REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities was held on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at 9:41 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT:
Councillor Adriane Carr, Chair
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*

ABSENT:
Mayor Kennedy Stewart (Leave of Absence – Civic Business)
Councillor Rebecca Bligh (Leave of Absence – Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE:
Sadhu Johnston, City Manager
Paul Mochrie, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE:
Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk
Tina Penney, Deputy City Clerk
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 and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

The Chair also recognized the immense contributions of the City of Vancouver’s staff who work hard every day to help make our city an incredible place to live, work, and play.

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Prior to considering the agenda items, the Chair reminded the Committee of the meeting procedures pilot project approved earlier this year and subsequently extended into the Fall.
MOVED by Councillor Dominato
SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT, under Section 6.8 of the Procedure By-law, the Committee suspend rules 13.8 and 13.9 of the Procedure By-law. Suspending rule 13.8 will permit members of the public up to three minutes to address the Committee, and suspending rule 13.9 will permit Committee members up to three minutes to ask questions of speakers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Kirby-Yung and Wiebe absent for the vote)

MOVED by Councillor Boyle
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT, under Section 6.8 of the Procedure By-law, the Committee suspend rule 10.6 of the Procedure By-law, to provide Council members with two minutes to introduce their motion and one minute each to ask clarifying questions of the mover of a Member’s Motion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Kirby-Yung and Wiebe absent for the vote)

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MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council adopt Items 1, 3 and 4 on consent.

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

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VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council vary the agenda in order to begin hearing speakers on Item 5 - Deterring and Preventing the Distribution and Sale of Psilocybin Mushrooms and/or Other Illicit or Controlled Drugs Unlawfully Sold in the City of Vancouver, at 6 pm this evening.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillor Wiebe absent for the vote)

For clarity, the Minutes are recorded in chronological order.

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1. Contract Award for Base Building Upgrades and Tenant Improvements for 2780 East Broadway
   August 29, 2019

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

   A. THAT Council authorize City staff to enter into a contract with Jacob Bros.
      Construction Inc., for construction services to complete base building upgrades
      and tenant improvements for 2780 East Broadway, for a term of approximately
      one (1) year, with an estimated contract value of $10,166,500.00 plus GST over
      the term of the project to be funded through the 2019 Property Endowment Fund
      Capital budget.

   B. THAT the Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer and General
      Manager of Real Estate and Facilities Management be authorized to execute on
      behalf of the City the contract contemplated by A above.

   C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council’s adoption of
      A and B above unless and until such contract is executed by the authorized
      signatories of the City.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 04858)
(Councillors Kirby-Yung and Wiebe absent for the vote)

2. 2020 Fee Increases for Rezoning, Development, Building, and other related
permits
   August 16, 2019

The City Manager, along with the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and
Sustainability; the Director of Strategic Operations, Planning & Program Management,
Development, Buildings & Licensing; and staff from Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability,
responded to questions.

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During questions to staff, it was

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Hardwick

   THAT, under Section 6.8 of the Procedure By-law, Council suspend Section 6.6(c) to
   allow Council members an additional five minutes of questions.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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MOVED by Councillor Fry
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

A. THAT Council approve, in principle, the adjustment of fees for development, construction and other related matters generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated August 16, 2019, entitled “2020 Fee Increases for Rezoning, Development, Building, and other related permits”.

B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment the necessary amendments to the Building By-law No.12511, Electrical By-law No. 5563, Gas Fitting By-law No. 3507, Miscellaneous Fees By-law No. 5664, Noise Control By-law No. 6555, Protection of Trees By-law No. 9958, Secondary Suites Inspection By-law No. 6553, Sign Fee By-law No. 11880, Subdivision By-law No. 5208; and Zoning and Development Fee By-law No. 5585, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated August 16, 2019, entitled “2020 Fee Increases for Rezoning, Development, Building, and other related permits”, to be effective January 1, 2020.

C. THAT the Director of Strategic Operations, Planning and Program Management - Development, Buildings and Licensing; General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability; and General Manager of Engineering Services be directed to advise the development and building community of the Rezoning, Development and Building Permit fee changes.

carried

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Administrative Report dated August 16, 2019, entitled “2020 Fee Increases for Rezoning, Development, Building and other Related permits”, be referred to a future meeting this Fall, prior to Council’s consideration of the draft 2020 Budget, in order for staff to provide further information on the status of the Regulatory Redesign Project, as well as the inter-department alignment initiative, in order to increase service efficacy to the public.

LOST (Vote No. 04855)
(Councillor Boyle, Carr, De Genova, Fry, Swanson and Wiebe opposed)

The referral having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 04856) with Councillors Hardwick and Kirby-Yung opposed.

3. 2020 Licence Fee Increase Report
   August 23, 2019

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

A. THAT Council approve in principle amendments to the License By-Law No. 4450 to increase business licence fees generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated August 23, 2019, entitled “2020 Licence Fee Increase Report”, to be effective January 1, 2020;
FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for enactment the necessary amendments to the License By-law No. 4450 generally in accordance with the by-law attached as Appendix A to the above-noted Administrative Report.

