

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

## **NOVEMBER 15, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2016, at 9:33 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, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Janice MacKenzie, City Clerk

Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

## **WELCOME**

Mayor Robertson acknowledged that the city of Vancouver is on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations.

## IN CAMERA MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

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;

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

- (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 (Councillor Ball absent for the vote)

# **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Regular Council - November 1, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of November 1, 2016, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Ball absent for the vote)

2. Regular Council (Policy and Strategic Priorities) - November 2, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting of November 2, 2016, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Ball absent for the vote)

# MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Administrative Report 2 be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 01557) (Councillor Ball absent for the vote)

MOVED by Councillor Deal SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports 1, 3, and 4, and Policy Reports 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Ball absent for the vote)

## REPORT REFERENCE

1. Encouraging Homes for Renters: Recommended Approach for Taxing Empty Homes November 6, 2016

Mayor Robertson advised requests to speak to the related Administrative Report dated November 6, 2016, had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Administrative Report dated November 6, 2016, entitled "Encouraging Homes for Renters: Recommended Approach for Taxing Empty Homes" be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 01555)

Patrice Impey, General Manager of Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management, provided brief introductory remarks, and introduced Matthew Bourke, Housing Policy and Projects, and Esther Lee, Director of Financial Services, who presented on a recommended approach for taxing empty homes. Mr. Bourke and Ms. Lee, along with Abi Bond, Director of Housing Policy and Projects, responded to questions.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- 1. Appointment of External Auditor for 2017 October 18, 2016
  - A. THAT the accounting firm of KPMG LLP be appointed as the City's External Auditor for the fiscal year 2017.
  - B. THAT the audit fee be set at \$101,200 (exclusive of applicable taxes). Funding is included in the 2017 operating budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 01556)

# 2. Parking Meter Program Changes and Various By-law Changes Related to Parking November 1, 2016

This report was referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on November 16, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

3. Joyce-Collingwood - Reallocation of Community Amenity Contributions November 1, 2016

THAT Council approve the reallocation of \$1 million in transportation project-specific Community Amenity Contributions (CACs) collected from the 2011 CD-1 rezoning of 5515-5665 Boundary Road, 5448-5666 Ormindale Street and 3690 Vanness Avenue to fund immediate transportation improvements near the Joyce-Collingwood SkyTrain station.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 01558)

- 4. Year 2017 Development and Building Inflationary Fee Increases September 15, 2016
  - A. THAT Council approve a 2.0% inflationary increase to compensate for increases to the City's costs for all Animal Control, Zoning and Development, Subdivision, Electrical, Secondary Suite, Inspection, Gas, Sign, Tree Removal, Building and Miscellaneous Permit fees, to be effective January 1, 2017, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated September 15, 2016, entitled, "Year 2017 Development and Building Inflationary Fee Increases".
  - B. THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for consideration by Council the necessary amendments to By-law Numbers 3507, 5208, 5563, 5585, 5664, 6510, 6553, 6555, 9150, 9958 and 10908, generally in accordance with the fee schedules attached to the Administrative Report dated September 15, 2016, entitled, "Year 2017 Development and Building Inflationary Fee Increases".
  - C. THAT the Director of Development Services and the Chief Building Official be directed to advise the development and building community of the Building and Development Permit changes.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 01559)

## **POLICY REPORTS**

- 1. CD-1 Rezoning: 151-157 West 41st Avenue November 1, 2016
  - A. THAT the application by DYS Architecture Inc., on behalf of Nextpacific Woodstock Development Limited, the registered owner, to rezone 151, 157 West 41st Avenue [Amended Lot 9 (See 210183L), Except the South 10 Feet Now Road, and Amended Lot 11 (See 210184L), Except Part in Explanatory Plan

5881; All of Lot 2, Block 1003A, District Lot 526, Plan 4381; PIDs: 007-766-726, and 011-572-728 respectively] from RS-1 (One-Family Dwelling) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to increase the floor space ratio (FSR) from 0.70 to 1.86 and the height from 10.7 m (35 ft.) to 14.3 m (47 ft.) to permit the development of a courtyard townhouse residential building containing a total of 15 dwelling units, be referred to a Public Hearing together with:

- (i) plans prepared by DYS Architecture Inc., received on December 11, 2015;
- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 151-157 West 41st Avenue"; and
- (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application, subject to the conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at Public Hearing.

