



## REPORT TO COUNCIL

### STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

**MAY 16, 2018**

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities was held on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at 9:35 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

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

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

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

\* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

### WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and we give thanks for their generosity and hospitality on these lands.

### MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council adopt Item 4 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY  
(Mayor Robertson absent for the vote.)

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VARY AGENDA

*MOVED by Councillor Stevenson*

*THAT the order of the agenda be varied to deal with Item 2 as the first order of business, and Item 1 at 2:00 pm.*

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY  
(Mayor Robertson absent for vote.)*

*Note: For clarity the minutes are recorded in chronological order*

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## **2. Presentation – Greenest City**

Staff from Engineering Services and Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability presented updates on Zero Waste 2040, Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy and Green Demolition.

The Committee heard from 25 speakers in general support of the above initiatives. Four of those speakers also expressed opposition to specific aspects outlined in the reports.

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*At 12:01 pm, during the hearing of speakers, it was,*

*MOVED by Councillor Stevenson*

*THAT the meeting be extended to complete the business on the agenda.*

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY*

*The Committee recessed at 12:03 pm and reconvened at 12:47 pm to continue hearing from speakers on Item 2. At 2:00 pm, the Committee began Item 1.*

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## **1. Transportation**

### **a. Director of Transportation Update**

The Director of Transportation provided an update on transportation data, policy and planning, as well as ongoing transportation projects and, along with the General Manager of Engineering Services and staff from the Transportation Planning Branch, responded to questions.

**b. Millennium Line Broadway Extension of SkyTrain - Municipal Requirements  
April 27, 2018**

Staff from Engineering Services presented an update on the Millennium Line Broadway Extension Municipal Requirements, Regional Harmonization of Truck Policies, and Parking Strategy and Access Improvements for Mount Pleasant, and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from two speakers in support of the Millennium Line Broadway Extension.

MOVED by Mayor Robertson  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council endorse the Millennium Line Broadway Extension (MLBE), a primarily tunnelled SkyTrain extension under Broadway from VCC-Clark to Arbutus Street, as a key element in helping the City achieve its liveability, transportation and environmental objectives.
- B. THAT, subject to approval of E and F below, Council authorize the granting of access to City streets and certain City properties to the MLBE project owner or its delegate (the "Project Owner") on terms and conditions consistent with those granted for previous rapid transit projects with such additional or modified terms and conditions as may be required to reflect legal, geographical, and project type differences.
- C. THAT the terms and conditions of access to City streets and certain City properties will be consistent with, and informed by, the following principles, strategies and processes, all of which will be to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services, the General Manager of Real Estate and Facilities Management, the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design & Sustainability, the General Manager of Development, Building and Licensing and the Director of Legal Services (the "Authorized City General Managers"):
  - i. The Station Design and Urban Integration Principles generally in accordance with Appendix A (the "Principles"), of the Policy Report dated April 27, 2018, entitled "Millennium Line Broadway Extension of SkyTrain – Municipal Requirements";
  - ii. The Construction Impact Mitigation Strategies generally in accordance with Appendix B (the "Strategies"), of the Policy Report dated April 27, 2018, entitled "Millennium Line Broadway Extension of SkyTrain – Municipal Requirements"; and
  - iii. A Design Advisory Process ("DAP") and Construction Approval Process ("CAP") to be developed by City staff and the Project Owner;all of which will be consistent with, and informed by, best practices and lessons learned from past rapid transit projects and station upgrades.
- D. THAT Council approve, in principle, amendments to the Noise Control By-law to authorize the Chief License Inspector to approve an exception from the Noise

Control By-law for a period greater than 60 days, provided that an acceptable noise mitigation strategy is in place and that Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment an amendment to the Noise Control By-law generally in accordance with Appendix D, of the Policy Report dated April 27, 2018, entitled "Millennium Line Broadway Extension of SkyTrain – Municipal Requirements".

