



## REPORT TO COUNCIL

### STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES

**MAY 13, 2020**

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Finance and Services was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2020, at 9:35 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall. This Council meeting was convened by electronic means as authorized under the *Order of the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General of the Province of British Columbia – Emergency Program Act, Ministerial Order No. M139*.

**PRESENT:**

- Councillor Melissa De Genova, Chair
- Mayor Kennedy Stewart\*
- Councillor Rebecca Bligh
- Councillor Christine Boyle
- Councillor Adriane Carr
- Councillor Lisa Dominato
- Councillor Pete Fry, Vice-Chair
- Councillor Colleen Hardwick
- Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung
- Councillor Jean Swanson
- Councillor Michael Wiebe

**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Sadhu Johnston, City Manager

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Rosemary Hagiwara, Acting 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.

### PROCLAMATION – May is Childcare Month

In celebration of May as Child Care and Early Learning Month, the Chair recognized and thanked all of the childcare operators and early childhood educators that play a critical role every day in supporting the success of children and families and, more recently, in helping to mitigate the impacts of the pandemic.

The Chair also extended special gratitude to the childcare operators and educators who have opened their programs to support essential workers during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

## 1. Presentation: COVID 19 - Mobility and Public Space Responses

Lon LaClaire, General Manager, Engineering Services, Gil Kelley, General Manager, Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, and Paul Storer, Director of Transportation, Engineering Services, provided a presentation on COVID 19 - Mobility and Public Space Responses and, along with the City Manager and staff from Engineering Services, responded to questions

## 2. Flexible, Innovative and Expedited Patio Permitting

At the Council meeting on May 12, 2020, Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on May 13, 2020, in order to hear from speakers.

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

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*At 11:56 am, during the hearing of speakers, it was*

*MOVED by Councillor Dominato*

*THAT the Committee extend the meeting past noon in order to finish hearing from speakers on Item 2.*

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

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*The Committee recessed at 12:01 pm, and reconvened at 3:19 pm.*

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

### WHEREAS

1. The COVID-19 pandemic has inflicted significant negative economic impacts with many Vancouver businesses including restaurants, tourism businesses, hotels, and personal-care services such as hair stylists, nail salons and dentists, forced to close or severely limit operations due to health and physical distancing restrictions;
2. Restaurants have been one of the most immediate and hardest hit sectors, and small business operators are struggling to survive with many limited to takeout offerings and attempting to make it through the pandemic;
3. Small businesses like restaurants are vital to the fabric and character of Vancouver neighbourhoods and support complete communities;

4. Small businesses like restaurants are key contributors to Vancouver's economic health generating jobs and tax revenue;
5. The City has a key role to play in supporting economic recovery. Speed flexibility and nimbleness in permitting and business support services will be instrumental to helping businesses get back up and running and survive;
6. Patio season is a critical revenue generator for restaurants and is upon us now. Expedited patio permitting must be turnkey when restaurants are able to reopen to table type service;
7. Some work has begun with staff offering online renewals for patio permits during the COVID-19 crisis;
8. An outcome of COVID will likely be the need for some continued physical distancing processes in businesses. Customers will also be cautious about being in close quarters to others;
9. Patios provide the health benefit of fresh air and sunlight;
10. There is opportunity to be innovative and redefine patios such as pop-up standing patios for quick service type offerings, expanded size to enable physical distancing, or utilization of curb lane, street, sidewalk and laneway space for extensions where it doesn't impede accessibility, transit, emergency vehicles or traffic;
11. Currently, patio permitting can require a combination of licensing, development permits and permits to enable operations;
12. Currently, craft breweries are not permitted to have patio operations in Vancouver;
13. The City of Vancouver has initiated a street reallocation response that focuses on Room to Queue, Room to Load, and Room to Move during the COVID-19 pandemic. There is opportunity to add Room to Eat to this work, and to re-examine public space use as part of a new post-pandemic world; and
14. Many cities are re-examining the use of public space now to achieve healthier communities. A COVID legacy can be a more vibrant and people focused public realm.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to prepare options and report back as soon as possible to support more flexible patio types (including consideration for pre-detailed designs and formats), utilization of curb lane, street, sidewalk and laneway space for extensions, expedited permitting including applications and renewals, as well as the number of patios allowed, in order to support the economic recovery and safe operations of Vancouver's restaurant sector in the context of COVID-19.

