



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 15, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, April 15, 2014, at 9:42 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
- Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - Daffodil Month

Mayor Robertson thanked the BC and Yukon Division of the Canadian Cancer Society for their contributions of support, prevention and hope for cancer patients and their families in the city of Vancouver and invited Barbara Kaminsky, CEO of the Canadian Cancer Society, BC and Yukon Division to the podium to say a few words. He also received a daffodil pin from Ms. Kaminsky.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council will go into meetings later this week which are 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;

(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

(j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 [disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party] of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

(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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council - April 1, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 1, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Public Hearing - April 1, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing of April 1, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (Planning, Transportation and Environment) - April 2, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting of April 2, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Tang
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Meggs

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports 1 and 3, and Policy Reports 1 and 2, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. Urban Forest Strategy

a. Strategy Update

Malcolm Bromley, General Manager, Parks and Recreation, presented an update on the Urban Forest Strategy. Mr. Bromley, along with Penny Ballem, City Manager, Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager, Brian Jackson, General Manager of Planning and Development Services, Peter Judd, General Manager of Engineering Services, and Anita Molaro, Assistant Director of Planning, responded to questions.

**b. Urban Forest Strategy Action Item 1 - Repeal of Section 4.5 of the Protection of Trees By-law
March 31, 2014**

The Mayor noted an abnormally large number of tree removal permit applications under section 4.5 of the *Protection of Trees By-law* have been received since the proposed by-law amendments became public and that requests to speak to this matter had been received. He requested that, if Council agrees to hear speakers, Council approve a temporary moratorium

today on the issuance of permits under section 4.5 of the *Protection of Trees By-law* until Council considers these changes, which will be added as By-Law 8 to the agenda as follows:

8. A By-law to amend Protection of Trees By-law No. 9958 regarding Section 4.5 Tree Permits

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT Council refer this matter to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on April 16, 2014, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Stevenson absent for the vote)

The Mayor also noted that the approval of By-law 1 on today's agenda is subject to the approval of this matter, therefore it would also be considered at the Standing Committee meeting on April 16, 2014.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. TEXT AMENDMENT: Downtown Eastside Local Area Plan Zoning and Other By-law Amendments

At the Public Hearing on April 1, 2014, Vancouver City Council concluded the Public Hearing on this matter, and referred discussion and decision to the Regular Council meeting on April 15, 2014, as Unfinished Business.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

- A. THAT the application to amend the *Downtown Official Development Plan*, generally in accordance with Appendix D of the Policy Report dated February 24, 2014, entitled "Downtown Eastside Local Area Plan" and as directed by resolution of Council, as follows:
- (i) amend the definition of "social housing" generally as set out in item 5, Resolution E of the minutes to the Standing Committee of Council on City Finance and Services meeting held on March 12, 14 and 15, 2014;
 - (ii) strike the definition of "low-cost" housing;
 - (iii) add the definitions of "secured market rental housing" and "micro dwelling unit";
 - (iv) increase ground-floor commercial ceiling heights, and provide height and density incentives for social and secured market rental housing in Victory Square at the discretion of the Director of Planning or the Development Permit Board; and

- (v) amend sections 3 and 4 to change to the authority from the Director of Planning to the Development Permit Board;

be approved.

B. THAT the application to amend the *Downtown Eastside Oppenheimer Official Development Plan* (DEOD ODP), generally in accordance with Appendix E of the Policy Report dated February 24, 2014, entitled "Downtown Eastside Local Area Plan" and as directed by resolution of Council, as follows:

- (i) update the ODP preamble and goals to reflect the Plan;
- (ii) amend the definition of "social housing" generally as set out in Item 5, Resolution E of the minutes to the Standing Committee of Council on City Finance and Services meeting held on March 12, 14 and 15, 2014;
- (iii) add the definitions of "secured market rental housing" and "micro dwelling unit";
- (iv) update the existing bonus density mechanism to:
 - (a) consider bonus density over the base of a floor space ratio (FSR) of 1.0 for 60 per cent social housing units, with the balance to be 40 per cent secured market rental housing units, with additional bonus density over current maximums in sub-area 1 for corner sites, and in sub-areas 2, 3 and 4 for projects where all residential units are social housing;
 - (b) allow a moderate amount of bonus density in all sub-areas for expansion of existing industrial and commercial uses without requiring social housing;
- (v) update FSR exclusions for exterior walls in sub-areas 2, 3 and 4, to address previous omissions related to updates to the Vancouver Building By-law, and
- (vi) amend sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 to change the authority from Director of Planning to the Development Permit Board,

be approved.

