



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

JANUARY 30, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities was held on Wednesday, January 30, 2019, at 9:38 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

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* (Medical Leave after 9:00 pm)
- Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung*, Vice-Chair
- Councillor Jean Swanson
- Councillor Michael Wiebe

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk
Irina Dragnea, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Chair acknowledged that 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 Mayor Stewart

THAT Council adopt Item 4 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3893)
(Councillors De Genova, Dominato, Hardwick, and Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

1. Rapid Transit from Arbutus Street to UBC

Staff from Engineering Services and Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability presented the proposed SkyTrain extension from Arbutus Street to UBC, with a second presentation delivered

by Michael White, Associate Vice-President of Campus and Community Planning at the University of British Columbia (UBC). All presenters responded to questions.

The Committee heard from eighteen speakers; nine in general support of the recommendations, and nine speakers with concerns to the recommendations.

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*During the hearing of speakers, the Committee recessed at 12:03 pm
and reconvened at 1:07 pm.*

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At 1:11 pm, during the hearing of speakers, Councillor De Genova rose on a point of order to remind the speaker that accusations against staff are unacceptable. The Chair ruled in favour of Councillor De Genova's point of order and reminded the speaker to keep their comments to the Rapid Transit from Arbutus Street to UBC.

At 3:13 pm, during the hearing of speakers, Councillor De Genova rose on a point of order to remind the speaker that the use of inappropriate language is unacceptable. The Chair ruled in favour of Councillor De Genova's point of order, and advised the speaker to consider their language choice.

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The Committee recessed at 3:30 pm and reconvened at 3:47 pm.

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MOVED by Mayor Stewart
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council endorse a SkyTrain extension from Arbutus Street to UBC.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to work with partners to advance the design development including public consultation to determine station locations, vertical and horizontal alignment.
- C. THAT staff write a letter to the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation ("Mayors' Council") to inform them of Council's support for the selection of SkyTrain and further design and consultation on alignment.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the following be added as D and E:

- D. THAT Council acknowledge that delivery of such extension would be subject to securing federal and provincial partner funding as well as funding contribution discussions with UBC.
- E. THAT staff report back to Council at key design development milestones.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT D be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “and other potential funding partners” be inserted after the word “UBC”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3875)

(Councillor Hardwick abstained)

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

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT D be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “, MST” be inserted after the word “UBC”.

Councillor Wiebe requested to withdraw the amendment to the amendment. The Committee agreed.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT D be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “the potential for” be inserted after the wording “as well as” and that the word “potential” before the word “funding” be deleted.

LOST (Vote No. 3876)

(Councillors Bligh, Boyle, Carr, Fry, Kirby-Yung, Swanson, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart opposed)

(Councillor Hardwick abstained)

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

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amendment was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with Councillor Hardwick abstaining from the vote. (Vote No. 3877)

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

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT A, B and C be replaced with the following:

THAT Council direct staff to receive this report and incorporate into the City-wide planning process with the following tasks:

- A. Deciding on a preferred mode of transit to UBC;
- B. Establishing priorities for transit spending that best serve people in all neighbourhoods, including reduced fees for low income people;
- C. Examining the zoning along the Broadway Corridor that best provides truly affordable rental housing;
- D. Ensuring the greatest reduction in greenhouse gases; and
- E. Ensuring that renters along any new transit lines are fully protected from renoviction and demoviction.

LOST (Vote No. 3878)

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

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the following be added as F:

THAT Council direct staff to communicate to the public, on the City of Vancouver website and social media, that staff recommendations are to endorse technology and do not have any budget implications that require funding outside of the 2019 Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3879)

(Councillor Hardwick abstained)

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

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the following be added as G:

THAT Council continues to support other needed investments in the expansion of transit services, in the interest of a comprehensive regional approach, serving individual neighborhoods in Vancouver and throughout the region of Metro Vancouver.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3880)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the following be added as H:

THAT staff are guided by principles of Equitable Transit-Oriented Development as an integral component of future Broadway-UBC subway planning and as part of a larger city-wide plan.

