



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

NOVEMBER 14, 15, 27 AND 28, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities was held on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 9:34 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall. Subsequently, the meeting reconvened on Thursday, November 15, 2018, at 9:38 am, Tuesday, November 27, 2018, at 6:03 pm, and Wednesday, November 28, 2018, at 5:03 pm.

PRESENT:

- Councillor Adriane Carr, Chair
- Mayor Kennedy Stewart*
- Councillor Rebecca Bligh*
- Councillor Christine Boyle*
- Councillor Melissa De Genova*
- Councillor Lisa Dominato
- Councillor Pete Fry*
- Councillor Colleen Hardwick*
- Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung*, Vice-Chair
- Councillor Jean Swanson
- Councillor Michael Wiebe

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Katrina Leckovic, City Clerk (*November 15*)
Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk (*November 14, 15 and 28*)
Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and we thank them for having cared for this land since time immemorial

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT Council adopt Item 2 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors De Genova and Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

1. Presentation – Missing Middle Housing Design Competition Awards

Gil Kelley, General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, along with Bruce Haden, Principal at Human Studio, Architecture and Urban Design, provided an update on the Missing Middle Housing Design Competition Awards, presented the top three winning submissions, and responded to questions.

2. 2018 Q3 Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts October 30, 2018

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve an increase of \$7.6 million to the 2015-2018 Capital Plan as outlined in Appendix 1 of the Administrative Report dated October 30, 2018, entitled “2018 Q3 Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts”.
- B. THAT Council approve budget and funding adjustments totaling a net increase of \$11.1 million to Multi-Year Capital Project Budgets as outlined in Appendix 1 of the Administrative Report dated October 30, 2018, entitled “2018 Q3 Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts”, with no change to the overall 2018 Capital Expenditure Budget.
- C. THAT, as part of the quarterly Capital Budget closeout process, Council approve the closeout of two (2) capital projects that were completed with a surplus or deficit exceeding \$200,000 as outlined in Appendix 2 of the Administrative Report dated October 30, 2018, entitled “2018 Q3 Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts”.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 03467)
(Councillors De Genova and Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

3. Annual Financial Authorities - 2019 October 30, 2018

The General Manager, Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management, provided a brief overview of the report.

The Committee heard from one speaker who suggested Council implement a public internet database containing all City expenditures.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT, for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019, Council authorize the Director of Finance to draw warrants for payment (i.e. issue an authorization to the City Treasurer to disburse funds from a City account), provided that any such warrants for payment be reported in writing to the City Clerk for the information of Council within 15 days after the end of the month in which each warrant is drawn, in accordance with Sections 215 and 216 of the *Vancouver Charter*.

- B. THAT, for the period from January 1 to July 15, 2019, Council authorize the Director of Finance to temporarily use such proceeds from the sale of debentures that have not yet been expended to meet other expenditure requirements of the City, pending collection of the 2019 real property taxes, in accordance with Section 259(1)(b) of the *Vancouver Charter*.
- C. THAT, for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019, Council authorize the Director of Finance to invest City funds not immediately required and to vary the investments from time to time where appropriate, in accordance with Sections 201, 259, and 260 of the *Vancouver Charter*.
- D. THAT, for the period from January 8, 2019, to January 7, 2020, pursuant to Section 263 of the *Vancouver Charter*, Council authorize the Director of Finance to establish a short-term borrowing facility to assist in managing the City's cash flow with the maximum outstanding amount not to exceed \$60 million.
- E. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward a by-law for enactment by Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03465)

4. Expediting a City-Wide Plan for Vancouver

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, responded to questions.

The Committee heard from three speakers in support of the motion.

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

MOVED by Councillor Carr
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver's only complete city-wide plan was written by Harland Bartholomew in the 1920s, almost 100 years ago.
2. The City launched a neighbourhood-by-neighbourhood CityPlan process in 1992, which included a robust public engagement process (CityPlan Terms of Reference 1999), but that was stopped before its completion by City Council in 2010.
3. Developing a city-wide plan provides an opportunity to genuinely engage Vancouver residents, businesses and civic entities in a collaborative process to determine what kind of city they want Vancouver to become and how best to tackle key city-wide challenges like housing affordability, densification to accommodate growth and demographic changes in ways that respect and

sustain vibrant neighbourhood character, public amenities needed for livability, our city's future economy, more efficient and affordable transportation, and sustainability measures such as energy self-sufficiency and food security measures to tackle accelerating climate change.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, given the urgency of the housing affordability and accelerating climate change crises, Vancouver City Council direct staff to consult with all Council members and to report back for City Council's approval as early as possible in the first quarter of 2019 on:

- i. The scoping of an expedited work plan and timeline to co-develop with Vancouver residents and stakeholders a city-wide plan that includes urban design considerations, including on a fine-grained scale, and focuses on determining the future of our city including accommodating growth, changing demographics and diversity; pursuing reconciliation; increasing housing that's locally affordable; updating the Transportation 2040 plan; growing local jobs in a sustainable economy; incorporating social well-being including providing local food security; improving transportation and public amenities; enhancing places for people and vibrant liveable neighbourhoods including local shopping streets; planning for low density residential neighbourhoods; and ensuring our city does its part in tackling the climate crisis by rapidly reducing greenhouse gas emissions;
- ii. The goals and objectives of the city-wide plan;
- iii. The public engagement process for the city-wide plan;
- iv. The governance of the city-wide planning process;
- v. The resources needed to conduct and complete this city-wide plan, including a robust and collaborative public engagement process that should be launched in the Spring of 2019 and that could include neighbourhood planning bodies.

amended

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On November 14, 2018, at 12:00 pm it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the meeting be extended to complete Item 4.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Subsequently, the Committee agreed to deal with a procedural matter prior to continuing with Item 4.

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VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council vary the agenda in order to deal with Item 7 – 58 West Hastings Street, at a reconvened Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 15, 2018, beginning at 9:30 am.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the motion to vary the agenda be amended to continue with the agenda items as posted and reschedule the In Camera meeting later that day to accommodate.

not put

The Chair ruled Councillor Kirby-Yung’s amendment out of order as the same result could be achieved by voting against the motion to vary the agenda.

The amendment having been ruled out of order, the motion to vary the agenda was put and CARRIED AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY, with Councillors Fry and Kirby-Yung opposed, and Councillor Hardwick abstained.*

*(*Section 145.1 of the Vancouver Charter states “Where a member present at a meeting abstains from voting, they are deemed to have voted in the affirmative”).*

For clarity, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.

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On November 14, 2018, the Committee recessed at 12:32 pm, and reconvened at 3:17 pm to continue with Item 4.

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AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the motion be amended to add the following as vi.:

- vi. Acknowledgement of the Right to Housing, equity, and spatial justice including an outline of how the input of housing-insecure populations will be sought, and how housing for vulnerable populations and persons with disabilities – for example temporary modular housing, supportive housing, social housing, and purpose-built rental - will be prioritized in every neighbourhood during the creation of a city wide plan.

carried

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the amendment be amended to replace the second word 'will' with 'might'.

LOST (Vote No. 03470)

(Councillors Bligh, Boyle, Carr, De Genova, Dominato, Fry, Swanson, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart opposed)

(Councillor Hardwick abstained*)

(*Section 145.1 of the Vancouver Charter states "Where a member present at a meeting abstains from voting, they are deemed to have voted in the affirmative".)

The amendment to the amendment having lost, the amendment was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 03469), with Councillors Bligh, Hardwick and Kirby-Yung opposed.

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On November 14, 2018, the Committee recessed at 3:55 pm and reconvened 4:01 pm.

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AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the motion be amended to insert the following as ii.:

- ii. Scoping of an expedited work plan and timeline to co-develop with Vancouver residents and stakeholders a city-wide plan that is informed by equity, accessibility, spatial justice and the fundamental right to housing.

CARRIED (Vote No. 03472)

(Councillors Boyle, Swanson and Mayor Stewart opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the motion be amended to add the following point as vii.:

- vii. Any plans for a future citywide plan include measures to protect renters from renoviction, demoviction and gentrification.

CARRIED (Vote No. 03473)

(Councillors Bligh, De Genova, Dominato, Hardwick and Kirby-Yung opposed)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put. The Committee agreed to sever the components of the motion for the vote.

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

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2. The City launched a neighbourhood-by-neighbourhood CityPlan process in 1992, which included a robust public engagement process (CityPlan Terms of Reference 1999), but that was stopped before its completion by City Council in 2010.
3. Developing a city-wide plan provides an opportunity to genuinely engage Vancouver residents, businesses and civic entities in a collaborative process to determine what kind of city they want Vancouver to become and how best to tackle key city-wide challenges like housing affordability, densification to accommodate growth and demographic changes in ways that respect and sustain vibrant neighbourhood character, public amenities needed for livability, our city's future economy, more efficient and affordable transportation, and sustainability measures such as energy self-sufficiency and food security measures to tackle accelerating climate change.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03474)

- ii. The scoping of an expedited work plan and timeline to co-develop with Vancouver residents and stakeholders a city-wide plan that is informed by equity, accessibility, spatial justice and the fundamental right to housing;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03475)

- iii. The goals and objectives of the city-wide plan;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03476)

- iv. The public engagement process for the city-wide plan;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03477)

- v. The governance of the city-wide planning process;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03478)

- vi. The resources needed to conduct and complete this city-wide plan, including a robust and collaborative public engagement process that should be launched in the Spring of 2019 and that could include neighbourhood planning bodies; and

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03479)

- vii. Any plans for a future citywide plan which include measures to protect renters from renoviction, demoviction and gentrification.

CARRIED (Vote No. 03480)
(Councillor Kirby-Yung opposed)

5. A Renter's Office at the City of Vancouver

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The registered speakers were not present in the Chamber.

