



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

FEBRUARY 12, 2020

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at 9:36 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT:

- Councillor Adriane Carr, Chair
- Mayor Kennedy Stewart* (Leave of Absence – 9:30 am to noon – Civic Business)
- Councillor Rebecca Bligh*
- Councillor Christine Boyle*
- Councillor Melissa De Genova* (Medical Leave – 3 pm to 4 pm)
- Councillor Lisa Dominato*
- Councillor Pete Fry*
- Councillor Colleen Hardwick*
- Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung, Vice-Chair
- Councillor Jean Swanson
- Councillor Michael Wiebe

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Deputy City Clerk
Tina Penney, Deputy City Clerk
Irina Dragnea, 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.

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT Council adopt item 4 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors De Genova and Dominato absent for the vote)
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business)

1. Presentation: CityStudio Annual Update

Duane Elverum, Executive Director, CityStudio, Miriam Esquitin, General Manager, CityStudio, and Ryan Gander, Post-Graduate Student, SFU, provided a presentation and together with Ileana Costrut, Project Coordinator, CityStudio, responded to questions.

2. Aquatic Environments

i. Aquatic Environments: Mobile Pump-out Service Delivery January 14, 2020

Margot Davis, Manager, Environmental Services, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT a mobile sewage pump-out service be delivered in False Creek for the 2020 to 2024 boating seasons, inclusive as described in this report.
- B. THAT staff provide annual updates to Council on service performance as part of the City's False Creek Water Quality Improvement Initiative.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the phrase “, as well as additional options for full cost recovery of the mobile sewage pump-out program.” be added to the end of B.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the phrase “beyond those articulated in this report, including but not limited to senior government funding.” be inserted after the word “recovery”;

FURTHAT THAT the words “of the mobile pump-out program” be struck.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05522)
(Councillors Boyle and Hardwick absent for the vote)
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business)

With the amendment to the amendment having carried, the amended amendment was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05523) with Councillors Boyle and Hardwick absent for the vote and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT the following be added as C:

THAT Council reaffirm its support to pursue a federal designation of Burrard Inlet as a strictly enforced non-discharge zone.

not put

The Chair ruled the amendment out of order per Section 8.7(f) of the *Procedure By-law*, which states “the Chair may refuse to open a motion for debate if the Chair decides the motion is out of order because it is frivolous,” as such a motion serves no useful purpose because the original motion is still in effect.

Following the Chair’s ruling, the amended motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05524) with Councillors Boyle, Hardwick and Kirby-Yung absent for the vote and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

- A. THAT a mobile sewage pump-out service be delivered in False Creek for the 2020 to 2024 boating seasons, inclusive as described in the Report dated January 14, 2020, entitled “Aquatic Environments: Mobile Pump-out Service Delivery”.
- B. THAT staff provide annual updates to Council on service performance as part of the City’s False Creek Water Quality Improvement Initiative, as well as additional options for full cost recovery beyond those articulated in the Report dated January 14, 2020, entitled “Aquatic Environments: Mobile Pump-out Service Delivery”, including but not limited to senior government funding.

ii. Aquatic Environments Action Plan January 13, 2020

Margot Davis, Manager, Environmental Services, and Susan Haid, Deputy Director, Long Range and Strategic Planning, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Wiebe
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the recommended approach for improving aquatic environmental quality by:
 - 1. developing and coordinating strategies and actions for aquatic habitat and water quality health under the umbrella of the Vancouver Plan working in close coordination with integrated strategies of the One Water program and environmental policy areas; and
 - 2. advancing tactical actions outlined in this report, with focus on addressing microbial pollution to False Creek, Trout Lake and Vancouver’s coastal beaches.

- B. THAT Council receive the False Creek Water Quality Improvement Initiative 2019 Progress Report for information attached as Appendix B to the Report dated January 13, 2020, entitled "Aquatic Environments Action Plan".
- C. THAT the Report dated January 13, 2020, entitled "Aquatic Environments Action Plan" be provided to the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05525)
(Councillor Hardwick absent for the vote)
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business)

**3. Contract Award for Construction Services for the Curb Ramp Program
January 12, 2020**

Madison Kim, Section Head, Capital Program Delivery, Lon LaClaire, General Manager, Engineering Services, Eric Mital, Branch Manager, Streets Design, Alexander Ralph, Chief Procurement Officer, and along with Sadhu Johnston, City Manager, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate to the satisfaction of the City's General Manager of the Engineering Services Department, City's Director of Legal Services, and the City's Chief Procurement Officer and enter into a contracts with Bortolo & Sons Paving Co. Ltd. and Lafarge Canada Inc., for Construction Services for Curb Ramps, for a term of one (1) year, with the option to extend for four additional one (1) year) terms. The estimated price of the contract over all 5 terms is \$7,000,000.00. The initial award recommendation is for an estimated \$1,399,738.00, plus applicable taxes over the initial one year term, to be funded through the approved Multi-Year Capital Pedestrian Curb Ramp Program Budget.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer and General Manager of the Engineering Services Department 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 as set out in A to C as part of this resolution.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05526)
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business)