FURTHER THAT staff engage with a broad cross-section of the public that reflect diverse communities; encourages the creation of housing options near transit, with priority given to affordability; and encourages convenient, safe, multi-modal access to the transit system, with an emphasis on non-motorized access.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3881)

(Councillor Hardwick abstained)

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

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the following be added as I:

THAT Council direct staff to ensure that any transit plan

1. Serves people in all neighbourhoods;
2. Provides service for low income people at reduced rates;
3. Uses zoning to provide housing that is truly affordable along the Broadway Corridor;
4. Ensures the greatest possible reduction in greenhouse gases; and
5. Ensures that renters along any new transit lines are fully protected from renoviction and demoviction.

not put

At 4:31 pm, Mayor Stewart rose on a point of order to note that the proposed amendment is not germane to the motion and is thus out of order. The Chair ruled in favour of Mayor Stewart's point of order and the amendment was not put.

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The Committee recessed at 4:34 pm and reconvened at 4:41 pm.

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AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the following be added as I:

THAT the form, type and density of development along the route will be determined collaboratively with residents through the city planning process.

carried

At 4:49 pm, Councillor De Genova rose on a point of order to note concern in the language as used in the proposed amendment. The City Manager clarified the confusion and assured Councillor De Genova that the language is in order.

With the amendment to the amendment having been withdrawn, the amendment was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (Vote No. 3882)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the following be added as J:

THAT Council direct staff to ensure that any transit plan and associated planning aim to:

1. Uses zoning to provide housing that is truly affordable along the Broadway corridor;
2. Ensures the greatest possible reduction in greenhouse gases; and
3. Ensures that renters along any new transit lines are fully protected from renoviction and demoviction.

not put

At 4:55 pm, Councillor Kirby-Yung rose on a point of order to note that the proposed amendment is not germane to the motion. The Chair ruled in favour of Councillor Kirby-Yung's point of order and the amendment was not put.

The amendments having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED with Councillors Hardwick and Swanson opposed. (Vote No. 3883)

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

- A. THAT Council endorse a SkyTrain extension from Arbutus Street to UBC.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to work with partners to advance the design development including public consultation to determine station locations, vertical and horizontal alignment.
- C. THAT staff write a letter to the Mayors' Council on Regional Transportation ("Mayors' Council") to inform them of Council's support for the selection of SkyTrain and further design and consultation on alignment.

- D. THAT Council acknowledge that delivery of such extension would be subject to securing federal and provincial partner funding as well as funding contribution discussions with UBC and other potential funding partners.
- E. THAT staff report back to Council at key design development milestones.
- F. THAT Council direct staff to communicate to the public, on the City of Vancouver website and social media, that staff recommendations are to endorse technology and do not have any budget implications that require funding outside of the 2019 Budget.
- G. THAT Council continues to support other needed investments in the expansion of transit services, in the interest of a comprehensive regional approach, serving individual neighborhoods in Vancouver and throughout the region of Metro Vancouver.
- H. THAT staff are guided by principles of Equitable Transit-Oriented Development as an integral component of future Broadway-UBC subway planning and as part of a larger city-wide plan.

FURTHER THAT staff engage with a broad cross-section of the public that reflect diverse communities; encourages the creation of housing options near transit, with priority given to affordability; and encourages convenient, safe, multi-modal access to the transit system, with an emphasis on non-motorized access.

- I. THAT the form, type and density of development along the route will be determined collaboratively with residents through the city planning process.

The Committee agreed to deal with item 3 as the next item of business. For clarity, the minutes are recorded in chronological order.

3. 800 Robson Plaza Update

At 5:37 pm, it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT item 3 "800 Robson Plaza Update" be referred to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on February 13, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The Committee recessed at 5:39 pm and reconvened at 6:36 pm.

