

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 19 AND 20, 2021

A Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 9:36 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall. Subsequently, the meeting recessed and reconvened on Wednesday, January 20, 2021, at 6 pm. 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, updated Ministerial Order No. M192.

PRESENT: Mayor Kennedy Stewart

Councillor Rebecca Bligh* Councillor Christine Boyle Councillor Adriane Carr

Councillor Melissa De Genova* Councillor Lisa Dominato

Councillor Pete Fry

Councillor Colleen Hardwick Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung Councillor Jean Swanson Councillor Michael Wiebe

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Paul Mochrie, Acting City Manager

Karen Levitt, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Rosemary Hagiwara, Acting City Clerk

Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Mayor acknowledged we are on the unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and we thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to working with them in partnership as we continue to build this great city together.

The Mayor 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.

^{*} Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

IN CAMERA MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

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

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Special Council (Considering Options for Emergency COVID-19 Relief for Unsheltered Vancouver Residents) – October 8, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council (Considering Options for Emergency COVID-19 Relief for Unsheltered Vancouver Residents) meeting of October 8, 2020, be approved.

2. Special Council (2021 Budget) – December 1, 2 and 3, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council (2021 Budget) meeting of December 1, 2 and 3, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Auditor General Recruitment Committee – December 4, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the Minutes of the Auditor General Recruitment Committee meeting of December 4, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Public Hearing – December 8, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Swanson SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of December 8, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Council (Policy and Strategic Priorities) – December 9, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the Minutes of the Council meeting following the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting of December 9, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Council – December 8 and 10, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Council meeting of December 8 and 10, 2020, be approved.

7. Public Hearing – December 2 and 10, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Boyle SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of December 2 and 10, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Auditor General Committee – December 11, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Auditor General Committee meeting of December 11, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Auditor General Recruitment Committee – December 15, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the Minutes of the Auditor General Recruitment Committee meeting of December 15, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Auditor General Recruitment Committee – January 8, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Auditor General Recruitment Committee meeting of January 8, 2021, be approved.

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT Council adopt Reports 2 and 4, and Referral Reports 1, 3, 4, and 5, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PRESENTATIONS

1. 2021 Assessment Roll

Grant McDonald, Deputy Assessor, BC Assessment, and Joanna Dlin, Senior Appraiser, BC Assessment, provided a presentation on the 2021 Assessment Roll, including information about BC Assessment, assessment cycle and key dates, property classification, the appeal process, and the 2021 assessment roll overview.

Grant McDonald and Joanna Dlin, along with staff from Financial Planning and Analysis, responded to questions.

2. Report Back on the Random Order Ballot Model Used in the 2018 Vancouver Election

Rosemary Hagiwara, Acting City Clerk, along with Wendy Mendes, Manager, Democratic Engagement, Tamarra Wong, Acting Manager, Business and Election Services, and Eline A. de Rooij, Associate Professor, Political Science, Simon Fraser University, provided a presentation on the Random Order Ballot Model Used in the 2018 Vancouver Election, including engagement strategy, joint advisory committee meeting, online survey, an academic study on the matter and recommendations. They also responded to questions.

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MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Council suspend the rules and allow for a second round of questions to staff.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Council heard from one speaker in support of the recommendations.

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MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT the meeting be extended past noon to finish asking questions of the speaker.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Council recessed at 12:02 pm and reconvened at 3 pm.

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MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

A. THAT Council direct staff to continue with the random order ballot model that was approved by Council and implemented for the 2018 general municipal election in the 2022 general municipal election;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to include the addition of numbers in front of candidate names on the ballot in the 2022 general municipal election.

- B. THAT Council direct staff to implement A above in any by-elections prior to the 2022 general municipal election.
- C. THAT the City of Vancouver request that the Province amend the *Vancouver Charter* to extend the candidate nomination period and move it to earlier in the election year (87 days);

FURTHER THAT Council submit to the next Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) and subsequent Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) conventions a resolution for consideration that requests an extension of the candidate nomination period.

D. THAT the City of Vancouver request that the Province amend the *Vancouver Charter* to require a minimum of 75 qualified nominators for Councillor candidates and 100 qualified nominators for Mayoral candidates.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT C be amended as follows:

- striking the words "the City of Vancouver request that the Province amend";
- inserting the words "Council direct staff to report back on a possible amendment to" after the word "THAT";
- inserting the words ",with additional considerations to synchronize the campaign period (currently 28 days) as defined in the Local Election Campaign Finance Act, to ensure reporting of third party advertising once candidates are nominated", at the end of the first clause; and
- deleting the FURTHER THAT, to read as follows:
- C. THAT Council direct staff to report back on a possible amendment to the *Vancouver Charter* to extend the candidate nomination period and move it to earlier in the election year (87 days), with additional considerations to synchronize the campaign period (currently 28 days) as defined in the *Local Election Campaign Finance Act*, to ensure reporting of third party advertising once candidates are nominated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 06837) (Councillor De Genova absent for the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT D be amended by striking the number 75 an inserting 100, and striking the number 100, and inserting 200, to read as follows:

D. THAT the City of Vancouver request that the Province amend the *Vancouver Charter* to require a minimum of 100 qualified nominators for Councillor candidates and 200 qualified nominators for Mayoral candidates.