**4. Approval of Change Order to Construction Agreement PS20190021 – Construction Services for the Granville Bridge Rehabilitation
January 12, 2020**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate to the satisfaction of the City's General Manager of the Engineering Services Department, City's Director of Legal Services, and the City's Chief Procurement Officer, and to add additional scope to Construction Agreement PS20190021 - Construction Services for the Granville Bridge Rehabilitation with Graham Infrastructure LP. The additional scope of the contemplated Change Orders would not extend the overall term of the contract, with an estimated, cumulative value of \$2,130,692.98 plus applicable taxes, \$1,045,415.98 to be funded through the approved Multi-Year Capital Projects Budget for Granville Bridge project for the cumulative change orders, \$1,085,277.00 and from the 2020 Major Bridges Coating and 2020 Major Bridge Maintenance for the debris netting.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer and General Manager of the Engineering Services Department be authorized to execute on behalf of the City the Change Orders 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 as set out in A to C as part of this resolution.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 05543)
(Councillors De Genova and Dominato absent for the vote)
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business)

**5. 1001 West Broadway Unit 200 – 1111539 BC Ltd.
Liquor Primary Liquor Licence and Outdoor Patio Application
Liquor Establishment Class 5
January 27, 2020**

Sarah Hicks, Deputy Chief Licence Inspector, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council, having considered the opinion of area residents and business operators as determined by neighbourhood notification, site sign, noise impacts and relevant Council policy as outlined in the Report dated January 27, 2020, entitled "1001 West Broadway Unit 200 – 1111539 BC Ltd. Liquor Primary Liquor Licence and Outdoor Patio Application Liquor Establishment Class 5", endorse the application submitted by Raymond Huynh, Principle Director of 1111539 BC Ltd. (*doing business as* "Privé"), to operate a new Liquor Primary liquor licence, with an interior capacity of 319 persons (Liquor Establishment Class 5), and a 182 person outdoor patio via the conversion of the existing Food Primary liquor licence (Restaurant Class 2), located at 1001 West Broadway Unit 200, subject to:

- i. A maximum interior capacity of 319 persons and a 182 person outdoor patio;
- ii. Standard Hours of operation limited to 11 am to 12 am, Sunday to Thursday, and 11 am to 1 am, Friday and Saturday, for a minimum of six months;
- iii. The outdoor patio ceasing all liquor service and vacated by 11 pm nightly;
- iv. No music or entertainment permitted on the patio;
- v. Food service to be available while the establishment is operating as well as on the patio when open;
- vi. A Time-Limited Development Permit;
- vii. An acoustic report to be submitted certifying that the establishment meets Noise Control By-law requirements;
- viii. Signing a Good Neighbour Agreement with the City prior to business licence issuance; and
- ix. The surrendering of the existing Food Primary liquor licence (#308417) at the time of issuance of the new Liquor Primary liquor licence.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05527)
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote due to Civic Business)

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The Committee recessed at 11:57 am and reconvened at 1:09 pm.

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6. Transparency and Accountability at Little Mountain

At the Council meeting on February 11, 2020, Council referred the above-noted motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on February 12, 2020, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from four speakers in support of the motion and one speaker with concerns around the process being too time consuming and preventing it from moving forward.

MOVED by Councillor Boyle
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Social housing was first built at Little Mountain in the 1950s;
2. Vancouver, British Columbia, and the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation (Canada) first signed an agreement in November 1950, which stipulated that all social housing on the Little Mountain site must be replaced should the original structures be demolished;
3. 224 units of social housing were built at Little Mountain and remained on the site until 2009;

4. Residents at Little Mountain began being encouraged to relocate to other social housing in March 2007. BC Housing assured residents that they would be able to return to their new homes on the site by the time of the Olympics in 2010;
5. Many residents resisted moving and were supported by thousands of their neighbours and other Vancouver residents;
6. The original residents recommended that the public land at Little Mountain not be privatized. Residents recommended that instead of simply replacing the demolished 224 units of social housing hundreds more social housing units should be built, and that any redevelopment should be done in phases so that residents could stay in their homes with the least amount of disruption;
7. All but 4 units on the site were demolished in November 2009;
8. As a result of the refusal of 4 residents to move, one building replacing only 53 units of the original 224 units of social housing was built, and today the rest of the Little Mountain site is a large, 15 acre vacant lot;
9. In the twelve years since 2007 Vancouver has suffered through an intensifying crisis of homelessness and unaffordable housing;
10. BC Housing entered into an agreement for the sale of the property with Holborn Development Company in 2008, though the sale was apparently not finalized until 2013, with two amendments to the 2013 contract since then;
11. The contract has not yet been made public. The original residents and other members of the community have been asking to see the agreement for sale and contract for twelve years. The City of Vancouver has previously requested to see the contract but was not able to;
12. It is in the interest of Vancouver residents and the City of Vancouver that there be transparency regarding the sale of this significant public asset. Disclosure of the contract would provide new and relevant information to the public that previously was unknown, serve the public's interest in sound financial management by government, and help determine whether the developer has dealt fairly with the public;
13. Details that have emerged from recent *Vancouver Sun* investigative reporting suggest that the terms of the sale favoured the purchaser in unusual ways, including payment for the land being structured to extend over decades;
14. The loss of the then existing social housing has created, among many Vancouver residents, cynicism and loss of confidence in the public process;
15. Application has been made through BC Freedom of Information Legislation for disclosure of the contract between BC Housing and Holborn Developments (OIPC File No.: F18-75849 & F18-76353 — Public Body File No.: 292-30- 3418) This FOI application will be adjudicated in the coming weeks.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT in the interest of full transparency and providing information instructive to the City of Vancouver in future developments, Council express its support for the Freedom of Information application, and direct the Mayor to write a letter to the Riley Park South Cambie Visions Committee indicating support for full disclosure of the contract.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the following be added as B:

THAT Council request the Mayor to write a letter on behalf of Vancouver City Council to Minister Selena Robinson, the Minister of Housing for the Province of British Columbia, to thank the provincial government for the funding B.C. Housing has allocated and committed to making the housing on the Little Mountain site as affordable as possible, and for the 282 units of social housing planned for the site, including the replacement of the 224 public housing units, the 48 new social housing units that will be owned by the City of Vancouver and the 10 units that will be owned by the Musqueam Nation;

FURTHER THAT this letter will also express the City of Vancouver's ongoing commitment to work with B.C. Housing and the landowner to increase affordable housing in the city of Vancouver.

FURTHER THAT the following be added as C:

THAT Council direct staff to continue to explore all resources available and appropriate, including new City of Vancouver and B.C. Housing policies that may be offered subsequent to this decision of Council, to expedite the delivery of 69 space child care facility and the 282 units of social housing onsite in the interest of welcoming back the people who wish to return to the Little Mountain Housing Site.

carried

At 2:20 pm, during the discussion on the above-noted amendment, Councillor Fry rose on a point of order, per Section 8.7 of the *Procedure By-law*, and asked the Chair if this amendment is in order. The Chair ruled the amendment in order.

The amendment was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05528) with Councillors Boyle and Fry abstaining from the vote.

The amendment having carried, the amended motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05529).

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

WHEREAS

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3. 224 units of social housing were built at Little Mountain and remained on the site until 2009;
4. Residents at Little Mountain began being encouraged to relocate to other social housing in March 2007. BC Housing assured residents that they would be able to return to their new homes on the site by the time of the Olympics in 2010;
5. Many residents resisted moving and were supported by thousands of their neighbours and other Vancouver residents;
6. The original residents recommended that the public land at Little Mountain not be privatized. Residents recommended that instead of simply replacing the demolished 224 units of social housing hundreds more social housing units should be built, and that any redevelopment should be done in phases so that residents could stay in their homes with the least amount of disruption;
7. All but 4 units on the site were demolished in November 2009;
8. As a result of the refusal of 4 residents to move, one building replacing only 53 units of the original 224 units of social housing was built, and today the rest of the Little Mountain site is a large, 15 acre vacant lot;
9. In the twelve years since 2007 Vancouver has suffered through an intensifying crisis of homelessness and unaffordable housing;
10. BC Housing entered into an agreement for the sale of the property with Holborn Development Company in 2008, though the sale was apparently not finalized until 2013, with two amendments to the 2013 contract since then;
11. The contract has not yet been made public. The original residents and other members of the community have been asking to see the agreement for sale and contract for twelve years. The City of Vancouver has previously requested to see the contract but was not able to;
12. It is in the interest of Vancouver residents and the City of Vancouver that there be transparency regarding the sale of this significant public asset. Disclosure of the contract would provide new and relevant information to the public that previously was unknown, serve the public's interest in sound financial management by government, and help determine whether the developer has dealt fairly with the public;
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT in the interest of full transparency and providing information instructive to the City of Vancouver in future developments, Council express its support for the Freedom of Information application, and direct the Mayor to write a letter to the Riley Park South Cambie Visions Committee indicating support for full disclosure of the contract.
- B. THAT Council request the Mayor to write a letter on behalf of Vancouver City Council to Minister Selena Robinson, the Minister of Housing for the Province of British Columbia, to thank the provincial government for the funding B.C. Housing has allocated and committed to making the housing on the Little Mountain site as affordable as possible, and for the 282 units of social housing planned for the site, including the replacement of the 224 public housing units, the 48 new social housing units that will be owned by the City of Vancouver and the 10 units that will be owned by the Musqueam Nation;

FURTHER THAT this letter will also express the City of Vancouver's ongoing commitment to work with B.C. Housing and the landowner to increase affordable housing in the city of Vancouver.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to continue to explore all resources available and appropriate, including new City of Vancouver and B.C. Housing policies that may be offered subsequent to this decision of Council, to expedite the delivery of 69 space child care facility and the 282 units of social housing onsite in the interest of welcoming back the people who wish to return to the Little Mountain Housing Site.

7. Including Pedestrians in Vancouver's Snow Protocol and Response

At the Council meeting on February 11, 2020, due to time constraints, Council referred the above-noted motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on February 12, 2020.

At 2:38 pm, during clarifying questions towards the Council member moving the above-noted motion, Councillor De Genova rose on a point of order, per Section 6.1(b) of the *Procedure By-law*, noting that "a Council member must not by words, express any opinion or make any allegation that directly or indirectly reflects negatively upon the character or any person or group of persons." The Chair ruled in favour of Councillor De Genova's point of order.