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2. Potential Granville Bridge Connector – Public Engagement

At 6:37 pm, it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the Committee hear the staff presentation, followed by speakers and questions to staff.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Mayor Stewart, Councillors Bligh, Hardwick and Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

Staff from Engineering Services presented on the Potential Granville Bridge Connector – Public Engagement, and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from four speakers in general support of the recommendations.

At 8:19 pm, during hearing from speakers, Councillor De Genova rose on a point of order to note that Councillor Wiebe's reference to a potential In Camera item is out of order. The Chair ruled in favour of Councillor De Genova's point of order and reminded Councillor Wiebe to be more careful.

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The Committee recessed at 8:23 pm and reconvened at 8:30 pm.

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MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council direct staff to review with Council options for public consultation regarding design concepts for the Granville Bridge, including options for a safe and accessible path for all ages and abilities on the west or east side of the bridge, to reallocate lanes or otherwise add to the bridge for the creation of an accessible path so people can comfortably cycle, walk, use wheelchairs, strollers and other devices across the bridge, in coordination with the bridge's rehabilitation, any plans of considerations for possible fencing and/or netting, and seismic upgrades.
- B. THAT staff include in the final report back, full cost and a detailed budget, including any funding allocated and/or spent in the previous terms of Council for this project.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT A be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “to facilitate a visual connection with the water” be inserted after the words “Granville Bridge.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3884)
(Councillor Bligh absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT B be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “FURTHER THAT staff consult with the Vancouver Police Department and the Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services on design, in the interest of public safety” be inserted as a separate line item.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3885)
(Councillor Bligh absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT A be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “and associated high level cost estimates” be inserted after the word “upgrades.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3886)
(Councillor Bligh absent for the vote)

The amendments having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with Councillor Bligh absent for the vote. (Vote No. 3887)

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to review with Council options for public consultation regarding design concepts for the Granville Bridge to facilitate a visual connection with the water, including options for a safe and accessible path for all ages and abilities on the west or east side of the bridge, to reallocate lanes or otherwise add to the bridge for the creation of an accessible path so people can comfortably cycle, walk, use wheelchairs, strollers and other devices across the bridge, in coordination with the bridge's rehabilitation, any plans of considerations for possible fencing and/or netting, and seismic upgrades and associated high level cost estimates.
- B. THAT staff include in the final report back, full cost and a detailed budget, including any funding allocated and/or spent in the previous terms of Council for this project.

FURTHER THAT staff consult with the Vancouver Police Department and Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services on design, in the interest of public safety.

**4. 737 Dunsmuir Street, Fourth Floor – Holt, Renfrew & Cie, Limitee (The Apartment)
Liquor Primary Liquor Licence and Outdoor Patio Application
Liquor Establishment Class 1 (Venue)**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council, having considered the opinion of area residents and business operators as determined by neighbourhood notification, site sign, noise impacts and relevant Council policy as outlined in this Administrative Report dated December 6, 2018, entitled “737 Dunsmuir Street, Fourth Floor – Holt Renfrew & Cie, Limitee (The Apartment) Liquor Primary Liquor Licence and Outdoor Patio Application Liquor Establishment Class 1 (Venue)”, endorse a new event driven Liquor Primary Licence (Liquor Establishment Class 1), with an interior capacity of 60 persons with a 40 person outdoor patio (combined interior and outdoor patio areas must not exceed 60 persons), at the Holt Renfrew Vancouver store located at 737 Dunsmuir Street, subject to:

- i. A maximum combined capacity of 60 persons (60 persons interior with a 40 persons outdoor patio);
- ii. Hours of operation, limited to 9 am to 12 am, Sunday to Thursday, and 9 am to 1 am, Friday and Saturday;
- iii. The outdoor patio ceasing all liquor service and vacated by 11 pm nightly;
- iv. No music or entertainment permitted on the patio;
- v. Liquor service is event driven and only permitted in conjunction with pre-booked events;
- vi. A Time-Limited Development Permit;
- vii. Food service to be available while the establishment is operating as well as on the patio when open;
- viii. An acoustic report to be submitted certifying that the establishment meets Noise Control By-law requirements; and
- ix. Signing a Good Neighbour Agreement with the City prior to business licence issuance.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 3893)

(Councillors De Genova, Dominato, Hardwick, and Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

5. Improving Effectiveness of the Empty Homes Tax

At the Regular Council meeting on January 29, 2019, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on January 30, 2019, in order to hear from speakers.