The City Manager responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Fry
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Renter households represent 53% of Vancouver households (CMHC, 2016).
2. The overall rental vacancy rate is less than 1% in Vancouver (CMHC, 2017).
3. Over 44% of Vancouver renters are living in housing that is not considered affordable (CMHC, 2017).
4. Secondary rental market and investor-held rental (condo) apartments represent the majority of rentals but also some of the least secure stock (CMHC, 2017).
5. The City of Vancouver's Tenant Relocation and Protection Guidelines do not apply to most secondary and investor-held condo rental stock (section 2.0).
6. The provincial Government has committed to a new compliance unit and better legal tools to take action against landlords who fail their obligations under Vancouver's *Standards of Maintenance By-law 5462* (BC Rental Housing Task Force 2018).
7. Vancouver's Renters Advisory Committee recent recommendations include expanding the tenant relocation policy, capturing data on rental stock, a city-run rental agency, and a framework to guide the city's rental housing policy (October 2018 Memorandum).
8. Currently, the City of Vancouver does not have a department dedicated to track, resource, and support Vancouver renters and renter issues.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council direct staff to report back to City Council on steps to create a Renter's Office at the City of Vancouver, that will target, track, resource, and support Vancouver renters and renter issues including:

- i. providing an official City of Vancouver point of contact for renter and tenancy issues, including Standards of Maintenance, Tenant Relocation and Protections, and renovictions;
- ii. coordinating with existing renter advocacy groups including but not limited to Tenant Resource and Advisory Centre (TRAC), Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB), and the Vancouver Tenants Union (VTU) or providing direct legal advice to concerned parties;
- iii. coordinating with City permits, building inspections, and licensing (including business and Short-Term Rentals) departments and data in order to protect tenants from illegal renovictions and monitor rate of change to affordable rental housing stock;
- iv. advising and working with City agencies and committees to advocate for the needs of market and non-market renters including public, non-profit, and co-op housing.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the motion be amended to add the following as v.:

- v. eliminating barriers that prevent residents without full citizenship rights and/or with limited English proficiency from accessing critical tenant services by offering services in but not limited to the following languages: Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Korean, Japanese, Spanish, and Persian (Farsi).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03481)
(Councillors Boyle and Hardwick absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the motion be amended to add the following:

THAT Council direct staff to report back with recommendations, including an update on measures the City of Vancouver has or is planning to support renters;

FURTHER THAT staff include options that consider virtual and physical services, estimated costs and the mandate of any Renter's Office in their report back to Council.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the amendment be amended to add the following:

FURTHER THAT staff consult with the City's advisory committee, to be established in the future, that focuses on renters' advocacy issues.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03482)
(Councillors Hardwick, Kirby-Yung and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

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On November 14, 2018, the Committee recessed at 5:23 pm and reconvened at 5:28 pm.

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The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amendment as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03483), Mayor Stewart absent for the vote.

The motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03486).

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

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- ii. Coordinating with existing renter advocacy groups including but not limited to Tenant Resource and Advisory Centre (TRAC), Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB), and the Vancouver Tenants Union (VTU) or providing direct legal advice to concerned parties;
- iii. Coordinating with City permits, building inspections, and licensing (including business and Short-Term Rentals) departments and data in order to protect tenants from illegal renovictions and monitor rate of change to affordable rental housing stock;
- iv. Advising and working with City agencies and committees to advocate for the needs of market and non-market renters including public, non-profit, and co-op housing; and
- v. Eliminating barriers that prevent residents without full citizenship rights and/or with limited English proficiency from accessing critical tenant services by offering services in but not limited to the following languages: Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Korean, Japanese, Spanish, and Persian (Farsi);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to report back with recommendations, including an update on measures the City of Vancouver has or is planning to support renters;

FURTHER THAT staff include options that consider virtual and physical services, estimated costs and the mandate of any Renter's Office in their report back to Council; and

FURTHER THAT staff consult with the City's advisory committee, to be established in the future, that focuses on renters' advocacy issues.

6. Election Readiness and Engagement

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The registered speaker was not present in the Chamber.