Subsequently, Councillor Fry challenged the ruling of the Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the Chair's ruling be appealed.

LOST (Vote No. 05530)

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

(Councillors Boyle and Swanson abstained from the vote)

A two-thirds majority of Council members present is required to overrule the ruling of the Chair; the Chair's ruling was sustained.

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

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. Keeping our city's streets, sidewalks, and green spaces safe and clean for everyone to enjoy is a City of Vancouver priority, including the clearing of snow from streets and public sidewalks;
2. Ensuring that people of all ages and abilities can access homes, businesses, and facilities in safety and comfort, especially those who are walking, cycling, or taking transit, is a chief goal of the City's Complete Streets Strategy and fundamental to the City's core responsibility of building and maintaining the city's roads, sidewalks, and public spaces, managing how city streets are used, and creating land use and urban design policies;
3. When sidewalks are not cleared during snow and ice events it can negatively and severely impact some of Vancouver's most vulnerable persons, including seniors and persons with disabilities, and can leave them isolated and/or unsafe;
4. Sidewalks that are not cleared of snow and ice often have the greatest negative impact on those who can least afford to stay home, such as hourly and contract workers who either need to walk and/or safely reach transit, which is fundamentally inconsistent with the City's Equity goals;
5. The Climate Emergency Response report approved by Council on April 29, 2019, contains six big moves to reduce Vancouver's carbon pollution, wherein the first two "big moves" are "Walkable complete communities" (*i.e. by 2030, 90% of people live within an easy walk and roll of their daily needs*) and "Safe and convenient active transportation and transit" (*i.e. by 2030, two thirds of trips in Vancouver will be by active transportation and transit*);
6. Transportation decisions in the City of Vancouver generally reflect a "hierarchy of modes" for moving people which prioritize walking as the highest transportation priority, then cycling, then transit, followed by taxi / commercial / shared vehicles, and lastly private automobiles;

7. The responsibility for clearing roads and travelways in the City of Vancouver falls to the Engineering Department and Streets Division. When cold weather hits, the City works to ensure that major routes are safe by salting and brining before any snow or freezing rain starts, and plowing once snow falls;
8. The City of Vancouver has over 100 pieces of snow equipment, including salters, plows, and specialized equipment to clear bike lanes, as well as 200 trained staff and the ability to manufacture brine at its National Yard to deal with winter conditions including snow and ice;
9. Although the City of Vancouver has snow and ice removal equipment designed for clearing roads, as well as specialized snow and ice removal equipment for clearing bike routes, the City lacks sufficient or appropriate equipment specifically designed to clear sidewalks and high priority pedestrian areas of the city even though walking is the highest priority mode in the City's transportation hierarchy and central to the City's Climate Emergency Response;
10. The City's current priority locations for snow and ice removal in Vancouver's snow response protocol are:
 - Major roads
 - Bus routes
 - Bridges
 - Emergency access routes (including five major hospitals and two health care facilities)
 - School routes
 - 15 most-used bike routes
 - Bus stops
 - Arterial corner ramps;
11. It has been widely observed that although the City clears snow and ice from the city's 15 most-used bike routes on a priority basis, the city's parallel pedestrian walking paths are not cleared with the same or greater degree of priority;
12. It is commonly accepted that the Lower Mainland / Metro Vancouver region can expect to experience snow and ice conditions during any given year (with some years being mercifully and relatively free of snow and ice). Historically for example:
 - Snow and ice conditions from December 2016 to January 2017 represented the third time in eight years the City of Vancouver experienced extreme cold weather and was seemingly caught unprepared for such a weather event;
 - At the January 15, 2013 Regular Council Meeting, in response to the December 2012 snow and ice conditions in Vancouver, a motion introduced by Councillor Affleck entitled "Snow Removal Plan" carried unanimously; and
 - At the December 3, 2009 Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets, in response to a motion introduced by Councillor Woodsworth, Council received a staff report relating to the extreme winter conditions experienced

from December 13, 2008 to January 8, 2009. The 2009 report notes many of the same concerns the city continues to experience during snow and ice events today, including concern for persons who are vulnerable to becoming homebound and negatively impacted in terms of routine access to food, medicine and other necessities;

