



## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 16, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 9:40 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 Raymond Louie  
Councillor Geoff Meggs  
Councillor Andrea Reimer  
Councillor Tim Stevenson  
Councillor Tony Tang

**ABSENT:** Councillor Kerry Jang (Medical Leave)

**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Penny Ballem, City Manager  
Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Janice MacKenzie, City Clerk  
Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

### WELCOME

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

### PROCLAMATION - SOUTH VANCOUVER LITTLE LEAGUE CANADIAN CHAMPIONS WEEK

The Mayor congratulated the South Vancouver Little League 11-12 All-Star team for winning the 2014 Canadian Championship, and proclaimed Tuesday, September 16, 2014, as the start of "South Vancouver Little League Canadian Champions Week" in the city of Vancouver. The Mayor invited the players and coach to the podium to receive the proclamation and say a few words.

## **PRESENTATION - BC LIONS / 102<sup>nd</sup> GREY CUP FESTIVAL**

The Mayor welcomed Dennis Skulsky, BC Lions President and CEO, Jamie Taras, Director of Community Relations, BC Lions, and Jamie Pitblado, General Manager of the 102<sup>nd</sup> Grey Cup Festival. They provided a presentation regarding the BC Lions and their involvement in the local community, as well as information on the upcoming 102<sup>nd</sup> Grey Cup Festival, which kicks off on November 26, 2014.

## **"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;
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (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;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (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 - July 22, 2014**

MOVED by Councillor Deal  
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of July 22, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **2. Regular Council (Planning, Transportation and Environment) - July 23, 2014**

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting of July 23, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

MOVED by Councillor Tang  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

The Mayor noted that there was a request to speak to Administrative Report 10.

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Administrative Report dated September 9, 2014, entitled "Changes in Enforcement Provisions Pertaining to Single Room Occupancy Hotels (SROs)" be referred to the Standing Committee in City Finance and Services meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2014, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports 1 to 9 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

**1. Business Licence/Chauffeur's Permit Appeal Hearing Panel - October 21, 2014  
September 4, 2014**

THAT Council delegate the holding of hearings under Section 275 or 278, or appeals under Sections 277 of the Vancouver Charter or under Section 36(7) of the Motor Vehicle Act, for those hearing dates designated by Council to a panel of three Council Members as follows:

**October 21 - 6:00 PM**  
Councillor Affleck - Chair  
Councillor Deal  
Councillor Reimer  
Councillor Tang - Alternate

Should any of the above members of Council be unable to attend the hearings, the hearings and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings will be delegated to the remaining two Councillors and alternate Councillor.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**2. Establishment of City-owned Property adjacent to 2625 Skeena Street for Road  
Purposes  
August 18, 2014**

THAT Council authorize the Director of Legal Services, in consultation with the General Manager of Engineering Services, to proceed with the necessary arrangements to establish as road all of the City-owned property located adjacent to 2625 Skeena Street, legally described as PID 009-758-399 Lot 6, Block 4, South ½ of Section 38, Town of Hastings Suburban Lands, Plan 9100 ("Lot 6"), as shown in bold outline on Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated August 18, 2014, entitled "Establishment of City-owned Property adjacent to 2625 Skeena Street for Road Purposes", as part of the refurbishment of an existing sewer pump station.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**3. Contract Award for Vacuum Truck Services  
August 18, 2014**

THAT the Administrative Report dated August 18, 2014, entitled "Contract Award for Vacuum Truck Services" be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**4. Contract Award for the Provision of Managed Print Services  
August 20, 2014**

THAT the Administrative Report dated August 20, 2014, entitled "Contract Award for the Provision of Managed Print Services" be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**5. Contract Award for the Supply and Delivery of Mineral Aggregates  
August 25, 2014**

THAT the Administrative Report dated August 25, 2014, entitled "Contract Award for the Supply and Delivery of Mineral Aggregates" be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**6. Contract Award for Asphalt, Concrete and Rock Crushing Services  
September 2, 2014**

THAT the Administrative Report dated September 2, 2014, entitled "Contract Award for Asphalt, Concrete and Rock Crushing Services" be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**7. 2015 Interest Rate Property Tax Arrears  
July 31, 2014**

- A. THAT City Council set an interest rate of 7.00% for property tax arrears to be effective January 1, 2015.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward a by-law regarding the 2015 interest rate on property tax arrears, for consideration by Council on or before September 30, 2014, in accordance with the provisions of Section 415(2) of the Vancouver Charter.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**8. Heritage Property Taxation Exemption By-law - 71-77 East Hastings Street  
July 31, 2014**

THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to prepare a heritage property taxation exemption by-law for protected heritage property at 71-77 East Hastings Street (PID: 029-066-468; Lot 1, Block 8, District Lot 196, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan EPP26724,) (the "Property") exempting the Property from real property taxation to a maximum amount of \$173,670 or for a period of (10) years, whichever first occurs;

FURTHER THAT, subject to the assent of the electors to the heritage property taxation exemption by-law or to their deemed approval, generally on the terms set out in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated July 31, 2014, entitled "Heritage Property Taxation Exemption By-law - 71-77 East Hastings Street", and in accordance with the requirements of Section 396A of the Vancouver Charter, the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the by-law for consideration by Council.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**9. Still Creek Enhancement - Project Funding  
August 21, 2014**

THAT Council approve a capital project budget of \$70,000 be allocated from the Still Creek Greenway Enhancement Fund to undertake investigations into conceptual design work for potential future enhancement projects as well as educational and interpretive initiatives to raise awareness about the rehabilitation of the Still Creek watershed, as detailed in the Administrative Report dated August 21, 2014, entitled "Still Creek Enhancement - Project Funding".

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**10. Changes in Enforcement Provisions Pertaining to Single Room Occupancy Hotels  
(SROs)**

This item was referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2014, in order to hear from speakers.

**RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

MOVED by Councillor Ball

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 Carr

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## BY-LAWS

The Mayor noted that By-law 35 was related to Administrative Report 10 which was referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on September 17, 2014. The bylaw was therefore withdrawn from this agenda and would be brought forward at the Council meeting which follows the Standing Committee meeting.

Councillor Louie advised he had reviewed the proceedings with regard to By-law 14 and he would therefore be voting on its enactment.

Councillors Affleck, Carr, Meggs, Reimer and Tang advised they had reviewed the proceedings with regard to By-law 33, and they would therefore be voting on its enactment.

MOVED by Councillor Deal  
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Council, except for those members ineligible to vote as noted below, enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 34 and 36 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to CD-1 Districts Parking requirements (1600 Beach Avenue and 1651 Harwood Street) (By-law No. 11032)
2. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (1412-1480 Howe Street, 1429 Granville Street, and 710 Pacific Street) (By-law No. 11033)
3. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to CD-1 Districts Parking Requirements (1412-1480 Howe Street, 1429 Granville Street and 710 Pacific Street) (By-law No. 11034)
4. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (1412-1480 Howe Street, 1429 Granville Street, and 710 Pacific Street) (By-law No. 11035)
5. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (1410 Granville Street) (By-law No. 11036)

6. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to CD-1 Districts Parking requirements (1410 Granville Street) (By-law No. 11037)
7. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (1410 Granville Street) (By-law No. 11038)
8. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (2290 Main Street) (By-law No. 11039)  
*(Councillor Stevenson and Mayor Robertson not eligible for the vote)*
9. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (2290 Main Street)  
(By-law No. 11040)
10. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to CD-1 Districts Parking Requirements (755-795 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue) (By-law No. 11041)
11. A By-law to amend Subdivision By-law No. 5208 (755-795 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue)  
(By-law No. 11042)
12. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (8175 Cambie Street, 519 Southwest Marine Drive and 8180-8192 Lord Street) (By-law No. 11043)
13. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to CD-1 Districts Parking requirements (8175 Cambie Street, 519 Southwest Marine Drive and 8180-8192 Lord Street) (By-law No. 11044)
14. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (8175 Cambie Street, 519 Southwest Marine Drive and 8180-8192 Lord Street) (By-law No. 11045)
15. A By-law to amend Subdivision By-law No. 5208 (8180-8192 Lord Street)  
(By-law No. 11046)
16. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to CD-1 Districts Parking requirements (720-730 East Hastings Street) (By-law No. 11047)
17. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (5675 Manson Street, 665-685 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue, and 5688 Heather Street)  
(By-law No. 11048)
18. A By-law to amend Animal Control By-law No. 9150 regarding 2015 fee increases  
(By-law No. 11049)
19. A By-law to amend Electrical By-law No. 5563 to increase fees (By-law No. 11050)
20. A By-law to amend Gas Fitting By-law No. 3507 to increase fees (By-law No. 11051)
21. A By-law to amend License By-law No. 4450 regarding 2015 fee increases  
(By-law No. 11052)