CARRIED (Vote No. 06838) (Councillors Bligh, Swanson, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart opposed) (Councillor Fry abstained from the vote)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the following be added as E:

THAT Council direct staff to consult with advisory committees and the public and report back to Council, on the option of providing each voter with the option of:

1. a ballot in alphabetical order;

2) a ballot in a random order.

not put

Prior to the amendment receiving a seconder, the Mayor declared the amendment out of order for two reasons, as it directly contradicts A of the motion, and in sections 78 and 79 of the *Vancouver Charter* the rules state that there cannot be alphabetical ballot order and random ballot order both at the same time.

The amendment above not being put, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED with Councillor De Genova opposed to A and B (Vote No. 06839), Councillors Bligh, De Genova, Kirby-Yung and Swanson opposed to C (Vote No. 06840), and Councillor Swanson and the Mayor opposed to D (Vote No. 06841.)

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to continue with the random order ballot model that was approved by Council and implemented for the 2018 general municipal election in the 2022 general municipal election;
 - FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to include the addition of numbers in front of candidate names on the ballot in the 2022 general municipal election.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to implement A above in any by-elections prior to the 2022 general municipal election.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to report back on a possible amendment to the *Vancouver Charter* to extend the candidate nomination period and move it to earlier in the election year (87 days), with additional considerations to synchronize the campaign period (currently 28 days) as defined in the *Local Election Campaign Finance Act*, to ensure reporting of third party advertising once candidates are nominated.
- D. THAT the City of Vancouver request that the Province amend the Vancouver Charter to require a minimum of 100 qualified nominators for Councillor candidates and 200 qualified nominators for Mayoral candidates.

REPORTS

1. Downtown Eastside Special Enterprise Pilot Program December 16, 2020

Neil Hrushowy, Assistant Director, Community Planning, and Jose Fernandez Garcia, Community Development and Economic Planner, Downtown Eastside, provided a presentation and responded to questions.

Council heard from three speakers in support of the recommendations.

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Fry

- A. THAT Council approve the proposed Special Enterprise Program (SEP) pilot to address the issues of commercial vacancies, affordability, community serving un used space upgrade needs, capacity building, and retention of heritage and community-serving businesses, non-profits and social enterprises with a special focus in Chinatown and the Downtown Eastside.
- B. THAT Council approve an initial amount of \$500,000 to advance the objectives of the Special Enterprise Program (SEP). The source of funding is the Downtown Eastside Capital Grants funding under the Multi-Year Capital Project Budget of 2021. This SEP fund will be disbursed according to set guidelines and criteria for the following initiatives:
 - \$150,000 to continue supporting the Community-serving Retail project in Chinese Society Buildings led by the Strathcona Business Improvement Association, and Council deems any recipient of the funds to be an organization that contributes to the welfare of the City;
 - ii. \$150,000 to provide capacity building to businesses, non-profits and social enterprises (especially heritage and community-serving businesses). Staff will bring back the proposed grant allocations under this category for Council approval as the SEP is implemented; and
 - iii. \$200,000 to assist potential non-profit and/or social enterprise tenants gain access to affordable spaces and cover the cost of tenant improvements of vacant and underutilized spaces in exchange for affordable below market rentals. Staff will bring back the proposed grant allocations under this category for Council approval as the SEP is implemented

carried unanimously

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Swanson

THAT the following be added as C:

C. THAT Council direct staff to find a suitable option for the Street Market before it has to close.

not put

Prior to the amendment receiving a seconder, the Mayor declared the amendment out of order for two reasons, as the City does not have control over the land where the market is situated, and under section 8.7(f) of the *Procedure By-law* the motion is incorrect and frivolous, as Council cannot do the work being asked in the motion.

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MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the meeting be extended past 5 pm in order to complete agenda item Report 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The amendment not being put, and after debate on the motion, the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 06842) AND B(i) BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY.

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Council recessed at 5:03 pm on January 19, 2021, and reconvened at 6 pm on January 20, 2021.