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

MOVED by Mayor Stewart

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. On November 16, 2016, Vancouver City Council approved the Empty Homes Tax (EHT) program and enacted the Vacancy Tax By-law No. 11674 to impose a tax on empty and under-utilized class 1 residential properties within the City of Vancouver;

2. The City of Vancouver created the EHT to help return empty and under-utilized properties to the market as long-term rental homes for people who live and work in Vancouver;
3. Homes that are determined or deemed to be vacant are subject to a tax of 1% of the property's assessed taxable value. In order to determine which properties were subject to EHT, all homeowners are required to make an annual EHT declaration, confirming the status of their property as occupied;
4. Most residential properties are not subject to the tax, including homes that are principal residences for at least six months of the year; homes that are rented out for at least six months of the year; or homes that are eligible for one of eight exemptions as set out in the EHT by-law;
5. In the Empty Homes Tax Annual Report for the 1st year of the tax, City staff reported that a total of 7,923 homes were found to be vacant, of which 5,385 qualified for an exemption and 2,538 were charged the vacancy tax meaning that over 67% of the vacant properties were exempt from the tax. Staff also noted that audit work was ongoing and these numbers were likely to change;
6. On November 27, 2018, the Provincial Budget Measures Implementation (Speculation and Vacancy Tax) Act, 2018 came into force, which is aimed at preventing housing speculation and helping to turn vacant and underutilized properties in certain regions of the province into homes for people who live and work in B.C. This act applies in Vancouver and homeowners will be required to make an annual declaration to the province by March 31st of each year, starting in 2019, in addition to the EHT declaration;
7. The CMHC 2018 Rental Market Report showed vacancy rates for purpose built rentals and rented condo stock fell slightly between 2017 and 2018 after improving slightly from 2016 to 2017;
8. The declarations for the second year of the EHT program are currently underway with a due date of February 4, 2019;
9. During the election, there was support for an increase in the EHT rate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Council direct City staff to report back to Council by the end of March 2019 with a plan to review and improve the fairness and effectiveness of the Empty Homes Tax in achieving the objective of returning empty and underutilized properties to the market as long term rental homes for people who live and work in Vancouver;

FURTHER THAT the plan would include:

- i. a review of the fairness and effectiveness of exemptions and definitions, considering as well the Provincial Speculation Tax definitions;
- ii. a proposed timeline to provide information on the potential impact of increasing the Empty Homes Tax rate including program benefits and potential drawbacks; and

- iii. recommendations for public consultation and further internal analysis.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the following be inserted as ii. and iii.:

- ii. data on how many empty and under-utilized properties have been returned to the market as long-term rental homes;
- iii. recommendations on the ability of the City and mechanisms the City can use to track how many properties are made available for long-term rental;

FURTHER THAT the original ii. be changed to iv. and iii. be changed to v.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3888)
(Councillors Bligh and Hardwick absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the following wording be added at the end:

AND FURTHER THAT in the next report back on the Empty Homes Tax, staff include options for creative use of vacant land, including but not limited to tiny homes or temporary homes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3889)
(Councillors Bligh and Hardwick absent for the vote)

The amendments having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with Councillors Bligh and Hardwick absent for the vote. (Vote No. 3890)

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Council direct City staff to report back to Council by the end of March 2019 with a plan to review and improve the fairness and effectiveness of the Empty Homes Tax in achieving the objective of returning empty and underutilized properties to the market as long term rental homes for people who live and work in Vancouver;

FURTHER THAT the plan would include:

- i. a review of the fairness and effectiveness of exemptions and definitions, considering as well the Provincial Speculation Tax definitions;
- ii. data on how many empty and under-utilized properties have been returned to the market as long-term rental homes;

- iii. recommendations on the ability of the City and mechanisms the City can use to track how many properties are made available for long-term rental;
- iv. a proposed timeline to provide information on the potential impact of increasing the Empty Homes Tax rate including program benefits and potential drawbacks; and
- v. recommendations for public consultation and further internal analysis.