C. THAT the application to amend the *Single Room Accommodation By-law*, generally in accordance with Appendix F of the Policy Report dated February 24, 2014, entitled "Downtown Eastside Local Area Plan", to delegate Council authority to the Chief Housing Officer for certain types of applications and to improve administration of the By-law through various housekeeping amendments, be approved.

- D. THAT the application to amend the *Zoning and Development Bylaw* to:
- (i) amend the definition of "social housing" generally as set out in Item 5, Resolution E of the minutes to the Standing Committee of Council on City Finance and Services meeting held on March 12, 14 and 15, 2014, and
 - (ii) permit, at the discretion of the Director of Planning, consideration of micro dwelling units that are new, self-contained and secured rental in the Downtown Eastside Oppenheimer District, in the HA-1 and HA-1A (Chinatown) and HA-2 (Gastown) districts, in area C2 (Victory Square) of the Downtown District, in the FC-1 (north of National Avenue) and RT-3 (Strathcona/Kiwassa) districts, generally in accordance with Appendix G of the Policy Report dated February 24, 2014, entitled "Downtown Eastside Local Area Plan",

be approved.

FURTHER THAT micro dwelling units also be considered in areas C, D and E of the *Rezoning Policy for the Downtown Eastside* approved at the above-noted meeting.

CARRIED

(Councillor Carr opposed and Councillor Jang ineligible for the vote)

The Mayor requested staff provide an update on the current state of affordable housing and the potential impacts of its loss on the homeless and those at risk of homelessness at the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on April 16, 2014.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

**1. Closure and Sale of a Portion of Lane Adjacent to 1412-1480 Howe Street
March 14, 2014**

THAT Council close, stop-up and convey to the owners of 1460 Howe Street and 710 Pacific Street, (Howe Street Ventures Ltd. ("Westbank")) that approximately 776.4 square metre portion of lane, as generally shown bold outlined and hatched on the sketch attached as Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated March 14, 2014, entitled "Closure and Sale of a Portion of Lane Adjacent to 1412-1480 Howe Street" (the "City Lane"), to be subdivided with the abutting lands, subject to the terms and conditions as noted in Appendix A of the same report;

FURTHER THAT, the conveyance of the City Lane to Westbank be subject to the terms and conditions of the Sale Contract between the City and Westbank dated September 25, 2012, and the prior to enactment conditions of the CD-1 Rezoning of 1412-1480 Howe Street, 1429 Granville Street, 710 Pacific Street and 1410 Granville Street approved in principle by Council on October 29, 2013 (the "Rezoning Application").

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**2. Closure and Sale of Lane Portion Adjacent to 333 Woodland Drive
March 10, 2014**

MOVED by Councillor Affleck

- A. THAT Council close, stop-up and convey to the owner of 333 Woodland Drive (legally described as [PID: 015-292-835] Lot 1 Block 4 of Block C District Lot 183 Plan 417 and [PID: 015-292-851] Lot A (Explanatory Plan 2993) Block 4 of Block C District Lot 183 Plan 417 (hereinafter, "Lot 1 and Lot A")), that 61.3 square metre 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 March 10, 2014, entitled "Closure and Sale of Lane Portion Adjacent to 333 Woodland Drive", subject to the terms and conditions noted in Appendix A of the same report.
- B. THAT the sale proceeds of \$100,000 be credited to the Property Endowment Fund (PEF).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. Port Metro Vancouver Dynamic Message Signs License Agreement
March 14, 2014**

THAT Council authorize the General Manager of Engineering Services in consultation with the Director of Legal Services to enter into a license agreement (the "License") with the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as Port Metro Vancouver ("PMV") subject to the following terms and conditions, and additional terms and conditions noted in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated March 14, 2014, entitled "Port Metro Vancouver Dynamic Message Signs License Agreements":

- Term: Five (5) years
- Areas: Portions of City Street
- Use: Install, complete, operate, use, repair and maintain Dynamic Message Signs.
- Option to Renew: Two (2), each for a term of five (5) years, on the same terms and conditions
- Other Terms and Conditions: Terms and conditions of the License are to be drawn to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services and the General Manager of Engineering Services, it being noted that no legal rights or obligations shall arise or be created until execution of the License by both parties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**4. Annual Procurement Report 2013
March 28, 2014**

Nick Kassam, Director of Supply Management, presented the report and, along with the City Manager, responded to questions.

