

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 2, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at 9:30 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Kennedy Stewart

Councillor Rebecca Bligh 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 Colleen Hardwick (Medical Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

Paul Mochrie, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Katrina Leckovic, City Clerk

Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Mayor 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.

PRESENTATION – Captain Steve Letourneau – 35 Year Service Medal

Mayor Stewart presented Captain Steve Letourneau, Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services, with a 35 Year Service Medal and Certificate. Captain Letourneau said a few words, and Fire Chief Darrell Reid, Vancouver Fire Rescue Services, and Rob Weeks, President Vancouver Firefighters Union Local 18, thanked Captain Letourneau for his leadership and service over the length of his career.

VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT when Council considers "Motions on Notice" today, Motion on Notice 5 (Review of SNC-Lavalin Relationship with the City of Vancouver) be dealt with first.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

IN CAMERA MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Bligh SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Council will go into meetings later this week which are closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the *Vancouver Charter*, to discuss matters related to paragraphs:

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the city or another position appointed by the city:
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council (Policy and Strategic Priorities) – February 27, March 5 and 6, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting of February 27, March 5 and 6, 2019, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Special Council (City-wide Plan Scoping Workshop) – March 9, 2019

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council meeting for the City-wide Plan Scoping Workshop of March 9, 2019, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council – March 12, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Dominato SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 12, 2019, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Public Hearing – March 12, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing of March 12, 2019, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Regular Council (City Finance and Services) – March 13 and 14, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council meeting following the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting of March 13 and 14, 2019, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

The Mayor advised a revised Administrative Report 3 had been circulated with language changed to match the City's "Diversity of Advisory Bodies Policy".

MOVED by Councillor Bligh SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports 1 and 3 to 6 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. Housing Vancouver Annual Progress Report and Data Book

Dan Garrison, Assistant Director of Housing Policy and Regulation, and Jessie Singer, Housing Policy, presented the Housing Vancouver annual progress report and data book, including an overview of the strategy, progress towards targets, new measures and partnerships and current implementation actions. They, along with Abi Bond, Managing Director of

Homelessness Services and Affordable Housing Programs, and Edna Cho, Senior Housing Planner, responded to questions.

Councillor Carr requested a memo from staff, prior to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Annual Convention in June, regarding the role Council can play in the lead up to a federal election in terms of incentives to build rental housing. She suggested the FCM convention could be an opportunity for members to discuss consolidation of effort around the election.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Public Art Programming Partnership at "Offsite" March 21, 2019

THAT Council authorize Cultural Services to draw annual payments of \$160,000 for the next five years from the Georgia Street (Shangri-La) Public Art Reserve to fund 2019-2023 operations of "Offsite," a program of temporary artworks at a dedicated public art site on the 1100 block of West Georgia Street, on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services and the Managing Director of Cultural Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 04249)

2. 2018 Statement of Financial Information March 19, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

- A. THAT Council approve the 2018 Statement of Financial Information for filing with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing pursuant to the Financial Information Act.
- B. THAT Council receive for information the portion of the 2018 Statement of Financial Information which represents the report of the City's auditors on the 2018 financial statements of the City pursuant to Section 231 of the Vancouver Charter.
- C. THAT Council receive for consideration the portion of the 2018 Statement of Financial Information as it pertains to the remuneration and expenses of Council members pursuant to Section 196A of the Vancouver Charter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04250)

3. Neighbourhood Energy Expert Panel March 15, 2019

THAT Council approve the amended Terms of Reference for the Neighbourhood Energy Expert Panel (referred to in the Administrative Report dated March 15, 2019, entitled "Neighbourhood Energy Expert Panel" as the "Expert Panel"), to:

i. ensure that Expert Panel membership aligns with Council approved diversity targets for advisory bodies;