- B. THAT such options outlined in A above identify any needed amendments to Street Vending By-law No. 10868 and the Street and Traffic By-law No. 2849 to enable greater flexibility.
- C. THAT breweries that currently hold a lounge endorsement within the City of Vancouver may apply for patio endorsements, aligning with the recommendations and guidelines set out by the Provincial government, and that brewery patio applications will be considered as long as the total patron load including the new patio remains below the current City patron limit for ancillary brewery lounges. Considerations for brewery lounge patios should adhere to similar licensing and permitting fees as restaurants and cafes.
- D. THAT such options be considered for the duration of the COVID-19 response and recovery, recognizing that innovation will provide for valuable learning towards operations and adaptation in a new, post-COVID world;

FURTHER THAT staff report back on possible opportunities to create common-style eating spaces with additional chairs, benches or tables on public plazas or public spaces, that can enable outdoor eating areas to support different takeout or quick service restaurants and cafes in various neighbourhoods and commercial districts, with consultation with impacted business improvement associations as may be appropriate (recognizing previous Council motions such as Celebrating Italian Culture: Welcome Signage in Little Italy and a Pilot Program for an Italian Piazza in Vancouver as it relates to Commercial Drive).

- E. THAT this motion be shared with the Council Pandemic Response and Recovery Working Group for the purpose of enabling them to seek or share further information from the restaurant sector as may be beneficial to and aid this work.

amended

*During debate on Item 2, Councillor De Genova relinquished the Chair to Councillor Fry, in order to participate and resumed as Chair when completed.*

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT A of the motion be amended as follows:

- insert the words “work directly with business operators to identify immediate patio seating options that would move indoor seating capacity outdoors to improve physical distancing”, after the words “direct staff to”;
- delete the words “prepare options and report back as soon as possible to support more flexible patio types”; and
- insert the words “temporary outdoor seating guidelines” after the words “consideration for”;

FURTHER THAT B be struck and that C, D and E be updated alphabetically.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05867)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle

THAT A be amended to insert the words “that are designed with the needs of those who use wheelchairs, mobility scooters and other mobility devices in mind and that ensure safe and accessible paths of travel are maintained”, after the word “formats”;

FURTHER THAT the second paragraph of D in the original motion, be amended to insert the words “ensuring they are accessible to those who use wheelchairs, mobility scooters and other mobility devices, and” after the words “commercial districts”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05868)  
(Mayor Stewart absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the following be added as E and F:

- E. THAT Council approve in principle the prioritization of additional staff and budget resources to support the allocation of flexible, innovated and expedited patio space, and direct staff to seek out cost recovery opportunities where possible and where reallocation of public space may be for private use.
- F. THAT Council direct staff to consult with Vancouver Coastal Health, City Engineering, and Emergency Operations Centre to determine best practices to safely allow patio spaces while considering best practices around safe physical distancing as well as access to ancillary and public spaces for all ages and abilities.

carried

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the amendment be amended to strike E.

out of order

The Chair ruled the amendment to strike E out of order as the same result could be achieved by voting in opposition.

The amendment to strike E having been ruled out of order, the amendment was put. The Committee agreed to sever the components of the amendment for the vote.

- E. THAT Council approve in principle the prioritization of additional staff and budget resources to support the allocation of flexible, innovated and expedited patio space, and direct staff to seek out cost recovery opportunities where possible and where reallocation of public space may be for private use.

CARRIED (Vote No. 05869)  
(Councillors Bligh, De Genova, Dominato, Kirby-Yung and Hardwick opposed)

- F. THAT Council direct staff to consult with Vancouver Coastal Health, City Engineering, and Emergency Operations Centre to determine best practices to safely allow patio spaces while considering best practices around safe physical distancing as well as access to ancillary and public spaces for all ages and abilities.

CARRIED (Vote No. 05870)  
(Councillor Kirby-Yung opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Swanson

THAT the following be added as G:

- G. THAT staff look at ways to expand public access to public spaces for people who don't have the money to spend in restaurants, and ensure that there are safe spaces outdoors for members of the public to sit even if they don't spend any money, and that public spaces that are opened for use by restaurant patrons also be available for use by people who are not spending money in restaurants.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05871) (*reconsidered*)  
(Councillor Bligh abstained from the vote)

*Subsequently, later in the proceedings, G was reconsidered.*

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*At 5 pm, during debate, it was*

*MOVED by Councillor Carr*

*THAT the Committee extend the meeting past 5 pm in order to complete the business.*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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*The Committee recessed at 5:01 pm and reconvened at 6:05 pm.*

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AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the following be added as H:

- H. THAT the Mayor write to the Premier and Attorney General David Eby on behalf of Vancouver City Council, applauding the Province's announced move to allow BC restaurants to purchase liquor at wholesale prices, and to expedite provincial approvals for expanded outdoor liquor service and that the letter cite Council's support for flexibility in the adjustment of regulations, in order to enable expedited outdoor dining in support of public health and economic recovery for BC's Restart Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05872)

The amendments having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05873).