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2. 2021 Cultural Grants (Operating, Annual Assistance, Arts Capacity, Indigenous) December 22, 2020

- A. THAT Council approve five (5) grants totaling \$3,948,400 from the 2021 Cultural Grants Operating Budget to the five major institutions listed in Section A of Appendix A of the Report dated December 22, 2020, entitled "2021 Cultural Grants (Operating, Annual Assistance, Arts Capacity, Indigenous)" in the amounts set out beside their names.
- B. THAT Council approve 59 operating grants totaling \$2,896,550 from the 2021 Cultural Grants Operating Budget to the 59 cultural organizations listed in Section B of Appendix A of the Report dated December 22, 2020, entitled "2021 Cultural Grants (Operating, Annual Assistance, Arts Capacity, Indigenous)", in the amounts set out beside their names.
- C. THAT Council approve 78 annual assistance grants totaling \$1,531,200 from the 2021 Cultural Grants Operating Budget to the 78 cultural organizations listed in Section C of Appendix A of the Report dated December 22, 2020, entitled "2021 Cultural Grants (Operating, Annual Assistance, Arts Capacity, Indigenous)", in the amounts set out beside their names.
- D. THAT Council approve a grant of \$10,000 from the 2021 Cultural Grants Operating Budget to Vantage Point Strategies Society (Vantage Point) to support the costs and delivery of leadership development training for the City's cultural grantees listed in Appendix A of the Report dated December 22, 2020, entitled "2021 Cultural Grants (Operating, Annual Assistance, Arts Capacity, Indigenous)".

- E. THAT Council approve a grant of \$20,000 from the 2021 Cultural Grants Operating Budget to the Carnegie Community Centre Society to support its Elder in Residence Program.
- F. THAT, pursuant to Section 206(1)(j) of the *Vancouver Charter*, Council deems any organization listed in Appendix A of the Report dated December 22, 2020, entitled "2021 Cultural Grants (Operating, Annual Assistance, Arts Capacity, Indigenous)", that is not otherwise a registered charity with Canada Revenue Agency to be contributing to the culture of Vancouver.
- G. THAT the General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services (GM of ACCS) (or their designate) be authorized to negotiate and execute agreements to disburse the grants described in this report on the terms and conditions generally set out in H below and on such other terms and conditions as are satisfactory to the GM of ACCS and the City Solicitor.
- H. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by the approval of A to E above unless and until the applicable grant agreement or letter of agreement is approved by the City in accordance with G above and executed and delivered by both the grant recipient and GM of ACCS (or their designate).

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 06845) AND A TO E BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

3. 7520 Balaclava Street - Proposed Agricultural Land Reserve Subdivision January 5, 2021

Nick Danford, Rezoning Planner, Rezoning Centre, provided a presentation, and along with Theresa O'Donnell, Deputy Director, Current Planning, Susan Haid, Deputy Director, Long Range and Strategic Planning, and Grant Murray, City Solicitor, Legal Department, responded to questions.

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MOVED by Councillor Bligh SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Council suspend the rules and allow for a second round of questions to staff.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Council heard from one speaker opposed to the recommendation.

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT Council not support the proposed subdivision application at 7520 Balaclava Street [PID 013-004-468, Lot 5 (Explanatory Plan 11261) Block B District Lot 194 Group 1 New Westminster District] and will not forward the application to the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission because of the various issues referenced in the Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "7520 Balaclava Street - Proposed Agricultural Land Reserve Subdivision", including that the proposed lots do not comply with the minimum site area of the Southlands RA-1 (Limited Agricultural) District.

carried unanimously

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Council affirm support for the staff recommendation on this item;

FURTHER THAT Council ask staff to communicate with the applicant that until such a time that consultation was undertaken with Musqueam, the Japanese Canadian Society, the Southlands riding club and the community.

LOST (Vote No. 06878)

(Councillors Bligh, Boyle, Carr, Fry, Hardwick, Kirby-Yung, Swanson, Wiebe and Mayor Stewart opposed)

(Councillor Dominato abstained from the vote)

The amendment having lost, the motion was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 06879) with Councillor De Genova opposed.

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RECONSIDERATION MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the motion above, for Report 3, be reconsidered.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Councillor Fry abstained from the vote)

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Following the reconsideration vote, the vote on the motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 06882).

4. Miscellaneous Amendments – Guidelines, Policies and Parking By-law January 5, 2021

- A. THAT Council amend the Childcare Design Guidelines, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Miscellaneous Amendments Guidelines, Policies and Parking By-law", to update a childcare program space requirement and correct typographical, numerical, mathematical and grammatical errors.
- B. THAT Council amend the West End RM-5, RM-5A, RM-5B, RM-5C AND RM-5D Guidelines to remove references to outdated submission requirements and a document that is not yet in effect, generally as presented in Appendix B of the Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Miscellaneous Amendments Guidelines, Policies and Parking By-law".
- C. THAT Council amend the Rezoning Policy for Sustainable Large Developments, generally as presented in Appendix C of the Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Miscellaneous Amendments Guidelines, Policies and Parking By-law", to correct a reference to a Bulletin.
- D. THAT Council repeal the Fraser Street Rezoning Policies, which has been superseded by updated land use policy.
- E. THAT Council amend the Parking By-law, generally as presented in Appendix D of the Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Miscellaneous Amendments Guidelines, Policies and Parking By-law", to correct a typographical error.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 06894)