- ii. provide clarity on term lengths for Expert Panel member appointments;
- iii. increase the number of Expert Panel members from three to four;
- iv. provide greater clarity regarding the Expert Panel member appointment process; and
- v. adopt miscellaneous house-keeping amendments to ensure that the Terms of Reference remain current and are consistent with the City's approach for deploying and enabling development of low carbon neighbourhood energy systems.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 04251)

4. Appointment of Screening Officer I and II for Enforcement of the Drinking Water Conservation By-law January 24, 2019

- A. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment amendments to the By-law Notice Enforcement By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated January 24, 2019, entitled "Appointment of Screening Officer I and II for Enforcement of the Drinking Water Conservation By-law", in order to facilitate the administration of the Drinking Water Conservation By-law.
- B. THAT Council approve the revised Screening Officer Policy set out in Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated January 24, 2019, entitled "Appointment of Screening Officer I and II for Enforcement of the Drinking Water Conservation By-law", to become effective upon enactment of the by-law referred to in A above.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 04253)

5. Business Licence/Chauffeur's Permit Hearing Panels - June to December 2019 March 12, 2019

THAT Council delegate the holding of hearings under Section 275 or 278, or appeals under Sections 277 of the Vancouver Charter or under Section 36(7) of the Motor Vehicle Act, for those hearing dates designated by Council to a panel of three Council Members as follows, in 2019:

June 18 - 6:00 pm

Councillor Carr - Chair Councillor Boyle Councillor Hardwick Councillor Kirby-Yung – Alternate

June 19 - 9:30 am

Councillor Wiebe – Chair Councillor Dominato

Councillor Swanson Councillor Bligh – Alternate

July 16 - 9:30 am

Councillor Kirby-Yung – Chair Councillor Fry Councillor Hardwick Councillor Boyle – Alternate

July 17 - 9:30 am

Councillor Bligh – Chair Councillor Swanson Councillor Wiebe Councillor De Genova – Alternate

September 17 – 9:30 am

Councillor Hardwick – Chair Councillor Boyle Councillor Fry Councillor Carr – Alternate

September 18 – 6:00 pm

Councillor Dominato – Chair Councillor De Genova Councillor Hardwick Councillor Bligh – Alternate

October 8 - 9:30 am

Councillor Fry – Chair Councillor Carr Councillor Wiebe Councillor Kirby-Yung – Alternate

October 9 - 9:30 am

Councillor Kirby-Yung – Chair Councillor Dominato Councillor Fry Councillor Swanson – Alternate

November 19 – 6:00 pm

Councillor Swanson – Chair Councillor Bligh Councillor Hardwick Councillor Kirby-Yung – Alternate

November 20 - 9:30 am

Councillor Wiebe – Chair Councillor Boyle Councillor De Genova Councillor Carr – Alternate

Should any of the above members of Council be unable to attend the hearings, the hearings and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings will be delegated to the remaining two Councillors and alternate Councillor.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 02454)

- 6. Annual Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) and Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) Membership Fees for 2019 to 2020 March 8, 2019
 - A. THAT grants to the following organizations for the 2019 to 2020 membership fees be approved; the source of funds from the 2019 Operating Budget:
 - (a) Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) \$ 96,608.47
 - (b) Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) \$55,088.10
 - (c) Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) \$ 7,100.00* (* approximate)
 - B. THAT a grant to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) be approved in the amount of \$42,800.00 representing an optional contribution to "Special Advocacy Fund Contribution", to support FCM in building tools and resources in advance of the next Federal election.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Vote No. 04256)

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At 11:55 am it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Council recess and reconvene at 3 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

Council recessed at 11:55 am and reconvened at 3:22 pm.