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*During debate on Item 4, the Committee laid the pending business on the table, in order to deal with an urgent legal issue in Item 2, regarding language included in the motion.*

*Note: for ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in numerical order.*

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RECONSIDERATION MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the Committee reconsider G of the motion in order to address a legal matter in regard to language.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05887)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT G be amended to strike the words "public spaces that are opened for use by restaurant patrons also be available for use by people who are not spending money in restaurants".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05888)  
(Councillor Fry abstained from the vote)

The amendment having carried unanimously, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05889) with Councillor Fry abstaining from the vote.

**FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

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- and personal-care services such as hair stylists, nail salons and dentists, forced to close or severely limit operations due to health and physical distancing restrictions;
2. Restaurants have been one of the most immediate and hardest hit sectors, and small business operators are struggling to survive with many limited to takeout offerings and attempting to make it through the pandemic;
  3. Small businesses like restaurants are vital to the fabric and character of Vancouver neighbourhoods and support complete communities;
  4. Small businesses like restaurants are key contributors to Vancouver's economic health generating jobs and tax revenue;
  5. The City has a key role to play in supporting economic recovery. Speed flexibility and nimbleness in permitting and business support services will be instrumental to helping businesses get back up and running and survive;
  6. Patio season is a critical revenue generator for restaurants and is upon us now. Expedited patio permitting must be turnkey when restaurants are able to reopen to table type service;
  7. Some work has begun with staff offering online renewals for patio permits during the COVID-19 crisis;
  8. An outcome of COVID will likely be the need for some continued physical distancing processes in businesses. Customers will also be cautious about being in close quarters to others;
  9. Patios provide the health benefit of fresh air and sunlight;
  10. There is opportunity to be innovative and redefine patios such as pop-up standing patios for quick service type offerings, expanded size to enable physical distancing, or utilization of curb lane, street, sidewalk and laneway space for extensions where it doesn't impede accessibility, transit, emergency vehicles or traffic;
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  13. The City of Vancouver has initiated a street reallocation response that focuses on Room to Queue, Room to Load, and Room to Move during the COVID-19 pandemic. There is opportunity to add Room to Eat to this work, and to re-examine public space use as part of a new post-pandemic world; and
  14. Many cities are re-examining the use of public space now to achieve healthier communities. A COVID legacy can be a more vibrant and people focused public realm.



THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff work directly with business operators to identify immediate patio seating options that would move indoor seating capacity outdoors to improve physical distancing (including consideration for temporary outdoor seating guidelines, pre-detailed designs and formats that are designed with the needs of those who use wheelchairs, mobility scooters and other mobility devices in mind and that ensure safe and accessible paths of travel are maintained), utilization of curb lane, street, sidewalk and laneway space for extensions, expedited permitting including applications and renewals, as well as the number of patios allowed, in order to support the economic recovery and safe operations of Vancouver's restaurant sector in the context of COVID-19.
- B. THAT breweries that currently hold a lounge endorsement within the City of Vancouver may apply for patio endorsements, aligning with the recommendations and guidelines set out by the Provincial government, and that brewery patio applications will be considered as long as the total patron load including the new patio remains below the current City patron limit for ancillary brewery lounges. Considerations for brewery lounge patios should adhere to similar licensing and permitting fees as restaurants and cafes.
- C. THAT such options be considered for the duration of the COVID-19 response and recovery, recognizing that innovation will provide for valuable learning towards operations and adaptation in a new, post-COVID world;

FURTHER THAT staff report back on possible opportunities to create common-style eating spaces with additional chairs, benches or tables on public plazas or public spaces, that can enable outdoor eating areas to support different takeout or quick service restaurants and cafes in various neighbourhoods and commercial districts, ensuring they are accessible to those who use wheelchairs, mobility scooters and other mobility devices, and with consultation with impacted Business Improvement Associations as may be appropriate (recognizing previous Council motions such as Celebrating Italian Culture: Welcome Signage in Little Italy and a Pilot Program for an Italian Piazza in Vancouver as it relates to Commercial Drive).