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At approximately noon, it was

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the length of the meeting be extended in order to finish the items of business on the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY**

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MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council receive the Administrative Report dated March 28, 2014, entitled "Annual Procurement Report 2014" for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Reimer absent for the vote)

**5. Development Cost Levy By-law Amendments regarding Social Housing
April 7, 2014**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT Council amend the Vancouver Development Cost Levy By-law and the Area Specific Development Cost Levy By-law to amend the definition of Social Housing generally in accordance with Appendices A and B respectively, of the Administrative Report dated April 7, 2014, entitled "Development Cost Levy By-law Amendments regarding Social Housing";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendments to these by-laws.

CARRIED
(Councillor Carr opposed)

POLICY REPORTS

**1. CD-1 Text Amendment: 1351 Continental Street (725 Neon Street)
April 1, 2014**

A. THAT the application by Cressey Drake Holdings Ltd. to amend CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District (503) By-law No. 10249 for 1351 Continental Street (725 Neon Street) [*Strata Lots 1 to 212 District Lot 541 Group 1 New Westminster District Strata Plan EPS1290*] to increase the permitted floor space ratio from 7.00 to 7.03 to allow for an additional 68 m²

(735 sq. ft.) of floor area for covered canopies at the penthouse levels, be referred to public hearing together with:

- i. plans prepared by IBI Group/HB Architects received November 1, 2013;
- ii. draft by-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 1, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 1351 Continental Street (725 Neon Street)", 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 above-noted report for consideration at public hearing.

- B. THAT, if the application is referred to public hearing, that prior to the public hearing, the registered property owner shall submit confirmation, in the form of "Letter A", that an agreement has been reached with the registered owner of the proposed donor site for the purchase of heritage bonus density as set out in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated April 1, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 1351 Continental Street (725 Neon Street)".
- 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 bylaw 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

2. CD-1 Text Amendment: 100 West 49th Avenue (Langara College)
April 1, 2014

- A. THAT the application by Brook Pooni Associates Inc. on behalf of Langara College to amend CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District (55) By-law No. 4412 for 100 West 49th Avenue [*PID: 008-775-842; Lot 1 (Reference Plan 9821) of Lot A Block 1165 District Lot 526 Plan 12842*] to permit rooftop mechanical appurtenances to exceed one-third of the width of the building in Sub-Area 1, be referred to public hearing together with:

- i. plans prepared by Proscenium Architecture and Interiors Inc., received July 3, 2013;
- ii. draft by-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 1, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 100 West 49th Avenue (Langara College); 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 above-noted report for consideration at public hearing.

- B. THAT A 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 bylaw 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 Rezoning: 2806 and 2850 Cambie Street, 454 West 12th Avenue, and 465 West 13th Avenue, and Heritage Designation of the Wilcox House April 7, 2014**

Councillor Louie requested additional information on traffic reallocation and building height prior to the Public Hearing on this application.

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT the application by IBI/HB Architects Inc., on behalf of Shato Holdings Ltd, to rezone:
 - (i) 2806 Cambie Street [*Lot 1 Except Part in Explanatory Plan 17416, Block B, District Lot 526, Plan 1530 and Lot 2, Block B, District Lot 526, Plan 1530; PIDs: 014-570-301 and 014-569-884 respectively*] and 2850 Cambie Street [*Lots A, B and C, (Reference Plan 271) Except the West 10 Feet, Now Road, of Lots 15 and 16, Block B, District Lot 526, Plan 1530; PIDs: 005-791-421, 005-791-375 and 005-791-138 respectively*] from C-2C (Commercial) District, and