The City Manager and the Chief Election Officer responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Barriers in the electoral system can contribute to reduced participation.
2. In April 2018, Vancouver City Council voted to list mayoral, councillor and Park Board commissioner candidates in random order instead of alphabetical order on Vancouver's municipal election ballots. This was purported to create a more even playing field for candidates. A by-law was subsequently enacted by Council per the provisions of Section 79 of the *Vancouver Charter*.
3. 60% of the 2018 Councillors-Elect appeared in the first one-third of the one-version random ballot, and the *Vancouver Charter* did not permit multiple versions of a random ballot thereby potentially creating an order bias or effect.
4. The April 2018, Motion entitled "Taking the ABCD Bias off the Ballot", suggested that alphabetical bias in the ballot has a particularly negative impact on people who have last names that are Chinese, South Asian, Vietnamese, Korean, Japanese or Latino - among others; however, cultural diversity on Council actually decreased from 2014 to 2018.
5. The October 2018 Vancouver municipal election was also characterized by a number of other factors including an unprecedented number of candidates, as well as reliance on use of electronic ballot processing and counting machines.
6. Voters cited confusion and inertia at the overwhelming ballot length and random form.
7. Long delays at voting locations across the city caused voter frustration and may have contributed to limiting voter turnout. Voter turnout in 2018 is estimated at 39% vs 43.4% in 2014 despite continued utilization of increased advance voting days as in 2011 and 2014, and implementation of a vote anywhere model in 2014.
8. Despite the city's plan to have more staff and more voting booths available at voting locations wherever possible, there appeared to be insufficient machines available to process ballots which was a key factor in delays and in perception of the integrity of the voting process.
9. The threshold for pre-qualification for people to submit their candidacy to run may be considered low requiring signatures of 25 nominators and a \$100 deposit refunded after the election.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to prepare a 2018 Municipal Election Review report to Council by May 2019 including but not limited to such factors as the efficacy of the random ballot, pre-qualification requirements and sufficiency of electoral resources including ballot counting machines, with the goal of supporting strong voter turnout and confidence in the electoral process.

CARRIED (Vote No. 03487)
(Councillor Swanson opposed)

8. Setting New Standards: Expediting Development and Building Permits and Examining Fees to Improve Affordability in the City of Vancouver

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from two speakers in support of the motion.

The following Motion reflects changes to the original Motion on Notice that were accepted by the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is unaffordable and has been named one of the least affordable cities in the world to live.
2. In 2017, when speaking in Vancouver, Evan Siddall, President and CEO of CHMC was quoted by the Vancouver Sun stating “The weak and lagging supply response in Vancouver – rezoning restrictions, density limits, development fees and the time it takes for approval of new supply – and not just for affordable housing – needs urgent attention.
3. At the September 19, 2018, meeting of Vancouver City Council, a motion was put forward by Councillor De Genova titled “Making Room for Families: Innovative Solutions to Help Provide the Most Affordable Family Housing in the City of Vancouver” was referred back to staff for incorporation in the report back on housing initiatives to Council in January 2019.
4. The City of Vancouver Schedule of Development Fees are significantly higher in many areas, including to approve air space parcels / subdivisions than the fees required of municipalities in the Metro Vancouver region.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to explore possible ways to reduce development fees that could directly impact affordability prior to bringing forward the final recommendations for the 2019 City of Vancouver operating budget.
- B. THAT staff review the staffing needs at the Development Centre and Services Counter in Planning, Rezoning and Permitting and ensure that staffing levels are adequate to significantly reduce permit wait times.
- C. THAT staff review the schedule of fees, permit wait times and best practices of other large municipalities in the City of Vancouver and consider changes that may significantly improve the process of issuing building and development permits;

FURTHER THAT staff report back to Council with their findings by February 2019.

- D. THAT Council direct staff to further explore and consider a program to fast-track the development and building permits process for architects and builders submitting applications to the City of Vancouver.

carried

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On November 14, 2018, at 6:06 pm, it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the meeting be extended to complete Item 8.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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On November 14, 2018, the Committee recessed at 6:16 pm and reconvened at 7:04 pm.

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The motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03489), Councillor Fry absent for the vote.

9. Opioid Emergency Task Force

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from two speakers in support of the motion who also stressed the need to take action now.

MOVED by Mayor Stewart

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. On April 14, 2016, a public health emergency was declared by the Provincial Health Officer of British Columbia due to the rise in overdose deaths due to fentanyl poisoning, with the BC Coroner's report confirming 995 people lost their lives in BC due to overdose that year. Between 2016 and 2017, over 80% of people dying in BC due to overdose were male and approximately 70% of people who passed away were using alone.
2. In 2017, Vancouver lost 366 residents to overdoses, equal to one death per day, and year-to-date data for 2018 indicates over 300 additional people have died in Vancouver, the ongoing 'epicentre' of Canada's opioid crisis. Indigenous residents have been typically overrepresented in the crisis, with Indigenous women especially impacted by high overdose rates.

3. The Urban Indigenous Opioid Task Force led by the Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council provides a cultural response to the overdose crisis, including integrated treatment programs, 'Culture as Treatment' for substance use services, changes to drug policy, and a social determinants of health approach to addressing the crisis.
4. People with lived experience, who are actively using opioids obtained through the health system or other sources, have identified the need for health care interventions as well as initiatives targeting the social determinants of health to prevent death from overdose and to promote long-term healing, inclusion and well-being.
5. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Mayors' Task Force on the Opioid Crisis has called for a pan-Canadian plan to scale up data and health responses to ensure timely access to addictions treatment and care.
6. Mayor Kennedy Stewart intends to convene an Opioid Emergency Task Force to review the factors driving the current rates of opioid dependency, use of toxic street drugs, injury and death associated with opioid overdoses in Vancouver and to advise Council on short- and long-term interventions to mitigate the massive harm that this crisis is causing to our residents, families and communities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Mayor's appointment of an Opioid Emergency Task Force and direct City staff to provide administrative and technical support for the work of the Task Force.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the motion be amended to add the following:

FURTHER THAT:

1. in developing terms of reference, staff consider including exploration of community concerns about the role of the police in stigmatizing and criminalizing people who use drugs;

lost

2. the task force should include people who use drugs and work with drug users;
3. the task force report out within two months because of the crisis.

carried unanimously

The Committee agreed to sever the components of the amendment for the vote.

