillor Stevenson out of order.

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MOVED by Councillor Reimer
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive the Administrative Report dated August 28, 2013, entitled "Responsible Investing by the City of Vancouver" for information.
- B. THAT the City Clerk be instructed to notify the Municipal Pension Board in writing of City Council's position on responsible investing and encourage the Municipal Pension Plan (MPP) to continue their advancement of responsible investing using the UN Principles of Responsible Investment to further align the MPP investment portfolio with the City's mission, values and the sustainable and ethical considerations outlined in the City's procurement policy.
- C. THAT the City develop and implement, over the next 12 months, a positive screening process for investing in Canadian banks and credit unions.
- D. THAT staff investigate what options exist for the City investing its own pension funds under the requirements outlined in the provincial Pension Benefits Standards Act.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT "C" be amended by deleting the phrase "implement over the next 12 months, a positive" and replacing it with "report back to Council on a" so that "C" would read:

THAT the City develop and report back to Council on a screening process for investing in Canadian banks and credit unions.

LOST

(Councillors Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Stevenson and Tang opposed)

The amendment having lost, the Committee, by consent, agreed to replace the word "implement" in "C" with "report back", so that it would read:

THAT the City develop and report back, over the next 12 months, a positive screening process for investing in Canadian banks and credit unions.

CARRIED (by consent)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the following be added as "E":

THAT the Mayor on behalf of City Council write to the Municipal Pension Board requesting that the Municipal Pension Plan divest from fossil fuel, tobacco and weapons sector investments.

MOTION TO REFER AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the current amendment be referred to City staff for their consideration in the development of the pension investment policy.

CARRIED

(Councillor Carr opposed)

The amendment having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED with Councillor Carr opposed to "E" as noted below.

FINAL MOTION APPROVED:

- A. THAT Council receive the Administrative Report dated August 28, 2013, entitled "Responsible Investing by the City of Vancouver", for information.
- B. THAT the City Clerk be instructed to notify the Municipal Pension Board in writing of City Council's position on responsible investing and encourage the Municipal Pension Plan (MPP) to continue their advancement of responsible investing using the UN Principles of Responsible Investment to further align the MPP investment portfolio with the City's mission, values and the sustainable and ethical considerations outlined in the City's procurement policy.
- C. THAT the City develop and report back, over the next 12 months, a positive screening process for investing in Canadian banks and credit unions.

D. THAT Staff investigate what options exist for the City investing its own pension funds under the requirements outlined in the provincial Pension Benefits Standards Act.

E. THAT the following be referred to City staff for their consideration in the development of the pension investment policy.

"THAT the Mayor on behalf of City Council write to the Municipal Pension Board requesting that the Municipal Pension Plan divest from fossil fuel, tobacco and weapons sector investments."

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The Committee recessed at 12:47 pm and reconvened at 1:08 pm with the same members present except for Councillor Meggs, who arrived during discussion on Item 1, and Councillor Jang, who did not return for the remainder of the meeting.

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**2. 2nd Floor - 595 Hornby Street - Blackbird Public House
Liquor Primary Liquor Licence Application
September 20, 2013**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council, having considered the opinion of local area residents and business operators as determined by neighbourhood notifications, site sign, noise impacts and relevant Council policy as outlined in the Administrative Report dated September 20, 2013, entitled "2nd Floor - 595 Hornby Street - Blackbird Public House Liquor Primary Liquor Licence Application", endorse the request by 0937514 BC Ltd. for a new 150 person Liquor Primary liquor licence (Liquor Establishment Class 2 - Neighbourhood Pub) on the 2nd floor of 595 Hornby Street subject to:

- i. Extended hours of operation which are limited to 9 am to 3 am, seven days a week;
- ii. A maximum total capacity of 150 persons on the 2nd floor;
- iii. Acoustic report to be submitted certifying that the establishment meets Noise Control By-law requirements;
- iv. Signing a Good Neighbour Agreement with the City prior to business licence issuance;
- v. A Time-limited Development Permit; and
- vi. Food service to be provided while the establishment is operating.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**3. Contract Awards for the Provision of Disability Management and Occupational Health Services
September 23, 2013**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate and enter into three separate contracts (as described below) for the procurement of Disability Management and Occupational Health Services, with the estimated values as shown below for each contract, plus applicable taxes, each for a three-year term (with the City's option to extend for an additional two one-year terms), funded through the annual operating budget process, subject to the conditions set out below and the preparation of legal agreements satisfactory to the General Manager of Human Resource Services, Director of Legal Services and the Chief Purchasing Official.

