## **COUNCIL MEMBERS' MOTION**

## 8. Regarding the Future of False Creek South

Submitted by: Councillor Hardwick

## **WHEREAS**

- 1. The False Creek South Neighbourhood is acknowledged as a groundbreaking urban design, planning and tenure model referenced around the world; reflecting a unique 1/3 each of low, middle and higher household income mix, enabling affordability through long-term leases of City land;
- City Council in 2018, unanimously approved principles to guide the future of the area; and directed that work on the community plan be put on hold so that attention could be focused on negotiating new leases for existing housing;
- As leases have not yet been negotiated, existing residents are experiencing significant stress after more than a decade of meetings with the City; and
- 4. Residents have nonetheless expressed support in collaborative community planning to densify their neighbourhood and further diversify the social mix to include more youth, Indigenous people, recent immigrants and a 'campus of care' with supportive housing for seniors and people who have experienced homelessness.

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT Council requests the City immediately proceed with:
  - i. lease extensions for all strata leaseholds in False Creek South and then engage in lease renewal negotiations;
  - ii. lease renewal for all co-op leaseholds in False Creek South in keeping with the recent Council policy for co-ops in other communities: and
  - lease renewal policy considerations for False Creek South (excluding specific individual lease renewal negotiations) be undertaken in public.
- B. THAT residents be guaranteed security of tenure in False Creek South at a rate affordable to them.
- C. THAT community planning for False Creek South will be undertaken in public, outside the frame of confidentiality, in full collaboration with existing residents and other interest groups, by the City Planning Department, using well-established techniques for neighbourhood

- planning and public engagement and that no other plan for the area be considered by Council until such community planning has been fully completed.
- D. THAT in support of City policies for housing affordability and environmental resilience, Council supports the retention of existing housing in False Creek South and that initial new development will occur on vacant land and infill sites in keeping with Council approved Provisional Planning Principles.

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