



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 19, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, at 9:36 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT:

- 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 Geoff Meggs
- Councillor Andrea Reimer
- Councillor Tim Stevenson*

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

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Janice MacKenzie, City Clerk
Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

CONDOLENCES - Dal Richards

Mayor Robertson expressed condolences on the passing of Dal Richards, noting his long history in the community and his influence on music in Vancouver.

IN CAMERA MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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;

(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;

(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
(Councillors Affleck and Stevenson absent for the vote)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council (Planning, Transportation and Environment) - December 10, 2015

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on Planning, Transportation and Environment meeting of December 10, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Affleck and Stevenson absent for the vote)

2. Regular Council - December 15, 2015

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of December 15, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Affleck and Stevenson absent for the vote)

3. Public Hearing - December 15, 2015

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing of December 15, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

4. Regular Council (City Finance and Services) - December 16, 2015

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting of December 16, 2015, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Council adopt Communication 1, and Administrative Reports 2, 3, and 4 consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

Mayor Robertson noted requests to speak to Motions on Notice B.2 and B.6 had been received. Councillor De Genova seconded motion B.2, and Councillor Ball seconded motion B. 6.

MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Motion on Notice B.2 be referred to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT Motion on Notice B.6 be referred to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

REPORT REFERENCE

1. Truth and Reconciliation

Wendy Au, Assistant City Manager, and Ginger Gosnell-Myers, Aboriginal Planner, provided a presentation on action on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's (TRC) Calls to Action, and an update on City of Reconciliation. Ms. Au and Ms. Gosnell-Myers, along with Anne Nickerson, Equal Employment Opportunity, Cheryl Nelms, Director of Project and Quality Management, Engineering Services, and Sadhu Johnston, Acting City Manager, responded to questions.

a. Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action January 14, 2016

MOVED by Mayor Robertson

- A. THAT Council receive the Administrative Report dated January 14, 2016, entitled "Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action" for information.
- B. THAT Council adopt in principle the City's response to 27 out of the 94 Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action, with the identification of 41 City actions under three themes, outlined in the Administrative Report dated January 14, 2016, entitled "Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

**b. City of Reconciliation 2014-2016
January 14, 2016**

MOVED by Mayor Robertson

- A. THAT Council receive for information an update on the City's 2014-2015 departmental *City of Reconciliation* work, as outlined in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated January 14, 2016, entitled "City of Reconciliation 2014-2016".
- B. THAT Council approve the City of Reconciliation Work Plan for 2016 and direct staff to begin implementation of work and provide annual progress reports, with work including:
 - i. A cultural competency training workshop in early March for senior managers, at an estimated cost of \$3,000; the source of funding is the 2016 EEO training budget.
 - ii. Basic level cultural competency staff training, with a target of reaching 350+ staff, at an estimated cost of \$100,000; the source of funding is the existing 2016 Operating Budget.
 - iii. Development of reconciliation projects with City departments and Boards, in partnership with community groups, at an estimated cost of \$200,000 per year for the next three years; the source of funding is the Great Beginnings budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

2. Urban Aboriginal Housing and Wellness

a. Presentation: Towards an Urban Aboriginal Housing and Wellness Strategy

Kevin Barlow, CEO, Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council (MVAEC), provided a presentation on MVAEC's report "Towards an Urban Aboriginal Housing and Wellness Strategy for Metro Vancouver 2015-2020", and along with David Eddy, Vancouver Native Housing Society, responded to questions.

**b. Actions to Respond to Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council's Aboriginal Housing and Wellness Strategy
January 5, 2016**

Abi Bond, Director of Housing Policy and Projects, provided a presentation on staff's response to the MVAEC Urban Aboriginal Housing and Wellness Strategy 2015-2020, and along with Mukhtar Latif, Chief Housing Officer, Mary Clare Zak, Managing Director of Social Policy, and Dianna Hurford, Housing Policy and Projects, responded to questions.

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At approximately noon, it was

MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the length of the meeting be extended to conclude the current item, then recess until 2 pm.