- D. THAT the motion entitled "Flexible, Innovative and Expedited Patio Permitting", be shared with the Council Pandemic Response and Recovery Working Group for the purpose of enabling them to seek or share further information from the restaurant sector as may be beneficial to and aid this work.
- E. THAT Council approve in principle the prioritization of additional staff and budget resources to support the allocation of flexible, innovated and expedited patio space, and direct staff to seek out cost recovery opportunities where possible and where reallocation of public space may be for private use.
- F. THAT Council direct staff to consult with Vancouver Coast Health, City Engineering, and Emergency Operations Centre to determine best practices to safely allow patio spaces while considering best practices around safe physical distancing as well as access to ancillary and public spaces for all ages and abilities.

- G. THAT staff look at ways to expand public access to public spaces for people who don't have the money to spend in restaurants, and ensure that there are safe spaces outdoors for members of the public to sit even if they don't spend any money.
- H. THAT the Mayor write to the Premier and Attorney General David Eby on behalf of Vancouver City Council, applauding the Province's announced move to allow BC restaurants to purchase liquor at wholesale prices, and to expedite provincial approvals for expanded outdoor liquor service and that the letter cite Council's support for flexibility in the adjustment of regulations, in order to enable expedited outdoor dining in support of public health and economic recovery for BC's Restart Plan.

### **3. Working for More Housing Affordability in the Cambie Corridor**

At the Council meeting on May 12, 2020, Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on May 13, 2020, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from one speaker in support.

MOVED by Councillor Swanson  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

#### WHEREAS

1. The public benefits summary for the rezoning application at 4989 Ash Street points out that a total of 10,740 housing units are complete, under construction, approved or in review in the Cambie Corridor;
2. The summary shows that 71% are condos serving households with incomes mostly over \$100K per year;
3. The summary shows that 20% are purpose built rental serving households with incomes mostly over \$60K per year;
4. The summary shows that 9% or 947 units are social housing;
5. Of the 947 units that are social housing, only 30% or 284 units have to be at HILS (about \$50-80K/year);
6. That means only 3% of the total number of units have to be at HILS even though 50% of renters and 26% of owners in Vancouver have incomes below HILS;
7. The Cambie Corridor Plan says (p. 21) that one purpose of the plan is to "ensure that objectives for affordable housing meet the needs of households with low incomes, seniors, and those with mental illnesses and addictions."; and

8. The housing mix that is playing out in the Corridor is skewed toward people who have more than average income and is excluding low wage workers, seniors, people with low incomes, people with disabilities and people who are homeless.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council ask staff to revisit and report back as part of their ongoing work on the affordability of Cambie Corridor Plan housing and public benefit targets, taking into account that the new units that are built, under construction, approved or under review, will not meet the Plan's goals for affordability, as only 3% of them are required to be at HILS rates (approximately \$50-80K), while half of renter households in the city as well as 26% of owner households have incomes below \$50K, and make recommendations for aligning the affordability targets to the real incomes of people in Vancouver who need housing including low wage workers, people who have low incomes, seniors, people with disabilities and people who are homeless.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the motion be amended to strike the words "revisit and".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05874)

The amendment having carried unanimously, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05875)

#### **FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

WHEREAS

1. The public benefits summary for the rezoning application at 4989 Ash Street points out that a total of 10,740 housing units are complete, under construction, approved or in review in the Cambie Corridor;
2. The summary shows that 71% are condos serving households with incomes mostly over \$100K per year;
3. The summary shows that 20% are purpose built rental serving households with incomes mostly over \$60K per year;
4. The summary shows that 9% or 947 units are social housing;
5. Of the 947 units that are social housing, only 30% or 284 units have to be at HILS (about \$50-80K/year);
6. That means only 3% of the total number of units have to be at Housing Income Limits (HILs) even though 50% of renters and 26% of owners in Vancouver have incomes below HILS;

7. The Cambie Corridor Plan (p. 21) says that one purpose of the plan is to “ensure that objectives for affordable housing meet the needs of households with low incomes, seniors, and those with mental illnesses and addictions.”; and
8. The housing mix that is playing out in the Corridor is skewed toward people who have more than average income and is excluding low wage workers, seniors, people with low incomes, people with disabilities and people who are homeless.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council ask staff to report back as part of their ongoing work on the affordability of Cambie Corridor Plan housing and public benefit targets, taking into account that the new units that are built, under construction, approved or under review, will not meet the Plan’s goals for affordability, as only 3% of them are required to be at Housing Income Limits (HILs) rates (approximately \$50-80K), while half of renter households in the city as well as 26% of owner households have incomes below \$50K, and make recommendations for aligning the affordability targets to the real incomes of people in Vancouver who need housing including low wage workers, people who have low incomes, seniors, people with disabilities and people who are homeless.