1. in developing terms of reference, staff consider including exploration of community concerns about the role of the police in stigmatizing and criminalizing people who use drugs;

LOST (Vote No. 03490)

(Councillors Bligh, Carr, De Genova, Dominato, Hardwick, Kirby-Yung, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart opposed)

(Councillor Fry absent for the vote)

2. the task force should include people who use drugs and work with drug users;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03491)

(Councillor Fry absent for the vote)

3. the task force report out within two months because of the crisis.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03492)

(Councillor Fry absent for the vote)

The amendments having either lost or carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03493), Councillor Fry absent for the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Mayor's appointment of an Opioid Emergency Task Force and direct City staff to provide administrative and technical support for the work of the Task Force;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back to Council regarding terms of reference, membership and budget no later than Friday, November 23, 2018;

FURTHER THAT the task force should include people who use drugs and work with drug users; and

FURTHER THAT the task force report out within two months because of the crisis.

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On November 14, 2018, the Committee recessed at 8:45 pm and reconvened at 8:55 pm, and agreed to deal with a procedural matter prior to beginning Item 10.

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REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT Council refer consideration of Item 12 to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on December 5, 2018, beginning at 3:00 pm.

CARRIED

(Councillors De Genova and Hardwick opposed)

(Councillor Kirby-Yung abstained)*

(Councillor Fry absent for the vote)

*(*Section 145.1 of the Vancouver Charter states "Where a member present at a meeting abstains from voting, they are deemed to have voted in the affirmative".)*

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10. Reconsider RS Zoning Amendments - By-law No. 3575 and Related Strata Title Guidelines

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from three speakers in support of and two speakers in opposition to the motion.

During the hearing of speakers, the Committee agreed to deal with a procedural matter.

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RECONSIDERATION MOVED by Mayor Stewart

THAT Council reconsider the decision to refer Item 12 to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on December 5, 2018, beginning at 3:00 pm.

CARRIED
(Councillors Bligh and De Genova opposed)
(Councillor Fry absent for the vote)

REFERRAL MOVED by Mayor Stewart

THAT Council refer Item 12 to a reconvened Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 27, 2018, beginning at 6:00 pm.

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On November 14, 2018, at 10:00 pm, it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the meeting be extended to hear from all registered speakers on Items 10 and 11.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Fry absent for the vote)

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The motion to refer Item 12 to November 27, 2018, was put and LOST (TIE VOTE), with Councillors Bligh, De Genova, Dominato, Kirby-Yung and Wiebe opposed and Councillor Fry absent for the vote.

Subsequently, on November 15, 2018, the Committee reconsidered the failed motion to refer Item 12 to November 27, 2018.

At this point in the proceedings, the Committee postponed debate and decision on Item 10 until the conclusion of Item 7 on November 15, 2018.

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On November 14, 2018, the Committee recessed at 10:24 pm, and on November 15, 2018, reconvened at 9:38 am, to begin Item 7.

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7. 58 West Hastings Street

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from 12 speakers in support of the motion.

During the hearing of speakers, the Chair advised that the failed motion to refer Item 12 to November 27, 2018, would need to be reconsidered.

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RECONSIDERATION MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT Council reconsider the failed motion to refer Item 12 to a reconvened Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 27, 2018, beginning at 6:00 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Boyle

THAT Council refer Item 12 to a reconvened Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 27, 2018, beginning at 6:00 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the meeting be extended to 12:15 pm, in order to continue hearing speakers on Item 7.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

On November 15, 2018, the Committee recessed at 12:22 pm and reconvened at 1:09 pm. Subsequently, the Committee recessed again at 1:50 pm and reconvened at 2:15 pm.