B. THAT Council approve in principle amendments to the Animal Control By-law No. 9150 to increase dog licence and animal control service fees generally in accordance with Appendix B of the Administrative Report dated August 23, 2019, entitled “2020 Licence Fee Increase Report”, to be effective January 1, 2020;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for enactment the necessary amendments to the Animal Control By-law No. 9150 generally in accordance with the by-law attached as Appendix B to the above-noted Administrative Report.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 04859)
(Councillors Kirby-Yung and Wiebe absent for the vote)

4. 5805 Wales Street: Amendment to Parking By-law
August 27, 2019

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve an amendment to Schedule C of the Parking By-law to remove the provisions for 5805 Wales Street, CD-1 (619);

FURTHER THAT, if Council approves the amendment, the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated August 27, 2019, entitled “5805 Wales Street: Amendment to Parking By-law”.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 04860)
(Councillors Kirby-Yung and Wiebe absent for the vote)

6. Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture - Vancouver Culture Plan 2020-2029

- Creative City Strategy
- Vancouver Music Strategy
- Making Space for Arts & Culture

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, Council heard from speakers on this matter and referred discussion and decision to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.

The General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services, along with the Managing Director of Cultural Services, and staff from Cultural Services, responded to questions.
At 11:59 am, it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the meeting be extended to complete the business for Item 6.

CARRIED AND BY THE
REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Swanson and Wiebe opposed)

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

A. THAT Council adopt the vision, principles, core commitments, and objectives of Vancouver’s next 10-year culture plan, currently named Creative City Strategy, including Making Space for Arts and Culture, and the Vancouver Music Strategy, and adopt this suite of policy work as Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture, generally as described in the Administrative Report dated August 13, 2019, entitled “Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture - Vancouver Culture Plan 2020-2029”, and as outlined in Appendices A, C, D, and E of the above-noted Administrative Report.

B. THAT, subject to approval of A above, Council approve the framework for phased implementation of Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture, as outlined in the Administrative Report dated August 13, 2019, entitled “Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture - Vancouver Culture Plan 2020-2029”, and in Appendices A, C, D, and E of the above-noted Administrative Report.

C. THAT staff further initiate tasks to implement the strategies, program directions, and actions; the funding requirements, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the Administrative Report dated August 13, 2019, entitled “Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture - Vancouver Culture Plan 2020-2029”, to be considered as part of the 2020 and subsequent year annual operating budget processes.

D. THAT, subject to approval of A to C above, Council direct staff to:

i. Integrate the ten year city-wide targets for affordable arts and cultural spaces and priorities as identified in Appendix D (Making Space for Arts and Culture) of the Administrative Report dated August 13, 2019, entitled “Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture - Vancouver Culture Plan 2020-2029”, into policy, public benefit strategies and the city-wide plan, and report back to Council on the delivery and financial strategy including innovative approaches and strategic partnerships, and alignment with senior levels of government, non-profit and the private sector in the fall of 2020; and,
ii. Repurpose the existing interest bearing Cultural Precinct Reserve as the Cultural Spaces Reserve to support large scale community led cultural space projects to research, plan, develop, and acquire affordable cultural space with the current balance of $4.8 million and future funding from development contributions allocated to support cultural infrastructure as part of area plan public benefit strategies.

E. THAT, subject to approval of A to D above, Council direct staff to report back in 2023 on progress of Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture and delivery of Phase 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04857)
(Councillor Hardwick 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.”

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The Committee recessed at 12:07 pm and reconvened at 2:16 pm.

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CONDOLENCES

The Chair, on behalf of Council, expressed condolences to the family and friends of former Councillor BC Lee, who passed away earlier in the day.

7. **Review of Remuneration of Members of Council and Park Board**

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.

The City Manager and Deputy City Manager responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Dominato
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT, in accordance with prior Council direction calling for a review of remuneration for elected officials in 2019, Council direct staff to contract with a qualified independent consultant to deliver an updated comparison of remuneration levels for the Mayor, Councillors, Park Board Chair and Park Board Commissioners based on a relevant sample of comparator elected bodies.

CARRIED (Vote No. 04861)
(Councillors Boyle, Dominato and Hardwick opposed)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)
8. **Approval of Form of Development – 4238 Cambie Street**

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.

MOVED by Councillor Fry
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 4238 – 4262 Cambie (4238 Cambie Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2018-00505, prepared by Rafii Architects Inc., and stamped “Received, Development Services”, on June 13, 2019, 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 (Vote No. 04862)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)


At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.

MOVED by Councillor Dominato
THAT the Committee recommend to Council


CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04863)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)
10. Approval of Form of Development – 5718 Willow Street

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.

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

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 5718 Willow Street be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2019-00201, prepared by Alex Percy of Acton Ostry Architects Inc., and stamped “Received, Community Services, Development Services”, on April 1, 2019, 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 (Vote No. 04864)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

11. Approval of Form of Development – 2109 East Hastings Street (368 Lakewood Drive)

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.