B. THAT, subject to the enactment of the CD-1 By-law, the Subdivision By-law be amended generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 151-157 West 41st Avenue";

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

- C. THAT A and B above be adopted on the following conditions:
  - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City and the expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the sole risk of the person making the expenditures or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the sole risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 01560)

# 2. CD-1 Text Amendment: 4066 Macdonald Street and 2785 Alamein Avenue November 1, 2016

- A. THAT the application by Trillium Project Management Ltd. to amend CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District (328) By-law No. 7337 for 4066 Macdonald Street and 2785 Alamein Avenue [Lot D of Lot 4, Block 1, District Lot 139, Plan LMP18548 and Lot 14 of Lot 4, Block 1, District Lot 139, Plan 4456; PlDs 018-901-921 and 007-274-246, respectively] to increase the floor space ratio (FSR) from 0.75 to 1.35 FSR and the height from 9.2 m (30.2 ft.) to 11.3 m (37 ft.) to permit the development of a three-storey mixed-use building and three-storey duplex, with a total of 186 m² (2,007 sq. ft.) of commercial space and eight dwelling units, be referred to a Public Hearing together with:
  - (i) plans prepared by Shift Architecture, received March 15, 2016;
  - (ii) draft CD-1 amending By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 4066 Macdonald Street and 2785 Alamein Avenue"; and
  - (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application, subject to the conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at Public Hearing.

B. THAT, subject to enactment of the CD-1 amending By-law, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this CD-1 in Schedule B, generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 4066 Macdonald Street and 2785 Alamein Avenue";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 amending By-law.

- C. THAT Council adopt A and B above on the following conditions:
  - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City and the expenditures of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as condition of rezoning are at the sole risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

# 3. CD-1 Text Amendment: 1001-1015 Denman Street November 1, 2016

- A. THAT the application by Bell Group, on behalf of George Loh Ltd., to amend the text of CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District (427) By-law No. 8978 for 1001-1015 Denman Street [PID: 026-037-122, Lot A, Block 69, District Lot 185, Group 1, New Westminster District Plan BCP13164] to remove conditions of use regarding street-level uses to be consistent with the surrounding C-5 (Commercial) District along Denman Street, be referred to a public hearing, together with:
  - (i) draft by-law amendments generally as presented in Appendix A; and
  - (ii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 1001-1015 Denman Street".

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at public hearing.

- B. THAT A above be adopted on the following conditions:
  - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a bylaw rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 01562)

# 4. CD-1 Text Amendment: 1030 Denman Street (Coast Plaza Hotel) November 1, 2016

- A. THAT the application by DA Architects and Planners, on behalf of 0792203 B.C. Ltd. (Siddoo Properties Ltd.), to amend Comprehensive Development (CD-1) District (537) By-law No. 10566, for 1030 Denman Street [*PID: 002-982-455, Lot D, Block 59, District Lot 185, Plan 17575*], to change the limitation on Hotel use, allowing for the conversion of Levels 2 and 3 of the existing building to a 68-room boutique hotel, be referred to public hearing, together with:
  - (i) plans prepared by DA Architects and Planners, received June 21, 2016;

- (ii) draft by-law amendments generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 1030 Denman Street (Coast Plaza Hotel); and
- (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at public hearing.