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY*

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MOVED by Councillor Reimer

- A. THAT Council receive for information comments from staff on the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council's (MVAEC) report, "Towards an Urban Aboriginal Housing and Wellness Strategy for Metro Vancouver (2015-2020)", and recommendations for further advocacy and action, as attached in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated January 5, 2016, entitled "Actions to Respond to Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council's Aboriginal Housing and Wellness Strategy".
- B. THAT Council agree in principle to the development of a mixed-use project that co-locates a permanent shelter, health services and social housing at 1015 East Hastings Street; staff will work with partners and report back on the overall project budget, funding strategy, lease terms and required legal agreements.
- C. THAT Council authorize that the \$100,000 capital grant, previously approved by Council on July 25, 2012, for the Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society (the "VAFCS") to explore preliminary shelter designs at 946 and 950 Main Street, be transferred to a new City-owned location at 1015 East Hastings Street (PID: 009-392-815, Lot 181, Block 63, District Lot 181, Plan 21524), thereby allowing VAFCS to engage staff resources to work with the Vancouver Affordable Housing Agency (VAHA) in the exploration of a potential shelter within a mixed-use project; source of funds to be the 2016 Capital Budget for the Grant-VAFCS.
- D. THAT Council agree in principle that 946 Main Street (PID: 005-749-239, Lot 10, Block 24, District Lot 196, Plan 184) and, 2) and 950 Main Street (PID: 005-749-484, Lot 11, Block 24, District Lot 196, Plan 184) previously approved by Council on July 25, 2012, as the shelter site, now be designated for social housing and direct staff to work with BC Housing in partnership with Lu'Ma and report back on the overall project budget, funding strategy, lease terms and any other required legal agreements.
- E. THAT no legal rights or obligations shall arise hereby and none shall arise or be granted hereafter unless and until all contemplated legal documentation has been executed and delivered by all parties.

- F. THAT the Mayor, on behalf of Council, write to the Premier and Prime Minister calling on them to work with partners to maintain and increase the housing and wellness capacity for urban Aboriginal people in Vancouver.
- G. THAT Council authorize a grant of up to \$56,000 to Urban Native Youth Association (UNYA) for a staff position to achieve key project milestones for a Native Youth Centre with complementary housing. Source of funding to be the Capital Facilities Reserve. Payment of the grant will be managed within the approved overall 2016 Annual Capital Expenditure Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
C AND G BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillor Affleck absent for the vote)

Mary Clare Zak, Managing Director of Social Policy, provided an overview of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and MVAEC, thanked staff for their work, and congratulated them on their success in establishing a partnership between the City and MVAEC. Sadhu Johnston, Acting City Manager, signed the MOU on behalf of the City of Vancouver, and David Eddy, Vice-President, MVAEC, signed on behalf of MVAEC.

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Council recessed at 12:10 pm and reconvened at 2:14 pm. Council agreed to deal with Policy Report 1 as the first item of business after reconvening. For ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in the same order as the posted agenda for this meeting.

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COMMUNICATIONS

1. Appointment of Council Representatives to Statutory Committees

THAT the following be appointed as non-voting Councillor Liaisons for the Statutory Committees indicated for the term January 1 to December 31, 2016:

Vancouver Heritage Commission
Councillor Heather Deal

Vancouver Heritage Foundation Board
Councillor George Affleck

Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee
Councillor Elizabeth Ball
Councillor Andrea Reimer

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. **Municipal Comments to *Draft Regional Affordable Housing Strategy Update - Revised Draft (August 2015)***
January 7, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Meggs

- A. THAT Council receive the *Regional Affordable Housing Strategy Update - Revised Draft (August 2015)* for information.
- B. THAT Council advise Metro Vancouver that it generally supports the *Regional Affordable Housing Strategy Update - Revised Draft (August 2015)* including the two technical appendices, *Revised Housing Demand Estimates* and *Performance Measures*, subject to the comments provided in Appendix C of the Administrative Report dated January 7, 2016, entitled "Municipal Comments to *Regional Affordable Housing Strategy Update - Revised Draft (August 2015)*".
- C. THAT the Mayor request that the Chair of the Metro Vancouver Housing Committee send a letter to both the Provincial and Federal Governments requesting financial support to meet the goals as set out in the draft of the *Regional Affordable Housing Strategy Update - Revised Draft (August 2015)*" once finalized and approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. **2016 Advance Grants to Cultural Organizations**
December 15, 2015