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

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2109 East Hastings Street (368 Lakewood Drive) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2018-00655, prepared by Yamamoto Architecture, and stamped “Received, City of Vancouver, Development Buildings and Licensing”, on July 24, 2019, 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 (Vote No. 04865)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

12. Approval of Form of Development – 3568 Hull Street

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.
MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 3568 Hull Street (formerly 3560 – 3570 Hull Street and 2070-2090 E 20th Avenue) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2018-00891, prepared by Wensley Architecture, and stamped “Received, Community Services Group, Development Services”, on August 13, 2019, 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 (Vote No. 04866)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

13. Every Neighbourhood for Everyone: Permitting Temporary Modular Housing and Low Income Housing as an Option in RS and RT Zones

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on September 11, 2019, to begin at 3 pm.

The following motion reflects changes to the original Notice of Motion which were accepted by the Committee.

The Committee agreed to separate the components of the motion for the vote.

MOVED by Councillor Boyle
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. The abundance of people impacted by homelessness in Vancouver represents a humanitarian crisis which the City of Vancouver is morally obligated to address.

2. On Wednesday, June 12, 2019, City of Vancouver staff released the 2019 homelessness count, which counted 2,223 Vancouverites who identified as homeless, the highest number since the city began tracking. This figure is a two percent increase from 2018, representing the fourth straight year the number of individuals impacted by homelessness has grown.

3. These numbers express a slower growth rate of homelessness than in previous years, demonstrating that the actions taken by the City, including the provision of temporary modular housing complexes, are having a positive, though inadequate impact.

4. Homelessness disproportionately impacts systemically marginalized communities including: Indigenous peoples (39%), Individuals with mental health conditions (44%), or those with physical disabilities (38%). 81% of respondents who identified as homeless stated that they had lived in the City of Vancouver before they became homeless.
5. As of July 2017, there were 4,789 individuals waitlisted for social housing in the City of Vancouver. Also as of July 2017, there was a 43% decrease in private Single Room Occupancy rooms affordable to those on Provincial assistance since 2007.

6. The BC NDP rolled out its Rapid response to Homelessness program in 2017, pledging $291 million to build 2,000 modular housing units province wide, 600 of which were built in Vancouver, and an additional $170 million to operate them. In the 2019 budget, the province announced another $76 million to build an additional 200 modular units in BC.

7. In 2017, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau committed to cutting homelessness in half in a 10 year time frame.

8. On July 29, 2011, Council endorsed the Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2012-2021 which includes strategic directions to create more affordable housing, including housing that is affordable for low and moderate income households. The Strategy strives to increase the variety of affordable housing options across the entire housing continuum. (Policy Report, Development and Building re. Temporary Modular Housing Definition and Regulations: Proposed Amendments to Existing City-Owned CD-1 Sites, and Design Guidelines).

9. In 2011, Vancouver City Council passed the Motion, Modular Housing, which directed the City Manager to undertake an expression of interest to ascertain the range of possible ties and partnerships available to pursue an initiative involving modular housing option, using city and private resources as an enabler, to address unmet housing need while sufficient permanent housing stock is being built.

10. In September 2016, City staff developed a three year shelter and housing demand and supply plan to better understand when and where the pressures will be experienced over the next three years as a result of the need to address the increasing number of individuals experiencing street homelessness. Temporary Modular Housing (TMH) is included in the three year plan because it provides an opportunity to create more deeply affordable homes quickly and cost effectively.

11. On December 4, 2018, Vancouver City Council passed a Motion Calling for 600 More Units of Modular Housing in 2019, where by City Council directed staff to find sites for 600 more modular housing units.

12. TMH targets low and moderate income households who have a need for transitional accommodation, and provide residence with a number of supports, such as life skills training as well as health and social services.

13. After a year of operations, many of the fears community members had about TMH sites have subsided.

14. TMH housing is currently permitted in CD-1 districts, targeting vacant or under-utilized sites pending development. Under current Vancouver zoning by-laws, the land options for the provision of modular housing is extremely limited, and is quickly diminishing, as the need for additional TMH and the relocation of current TMH becomes necessary.
15. The current limitation of TMH housing being solely single occupancy units has the unintentional impacts of prioritizing individuals while excluding low-income families, mothers and youth. There is a significant need to expand modular housing to include family-sized units, to meet the needs of these residents of our city.

16. Some areas of Vancouver remain predominated RS and RT zones, resulting in high housing prices and very limited land options for temporary modular housing under current by-laws.

17. Where zoning by-laws are overly restrictive and segregate uses unnecessarily, they can act as impediments to healthy urban development.

18. Amending Vancouver’s zoning by-laws to permit modular housing on RS and RT zones would provide the necessary options to meet the growing demand for modular housing and will significantly impact the unprecedented levels of homeless in the city of Vancouver.

19. Those experiencing homelessness come from every neighbourhood of our city, and so housing for homeless and low-income residents should be available in every neighbourhood of our city.

20. Vancouver City Council is considering launching a City Wide Planning Process, where prior, City Council has expressed key goals and objectives to guide a city-wide planning effort, which includes:

   a. Maintaining Vancouver as a diverse and inclusive community;
   b. Increasing and protecting housing supply that is locally affordable;
   c. Enhancing social well-being; and
   d. Planning for complete neighbourhoods, exploring new housing types and densities.