- B. THAT A above be adopted on the following conditions:
  - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a bylaw rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 01563)

# 5. Miscellaneous Text Amendments November 1, 2016

THAT the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability be instructed to make application to:

- (i) amend CD-1 (642) By-law No. 11658 for 4375 Arbutus Street (formerly known as 4255 Arbutus Street) for miscellaneous text amendments, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled, "Miscellaneous Text Amendments";
- (ii) amend CD-1 (582) By-Law No. 11069 for 1768 Cook Street (201 West 2nd Avenue) for a miscellaneous text amendment, generally as presented in Appendix B of the above-noted report;
- (iii) amend CD-1 (612) By-law No. 11279 for 1551 Quebec Street, 1600 Ontario Street and 95 East 1st Avenue (Southeast False Creek Areas 3A and 3B) for a miscellaneous text amendment, generally as presented in Appendix C of the above-noted report; and

(iv) amend RM-5, RM-5A, RM-5B, RM-5C and RM-5D District Schedule, generally as presented in Appendix D of the above-noted report;

and that the application be referred to a public hearing.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-laws generally in accordance with appendices A through D of the above-noted report for consideration at public hearing.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 01564)

6. CD-1 Rezoning: 5050-5080 Joyce Street November 1, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Carr

- A. THAT the application by Henriquez Partners Architects, on the behalf of 5000 Joyce Property Inc. (Westbank Projects Corp.), to rezone 5050-5080 Joyce Street [Lots 5 and 6 except portions in Explanatory Plan 8341 and LMP 19566, Block 16, District Lots 36 and 51, Plan 1650; Lot 7, except part in Explanatory Plan 8340 and LMP 18090, Block 16, District Lots 36 and 51, Plan 1650; and Lot 8, except: firstly; part in Explanatory Plan 7093, Secondly; Part in Explanatory Plan LMP 18086, Block 16 District Lot 51, Plan 1650; PIDS: 014-497-077, 014-497-085, 014-497-093, 014-497-107, respectively] from C-2C (Commercial) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to increase the floor space ratio from 3.00 to 15.37 to permit the development of a 30-storey mixed-use commercial-residential building with a maximum height of 89.33 m (293 ft.), be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
  - (i) plans prepared by Henriquez Partners Architects, received July 29, 2015, with amendments received on June 29, 2016;
  - (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 5050-5080 Joyce Street"; and
  - (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

B. THAT, if the application is referred to a Public Hearing, the application to amend Schedule E of the Sign By-law to add the CD-1 and to assign regulations in accordance with Schedule "B" (C-2C), also be referred to the same Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law, generally in accordance with Appendix C of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 5050-5080 Joyce Street", for consideration at the Public Hearing.

C. THAT, subject to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this Comprehensive Development District in Schedule A as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 5050-5080 Joyce Street";

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

D. THAT, subject to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, the Parking By-law be amended generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated November 1, 2016, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 5050-5080 Joyce Street";

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

- E. THAT A through D above be adopted on the following conditions:
  - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the public hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.
- F. THAT Council reaffirm its support for additional amenities and services for the Joyce Collingwood Neighbourhood, including the Collingwood Neighbourhood House beyond the identified expanded new Collingwood library, new childcare facilities or new affordable housing.

FURTHER THAT subject to further appropriate approvals, these additional amenities and services be funded through grants, operating budgets and other appropriate means in order to support improved services to the growing area population.

CARRIED (Vote No. 01553) (Councillors Affleck, Ball, and De Genova opposed)

## **BY-LAWS**

Councillor Ball advised she had reviewed the proceedings of the meeting related to by-law 11 and would therefore be voting on the enactment.

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 11 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 (526-548 West King Edward Avenue) (By-law No. 11662)
- 2. A By-law to amend Subdivision By-law No. 5208 (526-548 West King Edward Avenue) (By-law No. 11663)
- 3. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (4375 Arbutus Street) (By-law No. 11664)
- 4. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No 6510 (4375 Arbutus Street) (By-law No. 11665) (Councillor De Genova ineligible for the vote)
- 5. A By-law to amend CD-1 By-law No. 4634 (4255 Arbutus Street) (By-law No. 11666) (Councillor De Genova ineligible for the vote)
- 6. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (1335 Howe Street) (By-law No. 11667)
- 7. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (1335 Howe Street) (By-law No. 11668)
- 8. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (3365 Commercial Drive and 1695-1775 East 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue) (By-law No. 11669)
- 9. A By-law to repeal Housing Agreement By-law No. 11220 and to enact a Housing Agreement for Rental 100 Housing at 41 East Hastings Street (By-law No. 11670)
- 10. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 2805 East Hastings Street (By-law No. 11671)
- 11. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (5355-5389 Cambie Street) (By-law No. 11672) (Councillor Jang ineligible for the vote)

