



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES

DECEMBER 16, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Finance and Services was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015, at 9:35 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Geoff Meggs, Chair
Mayor Gregor Robertson*
Councillor George Affleck
Councillor Elizabeth Ball*
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Melissa De Genova*
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Kerry Jang*
Councillor Raymond Louie*
Councillor Andrea Reimer
Councillor Tim Stevenson, Vice-Chair

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, Acting City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk
Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee adopt Item 3 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor DeGenova absent on Medical Leave and
Mayor Robertson absent on Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

1. **Issues Report - 1445 - 1455 West Georgia Street - Rezoning Inquiry
November 30, 2015**

The Committee heard from one speaker who was opposed to the application.

Planning and Development Services staff responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council direct staff to accept a rezoning application for the site at 1445-1455 West Georgia Street (PID: 009-916-415, Lot A, Except The North 7 Feet Now Road of Lots 14 and 15 Block 42, District Lot 185 Plan 731, PID: 009-916-491, Lot B of Lots 14 and 15 Block 42 District Lot 185 Plan 731, PID: 009-916-521, Lot E of Lots 14 and 15 Block 42 District Lot 185 Plan 731, PID: 009-916-555, Lot F of Lots 14 and 15 Block 42 District Lot 185 Plan 731, PID: 009-916-563, The East Part of Lot 13 Block 42 District Lot 185 Plan 92, PID: 015-843-068, Lot A (Reference Plan 3477) of Lot 12 Block 42 District Lot 185 Plan 92, PID: 015-843-084, Lot B (Reference Plan 3477) of Lot 12 Block 42 District Lot 185 Plan 92, PID: 015-843-106, The West Part of Lot 13 Block 42 District Lot 185 Plan 92) which may include a proposed building which exceeds the height permitted by the current zoning for the site, provided that the application meets the requirements of the General Policy for Higher Buildings.
- B. THAT if the Director of Planning recommends to Council that a rezoning application for the site be referred to public hearing, then such referral report should also recommend that the General Policy for Higher Buildings be amended to include 1445 - 1455 West Georgia Street as a location for the consideration of a 'Gateway Landmark' building.
- C. THAT passage of A and B above will in no way fetter Council's discretion in considering any rezoning application for the subject site and does not create any legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; and expenditure of funds or incurred costs are at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost.

CARRIED

(Councillor Carr opposed)

(Councillor DeGenova absent on Medical Leave and

Mayor Robertson absent on Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

2. 2015 Social Grants for Childcare, Neighbourhoods and Small Capital December 1, 2015

The Committee heard from two speakers in support of the report recommendations.

Social Policy staff responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve 4 Civic Childcare Research, Policy Development & Innovation grants and 2 Childcare Stabilization grants, totalling \$50,796 as outlined in Appendices A and B of the Administrative Report dated December 1, 2015, entitled "2015 Social Grants for Childcare, Neighbourhoods and Small Capital"; source of funding is the 2015 Childcare Grants Budget.

- B. THAT Council approve 3 grants totalling \$75,531 as outlined in Appendix C of the Administrative Report dated December 1, 2015, entitled “2015 Social Grants for Childcare, Neighbourhoods and Small Capital”, to improve the quality and organizational capacity to deliver child care, including Aboriginal competency training, that aligns with City of Reconciliation efforts and Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommendations; source of funding is the 2015 Childcare Grants Budget.
- C. THAT Council approve 6 Hastings Legacy Fund grants, totalling \$120,000 to the organizations listed in Appendix D of the Administrative Report dated December 1, 2015, entitled “2015 Social Grants for Childcare, Neighbourhoods and Small Capital”, that focus on cultivating connections between residents and improving sense of safety; source of funding is the Hastings Social Responsibility Reserve.
- D. THAT Council approve 13 Social Policy Capital grants totalling \$104,736, to the organizations listed in Appendix F of the Administrative Report dated December 1, 2015, entitled “2015 Social Grants for Childcare, Neighbourhoods and Small Capital”, to improve the safety, accessibility and operational needs for non-profits and childcare organizations; source of funding is the 2015 Capital Budget and the reallocation of \$4,736 of previously approved but unused 2011 Capital Grants.
- E. THAT Council approve 1 Social Innovation Project grant totalling \$34,000 to Portland Hotel Society (PHS) to support the Hastings Urban Farm Grows program and objectives of the Vancouver Food Strategy; source of funding is the 2015 Social Innovation Project Grants Budget.
- F. THAT Council approve 1 grant totalling \$15,000 to Urban Native Youth Association (UNYA) for functional program development and business plan update for Native Youth Centre project as part of implementation of several Healthy City Strategy goal areas and City of Reconciliation, Truth and Reconciliation efforts; source of funding is the 2015 Capital Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillor DeGenova absent on Medical Leave and
Mayor Robertson absent on Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