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7. City Sponsorship Policy March 2, 2019

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

- A. THAT Council approve the City Sponsorship Policy attached as Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated March 2, 2019, entitled "City Sponsorship Policy".
- B. THAT, in order to align with the City Sponsorship Policy, Council approve the consequential amendments highlighted or set out in:
 - i. the Procurement Policy attached as Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated March 2, 2019, entitled "City Sponsorship Policy"; and
 - ii. the Operating Budget Policy attached as Appendix C of the above-noted report.
- C. THAT, if Council approves Recommendations A and B,
 - The attached City Sponsorship Policy and amendments to the Procurement Policy and Operating Budget Policy (the "Policies") are effective immediately;
 - ii. The Deputy City Manager provide copies of the Policies to the Park Board, Police Board, Library Board and the City's affiliates for consideration;
 - iii. The City Manager, Director of Finance, and City Solicitor be authorized to make all such administrative amendments and modifications as are considered appropriate from time to time to the Policies to reflect changes in organizational structure or staff titles, to incorporate the policies of the Library, Police, Park Board and City Affiliates that may be adopted by them from time to time to better align with the City's Policies, and any other elements of the Policies other than the elements which legally delegate authority reserved to Council from Council to staff.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to provide a report back to Council including a list of participants and the impact of the City Sponsorship Policy in Q2 2020.

amended/referred

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle SECONDED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the following be added as E:

THAT the following be added to Section 6.2 of Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated March 2, 2019, entitled "City Sponsorship Policy":

- Fossil fuel corporations
- Pharmaceutical corporations

So that Section 6.2 would read:

- 6.2 Any person or party that engages in the following business is ineligible to be a Sponsor:
 - a. producing, distributing or selling products and services that may be considered harmful to the health of the target audience such as gaming, tobacco, liquor or cannabis unless explicitly authorized by the City Manager, or
 - b. manufacturing of armaments and weapons, or
 - c. producing and selling pornography, or illegal sexual services, or
 - d. any other categories as reasonably determined by the City Manager;
 - e. Fossil fuel corporations
 - f. Pharmaceutical corporations

CARRIED (Vote No. 04241)

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

At 3:56 pm, Councillor De Genova rose on a point of order to enquire if legal advice would be required before proceeding. The City Manager responded, noting that it is up to Council to choose the kinds of companies and organizations that the City partners with. He also advised that the proposed sponsorship policy is in alignment with the existing procurement policy.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the following be added as F:

THAT the following be added to Section 6.2 of Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated March 2, 2019, entitled "City Sponsorship Policy":

• large property owners, developers, organizations, and corporations that stand to derive financial benefit from rezonings and/or dealing with the City.

amended/referred

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the word "organizations" and the phrase "and/or dealing with the City" be deleted from the amendment so that the amendment would read:

 large property owners, developers, and corporations that stand to derive financial benefit from rezonings

So that, Section 6.2 of Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated March 2, 2019, entitled "City Sponsorship Policy" would read:

- Any person or party that engages in the following business is ineligible to be a Sponsor:
 - a. producing, distributing or selling products and services that may be considered harmful to the health of the target audience such as gaming, tobacco, liquor or cannabis unless explicitly authorized by the City Manager, or
 - b. manufacturing of armaments and weapons, or
 - c. producing and selling pornography, or illegal sexual services, or
 - d. any other categories as reasonably determined by the City Manager;
 - e. Fossil fuel corporations;
 - f. Pharmaceutical corporations;
 - g. large property owners, developers, and corporations that stand to derive financial benefit from rezonings.

CARRIED (Vote No. 04242)
(Councillors Bligh, Dominato, De Genova and Kirby-Yung opposed)
(Councillor Fry abstained from 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."

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the report and pending amendments be referred to staff to provide information on how the pending amendments will affect the implementation of the proposed sponsorship policy.

CARRIED (Vote No. 04243) (Councillors Boyle, Swanson, and Mayor Stewart opposed)

BY-LAWS

Councillors Bligh and De Genova advised they had reviewed the proceedings of the meeting related to by-laws 2 to 5, and would be voting on the enactments.

Councillors Bligh, Boyle, Fry, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart advised they had reviewed the proceedings of the meeting related to by-law 8 and would be voting on the enactment.