REFERRAL REPORTS

1. Miscellaneous Amendments - Zoning and Development By-law and Sign By-law January 5, 2021

- A. THAT the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability be instructed to make application to amend the Zoning and Development By-law, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Miscellaneous Amendments Zoning and Development By-law and Sign By-law", to:
 - correct numbering errors in Section 11.17;
 - ii. insert reserved sections 4.11 to 4.14 in the C-1 and C-3A District Schedules to allow for consistent numbering;
 - iii. remove a duplicate reference to retail store in section 3.2.1.R in the FC-2 District Schedule;
 - iv. correct numbering errors in sections 4.4.2(a) and 4.7.5 in the I-2 District

Schedule;

- v. update references to entries, porches and verandahs and covered porches in various District Schedules that were inadvertently missed in amending by-law 12731;
- vi. clarify the floor area exclusion for parking spaces in an accessory building in section 4.7.6(c)(ii) of the RT-5 and RT-5N District Schedules and section 4.7.6(d)(ii) of the RT-6 District Schedule;
- vii. correct a section reference error in section 4.7.7 in the RM-5, RM-5A, RM-5B, RM-5C and RM-5D Districts Schedule;
- viii. correct a grammatical error in section 3.2.DW in the RM-10 and RM-10N Districts Schedule; and
- ix. update a section reference within the text of section 3.2.DW in the RM-2, the RM-3 and RM-3A, the RM-4 and RM-4N and FM-1 District Schedules;

and that the application be referred to a Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending By-law, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report, for consideration at Public Hearing.

- B. THAT the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability be instructed to make application to:
 - amend Section 4 of the Sign By-law, generally as presented in Appendix B of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Miscellaneous Amendments - Zoning and Development By-law and Sign By-law", to correct an omission by including an additional reference for the removal or alteration of signs;

and that the application be referred to a Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law, generally in accordance with Appendix B of the above-noted report, for consideration at Public Hearing.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 06902)

2. Miscellaneous Amendments – Guidelines, Policies and Parking By-law

This item was moved as Report 4 above.

3. CD-1 Rezoning: 728-796 Main Street November 5, 2020

- A. THAT the application by Studio One Architecture Inc. on behalf of Bonnis Development Main Inc., the registered owner of the lands located at 728 796 Main Street [PID 007-762-267, Lot 7 Block 20 District Lot 196 Plan 184; PID 024-208-086, Lot H Block 20 District Lot 196 Group 1 New Westminster District Plan LMP38786; and PID 015-644-316, Lot 10 Block 20 District Lot 196 Plan 184], to rezone the lands from HA-1A (Chinatown South) to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District to increase the floor space ratio (FSR) from 5.35 to 6.79 and the building height from 27.4 m (90 ft.) to 35.5 m (116.5 ft.) to permit the development of a mixed-use building containing 19 social housing units and 75 strata residential units, with at grade commercial uses, be referred to public hearing together with:
 - (i) plans prepared by Studio One Architecture Inc., received September 5, 2019, with an addendum received January 2, 2020:
 - (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Referral Report dated November 5, 2020, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 728-796 Main Street"; and
 - (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application in principle, including approval in principle of the form of development, subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at public hearing.

- B. THAT the application to amend the Sign By-law to establish regulations for the new CD-1, generally as set out in Appendix C of the Referral Report dated November 5, 2020, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 728-796 Main Street", be referred to the same public hearing;
 - FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law, generally as set out in Appendix C of the above-noted report, for consideration at the public hearing.
- C. THAT subject to approval of the CD-1 By-law, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this CD-1 in Schedule B, generally set out in Appendix C of the Referral Report dated November 5, 2020, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 728-796 Main Street";
 - FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the new CD-1 By-law.
- D. THAT Council approve at the same public hearing a Single Room Accommodation (SRA) Conversion/Demolition Permit to allow for the demolition

of 24 SRA designated rooms at 796 Main Street, subject to enactment of the CD-1 By law and issuance of the associated development permit, on the condition that, prior to the issuance of the SRA Conversion or Demolition Permit, the owner enter into the following:

- (i) Housing Agreement that restricts the tenure of 19 housing units to social housing for the life of the building or 60 years whichever is greater; and
- (ii) Section 219 Covenant prohibiting both stratification and separate sale of any of the 19 social housing units;

FURTHER THAT if a public hearing Council approves in principle this rezoning and the Housing Agreement described in Part 2 of Appendix B of the Referral Report dated November 5, 2020, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 728-796 Main Street", the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary Housing Agreement By-law for enactment prior to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required at the discretion of the Director of Legal Services and the General Manager of Arts, Culture and Community Services.