#### **MOTIONS**

## A. Administrative Motions

1. Approval of Form of Development - 701 West Georgia Street

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as Pacific Centre (701 West Georgia Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2016-00107, prepared by Perkins + Will Architects Canada, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on May 24, 2016, 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. Support for a Democratically Elected Board of Education

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Mayor Robertson

## **WHEREAS**

- 1. On November 15, 2014, nine individuals were democratically elected to the Vancouver Board of Education (VBE) for a term of four years by a process certified by the City of Vancouver and Elections BC;
- 2. On October 17, 2016, the provincial government's Minister of Education dismissed the VBE and replaced them with one appointed individual;
- The City has a number of resident advisory committees and other bodies in which it reserves a spot for a VBE trustee with the assumption that the individual appointed by the VBE has a direct mandate from Vancouver residents;
- 4. Several advisory committees have expressed confusion or concern about having an individual with no mandate from Vancouver residents act in any capacity on an advisory committee established to empower resident voices;
- 5. The BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) passed a motion calling on the provincial government to hold an election to fill vacant trustee positions no longer than six months from the date of dismissal of a democratically elected board and as soon as is feasible;

6. Residents of Vancouver deserve the same right as residents of every other municipality in the Province of BC to independent and democratically elected School Trustees to represent their interests in regard to education, school facilities and related matters.

# THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT, interim to the provincial government requiring an election to allow for a democratically elected Vancouver Board of Education (VBE), the terms of reference for City of Vancouver Type A and B committees be amended to remove a request to the VBE to appoint a "liaison trustee" and instead invite the most recently democratically elected individuals to the office of School Trustee to apply to be a non-voting "special representative".
- B. THAT Vancouver City Council write to the Minister of Education and the Premier to state unequivocal support for the return of a democratically elected Vancouver Board of Education as soon as is feasible and no later than six months from the date of dismissal.

#### referred

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT motion on notice B.1 be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on November 16, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 01565)

2. Homeowners' Advisory Committee

MOVER: Councillor De Genova SECONDER: Councillor Ball

## **WHEREAS**

- 1. The City of Vancouver is committed to consultation and engaging the community;
- 2. In July 2011 Council endorsed and approved the mandate of the Bicycle Advisory Committee to be expanded to address all forms of active transportation and the Active Transportation Policy Council was formed;
- 3. In October 2011 Council committed to establishing an Arts and Culture Policy Council and Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee;
- 4. In February 2012 Council established the Civic Asset Naming Committee;
- 5. In April 2013 Council created a Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee;

- 6. In December 2014 Council approved a motion to establish a Renter's Advisory Committee to address issues unique to renters and engage individuals renting in Vancouver in consultation;
- 7. City of Vancouver Type A advisory committees at the City of Vancouver include:
  - Active Transportation Policy Council
  - Arts and Culture Policy Council
  - Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee
  - Civic Asset Naming Committee
  - Cultural Communities Advisory Committee,
  - Food Policy Council, LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee
  - Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee
  - Renters Advisory Committee
  - Seniors' Advisory Committee
  - Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Advisory Committee
  - Women's Advisory Committee;
- 8. City of Vancouver Type B advisory committee include:
  - Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee
  - First Shaughnessy Design Panel,
  - Gastown Historic Planning Committee;
- 9. There is currently no committee that specifically addresses the needs or issues facing homeowners;
- 10. The National Household Survey, published by Statistics Canada confirms in their most recent data from 2011 that there are 264,570 private homes in the City of Vancouver;
- 11. Council regularly makes decisions that affect homeowners. For example, in 2016 Council supported motions including an empty home tax, a new process and regulations for short term rentals and proposed changes to the homeowners grant;
- 12. Affordable Housing has been identified as a priority of the City of Vancouver and in June 2015 Council unanimously approved and committed to Affordable Home Ownership;
- 13. The City of Vancouver has identified affordable housing as a priority and actions have been taken to encourage home owners to rent properties when appropriate;
- 14. There is currently no committee where homeowners can specifically address issues and concerns or provide advice on policy that affects homeowners;
- 15. The City of Vancouver has a history of updating and adding committees to represent the needs, interests and issues facing different groups of people in Vancouver.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council establish a new Type A committee named the Homeowners' Advisory Committee, governed by the mandate and terms of references that govern other Type A City of Vancouver Advisory Committees.
- B. THAT the Homeowners' Advisory Committee begin clerked meetings as of the new term for Advisory Committees in March 2017.

