

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS' MOTION

6. **Aligning the Healthy City Strategy with the UN Sustainable Development Goals**

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WHEREAS

1. In 2015, Canada, along with all United Nations Member States, adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which includes 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The 17 SDGs are based on the recognition by all countries, “that ending poverty and other deprivations must go hand-in-hand with strategies that improve health and education, reduce inequality, and spur economic growth – all while tackling climate change and working to preserve our oceans and forests”;
2. While Canada as a whole has adopted the UN’s 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the 17 SDGs, individual cities have no obligation to adhere to them;
3. The City of Vancouver’s Healthy City Strategy is comprised of 13 long-term goals and ambitious targets to reach by 2025 centred around ensuring basic needs are met, fair health and social supports, Living Wage, sustainable transportation, safety, inclusion and reconciliation, and shared leadership;
4. Vancouver’s Healthy City Strategy shares a number of similarities with the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 SDGs. This alignment provides an opportunity for Vancouver to contribute to, and benefit from, work already underway by the international initiative;
5. Vancouver would be the first large city in Canada to adopt the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and align its work with the UN’s 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to review the 17 Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations as they work with the public and community partners to refresh the Healthy City Strategy for its next phase:
 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere;
 2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture;
 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages;
 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all;
 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls;

6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all;
 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all;
 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all;
 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation;
 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries;
 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable;
 12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns;
 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts;
 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development;
 15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss;
 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels;
 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to review and report back on the possibility of adopting the 2030 target for the preceding goals so as to be in line with the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to report back on opportunities for the City of Vancouver to benefit from, and contribute to, the ongoing work by the Division for Sustainable Development Goals (DSDG) in the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA).

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