13. Snow and ice conditions across Metro Vancouver can vary widely, as do the urban/suburban characteristics of each constituent municipality, leading to corresponding differences in each municipality's snow and ice response plans, actions and priorities. For example, communities on the North Shore of Burrard Inlet such as North and West Vancouver and Coquitlam are more mountainous than Vancouver, while the City of Richmond (which averages just one metre above sea level) only found it necessary to include single-family residences in its by-law covering sidewalk snow and ice removal quite recently in 2017 (By-law 5870);
14. On a national scale, where snow and ice are a bigger part of civic life during winter than in Metro Vancouver, and in terms of clearing snow and ice from sidewalks and high priority pedestrian areas, the City of Toronto, for example, has 600 snow plows, 300 sidewalk plows, 200 salt trucks, and 1,500 personnel ready to tackle winter conditions 24 hours per day and 7 days per week. The City of Toronto spends about \$90 million annually to deliver its winter operations program, which includes a Sidewalk Plowing Program that clears about 6,400 km of Toronto's 7,900 km of sidewalk including high pedestrian volume sidewalks on arterial roads, transit routes, near school zones, and around accessibility locations (Note: the service does not include the clearing of snow from driveways or private sidewalks leading to a residence);
15. The Engineering Department addresses snow events in two stages; Snow Readiness and Snow Response. The 2019/2020 budget for snow readiness is \$1.6 million and supports advance preparation for the winter season to ensure our city is well equipped to deal with extreme snow events. Snow response occurs only during a snow event and the amount spent depends on the magnitude of the event and response required. The City of Vancouver's budget includes an annual Council Contingency for such events of \$2 million; snow response is charged against this contingency. In the 2019 budget, Council reduced the contingency from \$4 million to \$2 million. Recognizing the more frequent occurrence of snow and storm events, for the 2020 budget staff recommended \$2 million for the snow response contingency reserve. However, Council reduced the amount to \$1 million;
16. The maintenance and cleanliness of roads and sidewalks, including extreme weather response and dealing with snow and ice, are among the core, most basic jurisdictional responsibilities of local governments such as the City of Vancouver. It is therefore incumbent upon the City and Council to remain open at all times to new and better ways to adapt to conditions and to meet the evolving needs and expectations of the city's residents, visitors, and businesses.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to identify High Priority Pedestrian Areas and Sidewalks in the city and report back by May, 2020, with information and recommendations for incorporating these areas and sidewalks into the City's Snow Protocol and Response Strategy, in accordance with the topmost priority accorded to walking in the City's hierarchy of transportation modes, the City's Complete Streets Strategy, Equity goals, and Climate Emergency Response actions and objectives.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to include information in the report back outlining the City's responsibilities and obligations with respect to identified High Priority Pedestrian Areas and Sidewalks, along with the respective responsibilities and obligations of adjacent private property owners and/or their representative agencies (such as BIAs and other jurisdictions such as TransLink).
- C. THAT Council direct staff to consult with the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation with respect to equipment and strategies employed by the Park Board for clearing snow and ice from walkways and pathways under their jurisdiction and to include this information in the report back to Council, including information relating to operational efficiencies that could potentially be achieved by partnering with the Park Board to clear snow and ice from appropriate High Priority Pedestrian Areas and Sidewalks.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to investigate, and include in the report back information relating to opportunities to enhance the City's snow and ice removal equipment fleet through the acquisition of snow removal equipment specifically designed or retrofitted for clearing sidewalks and high priority pedestrian areas of the city in an efficient and cost-effective manner, including equipment that could serve the dual function of clearing pedestrian pathways and bike lanes;

FURTHER THAT consideration be given to acquiring this equipment under the City's current 2020 budget or upcoming 2021 budget in order for the equipment to be available in time for any snow events during the 2020/2021 winter season.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT the following be added as E:

THAT Council ask staff to report back on how social procurement can be introduced into the City's acute snow removal protocol.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the word "procurement" be struck and replaced with the word "enterprise."

CARRIED (Vote No. 05531)
(Councillor Boyle opposed)
(Councillor Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote due to Medical Leave)

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amended amendment was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 05532) with Councillors Boyle and Swanson opposed and Councillor Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote and Councillor De Genova absent for the vote due to Medical Leave.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the following be added as an additional paragraph to A:

FURTHER THAT staff engage with the Seniors' Advisory Committee as well as the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee as well as any others deemed beneficial, for their feedback and input.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05533)
(Councillors Bligh, Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote due to Medical Leave)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT A be amended by striking the words "by May, 2020," and replacing with the words "before Council's summer break."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05534)
(Councillors Bligh, Fry, Hardwick and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote due to Medical Leave)

The amendments having carried, the amended motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05535) with Councillors Fry, Hardwick and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote and Councillor De Genova absent for the vote due to Medical Leave.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

WHEREAS

1. Keeping our city's streets, sidewalks, and green spaces safe and clean for everyone to enjoy is a City of Vancouver priority, including the clearing of snow from streets and public sidewalks;
2. Ensuring that people of all ages and abilities can access homes, businesses, and facilities in safety and comfort, especially those who are walking, cycling, or taking transit, is a chief goal of the City's Complete Streets Strategy and fundamental to the City's core responsibility of building and maintaining the city's roads, sidewalks, and public spaces, managing how city streets are used, and creating land use and urban design policies;