**3. 1601 Main Street - Dubh Linn Gate Irish Pub - Liquor Primary
Licence Application - Liquor Establishment Class 2 - Pub
September 8, 2015**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council, having considered the opinion of local area residents and business operators as determined by neighbourhood notification, site sign, noise impacts and relevant Council policy as outlined in the Administrative Report dated September 8, 2015, entitled “1601 Main Street - Dubh Linn Gate Irish Pub - Liquor Primary Licence Application - Liquor Establishment Class 2 - Pub”, endorse the request

by Dubh Linn Gate Partners (Vancouver) Company for a 84 person Liquor Primary licence (Liquor Establishment Class 2 - Pub) located at 1601 Main Street subject to:

- i. A maximum total capacity of 84 persons inside;
- ii. Standard Hours of operation, for the first six months, limited to 11 am to 12 am, Sunday to Thursday and 11 am to 1 am, Friday and Saturday; after which time Extended Hours of operation may be considered which are limited to 9 am to 1 am, Sunday to Thursday and 9 am to 2 am, Friday and Saturday;
- iii. A Time-Limited Development Permit;
- iv. Acoustic report to be submitted certifying that the establishment meets Noise Control By-law requirements;
- v. Food service to be provided while the establishment is operating; and
- vi. Signing a Good Neighbour Agreement with the City prior to business licence issuance.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

4. Liquor Policy Review - Quick Start Initiatives December 3, 2015

Licences and Inspections staff provided a presentation on the report and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from twenty speakers. Sixteen of the speakers were in general support and four were opposed to the report recommendations. Most of the speakers expressed interest in working with City staff on the comprehensive liquor policy review that will be completed in 2016.

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

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the meeting be extended beyond noon to finish hearing from the current speaker.

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY*

*(Councillor DeGenova absent on Medical Leave and
Mayor Robertson absent on Leave of Absence - Civic Business)*

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The Committee recessed at 12:10 pm and reconvened at 1:35 pm.

*Following the recess, during the hearing of speakers, Councillor De Genova and
Mayor Robertson arrived at the meeting.*

At 3:30 pm, during the hearing of speakers, it was

MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Committee finish hearing from speakers on this item.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Mayor Robertson

THAT the motion be amended to strike the words "finish hearing from speakers" and replace them with the words "hear from any remaining speakers that wish to speak to this item".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The amendment having carried, the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, with Councillor Louie absent for the vote.

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Following the hearing of speakers, Licences and Inspections staff responded to questions.

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Recommendations A and C of the Policy Report dated December 3, 2015, entitled "Liquor Policy Review - Quick Start Initiatives", be referred to the comprehensive liquor review process already underway at the City of Vancouver, to be completed before the end of 2016.

CARRIED

(Councillor Affleck opposed)

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Licensing staff be directed to advise local liquor manufacturers that City by-laws and regulations permit service of liquor produced off-site, provided that it is in compliance with Provincial regulations;

FURTHER THAT, as part of the comprehensive liquor policy review work underway, staff be directed to consider a licence and fee structure for manufacturers' lounges that is comparable to other Liquor Primary licences and bring forward recommendations in 2016.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the motion be amended by striking the words “that is comparable to other Liquor Primary licences”.