AND FURTHER THAT in the next report back on the Empty Homes Tax, staff include options for creative use of vacant land, including but not limited to tiny homes or temporary homes.

6. Persian New Year

At the Regular Council meeting on January 29, 2019, Vancouver City Council referred the following Motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on January 30, 2019, in order to hear from speakers.

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

At 9:49 pm, it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the Committee extend the meeting in order to complete item 6.

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Bligh and Hardwick absent for the vote)*

*MOVED by Councillor Swanson
THAT the Committee recommend to Council*

WHEREAS

1. Nowruz is the celebration of Spring Equinox, marking the beginning of the year for hundreds of millions of people worldwide, celebrated in more than 15 countries from Eastern Europe to Central and South Asia, is a public holiday in over 10 countries, and included in the UNESCO List of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity;
2. In 2009, the Parliament of Canada passed a bill to officially add Nowruz to the national calendar of Canada, and the province of British Columbia proclaimed March 20 as the day of Nowruz in B.C.;
3. Nowruz is a holiday that is about connecting people of diverse cultures and backgrounds with nature, and Vancouver is proud of its diversity and its connection to nature;
4. Iran is in the top ten countries that send immigrants to Vancouver, and Persian is in the top ten non-official languages that Vancouverites speak.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver add Nowruz, the Persian New Year, to its official celebrations and observations calendar.
- B. THAT the City reaches out to the Persian community and collaborates to hold a brief mid-day Nowruz celebration on or around March 20 at City Hall, with participation from Mayor and Council.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT A be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “on the City’s website and” be inserted after the word “observations” and the wording “with information about the historical and cultural significance of the event” be inserted after the word “calendar.”

FURTHER THAT B be amended as follows:

THAT the wording “FURTHER THAT Council affirm annual support for Nowruz, as outlined in the City’s policy for official observances and celebrations, and to consider the possibility of supporting an annual, public and age-friendly celebration in the future” be inserted as separate line item.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 3891)
(Councillors Bligh and Hardwick absent for the vote)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with Councillors Bligh and Hardwick absent for the vote. (Vote No. 3892)

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver add Nowruz, the Persian New Year, to its official celebrations and observations on the City’s website and calendar with information about the historical and cultural significance of this event.
- B. THAT the City reaches out to the Persian community and collaborates to hold a brief mid-day Nowruz celebration on or around March 20 at City Hall, with participation from Mayor and Council.

FURTHER THAT Council affirm annual support for Nowruz, as outlined in the City’s policy for official observances and celebrations, and to consider the possibility of supporting an annual, public and age-friendly celebration in the future.

The Committee adjourned at 10:31 pm.

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

JANUARY 30, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, January 30, 2019, at 10:32 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.

PRESENT: Mayor Kennedy Stewart
Councillor Christine Boyle
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Melissa De Genova
Councillor Lisa Dominato
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung
Councillor Jean Swanson
Councillor Michael Wiebe

ABSENT Councillor Rebecca Bligh
Councillor Colleen Hardwick (Medical Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk
Irina Dragnea, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, January 30, 2019

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

1. Rapid Transit from Arbutus Street to UBC
2. Potential Granville Bridge Connector – Public Engagement
3. 800 Robson Plaza Update
4. 737 Dunsmuir Street, Fourth Floor – Holt, Renfrew & Cie, Limitee (The Apartment)
Liquor Primary Liquor Licence and Outdoor Patio Application
Liquor Establishment Class 1 (Venue)
5. Improving Effectiveness of the Empty Homes Tax
6. Persian New Year

Items 1 to 6

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting of January 30, 2019, as contained in items 1 to 6, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Dominato
SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 10:33 pm.

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