- A. THAT Council approve advance grant installments to 35 cultural operating organizations listed in appendix A of the Administrative Report dated December 15, 2015, in the amount of \$672,000 in advance of their 2016 review.
- B. THAT Council approve advance grant installments to 27 cultural annual assistance organizations listed in appendix A of the Administrative Report dated December 15, 2015, entitled, "2016 Advance Grants to Cultural Organizations" in the amount of \$189,400 in advance of their 2016 review.
- C. THAT Council approve the first quarter grant installments in the amount of \$988,600 to the five major institutions listed in appendix A of the Administrative Report dated December 15, 2015, entitled, "2016 Advance Grants to Cultural Organizations" in advance of their 2016 review.
- D. THAT Council approve grants to 23 cultural operating organizations in the amount of \$780,000 as per the pilot 2016 Biennial Assessment Process described in appendix A of the Administrative Report dated December 15, 2015, entitled, "2016 Advance Grants to Cultural Organizations" in advance of their 2016 review.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**3. 2016 Street Cleaning Grants
December 21, 2015**

THAT Council approve the 2016 Street Cleaning Grants totalling \$460,000 for supplementary cleaning of sidewalks, lanes and public spaces in Vancouver, with funding from the 2016 Street Cleaning Operating Budget, as follows:

- a. \$320,000 to Save Our Living Environment - United We Can,
- b. \$80,000 to Coast Mental Health Foundation - Employment Services Program,
- c. \$35,000 to Family Services of Greater Vancouver - Street Youth Job Action, and
- d. \$25,000 to The Kettle Friendship Society - SEED Employment Program.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**4. Vancouver Sport Hosting Grant - 2015 Winter Intake Allocations
January 5, 2016**

THAT Council approve Sport Hosting Grants totalling \$100,500 as outlined in the body of the Administrative Report dated January 5, 2015, "Vancouver Sport Hosting Grant - 2015 Winter Intake Allocation". The source of funding is the 2015 Sport Hosting Grant Program budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

POLICY REPORTS

**1. First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area ("FSHCA") - Amendments Regarding the Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan and Related By-laws
January 11, 2016**

MOVED by Councillor Carr

- A. THAT the Acting General Manager of Planning and Development Services be instructed to make application to bring forward a by-law to amend the *Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan By-law ("HCA ODP")*, in regards to the FSHCA, generally as outlined in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated January 11, 2016 entitled "First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area ("FSHCA") - Amendments Regarding the Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan and Related By-laws", to:
 - (i) Remove references to the Director of Planning regarding exemptions from heritage alteration permit requirements;
 - (ii) Remove the reference to the Parks Canada "Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada";

- (iii) Revise the description of protected heritage property in Appendix A4 from "real property" to specifically list those buildings, structures, lands or features that are protected by this by-law or earlier by-laws;
- (iv) Add three properties to the list of protected heritage properties;
- (v) Describe the process for demolition, or removal from the protected heritage property list, of protected heritage property that no longer retains sufficient heritage character or heritage value to justify its conservation; and
- (vi) Allow vehicle parking to be located below finished grade in a principal building in limited circumstances;

FURTHER THAT the by-law be referred to Public Hearing;

AND FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- B. THAT the Acting General Manager of Planning and Development Services be instructed to make application to bring forward a by-law to amend the *Heritage Procedure By-law*, generally as outlined in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated January 11, 2016 entitled "First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area ("FSHCA") - Amendments Regarding the Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan and Related By-laws", to:

- (i) Remove references to the Director of Planning regarding exemptions from heritage alteration permit requirements;
- (ii) Clarify the authority of the Director of Planning regarding issuance and refusal of a heritage alteration permit for protected heritage property and property in a Heritage Conservation Area (HCA);
- (iii) Clarify that requests for reconsideration of a Director of Planning decision to refuse a development permit is in respect of protected heritage property only; and
- (iv) Amend the power of entry of the Director of Planning to refer to the authority under the *Vancouver Charter* to obtain an entry warrant;