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MOVED by Councillor Swanson
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. The low income Downtown Eastside community has been fighting for 100% welfare/pension rate^{*} community controlled social housing at 58 West Hastings Street for over 10 years.
2. The community vision for the site includes housing for Chinese speaking seniors, people of African descent, Indigenous people, and people who make up the diversity in the Downtown Eastside, with half the units being for women, some with children.
3. Homelessness has been growing in the Downtown Eastside, and 100% welfare/pension rate housing will ensure that up to 148 units are provided or freed up for people who desperately need housing.
4. The community lost about 500 units of low income housing in 2017 and lost the Regent in 2018 with 153 Single Room Occupancy (SRO) units were closed for life-safety reasons.
5. The site is owned by the City.
6. The Vancouver Chinatown Foundation has promised to raise \$30 million for the 58 West Hastings housing project.
7. The Province, through BC Housing, has committed \$30 million and low-cost financing for the 58 West Hastings housing project.
8. The application has been scheduled for the Development Permit Board on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 3:00 pm.
9. The current proposal is for only one-third to one-half of the units to be affordable at welfare/pension rates.
10. The current proposal does not provide for community control.
11. The former Mayor promised in writing that housing at 58 West Hastings Street would be 100% welfare/pension rate community controlled social housing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council recommit to the community vision of 100% welfare/pension rate community controlled social housing and the former Mayor's promise for the site at 58 West Hastings Street.

^{*} welfare rate means \$375 a month for a single person; \$570 a month for a couple or single parent and child; pension rate means 30% of the basic full OAS/GIS pension for senior citizens (about \$1500 in Sept., 2018), or about \$450 a month for a single person.

- B. THAT Council direct staff to report back within one month, to outline what funding is required to achieve 100% welfare/pension rate and include at least three (3) options for sources of revenue, including city sources, to meet the former Mayor's commitment and the community's vision for the site.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to consult with the Our Homes Can't Wait coalition and Vancouver Chinatown Foundation and propose how the former Mayor's commitment to community controlled housing at 58 West Hastings Street can be achieved.

referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council refer Item 7, the motion entitled "58 West Hastings Street", on the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities agenda of November 14, 2018, to staff with direction to continue efforts to deepen affordability and provide as many shelter/pension rate homes at 58 West Hastings as possible, reaffirming the goal of the previous Council to provide 100% shelter/pension rate housing, through continued consultation with stakeholders and partners including the Vancouver Chinatown Foundation, BC Housing, CMHC and explore alternative options for the City of Vancouver to achieve 115 units of shelter rate social housing within the Downtown Eastside, should 100% shelter/pension rate homes not be achievable at 58 West Hastings;

FURTHER THAT Council affirm support for providing as many shelter/pension rate units as possible, in the Downtown Eastside and city wide; and

FURTHER THAT staff report back within one month to outline what funding is required to achieve 100% shelter/pension rate housing at 58 West Hastings Street and the potential sources of funds, and assess the impacts of 100% shelter/pension rate housing on the financial viability of the project.

CARRIED (Vote No. 03499)
(Councillor Swanson opposed)
(Councillor Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

Following the conclusion of Item 7, the Committee continued with debate and decision on Item 10.

10. Reconsider RS Zoning Amendments - By-law No. 3575 and Related Strata Title Guidelines

On November 14, 2018, the Committee heard from speakers on the above-noted matter, and postponed debate and decision until the conclusion of Item 7 on November 15, 2018.

The City Manager, along with the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, and the Assistant Director of Administration, Legal Services, responded to questions.

The following Motion reflects changes to the original Motion on Notice that were accepted by the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Members of the public have raised concerns with the consultation process prior to the referral to Public Hearing of amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law and related guidelines and policies as proposed in the Policy Report dated June 27, 2018 and entitled "Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law for Most RS Zones to Allow Two-Family Dwellings (Duplexes) to Increase Housing Choice".
2. Members of the public expressed significant opposition at the Public Hearing of the proposed amendments held on September 18 and 19, 2018.
3. City Councillors and members of the public raised concerns at the Public Hearing regarding City Council deciding items of great significance within months of the Vancouver Civic election, and many speakers suggested that any major changes or amendments recommended by staff for RS Zones should be referred to the new Vancouver City Council elected on October 20, 2018.
4. On October 30, 2018, Council enacted amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 and related changes to Strata Title Polices for RS, RT and RM Zones and RS-7 Guidelines to authorize two-family dwellings in RS Zones.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the Director of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Legal Services, be instructed to bring forward for consideration by Council, for referral to Public Hearing at the earliest possible date, amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 and related changes to policies and guidelines that reverse the effect of the amendments to by-laws, policies and guidelines generally authorizing two-family dwelling in RS Zones that were enacted at the Council meeting on October 30, 2018.
- B. THAT Council affirm support for applications received by the City that rely on the impugned amendments that were enacted on October 30, 2018.

referred

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT A of the motion be amended to add the words "if warranted after the City-wide Community Planning process is completed" after the words 'Public Hearing' and strike the words "at the earliest possible date".

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On November 15, 2018, the Committee recessed at 3:07 pm and reconvened at 3:15 pm.

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Following the recess, the amendment was put and LOST (Vote No. 03500) with Councillors Bligh, Carr, De Genova, Dominato, Hardwick and Kirby-Yung opposed. Councillor Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote.

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Boyle

THAT Item 10 - Reconsider RS Zoning Amendments - By-law No. 3575 and Related Strata Title Guidelines, be referred to staff to report out on the costs of consultation and to outline time constraints and impacts it would have on moving forward with a City-wide Plan, as well as draft wording of the by-law, and report back at the Regular Council meeting on December 18, 2018.