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council, except for those members ineligible to vote as noted below, enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 9 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 1. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 3070 Kingsway (By-law No. 12399)
- 2. A By-law to amend CD-1 (624) By-law No. 11481 (formerly 3680-3684 East 22nd Avenue) (By-law No. 12400)
- 3. A By-law to amend CD-1 (696) By-law No. 12105 (500-650 West 57th Avenue Pearson Dogwood) (By-law No. 12401)
- 4. A By-law to amend CD-1 (531) By-law No. 10482 (103-127 West 2nd Avenue and 1753-1791 Manitoba Street, and 165-195 West 2nd Avenue and 1778 Columbia Street) (By-law No. 12402)
- 5. A By-law to amend CD-1 (588) By-law No. 11107 (1229-1289 Hornby Street) (By-law No. 12403)
- 6. A By-law to amend Street and Traffic By-law No. 2849 regarding Parking Permits for Long-Term West End Residents (By-law No. 12404)
- 7. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 8599 Oak Street (By-law No. 12405)
- 8. A By-law to amend the Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (8615 Laurel Street) (By-law No. 12406) (Councillors Dominato, Kirby-Yung, and Swanson ineligible for the vote)
- 9. A By-law to amend Parking By-law No. 6059 (601 West Hastings Street) (By-law No. 12407)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. Approval of Form of Development – 1296 West Broadway

Councillor Kirby-Yung requested clarification on Administrative Motion 1 as Council was in receipt of correspondence related to this address. The City Manager responded, noting this motion is part of the approval process for the previously-approved 16 storey tower, and no further applications for this site had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 1296 West Broadway (2538 Birch Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2018-00425, prepared by Martin Bruckner of IBI Group, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on October 26, 2018, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of Form of Development – 3350 East Kent Avenue South (EFL Parcel 27)

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as East Fraser Lands Waterfront Precinct (3350 East Kent Avenue South being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2018-00190, prepared by Bryce Rositch of Rositch Hemphill Architects, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on September 18, 2018, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Approval of form of Development – 8605 Laurel Street

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 8605 Laurel Street be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2018-00173, prepared by Sandra Wood of Birmingham and Wood Architecture, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on March 11, 2018, provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Motions on Notice

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MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT under section 6.8 of the Procedure By-law, Council suspend rule 10.6 of the Procedure By-law to allow members two minutes to introduce motions and one minute to ask questions of the mover.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

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Earlier in the meeting, Council agreed to deal with Motion on Notice 5 first. For ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in numerical order.

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1. Request for Leave of Absence

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT Councillor Boyle be granted a Leave of Absence for Civic Business, from any meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04261)

2. Support for Legal Aid

MOVED by Councillor Swanson SECONDED by Councillor Carr

WHEREAS

- 1. Legal aid is an essential service which provides people who are marginalized, vulnerable and poor with access to justice;
- Legal Aid has been chronically underfunded for over 25 years; rates haven't increased since 2006 and BC ranks 10 out of the 12 provinces and territories in per-capita legal aid funding;
- 3. This underfunding has made it very difficult for the marginalized, vulnerable and poor to get legal assistance from a lawyer;
- Many studies and reports, including those commissioned by Government, have noted the serious consequences for society by the continued chronic underfunding of Legal Aid;