21. What is needed is permanent affordable housing, across the city. Modular housing is a relatively inexpensive opinion and can be built more quickly than traditional construction projects. Given the urgency of homelessness, temporary modular housing is needed too.

22. Homeless is not restricted by municipal or territorial boundaries and requires a joint approach, across jurisdictional lines, to successfully address all causes of homelessness and to provide the necessary services to immediately confront this humanitarian crisis.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

A. THAT Council direct staff to:

   i. Explore and report back on opportunities to deliver TMH buildings for homeless residents, on RS and RT zoned parcels on private and City owned land that could accommodate the footprint, access to services and/or transit, timing of future uses, and site conditions by Q4 2019.
ii. If opportunities exist then the report back should identify policy tools that may be required to advance delivering TMH on RS or RT zones, including but not limited to, changes to the Vancouver Charter to enable Director of Planning authority to relax for “low cost housing for persons receiving assistance” in RS and RT areas, and/or new rezoning policies to enable the same.

CARRIED (Vote No. 04868)
(Councillors Hardwick and Kirby-Yung opposed)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

B. THAT Council direct staff to explore new possibilities for creating permanent homes for low and moderate income families and individuals in all neighbourhoods of the city, through the City Wide Plan as well as through implementation of Housing Vancouver and the Affordable Housing Delivery and Financial Strategy, including:

i. The City of Vancouver, through the Vancouver Affordable Housing Endowment Fund (VAHEF), purchasing RS/RT properties to use for Temporary Modular Housing, with potential future use for permanent secure rental and non-market housing options;

ii. Consideration of the development of an Affordable Housing Land Acquisition Strategy, which would include a study into annual affordable housing land needs; estimated land costs; location selection criteria, and an Affordable Housing Funding Strategy including recommended levels of funding from taxation and new development;

iii. Emerging possibilities for family-sized modular housing units; and

iv. Potential policy tools, including relaxing zoning and density by-laws to allow as a conditional-use and/or streamlining approval processes, to support social and non-market housing projects in all parts of the city to make the development of affordable housing faster and less risky.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04869)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

14. Support for the Vancouver Rowing Club and Coal Harbour as a Multiuse Waterway

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on September 11, 2019, to begin at 3 pm.

The Committee heard from three speakers in support of the motion.
MOVED by Councillor Fry
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS:

1. The Vancouver Rowing Club (VRC) was officially established in 1899, as an offshoot of the Vancouver Boating Club (1886) and is the oldest amateur sports organization in the city. With the exception of two World Wars, when all eligible members volunteered to fight for Canada, the history of VRC and rowing in Coal Harbour has been uninterrupted.

2. Since 1905 the VRC floating clubhouse has been located at Lot 14 Park Bridge (described as "in Stanley Park, just past the bridge, below the bear pit."). Purpose built in 1911, the popular and picturesque Tudor-style floating clubhouse known today was granted heritage ‘A’ status by Vancouver City Council in 1990.

3. VRC promotes active and healthy participation, with a constitutional mandate to promote community building through amateur athletics. Membership is open to the public, with members ranging in age from 13 to 90 years old.

4. VRC provides inclusive opportunities, with a para-athlete program and facilities to enable wheelchair athletes to access the dock and row in Coal Harbour, and popular “Learn to Row” courses to encourage the development of rowing in Vancouver.

5. VRC has maintained a tradition of athletic excellence both locally and internationally, rowers have gone on compete and win medals for Canada's Olympic, Pan American and Commonwealth Games Teams.

6. The VRC location at 450 Stanley Park Drive is made viable by a City of Vancouver lease, with water access to Coal Harbour and the public right of way to Burrard Inlet.

7. In December 2018, the neighbouring Royal Vancouver Yacht Club (RVYC) submitted an application to expand its Coal Harbour Marina into the shared right of way. The permit application is currently under review by the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as the Port of Vancouver.

8. The shared right of way channel currently used by the Vancouver Rowing Club and others including RVYC, Harbor Cruises, and local marinas is 91 meters at the narrowest point and already congested. The proposed RVYC expansion would result in a reduction of the channel width to only 71 meters. (https://www.portvancouver.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Project-Permit-Application-Rowing-Technical-Memo-RVYC-Coal-Harbour-Marina-Expansion-1.pdf)

9. The proposed expansion of RVYC marina and subsequent narrowing of the Coal Harbour waterway may have a substantial impact on its rowing programs by increasing the number of large motorized boats and reducing sight lines.

10. The On Water, Vancouver's Non-motorized Watercraft Recreation Strategy was approved by the Park Board June 2019. The Strategy was created to “provide,
preserve and advocate for parks and recreation to benefit all people, communities and the environment”; non-motorized water sport activities include canoeing, kite surfing, rowing, dragon boating, outrigging, windsurfing, kayaking, paddle boarding, and small craft sailing.

11. Section 3 (iv) of The Blueways Program adopted by the City of Vancouver in the 1990s mandates the City develop a water use plan to assist in the resolution of conflicts between water users; and advise on waterfront plans and development proposals.

12. VRC programming is consistent with Vancouver’s Healthy City Strategy goal that: “All Vancouverites are engaged in active living and have incomparable access to nature.”