22. A By-law to amend Miscellaneous Fees By-law No. 5665 regarding fee increases (By-law No. 11053)
23. A By-law to amend Mountain View Cemetery By-law No. 8719 regarding 2014 fees (By-law No. 11054)
24. A By-law to amend Protection of Trees By-law No. 9958 regarding fee increases (By-law No. 11055)
25. A By-law to amend Secondary Suite Inspection Fee By-law No. 6553 to increase fees (By-law No. 11056)
26. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 to increase fees (By-law No. 11057)
27. A By-law to amend Subdivision By-law No. 5208 to increase fees (By-law No. 11058)
28. A By-law to amend Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066 regarding 2015 fees (By-law No. 11059)
29. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development Fee By-law No. 5585 to increase fees (By-law No. 11060)
30. A By-law to amend Graffiti By-law No. 7343 regarding a housekeeping matter (By-law No. 11061)
31. A By-law to amend Impounding By-law No. 3519 regarding a housekeeping matter (By-law No. 11062)
32. A By-law to provide for the imposition of interest on delinquent property taxes for 2015 (By-law No. 11063)
33. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (East Fraser Lands - Town Square Precinct, Park Precinct and Waterfront Precinct) (By-law No. 11064)  
*(Mayor Robertson not eligible for the vote)*
34. A By-law to amend Noise By-law No. 6555 (East Fraser Lands - Town Square Precinct, Park Precinct and Waterfront Precinct) (By-law No. 11065)
35. A By-law to amend Standards of Maintenance By-law No. 5642 regarding maintenance orders - **WITHDRAWN**
36. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 460 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue (formerly 458-476 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue) (By-law No. 11066)

## MOTIONS

### A. Administrative Motions

#### 1. Approval of Form of Development - 998 West 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 998 West 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE417785, prepared by Acton Ostry Architects, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on July 11, 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. Approval of Form of Development - 699 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 699 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE417713, prepared by IBI Group, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Planning and Development Services", on August 6, 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

#### 3. Establishing Road at the 99.1 Square Meter Triangular Lot at the Intersection of Skeena Street and Cornett Road

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT WHEREAS the registered owner, the City of Vancouver, wishes to establish for road purposes lands in the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as follows:

Parcel Identifier: 009-758-399, Lot 6, Block 4, South ½ of Section 38,  
Town of Hastings Suburban Lands, Plan 9100.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and in the public interest to allocate the said lands for road purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the above described lands are hereby allocated for road purposes and declared to form and to constitute a portion of a road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. Approval of Form of Development - 2920 Celtic Avenue**

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2920 Celtic Avenue be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE417794, prepared by Stuart Howard Architects Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on July 25, 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

**B. Motions on Notice**

**1. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Affleck**

MOVED by Councillor Ball

SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Councillor Affleck be granted Leave of Absence for Personal Reasons from all meetings to be held on October 14 to 16, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2. Request for Leave of Absence - Mayor Robertson and Councillor Reimer**

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Mayor Robertson and Councillor Reimer be granted Leaves of Absence for Civic Business from meetings to be held on September 17, 2014.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. UBCM Emergency Resolution: Requiring Consequence and Response Capacity for Sunken or Submerged Diluted Bitumen in Local Communities**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS new information came to light in July 2014, after the UBCM motion deadline, regarding the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Project regarding a lack of required planning for emergency response to sunken or submerged diluted bitumen;

AND WHEREAS this information is highly concerning to the City's emergency response staff for both current and proposed future shipments of diluted bitumen in water adjacent to Vancouver;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council endorse the following resolution entitled "Requiring Consequence and Response Capacity Assessment for Sunken or Submerged Diluted Bitumen in Local Communities" for submission as an Emergency Resolution to the UBCM 2014 Annual Convention:

**Requiring Consequence and Response Capacity Assessment for Sunken or Submerged Diluted Bitumen in Local Communities**

WHEREAS on December 16, 2013, Kinder Morgan submitted an application to the National Energy Board for the Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Project to increase the transportation of diluted bitumen via pipeline through British Columbian communities, across more than 700 streams and water-crossings in 12 BC watersheds;

AND WHEREAS diluted bitumen has been shown to submerge and/or sink when spilled into freshwater environments, resulting in prolonged and costly response operations with limited success and negative impacts to local ecosystems, public and environmental health, local economies, and cultural and recreational resources;