- E. THAT A through D above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
 - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the public hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
 - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 06897)

4. Rezoning: 607-621 West 28th Avenue January 5, 2021

A. THAT the application by SHAPE Architecture on behalf of King Ho So and Esther Lai Ming Lau, the registered owners of the lands located at 607 West 28th Avenue [PID 010 720-898; Lot 8, Block 719 District Lot 526 Plan 7090], and on behalf of Noel Pawlett and Jane Elizabeth Wilcox, the registered owners of the lands located at 621 West 28th Avenue [PID 007-492-057; Lot 9, Block 719 District Lot 526 Plan 7090], to rezone the consolidated lands from RS-1 (Single detached Houses and Duplexes) District to RM 8A (Multiple Dwelling) District, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve

the application in principle, subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Rezoning: 607-621 West 28th Avenue";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

B. THAT, subject to approval of the zoning by-law, the Subdivision By-law be amended generally as set out in Appendix C of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "Rezoning: 607-621 West 28th Avenue";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Subdivision By-law at the time of enactment of the zoning by law.

- C. THAT A and B above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
 - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the public hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
 - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 06899)

5. CD-1 Rezoning: 1015 East Hastings Street January 5, 2021

- A. THAT the application by Low Hammond Rowe Architects Inc. on behalf of the City of Vancouver, the registered owner of the lands located at 1015 East Hastings Street [PID: 009-392-815, Lot C Block 63 District Lot 181 PLAN 21524], to rezone the lands from M-1(Industrial) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District to increase the floor space ratio (FSR) from 5.0 to 6.9 and building height from 30.5 m (100.1 ft.) to 51.0 m (167.3 ft.) to allow construction of a 15-storey mixed-use building containing 163 residential units in the form of 110 social housing units (25 with support services) and 53 secured market rental units, in addition to an 80-bed shelter with associated services and a social enterprise space, all with a focus on urban Indigenous peoples and families, be referred to Public Hearing, together with:
 - (i) plans prepared by Low Hammond Rowe Architects Inc., received

- June 26, 2020;
- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 1015 East Hastings Street"; and
- (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application in principle, including approval in principle of the form of development, subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- B. THAT, if after Public Hearing, Council approves in principle the rezoning and the Housing Agreement described in Part 2 of Appendix B of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 1015 East Hastings Street", the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary Housing Agreement By-law for enactment prior to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required at the discretion of the Director of Legal Services and the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability.
- C. THAT the application to amend the Sign By-law to establish regulations for this CD-1, generally as set out in Appendix C of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 1015 East Hastings Street", be referred to the same Public Hearing;
 - FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary Bylaw, generally as set out in Appendix C of the above-noted report, for consideration at the Public Hearing.
- D. THAT, subject to approval of the rezoning application, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this CD-1 in Schedule A, generally as set out in Appendix C of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 1015 East Hastings Street";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

- E. THAT A through D above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
 - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of

rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and

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

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 06849)

6. CD-1 Rezoning: 3084 West 4th Avenue and 2010 Balaclava Street January 5, 2021

Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability staff, along with the Acting City Manager, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Hardwick

- A. THAT the application by James Evans on behalf of Retna Investments Inc., the registered owner of the lands at 3084 West 4th Avenue and 2010 Balaclava Street [PID 005-215-943, Lot 21 Block 29 District Lot 192 Plan 4561 and PID 005-215-951, Lot 22 Block 29 District Lot 192 Plan 4561] to rezone the lands from RM-4 (Residential) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to increase the permitted floor space ratio (FSR) from 1.45 to 2.95 and building height from 10.7 m (35.1 ft.) to 19.3 m (63.4 ft.) to allow construction of a new development containing 35 secured rental housing units, of which 20% of the residential floor area will be secured as moderate income units, under the Moderate Income Rental Housing Pilot Program, be referred to Public Hearing, together with:
 - (i) plans prepared by Ekistics Architecture, received January 23, 2020;
 - (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 3084 West 4th Avenue and 2010 Balaclava Street"; and
 - (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application in principle, including approval in principle of the form of development, subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

B. THAT, if after Public Hearing Council approves in principle the rezoning and the Housing Agreement described in Part 2 of Appendix B of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 3084 West 4th Avenue and 2010 Balaclava Street", the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare

the necessary Housing Agreement By-law for enactment prior to enactment of the CD-1 By law, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required at the discretion of the Director of Legal Services and the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability.

- C. THAT A and B above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
 - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
 - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT Council directs staff to bring Referral Report 6 to the Council meeting on February 23, 2021, for Council consideration of referral to public hearing.

lost

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bligh SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the following up added to the end of the amendment:

FURTHER THAT Council receive a legal opinion seeking clarity in language related to general guidelines in added density and height in RM zones.

CARRIED (Vote No. 06883)

(Councillors Boyle, Dominato, De Genova and Mayor Stewart opposed) (Councillors Fry, Kirby-Yung and Swanson abstained from the vote)

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amended amendment was put and LOST (Vote No. 06884) with Councillors Boyle, De Genova, Dominato, Fry, Wiebe, and Mayor Stewart opposed. The motion was then put and CARRIED (Vote No. 06885), with Councillors Hardwick and Kirby-Yung opposed, and Councillor Carr abstaining from the vote.