CARRIED

(Councillors Deal, Meggs, Reimer and Stevenson opposed)
(Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, with Mayor Robertson absent for the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

THAT Licensing staff be directed to advise local liquor manufacturers that City by-laws and regulations permit service of liquor produced off-site, provided that it is in compliance with Provincial regulations;

FURTHER THAT, as part of the comprehensive liquor policy review work underway, staff be directed to consider a licence and fee structure for manufacturers’ lounges and bring forward recommendations in 2016.

**5. Green Demolition Program Update
November 16, 2015**

Sustainability Group staff provided a presentation on the report and, along with Planning and Development Services staff and the Acting City Manager, responded to questions.

The Committee heard from seven speakers who generally supported aspects of the green demolition program. Most of the speakers also offered additional suggestions and comments about the program. Four of the speakers expressed concerns about demolition and deconstruction of heritage houses.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive the Administrative Report dated November 16, 2015, entitled “Green Demolition Program Update”, regarding the results of the City’s green demolition program to date, for information.
- B. THAT Council approve, in principle, the proposed amendments to the Green Demolition By-law No. 11023, as generally set out in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated November 16, 2015, entitled “Green Demolition Program Update”, to provide greater incentive for salvage and reuse, to offset program costs through a non-refundable fee of \$350, and to reduce the current refundable security deposit by the same amount to \$14,650.

- C. THAT Council instructs the Director of Legal Services to bring forward the proposed amendments set out in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated November 16, 2015, entitled “Green Demolition Program Update” for enactment.
- D. THAT Council endorses the expansion of the green demolition program to:
- i. apply to pre-1950 one- and two-family homes as of January 1, 2017;
 - ii. apply to all one- and two-family homes as of January 1, 2018;
- and instructs the Director of Legal Services to bring forward the proposed amendments in a timely manner.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Ball absent on Medical Leave)

**6. Oakridge Transit Centre Policy Statement
October 14, 2015**

Planning and Development Services staff responded to questions.

The Committee heard from three speakers in support of the recommendations. Two of the speakers emphasized the importance of including affordable housing on the site.

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At 6:08 pm, during the hearing of speakers, it was

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the end time of the meeting be extended to complete the agenda.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillor Ball absent on Medical Leave)

*Following the hearing of speakers, the Committee recessed at 6:20 pm
and reconvened at 7:10 pm.*

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MOVED by Councillor Deal
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council adopt the Oakridge Transit Centre Policy Statement, attached as Appendix A to the Policy Report dated October 14, 2015, entitled “Oakridge Transit Centre Policy Statement”, to guide the future rezoning and development of the Oakridge Transit Centre site.

- B. THAT Council direct staff to report back on the final community amenity package and associated financial strategy as part of a future rezoning of the Oakridge Transit Centre site.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillor Ball absent on Medical Leave and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

7. Davie Village Public Space Improvements December 4, 2015

Planning and Development Services staff provided a presentation on the report and, along with Engineering Services staff and the Acting City Manager, responded to questions.

The Committee heard from eight speakers who were in support of the report recommendations. Most of the speakers also provided comments and suggestions about the accessible automated public toilet and other infrastructure and design details.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the detailed design for Jim Deva Plaza, as shown in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated December 4, 2015, entitled “Davie Village Public Space Improvements”, and a multi-year capital project budget of up to \$2.3 million for the completion of Phase One of the Davie Village Public Space Improvements including the installation of an accessible automated public toilet and the transportation improvements and monitoring described in the above-noted Administrative Report; source of funds to be 2016 Capital Budget for Community Plan Transportation Improvements, subject to approval of the 2016 Capital Budget.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to continue to work with key stakeholders to prepare, implement, monitor and refine the *Jim Deva Plaza Stewardship Strategy*, as described in Appendix D of the Administrative Report dated December 4, 2015, entitled “Davie Village Public Space Improvements”, and report back to Council by 2018 with the long-term *Jim Deva Plaza Stewardship Strategy* as part of the broader *Stewardship Strategy for City-owned Plazas*.
- C. THAT Council approve a grant of up to \$100,000 from the City’s Innovation Fund to prepare the *Stewardship Strategy for City-owned Plazas*, initially for Jim Deva Plaza, in partnership with the following non-profit organizations (as described in Appendix E of the Administrative Report dated December 4, 2015, entitled “Davie Village Public Space Improvements”):
 - i. West End Business Improvement Association (\$40,000 grant);
 - ii. Vancouver Foundation (\$18,500 grant); and,
 - iii. The remaining grant funds to be allocated when matching funds from additional community partners have been secured.