- 5. While both men and women have been negatively impacted by the cuts, services that were most accessed by women, such as family law and poverty law, were cut the deepest; without proper legal representation, they are losing custody of their children, giving up valid legal rights to support, and being subjected to harassment through the courts;
- 6. Underfunding legal aid is bad fiscal policy. Existing research shows that increased funding for legal assistance programs actually saves money, by making the system more efficient and reducing the burden of health care, mental health and social welfare costs:
- Access and rights to justice are fundamental to Reconciliation efforts, recognizing that Indigenous persons are disproportionately over represented in the justice system;
- 8. The Association of Legal Aid Lawyers has been attempting to negotiate appropriate levels of funding for Legal Aid;
- 9. Over 590 members of the Association of Legal Aid Lawyers voted overwhelmingly (97%) to withdraw services on April 1, 2019, to protest the intolerable levels of funding.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver recognizes that legal aid is an essential public service that provides legal representation to the most vulnerable, marginalized and impoverished members of our city and that the chronic underfunding of legal aid has led to a serious inequality in the delivery of legal services in our communities.
- B. THAT the City of Vancouver believes that lack of legal aid funding is unacceptable in a province as rich as ours. Many British Columbians face loss of liberty, homelessness or lose custody of their children when they do not have access to representation.
- C. THAT the City of Vancouver believes the current system puts vulnerable people mothers fleeing abusive relationships, employees seeking fair treatment, tenants facing eviction at an extreme disadvantage. Those impacted most are our mothers, sisters, children and grandparents.
- D. THAT the City of Vancouver encourages the Province of British Columbia to resolve this matter with the Association of Legal Aid Lawyers.

referred

Mayor Stewart advised requests to speak had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Boyle SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the motion "Support for Adequate Funding for Legal Aid" be referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Strategic Priorities meeting on April 3, 2019, in order to hear from speakers, starting at 3 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04244)

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At 5 pm it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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3. Shore to Shore Greenways Plan

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe SECONDED by Councillor Carr

WHEREAS

- Greenways connect our communities, schools, parks, green space, waterways and natural areas with vibrant natural corridors. These connections provide many benefits, including increasing the urban forest, reducing urban heat, increasing biodiversity of plants and animals, providing pollinator and bird corridors, and connecting us to each other and to active and safe ways of moving around the city;
- 2. The City of Vancouver's Greenest City 2020 Action Plan has two key targets: to ensure every person lives within a 5 minute walk of a park, greenway or other green space and to increase the urban forest canopy cover to 22% by 2050;
- 3. The Vancouver Park Board's Biodiversity Strategy has a target to restore or enhance 25ha of natural areas by 2020 with an emphasis on connecting habitats for biodiverse plants and animals;
- 4. The Vancouver Park Board's Parks and Recreation Services Master Plan set 10 goals to shape the next 25 years. Goal 6 is to "create a green network that will connect our parks, waterfront and recreation areas" and includes a draft concept for an interconnected green network;
- 5. The Vancouver School Board approved the first ever Environmental Sustainability Plan in 2019 to promote outdoor learning, access to nature and active transportation;

- 6. Local municipalities in Metro Vancouver are developing innovative greenway plans and projects. For example, the City of North Vancouver developed The Green Necklace, a greenway that forms a 7.5 KM loop linking parks, public spaces and elementary schools;
- 7. The Metro Vancouver Regional Greenways update was endorsed in 2019 and is currently in its planning process. Metro Vancouver's Connecting The Dots:

 Regional Green Infrastructure Network Resource Guide aims to develop a regional network that connects green infrastructure for people and animals; and
- 8. Infrastructure Canada will deliver \$3.917 Billion through a bilateral agreement with the Province of British Columbia under four funding streams, including green infrastructure, over the next ten years. The City of Vancouver has an opportunity to apply for new funding for major greenway projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to report back with a scope of work for the development of Vancouver's Shore to Shore Greenways Plan that;

- i. Refreshes the 1995 Vancouver Greenways Plan with a new collaborative action plan for the planning, protection and expansion of greenways;
- ii. Integrates the plan within the Citywide Plan and the Greenest City 2020 Action Plan 2.0 and aligns it with other relevant City policies, plans and strategies;
- iii. Includes research of current and future projects, a long-term greenway map and prioritized strategies for collaborating with key groups and governments who share responsibility for local greenways to complete important connections, such as Senákw to cesnarem, Queen Elizabeth Park to Van Dusen, False Creek to Trout Lake, The Ridgeway Greenway, Still Creek Regional connection, Experience the Fraser River Path, Eastside Crosscut, and Hastings Creek;
- iv. Clarifies the roles of the City of Vancouver, the Vancouver Park Board,
 Metro Vancouver and the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations
 in the service delivery of greenways and the centralization, resourcing and
 coordination of staff.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04252)