- E. THAT the terms and conditions of access to City streets and certain City properties be documented in a written agreement with the Project Owner (the "Municipal Master Agreement") to be negotiated on behalf of Council by City staff, which terms and conditions will generally be consistent with the Principles, Strategies, DAP and CAP, and all of which will be to the satisfaction of the Authorized City General Managers.
- F. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by virtue of Council's approval of A, B, C and E above, unless and until the Municipal Master Agreement has been executed and delivered by the Authorized City General Managers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02882)

**c. Regional Harmonization of Truck Policies and By-laws  
April 12, 2018**

MOVED by Councillor Deal  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve, in principle, amendments to the Street and Traffic By-law to harmonize it with the British Columbia Commercial Transport Regulations, as outlined in the Policy Report dated April 12, 2018, entitled "Regional Harmonization of Truck Policies and By-laws", and generally in accordance with Appendix A of the aforementioned Policy Report.
- B. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment an amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A, of the Policy Report dated April 12, 2018, entitled "Regional Harmonization of Truck Policies and By-laws".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02883)

**d. Mount Pleasant Industrial Area Parking Strategy and Access Improvements  
April 23, 2018**

MOVED by Councillor Deal  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the Parking Strategy for the Mount Pleasant Industrial (MPI) area as outlined in the Policy Report dated April 23, 2018, entitled "Mount Pleasant Industrial Area Parking Strategy and Access Improvements", including

the introduction of a new parking Payment-In-Lieu (PIL) area in the MPI I-1, I-1A, and I-1B zoning to address future parking needs from increased employment.

- B. THAT Council direct the Director of Legal services to prepare the necessary Parking By-Law changes to implement a PIL area in the MPI I-1, I-1A, and I-1B zoning, in coordination with the planned 2018 Parking By-Law updates.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02884)

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*The Committee recessed at 3:23 pm and reconvened at 3:47 pm, and continued with Item 2.*

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**2. Presentation – Greenest City (continued)**

**a. Zero Waste 2040  
April 20, 2018**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council adopt Zero Waste 2040, as outlined in Appendix A, of the Policy Report dated April 20, 2018, entitled “Zero Waste 2040”, as a strategic policy framework to guide future decisions regarding the management of solid waste from Vancouver.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to develop interim milestones and plans, supported by business case analysis and viable financial strategy, for implementing Zero Waste 2040, and seek Council approval of programs and projects that require policy change and/or financial commitment that cannot be accommodated in current approved operating and capital budgets.
- C. THAT the General Manager of Engineering Services, in consultation with the Director of Legal Services and Director of Corporate Communications be authorized to enter into a three (3) year partnership agreement with Metro Vancouver Regional District (on behalf of the National Zero Waste Council) for the Love Food Hate Waste (LFHW) Canada Campaign.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to circulate Zero Waste 2040 to the British Columbia Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Strategy and Metro Vancouver Regional District and take steps to engage those governments as partners in the implementation of the plan.
- E. THAT Council direct staff to develop a Green Operations Zero Waste Plan for City operations, building on the success of the City’s existing corporate solid waste diversion program, with scope including zero waste meetings, zero waste

and reduced consumption procurement, and waste minimization for all operations, programs and projects.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the motion be amended by adding the following as F:

F. THAT Council direct staff to consider and provide analysis on the impact Zero Waste 2040 will have on affordability in the city of Vancouver;

FURTHER THAT staff report back with analysis of both short-term and long-term financial impacts on city of Vancouver businesses and residents, with particular attention to any financial ramifications the Zero Waste 2040 will have for low-income Vancouver residents.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the amendment be amended by replacing the words “direct staff” with the words “affirms staff’s commitment”.

carried

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amendment as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02886)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bremner

THAT the motion be amended by adding the following as G at the end:

G. THAT Council direct staff to provide annual analysis on the impact of Zero Waste 2040 on waste levels, net carbon foot print and littering. Furthermore, that staff report back with analysis and recommendations on adjusting Zero Waste 2040 initiatives based on impact data so as to ensure milestones are achieved.

not put

The Chair ruled the amendment out of order under section 4.3(c) of the *Procedure By-law*, as the amendment contains direction already contained within the report being debated.