FURTHER THAT the by-law be referred to the same Public Hearing as the proposed HCA Official Development Plan (ODP) amendments;

AND FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- C. THAT the Acting General Manager of Planning and Development Services be instructed to make application to bring forward a by-law to amend the *Heritage Property Standards of Maintenance By-law*, generally as outlined in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated January 11, 2016 entitled "First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area ("FSHCA") - Amendments Regarding the Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan and Related By-laws", to:

- (i) Remove reference to "real property", amend the definition of Heritage Conservation Area (HCA) and add a definition of Official Development

- Plan (ODP) to align with the Heritage Procedure by-law, and make consequential housekeeping amendments;
- (ii) Add definitions of routine building and garden maintenance;
- (iii) Clarify that routine maintenance does not require a heritage alteration permit; and
- (iv) Remove the reference to the Parks Canada "Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada";

FURTHER THAT the by-law be referred to the same Public Hearing as the proposed HCA ODP amendments;

AND FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- D. THAT the Acting General Manager of Planning and Development Services be instructed to make application to bring forward a by-law to amend the First Shaughnessy District Schedule to the *Zoning & Development By-law*, generally as outlined in Appendix D of the Policy Report dated January 11, 2016 entitled "First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area ("FSHCA") - Amendments Regarding the Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan and Related By-laws", to:

- (i) Permit vehicle parking below finished grade of a principal building in limited circumstances;
- (ii) Include existing churches as a permitted use; and
- (iii) Correct the building depth regulation to correspond with standard district schedule provisions;

FURTHER THAT the by-law be referred to the same Public Hearing as the proposed Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan (HCA ODP) amendments;

AND FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- E. THAT the Acting General Manager of Planning and Development Services be instructed to make application to bring forward a by-law to amend the *Zoning & Development Fees By-law*, generally as outlined in Appendix E of the Policy Report dated January 11, 2016 entitled "First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area ("FSHCA") - Amendments Regarding the Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan and Related By-laws", to extend the existing provision for protected heritage buildings to properties within the FSHCA, thereby providing reduced permit fees for maintenance or minor repair that requires a heritage alteration permit;

FURTHER THAT the by-law be referred to the same Public Hearing as the proposed Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan (HCA ODP) amendments;

AND FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- F. THAT Council receive for information the administrative bulletin entitled "Procedure for Review of Protected Heritage Property Status in the First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area (Heritage Character and Heritage Value Impact Assessment)" that sets out the process to determine if a property no longer retains sufficient heritage character or heritage value to justify its conservation, generally as outlined in Appendix F of the Policy Report dated January 11, 2016 entitled "First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area ("FSHCA") - Amendments Regarding the Heritage Conservation Area Official Development Plan and Related By-laws".

AND FURTHER THAT, subject to enactment of the proposed HCA ODP amendments in A above, the Director of Planning be instructed to publish the administrative bulletin for public reference.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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 5 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (2095 West 43rd Avenue) (By-law No. 11424)
(Councillors Jang and Meggs ineligible for the vote)
2. A By-law to amend CD-1 (593) By-law No. 11125 (998 Expo Boulevard)
(By-law No. 11425)
(Councillor Jang ineligible for the vote)
3. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 137-139 East Pender Street
(By-law No. 11426)
4. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (2836 West
14th Avenue - Beer Residence) (By-Law No. 11427)
(Councillor Jang ineligible for the vote)
5. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 with regard to parking amendments to
various CD-1 By-laws for sites adjacent to SkyTrain (By-law No. 11428)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. Approval of Form of Development - 89 Nelson Street

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 998 Expo Boulevard (89 Nelson Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE419255, prepared by Franci Architecture, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on July 27, 2015, 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 - 1289 Hornby Street

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 1229 - 1281 Hornby Street (1289 Hornby Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE418686, prepared by IBI / HB Architects, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on July 24, 2015, 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. Approval of Form of Development - 1768 Cook Street

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 201 West 2nd Avenue (1768 Cook Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE419256, prepared by GBL Architects Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on July 26, 2015, 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