4. Making the Case for Housing All People Counted as Homeless in Shelters or on the Street

MOVED by Councillor Swanson SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

WHEREAS

- 1. People who are homeless have about half the life expectancy of housed people;
- 2. Studies show that it's cheaper to house people who are homeless than to provide services to them on the street;

- 3. We now have a successful model (through the Modular Housing Program) for quickly housing street and sheltered homeless people;
- 4. Modular housing doesn't have to be temporary if it is built with a foundation;
- 5. The dramatic increase in homelessness has occurred since the Federal Government reduced its support for the National Housing Program in the 1990's;
- 6. Vancouver spends millions of dollars trying to help, move, house, and respond to complaints about people who are homeless.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct City of Vancouver staff to develop a human and business case for the Federal and Provincial governments to increase and co-ordinate delivery of social housing to house people who are homeless and people at risk of homelessness. The business case should demonstrate the direct costs incurred by all three levels of government to deal with homelessness in Vancouver and Metro Vancouver (depending on scope of research), versus the capital and operating funding required to build permanent housing for all the counted people who are homeless and for people at risk of homelessness.
- B. THAT the business case includes the amount of funding (capital and operating grants, excluding financing) that the Federal and Provincial governments have provided for housing people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness over the last two year and the annual direct cost of homelessness to the City of Vancouver (outreach, street/engineering, park rangers, shelters, warming centres, grants to non-profits to make housing affordable for low income people, DCL exemptions and waivers for social, supportive and rental housing, value of CAC's, density bonusing and inclusionary zoning attributable to housing for people who are homeless, City land, foregone property taxes, etc.) and the Metro Region (depending on scope), versus the capital and operating funding required to build permanent housing (which could be modular) for all the counted people who are homeless and people at risk of homelessness.
- C. THAT the business case be presented to the Federal government by the end of June, 2019 to allow for maximum impact on election platforms along with requests to the Federal and Provincial governments for the funds required to house all people who are counted as homeless and people at risk of homelessness in Vancouver and (if within scope) the Metro Region.
- D. THAT the business case outlined above be made public.
- E. THAT staff be asked to consult with modular housing residents and people who are homeless and groups they belong to, in order to make the human case.
- F. THAT if there is not currently the staff capacity to complete this work, that Council direct staff to procure an outside consultant to prepare the business case.

referred

Mayor Stewart advised requests to speak had been received.

MOVED by Councillor Swanson SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the motion "Making the Case for Housing All people Counted as Homeless in Shelters or on the Street" be referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Strategic Priorities meeting on April 3, 2019, in order to hear from speakers, following the previously-referred motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04254)

5. Review of SNC-Lavalin Relationship with the City of Vancouver

Council agreed to place this motion on the next Regular Council meeting agenda on April 23, 2019.