3. When sidewalks are not cleared during snow and ice events it can negatively and severely impact some of Vancouver's most vulnerable persons, including seniors and persons with disabilities, and can leave them isolated and/or unsafe;
4. Sidewalks that are not cleared of snow and ice often have the greatest negative impact on those who can least afford to stay home, such as hourly and contract workers who either need to walk and/or safely reach transit, which is fundamentally inconsistent with the City's Equity goals;
5. The Climate Emergency Response report approved by Council on April 29, 2019, contains six big moves to reduce Vancouver's carbon pollution, wherein the first two "big moves" are "Walkable complete communities" (*i.e. by 2030, 90% of people live within an easy walk and roll of their daily needs*) and "Safe and convenient active transportation and transit" (*i.e. by 2030, two thirds of trips in Vancouver will be by active transportation and transit*);
6. Transportation decisions in the City of Vancouver generally reflect a "hierarchy of modes" for moving people which prioritize walking as the highest transportation priority, then cycling, then transit, followed by taxi / commercial / shared vehicles, and lastly private automobiles;
7. The responsibility for clearing roads and travelways in the City of Vancouver falls to the Engineering Department and Streets Division. When cold weather hits, the City works to ensure that major routes are safe by salting and brining before any snow or freezing rain starts, and plowing once snow falls;
8. The City of Vancouver has over 100 pieces of snow equipment, including salters, plows, and specialized equipment to clear bike lanes, as well as 200 trained staff and the ability to manufacture brine at its National Yard to deal with winter conditions including snow and ice;
9. Although the City of Vancouver has snow and ice removal equipment designed for clearing roads, as well as specialized snow and ice removal equipment for clearing bike routes, the City lacks sufficient or appropriate equipment specifically designed to clear sidewalks and high priority pedestrian areas of the city even though walking is the highest priority mode in the City's transportation hierarchy and central to the City's Climate Emergency Response;
10. The City's current priority locations for snow and ice removal in Vancouver's snow response protocol are:
 - Major roads
 - Bus routes
 - Bridges
 - Emergency access routes (including five major hospitals and two health care facilities)
 - School routes
 - 15 most-used bike routes
 - Bus stops
 - Arterial corner ramps;

11. It has been widely observed that although the City clears snow and ice from the city's 15 most-used bike routes on a priority basis, the city's parallel pedestrian walking paths are not cleared with the same or greater degree of priority;
12. It is commonly accepted that the Lower Mainland / Metro Vancouver region can expect to experience snow and ice conditions during any given year (with some years being mercifully and relatively free of snow and ice). Historically for example:
 - Snow and ice conditions from December 2016 to January 2017 represented the third time in eight years the City of Vancouver experienced extreme cold weather and was seemingly caught unprepared for such a weather event;
 - At the January 15, 2013 Regular Council Meeting, in response to the December 2012 snow and ice conditions in Vancouver, a motion introduced by Councillor Affleck entitled "Snow Removal Plan" carried unanimously; and
 - At the December 3, 2009 Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets, in response to a motion introduced by Councillor Woodsworth, Council received a staff report relating to the extreme winter conditions experienced from December 13, 2008 to January 8, 2009. The 2009 report notes many of the same concerns the city continues to experience during snow and ice events today, including concern for persons who are vulnerable to becoming homebound and negatively impacted in terms of routine access to food, medicine and other necessities;
13. Snow and ice conditions across Metro Vancouver can vary widely, as do the urban/suburban characteristics of each constituent municipality, leading to corresponding differences in each municipality's snow and ice response plans, actions and priorities. For example, communities on the North Shore of Burrard Inlet such as North and West Vancouver and Coquitlam are more mountainous than Vancouver, while the City of Richmond (which averages just one metre above sea level) only found it necessary to include single-family residences in its by-law covering sidewalk snow and ice removal quite recently in 2017 (By-law 5870);
14. On a national scale, where snow and ice are a bigger part of civic life during winter than in Metro Vancouver, and in terms of clearing snow and ice from sidewalks and high priority pedestrian areas, the City of Toronto, for example, has 600 snow plows, 300 sidewalk plows, 200 salt trucks, and 1,500 personnel ready to tackle winter conditions 24 hours per day and 7 days per week. The City of Toronto spends about \$90 million annually to deliver its winter operations program, which includes a Sidewalk Plowing Program that clears about 6,400 km of Toronto's 7,900 km of sidewalk including high pedestrian volume sidewalks on arterial roads, transit routes, near school zones, and around accessibility locations (Note: the service does not include the clearing of snow from driveways or private sidewalks leading to a residence);
15. The Engineering Department addresses snow events in two stages; Snow Readiness and Snow Response. The 2019/2020 budget for snow readiness is \$1.6 million and supports advance preparation for the winter season to ensure

our city is well equipped to deal with extreme snow events. Snow response occurs only during a snow event and the amount spent depends on the magnitude of the event and response required. The City of Vancouver's budget includes an annual Council Contingency for such events of \$2 million; snow response is charged against this contingency. In the 2019 budget, Council reduced the contingency from \$4 million to \$2 million. Recognizing the more frequent occurrence of snow and storm events, for the 2020 budget staff recommended \$2 million for the snow response contingency reserve. However, Council reduced the amount to \$1 million;

16. The maintenance and cleanliness of roads and sidewalks, including extreme weather response and dealing with snow and ice, are among the core, most basic jurisdictional responsibilities of local governments such as the City of Vancouver. It is therefore incumbent upon the City and Council to remain open at all times to new and better ways to adapt to conditions and to meet the evolving needs and expectations of the city's residents, visitors, and businesses.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to identify High Priority Pedestrian Areas and Sidewalks in the city and report back before Council's summer break, with information and recommendations for incorporating these areas and sidewalks into the City's Snow Protocol and Response Strategy, in accordance with the topmost priority accorded to walking in the City's hierarchy of transportation modes, the City's Complete Streets Strategy, Equity goals, and Climate Emergency Response actions and objectives;

FURTHER THAT staff engage with the Seniors' Advisory Committee as well as the Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee as well as any others deemed beneficial, for their feedback and input.