CARRIED (Vote No. 03501)
(Councillor Hardwick opposed)
(Councillor Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

11. Restoring Line-by-Line Budgets for the City of Vancouver

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The City Manager, along with the General Manager of Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management, responded to questions.

The registered speakers were not present in the Chamber.

The following Motion reflects changes to the original Motion on Notice that were accepted by the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Until 2008, the City of Vancouver historically provided line-by-line itemized annual capital and operating budgets, but has not provided line-by-line operating budgets since then.
2. There have been requests by the public for more transparency in the City of Vancouver's finances since line-by-line budgets have not been provided as standard practice for a decade.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver continue to provide the public with line-by-line itemized capital budgets in the manner it has been, starting with the 2019 operating budget, provide annual line-by-line itemized operating budgets similar in level of detail to the City's 2008 budget, ensuring that all budgets follow public sector budgeting best practices.
- B. THAT the City of Vancouver provide the 2018 operating budget in line-by-line itemized format to the public for reference in the 2019 operating budget process.

amended

- C. THAT staff ensure that digital copies of detailed operating budget tables and departmental service plan budgets, in Excel format, wherever possible, are readily available on the City's website.

referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council refer C of the motion entitled "Restoring Line-by-Line Budgets for the City of Vancouver", as moved at the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on November 15, 2018, back to staff with direction, to report back to City Council with a high-level memorandum on the differences of how City of Vancouver Budgets are reported in the years of 2008 to 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03503)
(Councillors Bligh, Boyle, Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Kirby-Yung

THAT the motion be amended to add the following:

THAT staff ensure that digital copies of line item budgets, in Excel format, wherever possible, are readily available on the City's website.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03504)
(Councillors Bligh, Boyle, Fry, Swanson and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 03505), with Councillors Bligh, Boyle, Fry, Swanson and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Until 2008, the City of Vancouver historically provided line-by-line itemized annual capital and operating budgets, but has not provided line-by-line operating budgets since then.
2. There have been requests by the public for more transparency in the City of Vancouver's finances since line-by-line budgets have not been provided as standard practice for a decade.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver continue to provide the public with line-by-line itemized capital budgets in the manner it has been, starting with the 2019 operating budget, provide annual line-by-line itemized operating budgets similar in level of detail to the City's 2008 budget, ensuring that all budgets follow public sector budgeting best practices.
- B. THAT the City of Vancouver provide the 2018 operating budget in line-by-line itemized format to the public for reference in the 2019 operating budget process.

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*On November 15, 2018, the Committee recessed, at 5:18 pm, and
on November 27, 2018, reconvened at 6:03 pm.*

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12. Protecting Tenants from Renovictions and Aggressive Buy-Outs

On November 13, 2018, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on November 14, 2018, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from 56 speakers in support of the motion.

The City Manager responded to questions.

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*On November 27, 2018, the Committee recessed at 10:00 pm, and on
November 28, 2018, reconvened at 5:03 pm, to continue hearing speakers on Item 12.*

On November 28, 2018, the Committee recessed at 7:19 pm, and reconvened at 7:36 pm.

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The following Motion reflects changes to the original Motion on Notice that were accepted by the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Swanson
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. We have a housing emergency in Vancouver and one big part of that emergency is caused when investors renovict tenants from moderately priced rental buildings in order to turn them into luxury commodities.
2. We need immediate action to save renters from eviction and to preserve affordable rental housing.
3. The Goodman Report on Vancouver apartment building sales from January 2018 through October 24, 2018, says that 56 buildings with 2456 units have been sold in Vancouver.
4. A profit motive exists to displace existing long-term residents in order to increase rental revenues.
5. Tenants are being approached by their new landlords, sometimes harassed and pressured to accept buy-outs without being fully informed of their rights.
6. Such buy-outs are occurring before the landlord is eligible to legally issue notice under the Residential Tenancy Act.
7. Many of these tenants have to find new apartments paying hundreds of dollars more per month or move out of the City.
8. Evicted tenants have fewer resources left to spend on necessities and in local businesses.
9. Losing affordable rental housing stock to renoviction and buyouts will nullify the positive impact of new lower income social housing that governments and non-profits can build.
10. The BC Tenancy Policy Guideline of May 2018 says a landlord cannot end a tenancy for the purpose of renovations or repairs if “It is possible to carry out the renovations or repairs without ending the tenancy (i.e. if the tenant is willing to temporarily empty or vacate the unit during the renovations or repairs, and then move back in once they are complete)”.
11. The buyout and renoviction process is incredibly stressful and anxiety-producing for tenants.
12. The implementation of vacancy control at the provincial level could substantively resolve some of these problems.
13. The province’s Rental Housing Task Force will be making recommendations this month.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City immediately amend its Tenant Relocation and Protection Policy to the extent of its authority under the *Vancouver Charter* to:
- i apply to all forms of rental accommodation, all areas of Vancouver and to all permits which will result in the temporary or permanent displacement of tenants; and
 - ii require landlords to offer displaced tenants the opportunity to temporarily move out for the necessary duration of the renovations without their leases ending or rent increasing, in accordance with the *Residential Tenancy Act* and the Residential Tenancy Branch Policy Guideline 2 of May 2018.
- B. THAT the City devise methods to keep track of all apartment buildings sold in Vancouver and immediately provide affected tenants with information as to their tenancy rights by mail.
- C. THAT the City explore measures, including changes to the *Vancouver Charter* if necessary, to regulate and publicly register all tenant buyouts.
- D. THAT the City immediately and forcefully call on the province to implement effective vacancy controls for British Columbia, or alternatively, to give Vancouver the power to regulate maximum rent increases during and between tenancies.

referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT debate and decision on Item 12 - Protecting Tenants from Renovictions and Aggressive Buy-Outs, be referred to Regular Council on December 4, 2018, as Unfinished Business, to begin at 5:00 pm.

CARRIED (Vote No. 03533)

(Councillor Boyle, Fry and Swanson opposed)

(Councillor Hardwick abstained*)

(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

(*Section 145.1 of the *Vancouver Charter* states "Where a member present at a meeting abstains from voting, they are deemed to have voted in the affirmative".)

On November 28, 2018, the Committee adjourned at 9:50 pm.

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**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

NOVEMBER 14, 15 AND 28, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 3:06 pm, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee. Subsequently, the meeting reconvened on Thursday, November 15, 2018, at 5:19 pm, and Wednesday, November 28, 2018, at 9:51 pm.

PRESENT:

Mayor Kennedy Stewart
Councillor Rebecca Bligh
Councillor Christine Boyle
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Melissa De Genova*
Councillor Lisa Dominato
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Colleen Hardwick*
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung
Councillor Jean Swanson
Councillor Michael Wiebe

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Katrina Leckovic, City Clerk (*November 15*)
Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk (*November 14 and 28*)
Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

** Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on Wednesday, November 14, 2018. Its items of business included:

1. Presentation – Missing Middle Housing Design Competition Awards
2. 2018 Q3 Capital Budget Adjustments and Closeouts
3. Annual Financial Authorities - 2019

Items 1 to 3

MOVED by Mayor Stewart
SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, as contained in items 1 to 3 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Hardwick absent for the vote)

URGENT BUSINESS

**1. Travel Approval Request – Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and Maytree’s Urban Project Launch – November 15-16, 2018
November 9, 2018**

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Council authorize Councillor Rebecca Bligh to attend Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and Maytree’s Urban Project Launch November 15-16, 2018, to be held in Edmonton, AB with expenses estimated to be \$1,285.00 funded from the 2018 Councillors’ Travel Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors De Genova and Hardwick absent for the vote)

2. Request for Leave of Absence – Councillor Boyle

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Councillor Boyle be granted Leave of Absence for personal reasons from 4:00 pm onwards for meetings to be held on November 15, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors De Genova and Hardwick absent for the vote)

3. Request for Leave of Absence – Councillor Bligh

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Councillor Bligh be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business for meetings to be held on November 15 and 16, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors De Genova and Hardwick absent for the vote)

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*On November 14, 2018, the Council recessed at 3:17 pm, and
on November 15, 2018, reconvened at 5:19 pm.*

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Thursday, November 15, 2018

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on Thursday, November 15, 2018. Its items of business included:

4. Expediting a City-Wide Plan for Vancouver
5. A Renter's Office at the City of Vancouver
6. Election Readiness and Engagement
7. 58 West Hastings Street
8. Setting New Standards: Expediting Development and Building Permits and Examining Fees to Improve Affordability in the City of Vancouver
9. Opioid Emergency Task Force
10. Reconsider RS Zoning Amendments - By-law No. 3575 and Related Strata Title Guidelines
11. Restoring Line-by-Line Budgets for the City of Vancouver

Items 4 to 11

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting on Thursday, November 15, 2018, as contained in items 4 to 11 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

URGENT BUSINESS

1. **Request for Leave of Absence – Councillor Bligh**

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Councillor Bligh be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business for meetings to be held on December 4, 2018.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT Council enact the by-law listed on the agenda for this meeting as number 1 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-law.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to authorize the borrowing of certain sums of money from January 8, 2019, to January 7, 2020, pending the collection of real property taxes (By-law No. 12323)

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*On November 15, 2018, the Council recessed at 5:21 pm, and
on November 28, 2018, reconvened at 9:51 pm.*

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities on Wednesday, November 28, 2018. Its items of business included:

12. Protecting Tenants from Renovictions and Aggressive Buy-Outs

Item 12

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe
SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting on Wednesday, November 28, 2018, as contained in item 12, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Fry
SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

On November 28, 2018, the Council adjourned at 9:52 pm.

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