- (ii) 454 West 12th Avenue [Lot 3, Block B, District Lot 526, Plan 1530; PID: 014-569-931] and 465 West 13th Avenue [Lot 14, Block B, District Lot 526, Plan 1530; PID: 011-920-181] from RT-6 (Two-Family Dwelling) District,

all to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District and including that portion of lane, south of 2806 Cambie Street (if closed and conveyed to the registered owner of the above lands), to increase the permitted floor area from 7,050 m² (75,891 sq. ft.) to 12,189 m² (131,208 sq. ft.) and building height from 13.7 m (45 ft.) to 27.0 m (58.58 ft.) to allow for a mixed-use development in two buildings, including a new eight-storey building with ground-level retail and restaurant uses, 148 residential strata units and eight rental housing units, and a four-storey heritage building, with three residential strata units, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:

- (i) plans prepared by IBI/HB Architects, received October 22, 2013;
- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 7, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 2806 and 2850 Cambie Street, 454 West 12th Avenue, and 465 West 13th Avenue, and Heritage Designation of the Wilcox House"; 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 above-noted 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" (C-2C)], generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated April 7, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 2806 and 2850 Cambie Street, 454 West 12th Avenue, and 465 West 13th Avenue, and Heritage Designation of the Wilcox House", 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 above-noted 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 B, generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated April 7, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 2806 and 2850 Cambie Street, 454 West 12th Avenue, and 465 West 13th Avenue, and Heritage Designation of the Wilcox House";

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 April 7, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 2806 and 2850 Cambie Street, 454 West 12th Avenue, and 465 West 13th Avenue, and Heritage Designation of the Wilcox House";

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

- E. THAT, subject to approval in principle of the rezoning, Council approve the heritage designation of the exterior of 454 West 12th Avenue (the "Wilcox House"), listed in the "C" evaluation category of the Vancouver Heritage Register, as a protected heritage property;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare a Heritage Designation By-law for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- F. 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 April 7, 2014, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 2806 and 2850 Cambie Street, 454 West 12th Avenue, and 465 West 13th Avenue, and Heritage Designation of the Wilcox House", 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 this 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.

- G. THAT A through F 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 bylaw 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

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal

SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

1. A By-law to amend Protection of Trees By-law No. 9958 regarding miscellaneous text amendments

The Mayor reminded Council that this By-law is subject to approval of the Policy Report dated March 31, 2014, entitled, "Urban Forest Strategy Action Item 1 - Repeal of Section 4.5 of the Protection of Trees By-law", which was referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on April 16, 2014, and therefore Council will consider the by-law at the Regular Meeting meeting following that Standing Committee meeting.

The Mayor also reminded Council the following By-law had been added to the agenda as follows:

8. A By-law to amend Protection of Trees By-law No. 9958 regarding Section 4.5 Tree Permits

BY-LAWS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the revised agenda for this meeting as numbers 2 through 7 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 250 Powell Street (By-law No. 10910)

3. **A By-law to amend Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066 regarding pedicabs and housekeeping amendments (By-law No. 10911)**
4. **A By-law to amend Parking Meter By-law No. 2952 regarding separated cycling facilities, metered spaces and housekeeping amendments (By-law No. 10912)**
5. **A By-law to amend Street and Traffic By-law No. 2849 regarding separated cycling facilities on streets and change to truck route network (By-law No. 10913)**
6. **A By-law to amend Subdivision By-law No. 5208 (1729-1735 East 33rd Avenue) (By-law No. 10914)**
7. **A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 (Heritage and parking in lieu in heritage areas and HA-1A zoning district) (By-law No. 10915)**

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Affleck
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council enact the by-law listed on the revised agenda for this meeting as number 8, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-law.

CARRIED
(Councillors Affleck and Ball opposed)

8. **A By-law to amend Protection of Trees By-law No. 9958 regarding section 4.5 tree permits (By-law No. 10909)**

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. **Approval of Form of Development CD-1: 933 East Hastings Street (Formerly 955 East Hastings Street)**

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site formerly known as 955 East Hastings (933 East Hastings being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE416627, prepared by GBL Architects Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Planning and Development Services", on February 4, 2014, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Closure and Sale of a Portion of Lane Adjacent to 333 Woodland Drive