#### **4. Reallocation of Road Space to Support Shared Use During Pandemic**

At the Council meeting on May 12, 2020, Council referred the following motion to the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on May 13, 2020, in order to hear from speakers.

The Committee heard from five speakers in support of the motion, one speaker who expressed concerns with closing the 300 and 400 blocks of Carroll Street, and one speaker who felt the proposed road closures were not ambitious enough.

MOVED by Councillor Dominato  
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

#### WHEREAS

1. The City of Vancouver declared a local state of emergency on March 19, 2020, in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic;
2. The Province has recommended physical distancing of 2 metres (6 feet) to prevent the spread of COVID-19;
3. The Province has also recommended the public continue to safely enjoy the outdoors, including local parks and public spaces;
4. The Provincial health officer has commented publicly in recent weeks that partial street closures and one way travel/routing can be an effective way to enable physical exercise and safe distancing during the pandemic;
5. Cities across Canada and around the world are undertaking measures to reallocate street space and roadways for pedestrians to safely exercise, access businesses and employment, while maintaining a safe distance due to the current pandemic;

6. Vancouver City Council has previously endorsed motions to support slower residential streets and encourage safer shared use;
7. The City of Vancouver and Park Board recently identified congestion in and around Stanley Park, and subsequently closed the Stanley Park roadway to cars and one lane along Beach Avenue to enable safe physical distancing during the COVID19 pandemic;
8. The City of Vancouver has initiated a street reallocation initiative that focuses on Room to Queue, Room to Load, and Room to Move during the COVID-19 pandemic; and
9. The ongoing pandemic necessitates that the City reallocate road space on an urgent basis now and develop plans for mobility and space use as part of our post-COVID-19 recovery and new economy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to expedite efforts to identify and implement appropriate reallocations of road space, such as high use greenways and streets adjacent to parks where space could be reallocated temporarily to enable safe shared use (pedestrians, cyclists, motor vehicles) and support safe physical distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic response;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to communicate information to the public and businesses regarding the suite of street measures available to the City for reallocating space to support access to local businesses, to support loading and curbside pick-up, and to support physical activity and distancing in neighbourhoods across the city;

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back to Council in fall 2020 on refined options for mobility and public realm use as part of the post COVID-19 recovery and new economy.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the following be added as B, C, D and E:

- B. THAT the City close streets in the Downtown Eastside (DTES) to facilitate physical distancing in the busiest areas such as: E. Hastings Street from Main Street to Carrall Street, Carrall Street from E. Cordova Street to E. Hastings Street, and E. Hastings Street from Gore Avenue to Main Street.
- C. THAT street closures and physical distancing are maintained and monitored through peer support.
- D. THAT blocks used by street-based sex workers such as E. Hastings Street from Gore Avenue to Hawks Avenue remain open or partially open as these workers already face serious financial hardship and increasing danger during the pandemic.

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- E. THAT City of Vancouver staff consult with Downtown Eastside (DTES) service providers to create a plan for DTES street closures and management in the interests of the community, while allowing access for transit and first responders.

amended

During debate, the City Manager responded to questions in relation to the above amendment.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT E be amended as follows:

- insert the words “residents and businesses” after the words “service providers”; and
- strike the words “closures and”.

CARRIED (Vote No. 05876)  
(Councillor Swanson and Mayor Stewart opposed)

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amendment as amended was put. The Committee agreed to sever the components of the amendment for the vote.

- B. THAT the city close streets in the DTES to facilitate physical distancing in the busiest areas such as: E. Hastings Street from Main Street to Carrall Street, Carrall Street from E. Cordova Street to E. Hastings Street , and E. Hastings Street from Gore Avenue to Main Street.