AND WHEREAS, as per Trans Mountain's response on July 11, 2014, to intervenors in the NEB hearing, Trans Mountain maintains that in the event of a diluted bitumen spill sunken or submerged oil "would be treated as a post-emergency response function" and declined to provide any specific information about how response plans or equipment stockpiling for the project would address submerged or sunken diluted bitumen, thereby raising serious concerns about the capacity to respond to the risk currently posed to local communities and watersheds by the existing Trans Mountain pipeline;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, for the protection of communities and ecosystems reliant on the health of watersheds across BC, the Union of BC Municipalities call on the National Energy Board to compel Trans Mountain and all other pipeline operators shipping diluted bitumen, to provide site specific

consequence analyses and response plans and tactics for submerged and sunken oil to be subject to public review and approval by impacted communities;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that UBCM call on the Provincial Government to conduct a full assessment of the response plans, tactics, equipment and capacity currently available within the Province of BC to respond to sunken or submerged oil.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 4. Streetlights

MOVED by Councillor Tang  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver is recognized as an Age-friendly Community by the BC Government through an announcement on July 28, 2014, and the City is working toward seeking World Health Organization designation as an Age-friendly City;
2. The WHO Age-friendly Outdoor Spaces and Buildings checklist identifies good street lighting is an essential feature for Global Age-friendly Cities;
3. The Vancouver Transportation 2040 Plan indicates that insufficient pedestrian lighting can make some places feel less safe at night;
4. The Vancouver 2012 Pedestrian Safety Study reports that nearly half of all pedestrian collisions occurred between November and February as a result of the shorter days and longer nights. Strategies to address the issue of visibility, which is a key contributing factor in many pedestrian collisions, include installing and upgrading lighting at key intersections;
5. The Vancouver Seniors Advisory Committee passed a motion to ask for improvements in the current procedures for reporting and responding to non-functioning streetlights and improvements in providing additional lights for areas with inadequate lighting;
6. Some residents living near streetlights have complained of glare and light pollution from over-illumination.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council direct City Staff to provide an Information Memo on the following:

1. the current level of service for non-functioning streetlights,

2. progress made installing additional lighting to promote pedestrian safety in areas which pose higher risks,
3. emerging technologies that can help balance competing demands of high levels of lighting for pedestrian safety vs. those of lessened glare and light pollution on nearby residents.

referred

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

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Deal  
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT the motion be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2014, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

### 1. Motion Regarding Kinder Morgan

Councillor Carr enquired regarding her previous Motion regarding Kinder Morgan which resulted in a letter being sent to the Federal Government asking they conduct local referendums regarding Kinder Morgan's pipeline expansion plans. Councillor Carr asked whether any further response had been received beyond the initial letter advising the City's correspondence had been forwarded to the appropriate Minister.

The City Manager advised that no further official government response has been received.

Councillor Carr also provided a petition containing 392 signatures (unaudited) regarding the Kinder Morgan Pipeline Expansion Project.

### 2. Removal of Blackberry Bushes from Private Property

Councillor Carr advised she had been contacted by a citizen who was concerned that City workers had removed blackberry bushes from his property without his permission or prior notification, possibly in response to a public complaint about the bushes. She enquired what protocols were in place to ensure citizens were given the opportunity to deal with such complaints to avoid this situation in the future.

The City Manager agreed to have the matter looked into and requested Councillor Carr to forward her the particulars of what happened.

### **3. Procurement Process and Awarding of Contracts**

Councillor Affleck noted a recent report from the Office of the Privacy and Information Commissioner regarding an FOI request for the details of which companies had competed in an RFP for a City contract award. He enquired whether, wherever possible, future reports to Council regarding contract awards could include the names of RFP competitors and information on the bid values.

The City Manager advised that staff were reviewing the decision by the Commissioner over the next couple of weeks.

### **4. Dislocation of Tenants in Rental Accommodations**

Councillor Meggs noted a recent news conference by tenants of a West End rental building regarding mass eviction notices being served following the change of ownership in the building. He enquired as to what steps can be taken by the City to avoid tenants being displaced from their homes when owners of rental buildings apply to make renovations.

The City Manager provided information regarding this particular situation and also noted staff were putting together a multi-department team to review renovation applications and were looking at all legal avenues to prevent tenant displacements occurring without a tenant relocation plan in place.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson  
SECONDED by Councillor Tang

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 11:11 am

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