4. Approval of Form of Development - 3488 Sawmill Crescent

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as Parcel 16.1 (3488 Sawmill Crescent being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number 418327, prepared by Yamamoto Architecture Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on September 24, 2015, 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. Reinstating Federal Funding for DNA Analysis

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

1. DNA analysis is a crucial investigative tool that ensures offenders are brought to justice and innocent parties excluded as suspects;
2. Until recently, the Federal Government, through the RCMP, has provided DNA services to police at no cost;
3. Historically, the Province of British Columbia has made a yearly contribution toward the cost of the DNA services provided by the Federal Government and continues to support municipal DNA testing province-wide through an annual funding contribution of \$1.3 million;

4. The previous Federal Government revised the funding model for DNA services and significantly limited its financial contribution toward the costs of DNA analysis and services;
5. The Chair of the Vancouver Police Board and the Chief Constable of the Vancouver Police Department wrote to the Premier of British Columbia on August 4, 2015, to express "great concern" regarding the additional costs that the City of Vancouver will have to bear for DNA analysis (estimated to be between \$400,000 to \$600,000 annually) and the significant negative impact this new cost will have on the City's budget;
6. The additional cost of \$400,000 to \$600,000 for DNA analysis has not been specifically included in the City of Vancouver 2016 Budget.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Mayor Robertson to write a letter to Prime Minister Trudeau and the Federal Minister of Public Safety on behalf of Council requesting that the Federal Government reinstate full funding for DNA analysis to ensure that public safety continues to be served in the City of Vancouver and other affected municipalities across Canada.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Mayor Robertson
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the resolved be struck and replaced with the following:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Mayor Robertson write a letter on behalf of City Council to new Provincial Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General Mike Morris requesting that the BC government reinstate full funding for DNA analysis to ensure that public safety continues to be served in the City of Vancouver and other affected municipalities across British Columbia.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

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

2. Investigating a Vancouver Carbon Trust to Reduce Carbon Emissions through Energy Retrofits

MOVED by Councillor Carr

SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

WHEREAS

1. The urgency of taking action on climate change has been highlighted by the United Nations' 21st Conference of the Parties on Climate held in Paris November 30 to December 11, 2015;
2. Senior governments cannot meet carbon reduction goals unless they collaborate with cities, which account for about 70 percent of global Greenhouse Gas (GhG) emissions;
3. The City of Vancouver's climate action plans include goals to achieve overall GhG emission reductions of 33% below 2007 levels by 2020 and 80% below 2007 levels by 2050 and to retrofit existing buildings, which account for 56 percent of Vancouver's GhG emissions, specifically:
 - a. To reduce the energy use and GhGs from existing buildings by 20 percent over 2007 levels by 2020,
 - b. To retrofit all existing buildings to achieve zero emissions by 2050;
4. The biggest challenge in reducing energy use and GhG emissions from existing buildings is the lack of robust funding for energy retrofits;
5. The Province of BC's Climate Leadership Plan notes the need for regulations and incentives for more energy-efficient buildings and greater uptake of clean energy technologies, and to be vigorous participants in carbon offset markets;
6. The federal Liberals have pledged to partner with Provinces and Territories to establish a new Low Carbon Economy Trust that will provide funding to projects that materially reduce carbon emissions and endow it with \$2 billion in their mandate;
7. Prior to embarking on his trip to the United Nations 21st Conference of the Parties on Climate Change in Paris, Mayor Robertson announced the city's new "Climate Change Action Pledge" which over 200 businesses had already signed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver ask both the Provincial and Federal Governments, as part of their post-Paris plans to reduce GhG emissions, to establish robust energy retrofit programs that include sufficient incentives in the form of both grants and loans to motivate building owners to undertake major energy retrofits.