7. CD-1 Rezoning: 1766 Frances Street January 5, 2021

Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability staff responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

- A. THAT the application by M'akola Development Services, on behalf of the Vancouver Native Housing Society, the registered owner of the lands located at 1766 Frances Street [PID: 003-683-648, Lot F Block 7 of Block D District Lot 183 Plan 20542] to rezone the lands from RM-4 (Residential) to a new CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to increase the floor space ratio (FSR) from 1.45 to 4.06 and building height from 10.7 m (35.1 ft.) to 29.28 m (96.06 ft.) for a residential building with 84 social housing units and childcare use, be referred to Public Hearing, together with:
 - (i) plans prepared by GBL Architects, received June 1, 2020;
 - (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 1766 Frances Street"; and
 - (iii) the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application in principle, including approval in principle of the form of development, subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- B. THAT, if after Public Hearing, Council approves in principle the rezoning and the Housing Agreement described in Part 2 of Appendix B of the Referral Report dated January 5, 2021, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning: 1766 Frances Street", the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary Housing Agreement By-law for enactment prior to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required at the discretion of the Director of Legal Services and the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability.
- C. THAT A and B above be adopted on the following conditions:
 - (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City;

- and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
- (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the Public Hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
- (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

CARRIED (Vote No. 06886) (Councillor Hardwick opposed)

BY-LAWS

Councillor De Genova and Mayor Stewart advised they had reviewed the proceedings for by-law 12, and were therefore eligible to vote on the enactment.

Council agreed to have separate votes for By-laws 6 and 12.

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT Council, except for those members ineligible to vote as noted below, enact the by-law listed on the agenda for this meeting as number 6 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-law.

CARRIED

(Councillor Swanson opposed)

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT Council, except for those members ineligible to vote as noted below, enact the by-law listed on the agenda for this meeting as number 12, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-law.

CARRIED

(Councillors Hardwick and Swanson opposed)

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT Council, except for those members ineligible to vote as noted below, enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 5, 7 to 11, and 13 to 23, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

- 1. A By-law to amend the Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan (By-law No. 12863)
- 2. A By-law to amend various District Schedules of the Zoning and Development By-law to reflect an amendment to the Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan (By-law No. 12864)
- 3. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 regarding Zero Emissions Building Features (By-law No. 12865)
- 4. A By-law to amend License By-law No. 4450 regarding shopping bag fee increases (By-law No. 12866)
- 5. A By-law to amend Gas Fitting By-law No. 3507 regarding 2021 Fees (By-law No. 12867)
- 6. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area to CD-1 re: 582-588 West King Edward Avenue (By-law No. 12868)

 (Councillors Carr and Hardwick ineligible for the vote)
- 7. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area to CD-1 re: 1956–1990 Stainsbury Avenue (By-law No. 12869)
- 8. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area to CD-1 re: 3600 East Hastings Street (By-law No. 12870)
- 9. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area to CD-1 re: 2601-2619 East Hastings Street (By-law No. 12871) (Councillors Carr and Hardwick ineligible for the vote)
- A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area from RS-1 to RM-8AN re: 976 West 52nd Avenue and 6822-6868 Oak Street (By-law No. 12872)
 (Councillor Hardwick ineligible for the vote)
- A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area from RS-1 to RM-8A re: 643-683 West 31st Avenue (By-law No. 12873)
 (Councillors Carr and Hardwick ineligible for the vote)
- 12. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area to CD-1 re: 2209-2249 East Broadway (By-law No. 12874)

(Councillor Carr ineligible for the vote)

- 13. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property re: 6825 West Boulevard (Twiss Residence) (By-law No. 12875)
- 14. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 3350 Marine Way (By-law No. 12876)
- 15. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 1074–1078 Cardero Street (By-law No. 12877)
- 16. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 524 Powell Street (By-law No. 12878)
- 17. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 5055 Joyce Street (By-law No. 12879)
- 18. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 1188 Burnaby Street and repeal By-law No. 12201 (By-law No. 12880)
- 19. A By-law to amend Sign By-law re: 3435 East Hastings Street (By-law No. 12881) (Councillor Dominato ineligible for the vote)
- 20. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law re: 3435 East Hastings Street (By-law No. 12882)
- 21. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law to rezone an area to CD-1 re: 1002 Station and 250-310 Prior Street (By-law No. 12883)
- 22. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 regarding a consequential amendment to the I-3 District Schedule with regard to the CD-1 rezoning of 1002 Station Street and 250-310 Prior Street (By-law No. 12884)
- 23. A By-law to amend Regional Context Statement Official Development Plan By-law No. 10789 regarding land use in the New St. Paul's Hospital and Health Campus (By-law No. 12885)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. Approval of Form of Development – 5027 Boundary Road

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 5027 Boundary Road be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DB-2019-05502, prepared by MBD Maple Building, and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services", on December 4, 2019, provided

that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the site or adjacent properties.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Council Members' Motions

1. Requests for Leaves of Absence

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Councillor Wiebe be granted Leaves of Absence for civic business from meetings on January 20, 2021, February 10, 2021, March 10, 2021, and June 16, 2021, all from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm;