- B. THAT Council direct staff to include information in the report back outlining the City's responsibilities and obligations with respect to identified High Priority Pedestrian Areas and Sidewalks, along with the respective responsibilities and obligations of adjacent private property owners and/or their representative agencies (such as BIAs and other jurisdictions such as TransLink).
- C. THAT Council direct staff to consult with the Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation with respect to equipment and strategies employed by the Park Board for clearing snow and ice from walkways and pathways under their jurisdiction and to include this information in the report back to Council, including information relating to operational efficiencies that could potentially be achieved by partnering with the Park Board to clear snow and ice from appropriate High Priority Pedestrian Areas and Sidewalks.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to investigate, and include in the report back information relating to opportunities to enhance the City's snow and ice removal equipment fleet through the acquisition of snow removal equipment specifically designed or retrofitted for clearing sidewalks and high priority pedestrian areas of the city in an efficient and cost-effective manner, including equipment that could serve the dual function of clearing pedestrian pathways and bike lanes;

FURTHER THAT consideration be given to acquiring this equipment under the City's current 2020 budget or upcoming 2021 budget in order for the equipment to be available in time for any snow events during the 2020/2021 winter season.

- E. THAT Council ask staff to report back on how social enterprise can be introduced into the City's acute snow removal protocol.

8. City of Vancouver LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee – Renaming Consideration

At the Council meeting on February 11, 2020, due to time constraints, Council referred the above-noted motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on February 12, 2020.

POSTPONTMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Committee postpone Item 8 – City of Vancouver LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee – Renaming Consideration to the Council meeting on February 25, 2020, as Unfinished Business.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05536)
(Councillor Fry and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)
(Councillor De Genova absent for the vote due to Medical Leave)

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The Committee recessed at 3:33 pm and reconvened at 3:59 pm.

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9. Independent Auditor General Sub-Committee

At the Council meeting on February 11, 2020, due to time constraints, Council referred the above-noted motion to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on February 12, 2020.

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. On October 23, 2018, at the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services, Council unanimously voted in favour of a motion calling for the establishment of an Independent Auditor General Office for the City of Vancouver;
2. Paragraph B of Council's October 23, 2018 resolution ("Prior Resolution B") calls for the formation of a sub-committee of Council to direct the establishment and implementation of an Independent Auditor General Office for the City of

Vancouver, including “directing the search for and appointment of an Auditor General, in consultation with, and based upon recommendations from such bodies as the Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation (CAAF) as well as other relevant authorities that Council may deem appropriate (e.g., consultation with BC’s Auditor General for Local Government, offices of Auditors General across Canada, etc.), and with support as required from the office of the City Manager or designate.”;

3. In order to implement Prior Resolution B, Council has three main options as follows:
 - a) implementation of a formal empowered sub-committee of Council (requiring a 2/3's vote of Council pursuant to Section 161 of the *Vancouver Charter*); or
 - b) a formal (but not empowered) committee (but only requiring a simple majority vote) pursuant to Section 159 of the *Vancouver Charter*); or
 - c) an informal working group not intended to constitute a committee (as was done for the Budget Committee);
4. On December 17, 2019, Council approved the City’s 2020 Budget, including Paragraph P which directed that “\$500,000 be reserved and allocated from the Operating Budget or existent \$750,000 remainder from the 2019 “Innovation Fund”, toward the establishment of an Auditor General’s Office in 2020.”;
5. The City of Vancouver is a member of the Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting and strengthening public sector performance audit, oversight, and accountability in Canada and abroad through research, education, and knowledge sharing;
6. The Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation, as Canada’s premier audit research and education foundation, has worked since 1980, with the support of its members and stakeholders, to assist all parties to the accountability relationship (i.e., oversight bodies, management, and the auditors who serve the accountability relationship) to improve the performance and accountability of public bodies, with resources, tools, and training to carry out their respective responsibilities, and by providing a national focal point for knowledge sharing and networking that fosters Canada-wide collaboration and discussion on issues of mutual interest.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the sub-committee of Council referenced in Prior Resolution B be created pursuant to Section 159 of the *Vancouver Charter*, and that its members be Councillors Bligh, Wiebe, and Hardwick (all of whom have indicated their willingness to serve on the sub-committee) and that it be called the “Municipal Auditor General Sub-Committee”.
- B. THAT the Terms of Reference for the Municipal Auditor General Sub-Committee be as follows:

- i) To freely consult with and seek recommendations, information, and advice from such bodies as the Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation (CAAF), as well as other relevant authorities (e.g., consultation with BC's Auditor General for Local Government, offices of Auditors General across Canada, etc.), including a pre- approved budget of up to \$50,000 to formally engage the CAAF as a consulting body to prepare draft Terms of Reference for, and operational recommendations specific to, the establishment of an Independent Auditor General Office in the City of Vancouver, with engagement of CAAF to be facilitated with support from the office of the City Manager or designate as per Prior Resolution B;
- ii) To compile all recommendations, information, and advice received through the information-gathering process noted above and present its report to Council, along with recommendations for next steps in the larger process to establish an Independent Auditor General Office for the City of Vancouver, including, possible recommendations for converting the Municipal Auditor General Sub-Committee into a committee created pursuant to Section 161 of the *Vancouver Charter* so as to delegate specific powers to it and empowering it to implement such recommendations;
- iii) That it complete its information gathering work and report back to Council by the end of March 2020 or earlier if feasible;
- iv) That, aside from reporting back to Council and making recommendations, the Municipal Auditor General Sub-Committee not be delegated any executive or administrative powers and that it not be authorized to enter into any contracts or incur any expenditures, except for the formal engagement of the CAAF (as per (v) below) as a consulting body to prepare draft Terms of Reference for, and operational recommendations specific to, an Independent Auditor General Office for the City of Vancouver, without Council's prior approval and consent (e.g., any additional expenditures that may be prudent and relevant to the information gathering process);
- v) That, the proposed agreement with CAAF be subject to compliance with the City's Procurement Policy, except as follows: Council now expressly authorizes the agreement with CAAF for an amount not to exceed \$50,000 (including all applicable taxes) provided the terms of the agreement are approved by the City Solicitor and the majority of the members of the Municipal Auditor General Sub-committee.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato

That A be struck and replaced with the following:

THAT Council authorize the creation of an informal working group, in advance of a sub-committee being formed, not intended to constitute a committee called the Municipal Auditor General Informal Working Group.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05537)
(Councillor Boyle abstained from the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT B be amended as follows:

- striking the words “Sub-Committee” and replacing with the words “Informal Working Group,” all throughout the recommendation;
- in ii), strike the phrase “possible recommendations for converting the Municipal Auditor General Sub-Committee into a committee created pursuant to Section 161 of the *Vancouver Charter* so as to delegate specific powers to it and empowering it to implement such recommendations,” and replacing with the phrase “any additional and/or expanded Terms of Reference that may be required as informed by the information-gathering process.”;
- in iii), strike the words “by the end of March 2020” and replace with the words “before the end of Quarter 2 of 2020 or”;
- in iv), strike the words “and that it not be authorized”; and
- in v), strike the phrase “and the majority of the members of the Municipal Auditor General Sub-Committee” and substitute with the words “and by the City Manager.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05538)
(Councillor Boyle and Mayor Stewart abstained from the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the following be added as C:

THAT the Municipal Auditor General Informal Working Group be comprised of Councillors Bligh, Carr, Dominato, Fry, Hardwick and Kirby-Yung.

carried

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At 5:05 pm, during discussion on the above-noted amendment, it was

MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the Committee extend the meeting past 5 pm to complete the remainder of the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY**

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AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the words "Councillors Bligh, Carr, Dominato, Hardwick and Kirby-Yung" be struck and substituted with the words "2 NPA Councillors, 2 Green Party Councillors and an Independent Councillor".

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During discussion on the above-noted amendment to the amendment, it was

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT debate close and the vote be called.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY**
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

The amendment to the amendment was put and LOST (Vote No. 05539) with Councillors Bligh, Carr, De Genova, Dominato, Hardwick, Kirby-Yung and Wiebe opposed, Councillor Boyle abstained from the vote and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote.

Subsequently, the amended amendment was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05540) with Councillors Boyle and De Genova abstaining from the vote and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote.

The amendments having carried the amended motion was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 05541) with Councillor Boyle opposed, Councillor De Genova abstaining from the vote and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote.

Following adoption of the resolution, Councillor Hardwick put forward an amendment to the preamble of the clause.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT “WHEREAS” clauses 1 and 2 be amended by striking the year “2018” and substituting it with the year “2019.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05542)
(Councillor De Genova abstained from the vote)
(Councillor Boyle and Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

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- C. THAT the Municipal Auditor General Informal Working Group be comprised of Councillors Bligh, Carr, Dominato, Fry, Hardwick, and Kirby-Yung.

The Committee adjourned at 5:21 pm.

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

FEBRUARY 12, 2020

A meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at 5:22 pm, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

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

ABSENT: Mayor Stewart
Councillor Christine Boyle

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Penney, Director, Legislative Operations
Irina Dragnea, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, February 12, 2020

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. Presentation: CityStudio Annual Update
2. Aquatic Environments
 - i. Aquatic Environments: Mobile Pump-out Service Delivery
 - ii. Aquatic Environments Action Plan
3. Contract Award for Construction Services for the Curb Ramp Program
4. Approval of Change Order to Construction Agreement PS20190021 – Construction Services for the Granville Bridge Rehabilitation
5. 1001 West Broadway Unit 200 – 1111539 BC Ltd.
Liquor Primary Liquor Licence and Outdoor Patio Application
Liquor Establishment Class 5
6. Transparency and Accountability at Little Mountain

7. Including Pedestrians in Vancouver's Snow Protocol and Response
8. City of Vancouver LGBTQ2+ Advisory Committee – Renaming Consideration
9. Independent Auditor General Sub-Committee

Items 1 to 9

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
SECONDED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting of February 12, 2020, as contained in items 1 to 9, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 5:25 pm.

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