13. VRC is a lease holder of the City of Vancouver and provides an important service to the rowing community in Vancouver at its historic location.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

A. THAT Vancouver City Council affirms support for The Vancouver Rowing Club and the history and future of rowing in Vancouver by sending a letter to the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as the Port of Vancouver.

B. THAT Council affirms support for the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as the Port of Vancouver, to create a multi-use strategy for Coal Harbour to the benefit of the entire Harbour and safety of users.

C. THAT the Mayor on behalf of City Council and in consultation with the Park Board write to the Harbourmaster, the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as the Port of Vancouver, and the Navigation Protection Program of Transport Canada of the Port of Vancouver advising them of the above.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT B of the motion be amended to add the words “including consideration for equally accessible public as well as private recreational facilities” after the word “users”; and

FURTHER THAT the motion be amended to add D as follows:

D. THAT the motion entitled “Support for the Vancouver Rowing Club and Coal Harbour as a Multiuse Waterway”, approved by Vancouver City Council on September 11, 2019, be sent to the Board of Commissioners of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation for their consideration and adoption.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04870)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04871) with Councillor De Genova absent for the vote.
FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

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communities and the environment”; non-motorized water sport activities include canoeing, kite surfing, rowing, dragon boating, outrigging, windsurfing, kayaking, paddle boarding, and small craft sailing.

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12. VRC programming is consistent with Vancouver’s Healthy City Strategy goal that: “All Vancouverites are engaged in active living and have incomparable access to nature.”

13. VRC is a lease holder of the City of Vancouver and provides an important service to the rowing community in Vancouver at its historic location.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

A. THAT Vancouver City Council affirms support for The Vancouver Rowing Club and the history and future of rowing in Vancouver by sending a letter to the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as the Port of Vancouver.

B. THAT Council affirms support for the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as the Port of Vancouver, to create a multi-use strategy for Coal Harbour to the benefit of the entire Harbour and safety of users, including consideration for equally accessible public as well as private recreational facilities.

C. THAT the Mayor on behalf of City Council and in consultation with the Park Board write to the Harbourmaster, the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, doing business as the Port of Vancouver, and the Navigation Protection Program of Transport Canada, of the Port of Vancouver advising them of A and B above.

D. THAT the motion entitled “Support for the Vancouver Rowing Club and Coal Harbour as a Multiuse Waterway”, approved by Vancouver City Council on September 11, 2019, be sent to the Board of Commissioners of the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation for their consideration and adoption.

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The Committee recessed at 3:30 pm and reconvened at 3:40 pm.

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Following the recess, Councillor Carr relinquished the Chair to Councillor Kirby-Yung as Vice-Chair in order to participate in discussion and debate on agenda Item 15.
15. **City Support for the September 2019 Global General Strike for Climate**

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on September 11, 2019, to begin at 3 pm.

The registered speaker was not present in the Council Chamber.

The following motion reflects changes to the original Notice of Motion which were accepted by the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Carr  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS:

1. Young people in Vancouver and around the world have been leading *Youth Climate Strike* and *Friday for Future* rallies to focus attention on the urgent need for action on the global climate emergency, especially by elected officials;

2. Youth are now calling on adults, workers, and people everywhere to join them in the week of September 20 to 27, 2019, when *Fridays for Future* and the *Youth Climate Strike* movements are calling for a global general strike for climate, stating:

   “We don’t feel like we have a choice: it’s been years of talking, countless negotiations, empty deals on climate change…
   We have learned that if we don’t start acting for our future, nobody else will make the first move…
   We’re asking adults to step up alongside us…step up and out of your comfort zone for our climate. Let’s all join together, with your neighbours, co-workers, friends, family and go out on to the streets to make your voices heard and make this a turning point in our history…
   We’re counting on you;”

3. In January, 2019, Vancouver City Council unanimously passed the motion: *Ramping Up Vancouver’s Climate Action in Response to the Climate Emergency*, committing the city to the bold action needed to avert a climate catastrophe;

4. Vancouver youth, led by the Vancouver Sustainabiliteens, are organizing a major *Global General Strike for Climate* event at Vancouver City Hall, scheduled for 1 pm on Friday, September 27, 2019. As of August 28th, 8,149 people have accepted their social media invitation to attend (see [https://www.facebook.com/pg/sustainabiliteens/events/?ref=page_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/sustainabiliteens/events/?ref=page_internal))

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

A. Council direct staff to contact the Sustainabiliteens to discuss ways in which the City can support the youth-initiated non-violent *Global General Strike for Climate* activity scheduled for 1 pm on Friday, September 27, 2019, at Vancouver City Hall.
B. Council direct staff to use the September 2019 Global General Strike for Climate as an opportunity to:

   i. provide information to staff about why climate action is critically important to our city; and

   ii. initiate an ongoing process of collaboratively engaging staff on ways and means to achieve bolder and more effective climate mitigation and adaptation measures.

C. Council support in principle the September 2019 youth-led Global General Strike for Climate and direct staff to consider potential ways for staff to voluntarily support or participate in the September 2019 Global General Strike for Climate activities in Vancouver, particularly the major event organized by Sustainabiliteens for 1 pm on September 27, 2019, consulting with representatives of the union locals that represent City of Vancouver and Park Board staff as necessary.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

   THAT C of the motion be amended to add the words “with no loss of pay or other penalty” after the word “participate”.