FURTHER THAT Councillor De Genvoa be granted Leaves of Absence for civic business from meetings on July 7, 2021, October 6, 2021 and November 3, 2021, all from 12:30 pm to 5:30 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Turning the Key: Encouraging Affordable Home Ownership in the City of Vancouver

MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

WHEREAS

- 1. Vancouver is facing a housing affordability crisis;
- 2. Council hears from the public on a regular basis related to matters including the need for affordable housing in the City of Vancouver;
- On June 23, 2015, Council unanimously approved the motion titled "Affordable Home Ownership and Alternative Housing Options." At the April 21, 2016 meeting of Council, staff presented recommendations for an Affordable Home Ownership Pilot Program. This program was also unanimously supported by Council;
- 4. Since the 2016 Council approval of the Affordable Home Ownership Pilot Program, staff have informed Council that a change of the Vancouver Charter is necessary before the City of Vancouver can move forward with Affordable Home Ownership;
- 5. The July 2017 Housing Engagement Summary reports summarizes on Page 17 titled "Affordability and Availability of Housing, Cost of Living", reports the first

concern to be "lack of opportunities for affordable home ownership affecting future decisions to make Vancouver home.";

- 6. a) BC Housing's "Housing Hub" Affordable Home Ownership Program (AHOP) supports new affordable home ownership units created in communities with housing need, interim construction financing approved for new projects and AHOP mortgages registered on title. BC Housing states the objective of this program being "to Increase the supply and range of affordable home ownership options for eligible households across British Columbia and support the transition to home ownership.
 - b) Despite BC Housing's AHOP program, only a couple of homes have been developed, utilizing the program.
- 7. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) through partnerships partnership under the National Housing Co-investment Fund (NHCF) have also committed to a 3-year partnership (2019-2021). CMHC also offers other programs to aid in affordable home ownership.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council direct staff to work with BC Housing to formalize goals for BC Housing's Affordable Home Ownership Program in the City of Vancouver, including a possible Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) specific to Affordable Homeownership, inline with both the City of Vancouver and province's goals for middle-income housing.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to approach CMHC and inquire of any possible programs that may be available, incentivize affordable home-ownership for middle-income households, over housing options currently offered at market rates.
- C. THAT Council affirm that any opportunities that may come available through partnerships in this resolution, not minimize the commitment or impact the ability of the City of Vancouver to move forward with the creation of much needed shelter-rate and non-market housing.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to identify opportunities, including areas where zoning is appropriate for the Affordable Home Ownership.
- E. THAT Council direct staff to report back to Council as soon as possible, and no later than Q3 2021 with an update including recommendations for policy to move forward with BC Housing's affordable homeownership program, including targets for the number of homes the program will deliver in the City of Vancouver.

referred

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor De Genova SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT Motion B.2 entitled "Turning the Key: Encouraging Affordable Home Ownership in the City of Vancouver", be referred to the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting on Wednesday, February 10, 2021, to hear from speakers, debate and decision.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. A Community Safety and Well-being Framework

This motion was withdrawn at the request of Councillor Wiebe.

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER'S MOTIONS

1. A Community Safety and Well-being Framework

Councillor Wiebe submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

2. Protecting Tenants from Real Estate Investment Trusts and Other Types of Investors

Councillor Swanson submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

3. Aligning the Cannabis License Fee Structure to Support Vancouver Businesses

Councillor Bligh submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

4. Daylighting Building Permit Wait Times

Councillor Kirby-Yung submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

5. UBCM Resolution: Updating BC's Wrongful Death Law

Councillor Fry submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

6. Local Elections - Review and Reform

Councillor Fry submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

7. Understanding COVID-19 Recovery through Housing Construction

Mayor Stewart submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

8. Childcare That Works: Extended Hour and Around-the-Clock Childcare for Working Families in Vancouver

Councillor De Genova submitted submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the abovenoted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

9. Adding a Ceremonial Name of Komagata Maru on a Portion of Main Street

Councillor Swanson submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Council meeting agenda of February 9, 2021, as a Council Members' Motion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. An Urgent Motion to seek COVID-19 Wage Subsidy Funding for the PNE from Senior Levels of Government

MOVED by Councillor Dominato SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

WHEREAS

- 1. The Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) is an iconic provincial institution with 110 years of history in British Columbia. It is the largest employer of youth in the province and employs 4,300 people at the height of its season each year (52% of PNE staff are under the age of 21);
- 2. The PNE brings a diversity of people together from different ethnicities, interests, and income levels through music, sport, cultural events, family entertainment, and recreation. These activities provide the financial foundation to support the PNE's social purpose of investing into programs for education, agriculture, arts and culture, accessibility, youth and community;
- 3. As of Jan 2004, ownership of the PNE was transferred from the Province to the City of Vancouver (having previously been a Provincial Crown Corp for 40 years). The PNE operates at arm's length from the City and has an