- D. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare amendments to the Street and Traffic By-Law, the Health By-Law, and the Ticket Offences By-Law, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated December 4, 2015, entitled “Davie Village Public Space Improvements”, to regulate activity in Jim Deva Plaza.
- E. THAT staff report back to Council in 2016 with the preliminary business case for an “outdoor museum” in Jim Deva Plaza and adjacent areas celebrating LGBTQ history, contributions and struggle for human rights in Vancouver and British Columbia, in consultation with the LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee and other key stakeholders.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Ball and Jang absent on Medical Leave)

**8. Urban Forest Strategy Action Item 2 - Amendments to the Ticket Offences By-law and the Protection of Trees By-law
December 1, 2015**

At the Regular Council meeting on December 15, 2015, Vancouver City Council received a Report Reference regarding Vancouver’s Urban Forest Strategy, and referred decision on the Policy Report dated December 1, 2015, entitled “Urban Forest Strategy Action Item 2 - Amendments to the Ticket Offences By-law and the Protection of Trees By-law”, to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on December 16, 2015, to hear from a person who had requested to speak.

The Chair called for the speaker but they were not present.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive for information a description of the approach that Urban Landscape Development staff have been taking to respond to compassionate relief requests from property owners to waive the arborist report and tree permit fee requirements of the Protection of Trees By-law.
- B. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment a by-law to amend the Ticket Offences By-law to add various violations of the Protection of Trees By-law as violations enforceable by the Municipal Ticket Information (MTI) system, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated December 1, 2015, entitled “Urban Forest Strategy Action Item 2 - Amendments to the Ticket Offences By-law and the Protection of Trees By-law”.

- C. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment a by-law to amend the Protection of Trees By-law to add provisions for the City to require security deposits by property owners to better ensure tree replacement, to allow for cash-in-lieu payments for trees that the owners elect not to plant on their own sites and to revise and clarify enforcement, administration and other provisions of the Protection of Trees By-law, generally as presented in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated December 1, 2015, entitled “Urban Forest Strategy Action Item 2 - Amendments to the Ticket Offences By-law and the Protection of Trees By-law”.

- D. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to seek amendments to the *Vancouver Charter* that would enable the City to use tools available to other municipalities to improve administration and enforcement of the Protection of Trees By-law, to collect security deposits for landscaping installation and materials on sites subject to a development or building permit, and to increase the maximum fine amount authorized for tree related prosecutions.

The Committee adjourned at 9:42 pm.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES

DECEMBER 16, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015, at 9:43 pm, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson
Councillor George Affleck
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Melissa De Genova
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Andrea Reimer
Councillor Tim Stevenson

ABSENT: Councillor Elizabeth Ball (Medical Leave)
Councillor Kerry Jang (Medical Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnson, Acting City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk
Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Finance and Services
December 16, 2015

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services. Its items of business included:

1. Issues Report - 1445 - 1455 West Georgia Street - Rezoning Inquiry
2. 2015 Social Grants for Childcare, Neighbourhoods and Small Capital
3. 1601 Main Street - Dubh Linn Gate Irish Pub - Liquor Primary Licence Application - Liquor Establishment Class 2 - Pub
4. Liquor Policy Review - Quick Start Initiatives
5. Green Demolition Program Update
6. Oakridge Transit Centre Policy Statement
7. Davie Village Public Space Improvements
8. Urban Forest Strategy Action Item 2 - Amendments to the Ticket Offences By-law and the Protection of Trees By-law

Items 1 to 8

MOVED by Councillor Meggs
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services at its meeting of December 16, 2015, as contained in items 1 to 8, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND ITEMS 2 AND 7
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

URGENT BUSINESS

1. Request for Leave of Absence - Mayor Robertson

MOVED BY Councillor Deal
SECONDED BY Councillor Louie

THAT Mayor Robertson be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business for today's meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Meggs
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 9:45 pm.

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