The amendment not being put, the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02887)

## **FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

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- B. THAT Council direct staff to develop interim milestones and plans, supported by business case analysis and viable financial strategy, for implementing Zero Waste 2040, and seek Council approval of programs and projects that require policy change and/or financial commitment that cannot be accommodated in current approved operating and capital budgets.
- C. THAT the General Manager of Engineering Services, in consultation with the Director of Legal Services and Director of Corporate Communications be authorized to enter into a three (3) year partnership agreement with Metro Vancouver Regional District (on behalf of the National Zero Waste Council) for the Love Food Hate Waste (LFHW) Canada Campaign.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to circulate Zero Waste 2040 to the British Columbia Ministry of the Environment & Climate Change Strategy and Metro Vancouver Regional District and take steps to engage those governments as partners in the implementation of the plan.
- E. THAT Council direct staff to develop a Green Operations Zero Waste Plan for City operations, building on the success of the City’s existing corporate solid waste diversion program, with scope including zero waste meetings, zero waste and reduced consumption procurement, and waste minimization for all operations, programs and projects.
- F. THAT Council affirms staff’s commitment to consider and provide analysis on the impact Zero Waste 2040 will have on affordability in the city of Vancouver.

FURTHER THAT staff report back with analysis of both short term and long term financial impacts on city of Vancouver businesses and residents, with particular attention to any financial ramifications the Zero Waste 2040 will have for low income Vancouver residents.

### **b. Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy May 1, 2018**

The following motion contains changes to the original motion which were accepted by the Committee.

The Committee agreed to sever the vote on the components of the motion.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy, as attached in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated May 1, 2018 entitled “Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy”, and direct staff to proceed with implementation.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment amendments to the License By-law (No. 4450) and Ticket Offense By-law (No. 9360), generally in accordance with Appendix C of the Policy Report dated May 1, 2018 entitled “Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy”, prohibiting the distribution of prepared foods in polystyrene foam cups and containers by business license holders beginning June 1, 2019.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to conduct a communications and engagement campaign on the proposed by-law amendments referred to in B, of the Policy Report dated May 1, 2018 entitled “Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy”, and identify opportunities for the City to support affected businesses and other organizations in the transition away from polystyrene foam cups and containers including the option of providing funding for outreach to support the transition for charitable food providers and small businesses.
- D. THAT Council approve, in principle, a regulation prohibiting the distribution of single-use plastic straws by business license holders beginning June 1, 2019 and:
  - i. Direct staff to consult with affected businesses, appropriate civic agencies, persons with disabilities, community health groups, and other organizations and report back by December 31, 2018, on a plastic straw prohibition implementation plan; and
  - ii. Instruct the Director of Legal Services to prepare proposed License By-law amendments to be included in the report back referred to in D (i) of the Policy Report dated May 1, 2018 entitled “Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy”.
- E. THAT Council direct staff to consult business license holders on proposed by-law requirements for plastic and paper bags and disposable cups referred to in the Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated May 1, 2018 entitled “Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy”, and bring forward by-law changes as part of the annual Solid Waste Rate Report in late 2018;

FURTHER THAT as part of the by-law changes brought forward, staff include a requirement for compostable packaging (e.g. cups, bags, containers) used by business license holders to be approved compostable, which indicates that it has been tested and approved at a local commercial compost facility, and a minimum 40% post-consumer content for paper-based packaging; and

FURTHER THAT staff issue a Request for Expressions of Interest for “Made in Vancouver” single-use item solutions such as a city mug program and reusable straws.



- F. THAT the City set annual reduction targets expected to be met as a result of the proposed by-law requirements for plastic and paper bags and disposable cups by January 2019;
- FURTHER THAT if these reduction targets are not being consistently met by 2021, the City implements a full distribution ban on single-use plastic bags and single-use cups.
- G. THAT Council direct staff to investigate and report back on an increased business license fee for large businesses in which distribution of single-use items is pervasive.
- H. THAT Council direct staff to circulate the Single-Use Item Reduction Strategy to the Metro Vancouver Regional District, the British Columbia Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, and Environment and Climate Change Canada, and take steps to engage those governments as partners in the implementation of the strategy.