List of Contracts: (Estimated contract amounts are for the initial three-year term and are based on projected utilization and claims):

Contract No. 1: Cira Medical Services Inc. ("Cira") - \$493,146;

Contract No. 2: Centric Health Corporation ("Centric") - \$899,460; and

Contract No. 3: Organizational Solutions Inc. ("OSI") - \$897,360.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the City, all legal documents required to implement the contracts described above;

AND FURTHER THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of the above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**4. 3683 East Hastings Street - Request for Injunctive Relief and Notice on Title
September 17, 2013**

The Deputy Chief Building Official presented the report and, along with the City Manager, responded to questions.

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At 1:28 pm, Councillor Reimer left the meeting and did not return. Councillor Meggs assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

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The Committee heard from the owner's representative who was opposed to the report recommendations and requested a delay of consideration on this matter since the original deadline for resolving deficiencies is October 31, 2013.

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services, in her discretion after October 31, 2013, to commence a legal action or proceeding in relation to the property located at 3683 East Hastings Street (Lot A, Block 46, Plan VAP17717, District Lot THSL NWD, PID 007-260-211) and to seek injunctive relief in that action or proceeding in order to bring this property into compliance with City By-laws.
- B. THAT the City Clerk be directed to file a 336D Notice in the Land Title Office in relation to the building at 3683 East Hastings Street (Lot A, Block 46, Plan VAP17717, District Lot THSL NWD, PID 007-260-211); to inform prospective purchasers that there are contraventions on the property of the Building By-Law, Fire By-law, Zoning and Development By-law, Licence By-law and the Electrical By-law.

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Affleck

THAT the report dated September 17, 2013, entitled "3683 East Hastings Street - Request for Injunctive Relief and Notice on Title", be referred to the November 6, 2013, Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment.

LOST

(Councillors Ball, Carr, Deal, Louie, Meggs, Stevenson and Tang opposed)
(Councillors Jang and Reimer absent for the vote)

The Amendment having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with Councillors Jang and Reimer absent for the vote.

6. Improving Citizen Access to Speak to City Council

At its meeting on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, Vancouver City Council referred the above-noted motion to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting on Wednesday, October 9, 2013, in order to hear from speakers.

The following contains changes to the original motion which were accepted by the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Many citizens who come to speak to City Council on an item in a Standing Committee meeting or Public Hearing end up unnecessarily waiting many hours, sometimes for days in a row, which has led to citizens' frustration and criticism of the processes enabling citizens to speak to Council;
2. The management of meeting agendas and schedules for hearing speakers impacts whether some citizens are able to speak to Council, especially as related to work schedules, transportation and childcare costs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff investigate best practices, consult with engagement and government experts including the Mayor's Engaged City Task Force, the City's advisory committees and others, and report back to Council by the end of March 2014, with suggestions on how to improve citizen access to speak to City Council, including the possibility of allowing citizens to sign up for daytime or evening time periods, and the use of technology to alert speakers as to which number on the speakers' list is being heard.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Jang, Louie and Reimer absent for the vote)

The Committee adjourned at 3:17 pm.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT

OCTOBER 9, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2013, at 3:17 pm in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Councillor Heather Deal, Acting Chair
Councillor George Affleck
Councillor Elizabeth Ball
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Tim Stevenson
Councillor Tony Tang

ABSENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Andrea Reimer

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator (Minutes)
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment
October 9, 2013

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment. Its items of business included:

1. Responsible Investing by the City of Vancouver
2. 2nd Floor - 595 Hornby Street - Blackbird Public House Liquor Primary Liquor Licence Application
3. Contract Awards for the Provision of Disability Management and Occupational Health Services
4. 3683 East Hastings Street - Request for Injunctive Relief and Notice on Title
5. 2014 Budget Outlook
6. Improving Citizen Access to Speak to City Council

Items 1 to 6

MOVED by Councillor Tang
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment at its meeting of October 9, 2013, as contained in items 1 to 6, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Affleck

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 3:18 pm.

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