LOST (Vote No. 05877)  
(Councillors Bligh, Carr, De Genova, Dominato, Fry, Kirby-Yung, Hardwick, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart opposed)  
(Councillor Boyle abstained from the vote)

- C. THAT street closures and physical distancing are maintained and monitored through peer support.

LOST (Vote No. 05879)  
(Councillors Bligh, Carr, De Genova, Dominato, Fry, Kirby-Yung, Hardwick, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart opposed)  
(Councillor Boyle abstained from the vote)

- D. THAT blocks used by street-based sex workers such as E. Hastings Street from Gore Avenue to Hawks Avenue remain open or partially open as these workers already face serious financial hardship and increasing danger during the pandemic.

LOST (Vote No. 05881)  
(Councillors Bligh, Carr, De Genova, Fry, Kirby-Yung and Mayor Stewart opposed)  
(Councillor Dominato and Hardwick abstained from the vote)

- E. THAT City staff consult with Downtown Eastside (DTES) service providers, residents and businesses to create a plan for DTES street management in the interests of the community, while allowing access for transit and first responders.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05882)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr

THAT the following be added as F:

- F. THAT Council direct staff to continue with public consultation, including through the Vancouver Plan, to aid in identifying appropriate reallocations of road space to people-focused public space throughout the city, and consider changes that could become longer term or possibly permanent.

CARRIED (Vote No. 05883)  
(Councillor De Genova opposed)  
(Councillor Hardwick abstained from the vote)

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*The Committee recessed at 8:48 pm and reconvened at 9 pm.*

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*During debate on Item 4, Councillor De Genova relinquished the Chair to Councillor Fry, in order to participate and resumed as Chair when completed.*

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the first paragraph of the original motion (A) be amended to insert the words “to take immediate steps” after the words “direct staff”.

CARRIED (Vote No. 05884)  
(Councillor De Genova opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the following be added as G and H:

- G. THAT Council approve in principle the prioritization of additional staff and budget resources to support the reallocation of road space, and direct staff to seek out cost recovery opportunities where possible and where reallocation of road space may be for private use.

carried

- H. THAT Council request the General Manager of Engineering write to the Provincial Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to reiterate the City of Vancouver’s request to implement blanket city speed limits, and that this letter contain an overview of comparable cities with reduced residential road speed limits (ie Seattle, Portland) and their ability to

respond to pandemic and support public realm in a timely and cost-effective manner.

withdrawn

The Chair ruled H of the amendment out of order because it relates to work already underway or has been completed.

Councillor Fry challenged the ruling of the Chair.

MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the Committee challenge the Chair's ruling.

withdrawn

Subsequently, following clarification on the Chair's ruling, it was

WITHDRAWAL MOVED by Councillor Fry

THAT the Committee withdraw the challenge to the Chair's ruling.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Fry also withdrew H of the amendment with the Committee's consent.

H of the amendment having been withdrawn, G of the amendment was put and CARRIED with Councillor Kirby-Yung opposed and Councillors Bligh, Dominato, De Genova and Hardwick abstaining from the vote. (Vote No. 05885).

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*During debate, it was*

*MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung*

*THAT the Committee lay the pending business on the table in order to deal with urgent business in relation to the motion in Item 2.*

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 05886)*

*NOTE: for ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in numerical order.*

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*Following the completion of Item 2, it was*

*MOVED by Councillor Hardwick*

*THAT the Committee continue with debate on Item 4.*

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY*

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*At 9:54 pm, it was*

*MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung*

*THAT, under Part 2.8(c) of the Procedure By-law, Council extend the meeting by an hour or less in order to complete debate and decision on Item 4.*

*LOST HAVING NOT*

*RECEIVED THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Vote No. 05890)*

*(Councillors Boyle and Hardwick opposed)*

*(Councillor Fry abstained from the vote)*

The Committee ended at 10 pm.

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**NOTE:**

- *As the motion to extend the meeting past 10 pm was lost, the following items will be considered at the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on May 27, 2020:*
  4. *Reallocation of Road Space to Support Shared Use During Pandemic*
  5. *Recalibrating the Housing Vancouver Strategy post COVID-19*
  
- *As Council did not convene the Council meeting to adopt the actions and recommendations from the Standing Committee, the following items will be considered at the Council meeting on May 26, 2020, as Unfinished Business:*
  1. *Presentation: COVID 19 - Mobility and Public Space Responses*
  2. *Flexible, Innovative and Expedited Patio Permitting*
  3. *Working for More Housing Affordability in the Cambie Corridor*

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