CARRIED (Vote No. 04872)
(Councillors Dominato and Kirby-Yung opposed)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle

   THAT C of the motion be amended to remove the words “as necessary” at the end.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04873)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

The amendments having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04874) with Councillor De Genova absent for the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

WHEREAS:

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2. Youth are now calling on adults, workers, and people everywhere to join them in the week of September 20 to 27, 2019, when Fridays for Future and the Youth Climate Strike movements are calling for a global general strike for climate, stating:
“We don’t feel like we have a choice: it’s been years of talking, countless negotiations, empty deals on climate change…
We have learned that if we don’t start acting for our future, nobody else will make the first move…
We’re asking adults to step up alongside us…step up and out of your comfort zone for our climate. Let’s all join together, with your neighbours, co-workers, friends, family and go out to the streets to make your voices heard and make this a turning point in our history…
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Following completion of agenda Item 15, Councillor Carr resumed the Chair.
**VARY AGENDA**

MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Council vary the agenda in order to consider Item 16 - Exploring the Continuation of the Annual Citizens’ Peace Award, after Item 5 - Deterring and Preventing the Distribution and Sale of Psilocybin Mushrooms and/or Other Illicit or Controlled Drugs Unlawfully Sold in the City of Vancouver.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

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5. **Deterring and Preventing the Distribution and Sale of Psilocybin Mushrooms and/or Other Illicit or Controlled Drugs Unlawfully Sold in the City of Vancouver**

At the Regular Council meeting on July 23, 2019, Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on September 11, 2019, to hear from speakers, beginning at 3 pm. Subsequently, on September 11, 2019, the Committee approved hearing from speakers, beginning at 6 pm.

The Committee heard from 13 speakers in opposition to the motion.

The City Manager responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. The Controlled Drugs and Substances Act categorizes Psilocin (3–[2(dimethylamino)ethyl]–4–hydroxyindole) and any salt thereof AND Psilocybin (3–[2–(dimethylamino)ethyl]–4–phosphoryloxyindole) and any salt thereof;

2. “Dirty Money” the report authored by Dr. Peter German Q.C., commissioned by the provincial government states “The most lucrative crimes in Vancouver are related to illegal drug sales. The drugs of choice cover the spectrum, from natural products such as cannabis, cocaine and heroin, to chemical creations such as opioids and hallucinogens. The purchasers are everyday residents of Vancouver and are of every ethnicity, cultural heritage and gender.” (Page 37, section 122);

3. Dr. German also states in the “Dirty Money” report “Police sources indicate that large quantities of illicit drug money also transit through Vancouver and are related to Mexican drug cartels, including the Sinaloa and the CJNG.
Furthermore, Middle East Organized Crime (MEOC) is believed to have a strong foothold in Vancouver and be working in concert with Mexican cartels. Fifteen local crime groups provide transportation and other support services. The involvement of home grown outlaw biker gangs in the illegal drug trade has been documented for decades.” (Page 37, section 123);

4. In 2015, the City of Vancouver implemented amendments to the Zoning by-laws to allow for Medical Marijuana Related Use (MMRU). Although many dispensaries and compassion clubs applied and were successful in obtaining Development Permits and opening dispensaries, no information on the source of supply for these drugs was required. When the by-law passed, federal law prohibited the sale of cannabis by dispensaries;

5. The City of Vancouver had difficulty with enforcement for dispensaries that violated the conditions of the MMRU. Many dispensaries and stores operated without a license, refusing to shut down;

6. Further, the dispensaries can only acquire their marijuana from illegal sources. The Medicinal Mushroom Dispensary website states “We provide micro doses of psilocybin mushrooms for medicinal purposes.” The website goes on to state under the category of “Location” Serving all of Canada by Mail Order. We will be opening a store front in Vancouver soon;

7. Psilocybin and psilocin compounds, and other substances included in the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) are being studied for potential to treat a variety of medical and psychological conditions, and any health benefits are unsubstantiated. The Health Canada website titled “Psilocybin and psilocin (“Magic Mushrooms”)” cautions “It is important to note that these studies administered purified active ingredients, i.e. psilocybin, in clinically supervised settings. Currently there are no approved therapeutic products containing psilocybin in Canada”;

8. Listed on the government of Canada website, Problematic Substance Use and Controlled and Illegal Drugs webpage, information states:

“Magic mushrooms may be sold as either dried whole mushrooms or as a powder. People may choose to take the mushrooms as: eaten raw or cooked, drunk as a tea or as a mixture with a fruit juice, sniffed up the nose (snorted) when in a powder.