CARRIED (Vote No.'s 02888, 02908, 02890, 02891, 02892, 02893, 02894, 02895)  
(Councillor Ball opposed to B, G)  
(Councillors Affleck, Bremner and De Genova opposed to F, G)

**c. Green Demolition By-law Update  
April 20, 2018**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive for information the Administrative Report dated April 20, 2018, entitled "Green Demolition By-law Update", regarding the results of the City's green demolition program to date.
- B. THAT Council approve, in principle, amendments to the Green Demolition By-law No. 11023, generally in the form as set out in Schedule 1 of the Administrative Report dated April 20, 2018, entitled "Green Demolition By-law Update", to expand the scope of the program to apply reuse and recycling requirements to pre-1950 one- and two-family homes and to require deconstruction for pre-1910 and heritage-registered one- and two-family homes, all effective January 1, 2019;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Schedule 1, of the above-noted Administrative Report.

- C. THAT Council approve up to \$250,000 in funding from the City's 2018 Innovation Fund to provide financial support for the establishment and operation of a locally operated non-governmental deconstruction hub on terms and conditions that are consistent with the *Vancouver Charter* and the City's Procurement Policy, and

that are to be documented in a contract to be negotiated by City staff (the "Deconstruction Hub Contract").

- D. THAT the terms and conditions of the Deconstruction Hub Contract will include requiring that the private operator of the Deconstruction Hub provide at least matching external funds, as a condition of the release of the Innovation Funds, and that all terms and conditions will be to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services.
- E. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by virtue of Council's approval of C and D above, of the Administrative Report dated April 20, 2018, entitled "Green Demolition By-law Update", unless and until the Deconstruction Hub Contract has been executed and delivered by the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02896)

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*The Committee recessed at 6:27 pm and reconvened at 7:13 pm.*

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### **3. Presentation – 2019-2022 Draft Capital Plan**

Patrice Impey, General Manager, Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management, along with Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management staff presented an update.

### **4. Contract Award for ITT PS20172554 Phase 3 NE Closure and Phase 4 LFG System Expansion – Vancouver Landfill April 16, 2018**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize City staff to enter into a contract with M2K Construction Ltd., for construction services for the Vancouver Landfill Phase 3 NE Closure and Phase 4 LFG System Expansion, for an approximate term of two (2) years, with an estimated contract value of \$17,997,248.46, plus applicable taxes over the two-year term, to be funded through the 2015-2018 Capital Plan;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services, Chief Purchasing Official and General Manager of Engineering Services be authorized to execute on behalf of the City the contract contemplated by A above, of the Administrative Report dated April 16, 2018, entitled "Contract Award for ITT PS20172554 Phase 3 NE Closure and Phase 4 LFG System Expansion – Vancouver Landfill".

- B. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A and B above unless and until such contract is executed by the authorized signatories of the City as set out in the Administrative Report dated April 16, 2018, entitled "Contract Award for ITT PS20172554 Phase 3 NE Closure and Phase 4 LFG System Expansion – Vancouver Landfill".

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 02904)  
(Mayor Roberston absent for the vote.)

## **5. False Creek South Planning: Provisional Vision Statement and Guiding Planning Principles**

At the Regular Council meeting on May 15, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on May 16, 2018, to hear from speakers.

Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability staff responded to questions.

The Committee heard from eight speakers in general support of the report.

MOVED by Councillor Affleck  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve in principle the False Creek South Provisional Vision Statement and Guiding Planning Principles as outlined in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated May 1, 2018, entitled "False Creek South Planning: Provisional Vision Statement and Guiding Planning Principles".
- B. THAT detailed planning work in False Creek South generally be deferred until greater clarity is reached on lease negotiations with leaseholders on City lands in the community.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 02897)  
(Councillor Jang and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

## **6. Theatre Rental Grant Allocations – Fall 2018 and Spring 2019**

At the Regular Council meeting on May 15, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on May 16, 2018, to hear from speakers.

Arts, Culture and Community Services staff reviewed the report.

The Committee heard from one speaker in support of the report.

