MOTION ON NOTICE B. 1

1. Recognizing Jim Deva's Legacy

At the Regular Council meeting on September 30, 2014, Mayor Robertson submitted the following Notice of Motion.

MOVER: Mayor Robertson

SECONDER: Councillor Stevenson

WHEREAS

- 1. The passing of Jim Deva has prompted a remarkable outpouring of community reflection on his life and legacy as a champion for LGBTTQ equality, free expression, and social justice;
- 2. Vancouver City Council is immensely grateful for Jim Deva's outstanding role in shaping the city that Vancouver is today, and a lifetime of leadership and advocacy for human rights that echoed all the way to Supreme Court of Canada;
- 3. The City of Vancouver is committed to building on Jim Deva's legacy by continuing and expanding its leading advocacy for LGBTTQ equality, rights, and inclusion;
- 4. The community-driven West End Plan recently approved by Council recognizes the Davie Village as a 'culturally and historically important hub for Vancouver's LGBTQ community', identifies Davie and Bute as the heart of Davie Village, and extensive consultation has now been completed on the recommendation of an enhanced, permanent plaza at Davie and Bute.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT staff be directed to report back on options to identify an appropriate place or civic asset to be named in recognition of Jim Deva and his lifetime of advocacy, working with the input of Jim Deva's family, the City of Vancouver's LGBTTQ advisory committee, the Park Board, and the Civic Asset Naming Committee.
- B. THAT staff be directed to report back on the results of recent consultation on the future of an enhanced, permanent plaza at Davie and Bute, with a view to exploring this plaza as one potential option for recognition of Jim Deva's life and legacy and the history and contributions of the LGBTTQ community in Vancouver.

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