Psilocybin and psilocin can also be sold as a powder or in tablets or capsules and can be produced in illegal labs. These active ingredients, psilocybin and psilocin, can also be injected intravenously. The content of the drugs from illegal labs is not tested and may contain other dangerous substances”;

9. A report to the Vancouver Police Board dated September 1, 2015 titled Service and Policy Complaint #2015-112 regarding enforcement against states: “Marihuana dispensaries are illegal; however, the issue of enforcement against marihuana dispensaries is a complicated one because of intersecting legal, social and political factors. The City of Vancouver (“the City”) has decided to regulate rather than close all marijuana dispensaries using its by-law powers.”
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to engage and work with the
Vancouver Police Department, Vancouver Coastal Health and appropriate stakeholders
to address businesses and or dispensaries participating in the unlawful sale and/or
distribution of substances protected by the Controlled Substances and Drug Act (CSDA),
and report back with possible recommendations to Council, by the end of 2019, including
consideration for:

i. Any impact to public safety, including the City of Vancouver’s commitment to
deterring and preventing money laundering and criminal activity;

ii. Public health, including the impact and consequences of businesses promoting
unsubstantiated health benefits of potentially harmful substances;

iii. Potential implications to the City of Vancouver’s annual operating budget that
may result from not supporting rapid action to close and prevent businesses
participating in the sale of unlawful substances, listed in the CDSA.

amended

The Committee agreed to separate the components of the following postponement for the vote.

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT COUNCIL postpone debate and decision on Item 5 - Deterring and Preventing the
Distribution and Sale of Psilocybin Mushrooms and/or Other Illicit or Controlled Drugs
Unlawfully Sold in the City of Vancouver”, to the Regular Council meeting on
October 22, 2019;

LOST (Vote No. 04877)
(Councillors Boyle, Carr, Fry, Swanson and Wiebe opposed)

FURTHERMORE THAT staff provide a memo to Council summarizing the Medical
Marijuana Regulation Use Framework adopted by the City of Vancouver in 2015,
including lessons learned from this work.

CARRIED (Vote No. 04878)
(Councillor Wiebe opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the motion be amended to delete ii.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04879)

The postponement having lost and the amendment having carried, the motion as amended was
put and LOST (Vote No. 04880) with Councillors Boyle, Carr, Dominato, Fry, Swanson and
Wiebe opposed.
16. Exploring the Continuation of the Annual Citizens' Peace Award

At the Regular Council meeting on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred this matter to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on September 11, 2019.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS:

1. The United Nations Association in Vancouver has in the past been very supportive of the Citizens' Peace Award.

2. Citizens’ Peace Award in past recognized a Vancouver citizen, group of citizens, or organizations for their outstanding contribution to world peace. The award is presented during Council meeting and coincides with the annual UN sponsored International Day of Peace which is the third Tuesday of September. The recipient selection process was managed by the City’s former Peace and Justice Committee and was established in 2003. Source: 2006 Council Report - Annual Event Guidelines – Honours/Awards and National/International (RTS 6438).

3. The Citizen’s Peace Award was first awarded in 1990 and was awarded annually until 1995. The award was reestablished in 2003 and was awarded through to 2007 by the City of Vancouver.

4. Global issues do affect the City of Vancouver including residents and visitors.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to reinitiate the City awarding the Citizens’ Peace Award, that would recognize an individual, group of citizens or organization for their contribution to world peace.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the motion be amended at the end to delete the words “world peace” and replace them with the words “ending oppression and fighting for a just, equitable and peaceful world”.

CARRIED (Vote No. 04881)
(Councillors De Genova, Dominato and Kirby-Yung opposed)
(Councillor Hardwick 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."

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the motion be amended to add the following paragraph:

THAT prior to re-instating the Peace Award, Council direct staff to produce a memo for Council on the Citizen Awards currently given out by City of
Vancouver, including their purpose, history, and budgets, and how this award could be incorporated while recognizing that the UN International Day of Peace happens in September each year.

withdrawn

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the amendment be amended to delete the words “prior to re-instating the Peace Award”.

withdrawn

Following discussion, Councillor Boyle requested to withdraw the amendments. The Committee so agreed.

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04882).

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

WHEREAS:

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3. The Citizen’s Peace Award was first awarded in 1990 and was awarded annually until 1995. The award was reestablished in 2003 and was awarded through to 2007 by the City of Vancouver.

4. Global issues do affect the City of Vancouver including residents and visitors.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to reinitiate the City awarding the Citizens’ Peace Award, that would recognize an individual, group of citizens or organization for their contribution to ending oppression and fighting for a just, equitable and peaceful world.

The Committee adjourned at 9:32 pm.

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A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at 4:17 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 at 9:32 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor Melissa De Genova, Deputy Mayor
Councillor Christine Boyle
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Lisa Dominato
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Colleen Hardwick
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung*
Councillor Jean Swanson
Councillor Michael Wiebe

ABSENT: Mayor Kennedy Stewart (Leave of Absence – Civic Business)
Councillor Rebecca Bligh (Leave of Absence – Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk
Tina Penney, Deputy City Clerk
Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, September 11, 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. Contract Award for Base Building Upgrades and Tenant Improvements for 2780 East Broadway
2. 2020 Fee Increases for Rezoning, Development, Building, and other related permits
3. 2020 Licence Fee Increase Report
4. 5805 Wales Street: Amendment to Parking By-law
5. Culture|Shift: Blanketing the City in Arts and Culture - Vancouver Culture Plan 2020-2029
6. Review of Remuneration of Members of Council and Park Board
7. Approval of Form of Development – 4238 Cambie Street