- B. THAT Council direct staff to work with the Province of BC to investigate a Vancouver Carbon Trust as a mechanism to:
 - a. receive funds generated by the purchase of carbon offsets by public and private organizations, businesses, non-government organizations and individual citizens, and
 - b. disburse grants for the purpose of carbon offset projects that measurably reduce greenhouse gas emissions within the City of Vancouver, initially focused on the energy retrofitting of Vancouver buildings.

referred

This motion was referred to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

3. Changes to 2016 Business Licence Hearing Panels

MOVED by Councillor Ball

SECONDED by Councillor Jang

- A. THAT Councillor Affleck replace Councillor Ball as the Chair of the Business Licence/Chauffeur's Permit Appeal Hearing Panel for March 2, 2016.
- B. THAT Councillor Jang replace Councillor Meggs as the Chair of the Business Licence/Chauffeur's Permit Appeal Hearing Panel for May 24, 2016.
- C. THAT Councillor Jang replace Councillor Stevenson as a member on the Business Licence/Chauffeur's Permit Appeal Hearing Panel for March 29, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

4. Requests for Leaves of Absence

The following motion contains changes from the original Notice of Motion, which were accepted by Council.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

SECONDED by Councillor Carr

- A. THAT Councillor Meggs be granted Leave of Absence for Personal Reasons from all meetings to be held from May 24 to May 27, 2016.
- B. THAT Councillor Stevenson be granted Leave of Absence for Personal Reasons from the Council Reserve on March 29, 2016;

FURTHER THAT Councillor Stevenson be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from meetings to be held on February 3, April 6, May 4, June 1st, October 5 and November 2, 2016.

- C. THAT Mayor Robertson be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from meetings to be held on February 3, 2016, and for the Public Hearing to be held January 19, 2016.
- D. THAT Acting Mayor Louie be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from all confirmed and reserved meetings to be held on February 2, February 3, March 1, March 3, March 8, March 9, March 31, May 31, November 22, and November 24, 2016.
- E. THAT Councillor Reimer be granted leave of absence for civic business for meetings to be held January 26, 2016.
- F. THAT Councillor Jang be granted leave of absence for personal reasons for the Special Council to consider First Shaughnessy Heritage Conservation Area Appeals on January 26, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

5. Recognizing Dal Richards' Life and Legacy in the City of Vancouver

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS

- 1. The passing of Dal Richards has prompted an outpouring of community reflection on his life and legacy, not only for his legendary career as a musician and his acclaimed good works on behalf of the community, but also as an indisputable Vancouver icon;
- 2. Vancouver City Council is immensely grateful for Dal Richards' instrumental role in shaping the city that Vancouver is today and for the inspiration and support he provided to the city's youth to become involved in music;
- 3. Dal Richards received many honours during his lifetime including the Order of Canada (1994), the Order of British Columbia (2003), the Freedom of the City of Vancouver (2005), the highest award given by the City, and as an inductee into the BC Entertainment Hall of Fame (1992) with a star on the Star Walk on Granville Street.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to report back on options to identify a place or civic asset to be named in recognition of Dal Richards and his lifetime of contributions to Vancouver, including the possibility of naming a street as well as a current or future entertainment-oriented public space in his honour, working

with the input of his family, the Park Board, the Civic Asset Naming Committee, the Pacific National Exhibition and other appropriate stakeholders.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

6. Appointment of Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Ball

WHEREAS

1. Council established the Engaged City Task Force, a committee of 22 residents, in 2012 to provide recommendations on how to improve engagement;
2. One of the most persistent barriers raised by residents trying to engage with City Hall is not knowing which Councillor to contact;
3. The Engaged City Task Force recommended establishing Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons, based on the 22 planning areas in Vancouver, and Council supported this recommendation when it accepted the task force's interim report in June 2013;
4. Staff have requested direction from Council on the structure of appointment of Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons in order that they can implement this outstanding recommendation;
5. School and Park Board have had a system of elected liaisons to schools and community centres respectively in place for many years to ensure residents with concerns have an initial point of contact, while still being able to contact all elected members;
6. The School and Park Board system of appointment consists of elected members providing their preferences to the Chair of the respective boards and the Chair makes a recommendation to the full board for approval;
7. This practice is consistent with the approach currently used by Council to appoint Councillors to internal and external positions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council adopt the Neighbourhood Councillor Liaison appointment process as outlined in Appendix A of the motion approved by Council on January 13, 2016, entitled, "Appointment of Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons" and reproduced below:

NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCILLOR LIAISON APPOINTMENT PROCESS

1. The appointment of the Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons is to be initiated by the Mayor, or their designate.
2. Formal notice of a request for desired neighbourhoods will be issued by the Mayor, or their designate.
3. Upon receipt of this request, Councillors will have a minimum of two weeks to a maximum stipulated in the notice, to provide their request for desired neighbourhoods.
4. Submission of this request must be in written form and provide a ranked list of neighbourhoods with a minimum of ten ranked choices.
5. It is not mandatory but suggested that Councillors provide additional information that helps the Mayor, or their designate, assess the best fit for each neighbourhood. It may make sense for more than one Councillor to be recommended as a liaison to a neighbourhood.
6. The Mayor will make a recommendation to Council for appointment of the Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons at a subsequent Council meeting

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For the purposes of community planning, Vancouver has 22 defined "Areas of the City".

- B. THAT staff be directed to conduct a review of the Neighbourhood Councillor Liaison function no later than the end of 2018, to assess if the function is meeting the expectations generally set out by the Engaged City Task Force and as outlined in Appendix B of the motion approved by Council on January 13, 2016, entitled, "Appointment of Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons", and reproduced below:

EXPECTATIONS FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCILLOR LIAISONS

- a. Expectations of Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons - excerpt from Engaged City Task Force Interim Report:

The city-wide election process prevents residents from formally having an identified go-to councillor for issues in their neighbourhood. The City should reinvigorate the Council liaison positions by requiring each councillor to represent specific neighbourhoods in Vancouver, and working with local organizations to hold one public event in their designated neighbourhoods per year, with a focus on enhancing knowledge of city services and processes, and connecting people to City Hall. There may be an opportunity for these liaisons to work through the rotating mini-City Halls to create regular engagement with a particular neighbourhood.

b. Other Considerations

In addition to the direction provided by the Engaged City Task Force, and in anticipation of questions from Councillors and residents, the following points are intended to provide some broad guidance on the role of Neighbourhood Councillor Liaisons based on successful practices from many years of the the School and Park Board liaison roles.

- The main goal of the Neighbourhood Councillor Liaison program is to improve access and service to residents, organizations and businesses;
- The role of the Councillor Liaison is more akin to that of a concierge: intended to be a welcoming first point of contact for someone to the City with the intention of linking that individual into the appropriate staff, department, service or Councillor in an issue related context (ie. a Heritage related policy inquiry may be directed to the Council liaisons to Heritage Action Plan);
- While Councillor Liaisons are listed as a contact for a neighbourhood, residents remain free to contact any member of Councillor;
- The Councillor Liaison is NOT intended to be the conduit for information to or from the City. It is expected that organizations at the neighbourhood level such as BIAs or residents organizations continue to connect directly with relevant staff in planning, economic development or other relevant departments.

referred

This motion was referred to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Molson Brewery

Councillor Meggs asked for clarification from staff on prospects for the old Molson Brewery site and any other information on it. The Acting City Manager agreed to provide an update.

2. Rat Control

Councillor Meggs noted there are some areas of the city with many complaints about rat infestations, particularly when building demolitions occur, and requested information on rat control in the city. The Acting City Manager noted staff are currently analyzing data from 2015, and that an update would be provided in the form of a memo.

3. Single-Room Occupancy Renovations

Councillor Jang requested information on the City's ability to enforce SRO renovations, noting that there is a 60 day waiting period before the City can act. In response, the Acting City manager noted that the 60 day period is a requirement under the *Vancouver Charter*.

4. Information Relevant to Procedural Matters During Council Meetings

Councillor Carr expressed concerns regarding motions ruled out of order, noting that specific information relevant to the ruling may not always be immediately available to all members. She asked if there would be a process to ensure all information is available when needed. The Acting City Manager responded, noting that staff cannot anticipate which previously-approved motions will be needed by Council at any given meeting. He suggested that when these types of situations occur, the Councillor may wish to request a recess so that the matter can be researched.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

Council adjourned at 3:49 pm.

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