MOVED by Councillor Ball

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve re-allocation of unused/underused Theatre Rental Grants from January-August 2018 totalling \$149,995 that were approved in RTS11804; source of funds is the 2018 Theatre Rental Grant budget.
- B. THAT Council approve Theatre Rental Grants to 38 organizations totalling \$1,047,275 as listed in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated April 18, 2018, entitled "Theatre Rental Grant Allocations – Fall 2018 and Spring 2019", for use of the Civic Theatres from September 1 to December 31, 2018; source of funds is the remaining balance in the 2018 Theatre Rental Grant budget.
- C. THAT Council approve, in advance of the 2019 Operating Budget, Theatre Rental Grants to 44 organizations for Civic Theatre uses from January 1, to August 31, 2019, totalling \$1,749,055 as listed in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated April 18, 2018, titled "Theatre Rental Grant Allocations – Fall 2018 and Spring 2019"; source of funds to be the 2019 Theatre Rental Grants budget.
- D. THAT City Council direct senior staff to meet with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra (VSO) to discuss their 100th anniversary associated events and to identify any future funding needs and report back to Council with any recommendations.
- E. THAT the Mayor write a letter of support for any funding requests submitted by the VSO to senior levels of government, including the BC Arts Council and Canada Council for the Arts, in support of the VSO's 100th anniversary celebration events.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Vote No. 02898)

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*The Committee recessed at 9:00 pm and reconvened at 9:07 pm.*

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**7. 2018 Cultural Grant Allocations (Infrastructure, Community Arts, Arts Capacity, Host Your Own Engagement)**

At the Regular Council meeting on May 15, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on May 16, 2018, to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from one speaker in general support.

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve a total of \$1,056,800 in Cultural Infrastructure Grants to 28 organizations as listed in Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated April 17, 2018, entitled "2018 Cultural Grant Allocations (Infrastructure, Community Arts, Arts Capacity, Host Your Own Engagement)": source of funds to be the 2018 Capital Budget – Cultural Infrastructure Grants.
- B. THAT Council approve a total of \$436,768 in Community Arts grants to 91 organizations as listed in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated April 17, 2018, entitled "2018 Cultural Grant Allocations (Infrastructure, Community Arts, Arts Capacity, Host Your Own Engagement)"; source of funds to be the 2018 Cultural Grants Operating Budget (\$418,768), the 150+ Legacy Innovations Fund (\$10,000) and the 2018 Public Art Capital Budget (Community Arts) (\$8,000).
- C. THAT Council approve a total of \$70,000 in Arts Capacity grants to five organizations as listed in Appendix C of the Administrative Report dated April 17, 2018, entitled "2018 Cultural Grant Allocations (Infrastructure, Community Arts, Arts Capacity, Host Your Own Engagement)"; source of funds to be the 2018 Cultural Grants Operating budget.
- D. THAT Council approve a total of \$100,000 in one-time only Host Your Own Engagement Grants in support of the Creative City Strategy public engagement phase to 10 organizations as listed in Appendix D of the Administrative Report dated April 17, 2018, entitled "2018 Cultural Grant Allocations (Infrastructure, Community Arts, Arts Capacity, Host Your Own Engagement)"; source of funds to be the 2018 Cultural Grants Operating budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND

BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Vote No. 02899)

(Councillors De Genova, Jang and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

**8. Additional Requirements to the City of Vancouver Medical-Marijuana Related Businesses Licensing Process to Deter Organized Crime**

At the Regular Council meeting on May 15, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on May 16, 2018, to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from two speakers opposed to the motions.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. The federal government has not yet finalized a legal framework for marijuana in Canada and the federal government has delayed the announcement of the final legal framework that was to be released on July 1, 2018;
2. June 2015, Council passed TEXT AMENDMENT: Regulation of Retail Dealers Medical Marijuana-Related Uses;
3. The text amendment to the zoning by-law to allow Marijuana related businesses may have to be changed when federal and provincial regulations are announced;
4. The only legal avenue for an individual to obtain medical marijuana is to receive a prescription from a doctor with an exact dosage, register with a licensed producer (approved by Health Canada), place an order online or via phone and have it delivered directly to the person the cannabis was prescribed for;
5. The majority, if not all, retail stores licensed by the City of Vancouver MMRU, as well as those open without a license, do not obtain their supply from Licensed Producers regulated by Health Canada;
6. Currently, the City requires applicants for Marijuana-Related businesses to meet many requirements, including locations that are at least 300 meters from schools, community centres, neighbourhood houses, youth facilities that serve vulnerable youth and other marijuana related businesses;
7. The City of Vancouver website states that regulations aim to achieve a careful balance between ensuring community health, safety, security aesthetics, equity and enjoyment of property;
8. Currently police information checks are required for the applicant and all staff (including directors and health professionals); however there is no requirement for the applicant to conduct police information checks for suppliers and/or growers;
9. There is currently no requirement in the City of Vancouver application or license process for marijuana-related businesses that requires the business or compassion club to be supplied with cannabis by only licensed producers, approved by Health Canada;
10. Zoning and development by-law requirements for Marijuana-Related Businesses listed on the City of Vancouver website do not require either medical marijuana related retail dealers or compassion clubs to produce financial statements for their business and the financial statements for their suppliers;
11. Marijuana-Related businesses must provide proof of lease or ownership of the address they are applying to license as a Marijuana-Related business;