10. Approval of Form of Development – 5718 Willow Street

11. Approval of Form of Development – 2109 East Hastings Street (368 Lakewood Drive)

12. Approval of Form of Development – 3568 Hull Street

13. Every Neighbourhood for Everyone: Permitting Temporary Modular Housing and Low Income Housing as an Option in RS and RT Zones

14. Support for the Vancouver Rowing Club and Coal Harbour as a Multiuse Waterway

Items 1 to 4 and 6 to 14

MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting of September 11, 2019, as contained in items 1 to 4 and 6 to 14, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

At the Public Hearing on September 10, 2019, due to time constraints, Council referred questions to staff, debate and decision on the following application to the Regular Council meeting, immediately following the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities, on September 11, 2019, as Unfinished Business.

Applicant Closing Comments

Wing Ting Leung, W.T. Leung Architects Inc., provided closing comments.

Staff Closing Comments

Staff from Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability provided closing comments and responded to questions.

1. REZONING: 8636-8656 Oak Street

MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

A. THAT the application by W.T. Leung Architects Inc., on behalf of APCanada Investment Corporation, the registered owner, to rezone 8636-8656 Oak Street [Lot 4, except part in Plan LMP27103 of Lots 6 and 7, Blocks 1 to 6 and 12 of Block C', District Lot 319, Group 1, New Westminster District Plan 2167; and Lots
5 to 7, except the west 7 feet, now road of Lots 6 and 7, all of Blocks 1 to 6 and 12 of Block C, District Lots 319, 323 and 324, Plan 2167; PIDs 014-010-330, 014-010-356, 014-010-364 and 014-010-372 respectively, from RM-3A (Multiple Dwelling) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District to increase the permitted floor space ratio (FSR) from 1.45 to 2.50 and the building height from 10.7 m to 19.8 m to permit the development of two six-storey residential buildings which would contain 91 rental housing units, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 9, 2019 entitled “CD-1 Rezoning: 8636-8656 Oak Street” be approved in principle;

FURTHER THAT the proposed form of development also be approved in principle, generally as prepared by W.T. Leung Architects Inc. and received on April 26, 2018, provided the Director of Planning may allow minor alterations to this form of development when approving the detailed scheme of development; and

FURTHER THAT the above approvals be subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B of the Policy Report.

B. THAT, if Council approves in principle the rezoning and the Housing Agreement described in Part 2 of Appendix B of the Policy Report, dated April 9, 2019, entitled “CD-1 Rezoning: 8636-8656 Oak Street”, the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary Housing Agreement By-law for enactment prior to enactment of the zoning by-law, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required at the discretion of the Director of Legal Services and the General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services.

C. THAT A and B above be adopted on the following conditions:

(i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;

(ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and

(iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.
At 4:56 pm, during debate, it was

MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the meeting be extended to complete the unfinished business.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the motion be amended to add D as follows:

D. THAT the Tenant Relocation Plan be modified to offer returning tenants 40% discount on rents.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 04875)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 04876) with Councillors Boyle, Fry, Hardwick and Swanson opposed.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

A. THAT the application by W.T. Leung Architects Inc., on behalf of APCanada Investment Corporation, the registered owner, to rezone 8636-8656 Oak Street [Lot 4, except part in Plan LMP27103 of Lots 6 and 7, Blocks 1 to 6 and 12 of Block C', District Lot 319, Group 1, New Westminster District Plan 2167; and Lots 5 to 7, except the west 7 feet, now road of Lots 6 and 7, all of Blocks 1 to 6 and 12 of Block C', District Lots 319, 323 and 324, Plan 2167; PIDs 014-010-330, 014-010-356, 014-010-364 and 014-010-372 respectively], from RM-3A (Multiple Dwelling) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District to increase the permitted floor space ratio (FSR) from 1.45 to 2.50 and the building height from 10.7 m to 19.8 m to permit the development of two six-storey residential buildings which would contain 91 rental housing units, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 9, 2019 entitled ”CD-1 Rezoning: 8636-8656 Oak Street” be approved in principle;

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FURTHER THAT the above approvals be subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy Report.

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D. THAT the Tenant Relocation Plan be modified to offer returning tenants 40% discount on rents.

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Council recessed at 5:23 pm and reconvened at 9:32 pm.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, September 11, 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:

5. Deterring and Preventing the Distribution and Sale of Psilocybin Mushrooms and/or Other Illicit or Controlled Drugs Unlawfully Sold in the City of Vancouver
15. City Support for the September 2019 Global General Strike for Climate
16. Exploring the Continuation of the Annual Citizens’ Peace Award
Items 5, 15 and 16

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting of September 11, 2019, as contained in items 5, 15 and 16, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Dominato
SECONDED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT Council enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 and 2 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

1. A By-law to provide for the imposition of interest on delinquent property taxes for 2020 (By-law No. 12542)

2. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 regarding 2019 Annual Inflationary Adjustments to Density Bonus Contributions available in certain zoning districts (By-law No. 12543)

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Kirby-Yung absent for the vote)

The Council adjourned at 9:34 pm.

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