6. Re-conceptualizing the City's Rental 100 Program

MOVED by Councillor Swanson SECONDED by Councillor Fry

WHEREAS

- 1. The goal of the Rental 100 program, in place since 2012, has been to provide more affordable housing for Vancouver residents;
- 2. The City of Vancouver's "10 Year Affordable Housing Delivery and Financial Strategy," states that "the City has been successful in increasing housing options for renter households (both individuals and families) earning \$50,000 to \$150,000/year. While this increased supply in rental housing has been welcome and has addressed the needs of many middle income households, the level of affordability that can be delivered in market rental homes continues to be a challenge for households in the lower-income bands. This includes families and individuals earning less than \$50,000/year, individuals who are currently homeless and those who are at risk of homelessness living in inadequate and unsafe conditions":
- There is growing concern that housing created under the Rental 100 program is not affordable enough to meet the needs of Vancouver renters, due in part to rules that allow owners to raise rents without limit after the first tenant leaves and because initial rents are high;
- Preservation of existing rental stock has been identified as an important part of addressing the City's housing affordability issues and protecting tenants, as outlined in the February 27, 2019, report to Council: Renter Protection Work Program;
- 5. The City now has the ability to zone for rental only so we don't need incentives for rental construction as a way of preventing condo construction.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to include in their Winter 2019 report back on Rental 100 and related matters:
 - i. How to use rental only zoning to incentivize rental construction that truly meets the needs of low and middle income renters; and
 - ii. How to stop incentivizing demovictions by excluding from incentive programs new rentals that demolish existing affordable rentals.
- B. THAT current applicants to the Rental 100 program and those who inquire about it be alerted to the current Rental Incentive Review underway and "Changing Vancouver's Housing By-laws, Policies and Budgets to Achieve Real Housing Affordability" motion passed February 26, 2019 in order to reduce the possibility of incurring unintended harm during this time of transition with a newly elected City Council.
- C. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment an amendment to the Vancouver Development Cost Levy By-law and the Area Specific Development Cost Levy By-law that would suspend, as soon as possible, the development cost levy waiver for for-profit rental housing until a thorough review of the Rental 100 program can be undertaken.

referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT Council refer the motion "Re-conceptualizing the City's Rental 100 Program" to staff;

FURTHER THAT STAFF explore, address and include any potential outcomes and/or recommendations in a Housing Update Policy Report to Council in 2019.

FURTHER THAT staff consult with stakeholders, including applicants who have made inquiries, submitted pre-applications or applications, and request information on how changing incentives in policy for purpose-built rental may affect the viability of their project(s) and ability to deliver affordable housing in the City of Vancouver.

withdrawn

AMENDMENT TO THE REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the following be added to the reports back requested in the referral:

THAT the report/s back on the full review that is currently underway on the City's rental incentive programs by staff include the use of the DCL waiver for market rental housing projects, and,

THAT the report/s back include external third-party analysis of the impact changing or ceasing DCL waivers might have on secured marketing rental housing stock availability and affordability.

THAT the report/s back include potential policy amendments or new policy recommendations and alternatives, that would support addressing Vancouver's low vacancy rate, greater availability of units targeted to lower and middle income levels, as well as strategies for minimizing the impact on or transitioning existing affordable rental units.

withdrawn

Following discussion, Councillor Kirby-Yung requested to withdraw her amendment to the referral, and Councillor De Genova requested to withdraw her motion to refer. Council agreed to withdraw both.

Mayor Stewart advised requests to speak had been received.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the motion "Re-conceptualizing the City's Rental 100 Program" be referred to the Standing Committee on Planning and Strategic Priorities meeting on April 3, 2019, in order to hear from speakers, following the previously-referred motions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04245)

NOTICE OF MOTION

1. Supporting the Ban on Shark Fin Importation Act Bill S238

Councillor Kirby-Yung submitted a Notice of Motion on the above-noted matter. The motion will be placed on the April 23, 2019, Regular Council agenda as a Motion on Notice.

2. Endorsing the District of Squamish's LMLGA Motion "Ramping Up Lower Mainland BC Climate Action in Response to the Climate Emergency"

Councillor Boyle submitted a Notice of Motion on the above-noted matter. The motion will be placed on the April 23, 2019, Regular Council agenda as a Motion on Notice.

3. Safer Slower Streets: 30 Km/h Residential Street Pilot

Councillor Fry submitted a Notice of Motion on the above-noted matter. The motion will be placed on the April 23, 2019, Regular Council agenda as a Motion on Notice.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Leave of Absence

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT Councillor Dominato be granted leave of absence for Civic Business for any meetings to be held April 11, 2019, between 3 pm and 5 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04263)

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Opioid Task Force Update

Councillor Bligh requested an update to the commitment with the Opioid Task Force. Mayor Stewart agreed to send an update by email.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council adjourned at 5:38 pm.

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