#### referred

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Ball

THAT motion on notice B.2 be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on November 16, 2016, in order to hear from speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 01566)

# 3. Measures to Expedite Affordable Housing

MOVED by Mayor Robertson SECONDED by Councillor Meggs

# **WHEREAS**

- 1. Affordable housing, particularly for families of low and middle income, remains virtually unavailable in the city, despite the City's focus on the delivery of affordable housing, the identification of city sites for social housing, the expansion of market rental housing, inclusionary zoning and other measures;
- 2. The Province of British Columbia is poised to allocate more than \$500 million for affordable housing province-wide, including in the City of Vancouver, in an unprecedented one-year contribution on top of other initiatives to mobilize more than \$300 million to renew and expand the non-profit sector;
- 3. The Federal government has earmarked \$200 million through the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Affordable Rental Innovation Fund to create 4000 new affordable homes;
- 4. The City of Vancouver's Re:Address Housing Summit, which brought together world experts to pool their experience and best practices, identified that a clear alignment of all city departments in support of affordable housing delivery is a key requirement for success.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to take additional measures to expedite delivery of affordable housing, including:

- provide clear priority to affordable housing projects, particularly those in partnership with BC Housing and the Federal Government, in the regulatory process, including both planning and permitting, to expedite delivery of affordable units to the largest degree possible;
- ensure Property Endowment Fund policies are designed to deliver suitable sites for development at the deepest possible levels of affordability with the goal of maximizing the construction of desperately needed non-profit and social housing;
- support the Vancouver Affordable Housing Agency to respond quickly and comprehensively to new initiatives with the Province of BC or other partners, particularly with funding development and design costs prior to construction.

CARRIED (Vote No. 1554) (Councillors Affleck and De Genova opposed)

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At noon, it was

MOVED by Councillor Jang SECONDED by Councillor Carr

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

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# NOTICE OF MOTION

# 1. Commitment to Affordable Energy in the City of Vancouver

Councillor De Genova submitted a notice of motion on the above-noted matter. It will be placed on the November 29, 2016, Regular Council agenda as a motion on notice.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 1. Leave of Absence - Councillor Jang

MOVED by Councillor Louie SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Councillor Jang be granted leave of absence for personal reasons for the Special Council meeting to be held on December 7, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 01568)

# 2. Leave of Absence - Mayor Robertson

MOVED by Councillor Reimer SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT Mayor Robertson be granted leave of absence for Civic Business for meetings to be held November 29 and 30, 2016.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 01569) (Councillors Affleck and Ball absent for the vote)

# **ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS**

# 1. Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Several members expressed thanks to staff, community groups, and the Legion for organizing Remembrance Day Ceremonies across the city.

# 2. Condolences - Janet Wright

Councillor Ball expressed condolences over the passing of actress Janet Wright, and noted her many contributions to the arts across Canada.

# 3. Condolences - Leonard Cohen

Councillor Stephenson expressed condolences over the passing of poet and singer Leonard Cohen, and read an excerpt from one of his poems.

# 4. Freedom of the City - Margaret Mitchell

Mayor Robertson noted the Freedom of the City had been granted to Margaret Mitchell for her many years of service to the City of Vancouver as Member of Parliament, and spoke of her accomplishments in the areas of women's rights and as a champion of affordable housing.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council adjourned at 12:27 pm.

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