- independent Board of Directors. The PNE's operations are not funded by the City;
- 4. On April 18, 2020, BC's Chief Medical Officer confirmed that large gatherings would not happen during the summer of 2020, which severely impacted the ability of the PNE to put on the PNE Fair, to open Playland, or to host revenue generating concerts, festivals, consumer shows, and festivals. All activities were eliminated for the 2020 season which resulted in \$52 million in cancelled event revenues and substantial layoffs (93% of the PNE's full time union team and 50% of its management team were laid off);
- 5. Due to the fact of the PNE's municipal ownership structure, the PNE has been unintentionally excluded from all federal COVID recovery programs including the wage subsidy (CEWS). To date, the PNE has not received a single dollar from any recovery program at any level of Government;
- 6. All other Fairs across Canada (CNE, Calgary Stampede, Edmonton Klondike days, Cloverdale Rodeo, BC AgriFair) are receiving the federal wage subsidy. Likewise, the PNE's entertainment industry counterparts and venues are also receiving the wage subsidy (Rogers Arena, Brand Live, Live Nation) which clearly puts the PNE at a significant disadvantage in the present and in the post-COVID recovery period to come;
- 7. The level of debt incurred by the PNE in 2020 as a direct result of COVID-19 was \$10.5 million which has seriously impeded the PNE's cash flow and its ability to recover and mount programs in 2021 should restrictions be lifted by the Medical Health Officer:
- 8. If the PNE had been eligible for the wage subsidy, the PNE would have received \$3.6 million (as of November 25, 2020) and close to \$6 million by June of 2021 which is when the wage subsidy program is scheduled to end;
- As one of the largest Fairs in Canada, the PNE is now at a dramatic disadvantage in its ability to recover past 2021 even after freezing all spending, laying off all but essential services staff, and shutting down ventures and deferring capital payments with lenders;
- 10. Financial aid to reduce the PNE's COVID related debt and subsidize program costs in 2021 will be required for the organization to remain viable in the post-COVID period.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

A. THAT Vancouver City Council call on the federal and provincial governments to support the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) with wage subsidy funding on a special case basis due to the PNE's inadvertent and unintended exclusion from the federal Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) wage subsidy program, a subsidy that is available to all other large Fairs across Canada as well as to the PNE's local entertainment industry counterparts and venues.

B. THAT Vancouver City Council direct and otherwise empower the Mayor to write to the Premier of British Columbia, the Prime Minister of Canada, and all relevant Ministers of the Provincial and Federal Governments, on behalf of Council to seek an urgent funding arrangement that would help the Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) to not only survive the COVID-19 pandemic but to also begin to work toward the larger recovery of provincial tourism, arts, and culture sector in acknowledgement of the important contribution and major role the PNE plays in this sector of the economy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 06890)

2. Congratulating U.S. President Biden

MOVED by Councillor Carr SECONDED by Councillor Hardwick

THAT the Mayor write a letter on behalf of Council to U.S. President Biden congratulating him on becoming the United States' 46th President and expressing hope and gratitude for his inaugural remarks calling for a new era of civility, compassion and bold action on the climate, social justice and health emergencies we are all facing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 06891) (Councillors Bligh and De Genova absent for the vote)

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Past Motion - Recalibrating the Housing Vancouver Strategy Post COVID-19

Councillor Hardwick enquired when the data would be available that was requested in her previous motion entitled "Recalibrating the Housing Vancouver Strategy post COVID-19". The Acting City Manager agreed to follow-up.

2. Past Motion - Amending the City's Municipal Election Year Operating Budget Policies and Principles

Councillor Dominato requested an update on her previous motion entitled "Amending the City's Municipal Election Year Operating Budget Policies and Principles". The Acting City Manager agreed to provide an update.

3. Rail Crossing in Strathcona

Councillor Fry noted a number of residents in Strathcona need intervention for the expressive dinging of the rail crossing as trains are waiting to enter the railyard. He requested an update on work being done to address the situation.

4. Past Motion - A Closer Look at Tiny Homes and Shelters

Councillor Fry requested an update on his previous motion entitled "A Closer Look at Tiny Homes and Shelters". The Acting City Manager agreed to provide an update.

5. Past Report - Alignment of Occupant Load in Fire By-law and Building By-law

Councillor Kirby-Yung noted that a local craft brewery wanted to be included in the consultation work being done as a result of the previously approved report entitled "Alignment of Occupant Load in Fire By-law and Building By-law". She agreed to provide the details of the company so that they could formally participate.

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At this point in the proceedings it was

MOVED by Councillor Swanson SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT Council suspend the rules so that Councillor Swanson can read her Notice of Council Members' Motion into the record.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Note: For clarity, the motion has been added as 9. "Adding a Ceremonial Name of Komagata Maru on a Portion of Main Street", in the section NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER'S MOTIONS above.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council adjourned at 9:38 pm on January 20, 2021.

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