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

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: 015-292-835] Lot 1 Block 4 of Block C District Lot 183 Plan 417 ("Lot 1") and [PID: 015-292-851] Lot A (Explanatory Plan 2993) Block 4 of Block C District Lot 183 Plan 417 ("Lot A") has made application to purchase the abutting 61.3 square metre portion of lane;
3. The said portion of lane to be closed was dedicated by the deposit of Plan 417 in 1890;
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 1 and Lot A, and consolidated with Lot 1 and Lot A to form a single parcel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all that portion of lane adjacent to Lot 1 and Lot A, the same as shown in heavy outline on the Reference Plan prepared by Gregory Marston, B.C.L.S., completed on the 28th day of March, 2014, and numbered Plan EPP38154, be closed, stopped-up and conveyed to the owner of abutting Lot 1 and Lot A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the said portion of lane to be closed is to be consolidated with said Lot 1 and Lot A to form a single parcel, to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Motions on Notice

1. The Pollinator Project

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

WHEREAS

1. Bumble bees, honey bees, butterflies, and other pollinators provide essential ecosystem services by pollinating crops, backyard gardens, fruit trees, and native plants;

2. Honeybee health is declining across North America and many of our native pollinators are susceptible to the same adverse effects of industrial agriculture, urbanization, disease, and pesticide use;
3. Many public green spaces in Vancouver are inhospitable to pollinators because of predominance of frequently maintained turf areas, lack of native plants, and loss of overwintering habitats;
4. Vancouver's Food Strategy includes actions supporting pollinators and community gardens that provide important pollinator habitat.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT staff be directed to develop strategies for supporting pollinators as part of the Biodiversity Strategy and Urban Forest Action Plan.
- B. THAT the City of Vancouver support the Vancouver Park Board in their efforts to:
 - a. raise public awareness about the value of pollinators, facilitate habitat enhancement projects, and assess and monitor pollinator populations.
 - b. develop a brand for promoting pollinators across the city in spring 2014.
 - c. test methods in 2014 for enhancing pollinators such as creating unmowed meadows, planting flowering trees and shrubs, using more native plants in park planting, and restoring overwintering habitats.
- C. THAT staff be directed to work with other City departments to enhance pollinator habitat on City-owned lands and development sites.
- D. THAT staff be directed to provide an update to Council no later than spring 2015.

referred

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

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held Wednesday, April 16, 2014, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Campaign Financing Limits for November 15, 2014 Vancouver Civic Election

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

MOVED by Councillor Carr

SECONDED by Councillor Affleck

WHEREAS

1. Bill 20, the *Local Elections Campaign Financing Act* tabled by the Provincial Government on March 26th, 2014, fails to contain any proposals to impose limits on either individual or corporate donations to civic candidates or elector organizations, or on election campaign expenditures, and neither does it contain provisions that would change the rules governing election finance for the City of Vancouver despite requests for changes made by the City of Vancouver to the Province in 2005, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013 (through a nearly unanimously supported motion by the Union of BC Municipalities) and 2014;
2. Council's position on local election campaign financing, including placing limits on contributions and campaign spending, banning donations from corporations, unions, and donations from sources outside of Canada, and requiring greater disclosure resulted from a March 12, 2010, report to Council by an all-party subcommittee of Council (see "A" below);
3. Civil society organizations such as IntegrityBC, Fair Voting British Columbia and City Hall Watch have repeatedly called upon the Provincial Government and Vancouver's civic parties to take measures to limit the influence of money in Vancouver civic politics, whether through legal or voluntary measures;
4. North Vancouver City Council passed a motion on November 4, 2013, strongly urging all candidates for election to Council to abstain from accepting donations from developers with projects or potential projects before Council or from labour unions that represent employees of the City because "the appearance of a conflict of interest is created when developers and unions that make significant contributions to election campaigns of candidates for Council also have matters that come before Council and that whether or not these conflicts are permitted in law, they harm the reputation of Council and impair the legitimacy of its decisions";
5. Bill 21, the *Local Elections Statutes Amendment Act*, also tabled by the Provincial Government on March 26th, proposes to increase the interval between municipal elections from 3 to 4 years beginning with the 2014 civic elections, which in the absence of accompanying campaign finance reforms of the sorts outlined in "A" below, threatens to perpetuate a status quo that is undermining confidence in local democracy for another four years.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council communicate with the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development urgently calling upon her to amend Bill 20 (*Local Elections Campaign Financing Act*) by including amendments or the intent to amend the Vancouver Charter to make campaign finance rules as outlined in Item 6 of the Minutes of the Standing Committee of Council on Planning and Environment

meeting of March 25, 2010, and set out below:

<http://former.vancouver.ca/ctyclerk/cclerk/20100325/documents/penv20100325min.pdf>

1. Set limits on the annual amount of contributions that can be given by an individual to an elector organization, campaign organizer, or an individual seeking elected office.
2. Ban union and corporate donations.
3. Limit the amount of money that may be spent annually by an elector organization, campaign organizer, or an individual seeking elected office during a general local election campaign.
4. These limits on contributions and expenditures would be based upon a per-elector/capita, per-candidate formula (with individual candidate resources allowed to be pooled for use by elector organizations) and would be no higher than provincial and federal spending limits.
5. Disallow contributions to an elector organization, campaign organizer, or an individual seeking elected office, from sources outside of Canada.
6. Require that all donations and expenses for candidates, elected officials and elector organizations be disclosed on a continuous basis at six month intervals.
7. Implement a system of tax credits for municipal donations, similar to those for provincial and federal elections.
8. Change the definition of "candidate" to include anyone seeking nomination within an elector organization for candidacy to a local government office.
9. Appoint the Provincial Chief Election Officer to oversee municipal elections in BC, and establish penalties and mechanisms for enforcement of offences under the amended local government elections legislation.
13. Amend the definition of election offenses and related penalties to include individuals acting as an intermediary in third-party campaign contribution schemes.

NOTE: items 10-12 of the March 25, 2010, Motion are not included as they do not directly relate to municipal campaign finance reform and were specific to questions posed by the Local Government Elections Task Force.

- B. THAT, should the Provincial Government fail to amend Bill 20 as requested above, Council shall quickly establish an all-party subcommittee of Council which, in a process allowing for public input, shall develop for Council's consideration a set of campaign finance guidelines based on the recommendations outlined in A above, including specified limits on sources and amounts of donations and campaign expenditures, for Council to consider and to urge all parties and candidates to adopt voluntarily in the absence of legal constraints, and that these guidelines shall be made ready in time for the November 15, 2014, election campaign period.

A carried and
B referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT part B of the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting on April 30, 2014, in order to hear from speakers and give staff time to provide information regarding:

- (a) the alignment, if any, of voluntary measures with recognized best practices in campaign finance regulation;
- (b) whether any other jurisdiction has chosen to rely on voluntary measures in lieu of campaign finance regulation, and the efficacy of such measures should they exist; and
- (c) what financial, legal, staffing and other implications may result from the use of voluntary measures for an election

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The referral having carried, A above was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, and B above was referred to the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment on April 30, 2014, in order to hear from speakers and receive information from staff.

3. Request for Leave of Absence - Mayor Robertson

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT Mayor Robertson be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from meetings to be held on April 29, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF MOTION

1. Creation of a New Nuisance By-law

Councillor Louie submitted the following Notice of Motion. The Motion will be placed on the agenda of the Regular Council meeting to be held April 29, 2014, as a Motion on Notice.

MOVER Councillor Louie
SECONDER Councillor Tang

WHEREAS

1. In the City of Vancouver there are property owners whose properties generate repeated calls to 911 for a response from emergency personnel;
2. In the City of Vancouver some properties are responsible for over 100 police calls for service with a great majority of the calls for service related to noise and neighbourhood disturbances;

3. The City of New Westminster through By-law No. 6926, 2004 regulates and licences the letting of rooms for living purposes and prescribes standards for the maintenance of residential property and rental units including sections related to Repeat Nuisance Service Calls and Conditions of Licence;
4. The City of Vancouver has previously supported and funded a proactive approach to property management through the implementation practices recommended by the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Vancouver City Council direct staff to investigate the feasibility and advisability of a new nuisance by-law in conjunction with a Crime Free Multi- Housing Program and report back to Council with options to more effectively deal with problems properties that generate repeated calls for service.

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ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Northern Gateway Pipeline

Councillor Reimer noted the National Energy Board (NEB) has released the list of intervenors for the Northern Gateway Pipeline expansion and the City of Vancouver is included as an intervenor.

2. Chafer Beetle

Councillor Ball requested information on chafer beetle control.

3. Rat Control

Councillor Ball requested information on actions the City can take to control the rat population.

4. Passing of Former Minister of Finance Jim Flaherty

Councillor Louie paid respects to the former Minister of Finance, Jim Flaherty.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Ball
SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council adjourned at 1:07 pm