12. There have been at least eight robberies of Marijuana-Related businesses in the City of Vancouver;
13. Organized crime and gangs are known to participate in the sale of illegal drugs and substances, including marijuana;
14. Allowing organized crime and/or gangs to participate in business in the City of Vancouver could put public safety at risk, and could put strain on police resources;
15. The City of Vancouver requires financial statements from organizations and companies applying for several grants including but not limited to: Cultural Infrastructure Grants, Public Art Community Grants, Childcare Enhancement Grants, Community Arts Grants;
16. The Vancouver Police Department has a strong commitment to public safety and have previously demonstrated they will not tolerate any activities related to organized crime and gang violence;
17. City of Vancouver policy, zoning, licensing and by-laws that allow access to drug traffickers, supplying controlled substances illegally could contribute to the economic success of organized crime groups and/or gangs;
18. The City of Vancouver's Deputy Chief License Inspector has previously made decisions to revoke business licenses for reasons including criminal matters. Council has previously upheld these decisions when brought forward as appeals, pursuant to Section 275 of the Vancouver Charter that allows council discretionary powers to uphold or overturn the decision of the Deputy Chief License Inspector.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to change the requirements necessary for a Marijuana Related Business to include annual audited financial statements that are resubmitted and self-reported on an annual basis.
- B. THAT Council require all marijuana-related businesses licensed by the City of Vancouver to obtain marijuana only from Licensed Producers approved by Health Canada.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to work with the Vancouver Police Department and particularly the Major Crime Section, to ensure that all City of Vancouver Marijuana-Related Business applications and License requirements are recommended with attention to deterring major crime that is directly or indirectly related to any business where an illegal and controlled substance is sold.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to share any information found on the correlation between Marijuana Growers and Suppliers; and organized crime and gangs with senior levels of government, as they continue to prepare a legal framework for marijuana in Canada;

FURTHER THAT staff report back to Council by July 2018 with any findings and recommendations to strengthen requirements in licensing marijuana related businesses in the interest of public safety.

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Affleck

THAT Council refer this item to Regular Council for debate and discussion.

LOST (Vote No. 02900)  
(Councillors Carr, Deal, Louie, Reimer, and Stevenson opposed)  
(Councillors De Genova, Jang and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

REFERRAL moved by Councillor Affleck

THAT Council refer the motion back to staff as information.

LOST (Vote No. 02902)  
(Councillors Carr, Deal, Louie, Reimer, and Stevenson opposed)  
(Councillors De Genova, Jang and Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

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*At 10:00 pm, during debate on Item 8, it was*

*MOVED by Councillor Deal*

*THAT under section 2.3(e) of the Procedure By-law, the Committee extends the meeting for one hour or less.*

*LOST  
NOT HAVING RECEIVED THE REQUIRED MAJORITY  
(Councillor Bremner opposed)  
(Mayor Robertson and Councillors De Genova and Jang absent for the vote)*

*Note: The unfinished business from the Standing Committee of May 16, 2018, will be considered at the Regular Council meeting on June 5, 2018. The recommendations of the Standing Committee from May 16, 2018, have not been formally adopted by Council. These recommendations will also be considered by Council on June 5, 2018.*

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The Committee adjourned at 10:00 pm.

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