



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 27, 2022

A Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at 9:30 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, for the purpose of transacting the items listed on the agenda. This Special Council meeting was convened by electronic means as authorized in Part 14 of the Procedure By-law.

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, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Penney, Deputy City Clerk
Terri Burke, Meeting Coordinator

WELCOME

The Mayor acknowledged we are on the unceded homelands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh People. 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.

1. Addressing Anti-Black Racism and Historic Discrimination: Interim Report September 15, 2022

Staff from Arts, Culture and Community Services provided a presentation and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from twelve speakers who spoke in support of the recommendations, shared their lived experience, and provided guidance for future work.

MOVED by Councillor Fry
SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

- A. THAT Council receive the interim Report dated September 15, 2022, entitled “Addressing Anti-Black Racism and Historic Discrimination: Interim Report” as an update of work to date on addressing anti-Black racism and historic discrimination.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to conduct further community conversations with a broader cross section of Vancouver’s Black and African diaspora communities to inform the finalization of the City’s anti-Black racism and cultural redress strategy, to be presented to Council in late 2023. Funding needed to continue this work will be addressed in the development of the 2023 operating budget.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to create partnerships with academics and historians to carry out research and analysis of the history of Black and African diaspora communities in Vancouver to be used to create awareness and support cultural redress of historical wrongs and legacy of anti-Black racism in Vancouver.
- D. THAT Council direct staff to allocate annual funding through the City’s Arts, Culture and Community Services and other departmental granting programs to community initiatives that further the City’s anti-Black racism response.
- E. THAT Council request the Mayor, as Chair of the Vancouver Police Board, to share the interim Report dated September 15, 2022, entitled “Addressing Anti-Black Racism and Historic Discrimination: Interim Report” and provisional priority actions contained in the same report for information with the Vancouver Police Board.
- F. THAT Council direct staff to share the interim Report dated September 15, 2022, entitled “Addressing Anti-Black Racism and Historic Discrimination: Interim Report” and provisional priority actions contained in the same report, for information with other governmental and public organizations including, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Provincial Parliamentary Secretary for Anti-Racism Initiatives, Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing, Minister of Children and Family Development, Minister of Education BC Human Rights Commissioner, Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner, Independent Investigations Office, BC Housing, TransLink, Transit Police Board, Vancouver Coastal Health, Vancouver School Board, Vancouver Public Library, Vancouver Park Board, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM), and the Metro Vancouver Social Issues Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 08782)

**2(a). 2023 Interest Rate on Property Tax Arrears
September 15, 2022**

MOVED by Councillor Boyle
SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

- A. THAT City Council set an interest rate of 8.70% for property tax arrears to be effective January 1, 2023.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment a by-law regarding the 2023 interest rate on property tax arrears, for consideration by Council on or before September 30, 2022, in accordance with the provisions of section 415 (2) of the *Vancouver Charter*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 08783)

2(b). By-law Adoption – “A By-law to provide for the imposition of interest on delinquent property taxes for 2023”

MOVED by Councillor Dominato
SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT Council, enact the by-law listed on the agenda as item 2(b) (By-law No. 13510), and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-law.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 08784)

**3. Sunset Seniors’ Centre: Federal Contribution and Approval of Capital Budget
September 15, 2022**

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Council approve the creation of a multi-year capital budget for the Sunset Seniors’ Centre project of \$14,573,600, which is to be funded through:

- a. \$10,573,600 in Partnership contribution from the Federal government (source: Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program); and
- b. \$4,000,000 in Development contribution from the City (source: cash Community Amenity Contributions from the Cambie Corridor).

The 2019-2022 Capital Plan amount for the Sunset Seniors’ Centre project will be increased from \$3,500,000 to \$14,573,600 as a result of the aforementioned Federal Government funding and a \$500,000 increase of the City funding allocation. Expenditures for 2022 will be managed within the current overall annual capital expenditure budget.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT the following be added at the end of the motion:

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back on options and the potential to accelerate the completion of the Sunset Seniors' Centre project, giving consideration to the goal of substantially completing the Centre a year earlier in 2026 versus the currently anticipated 2027.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 08785)

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During discussion on the amended motion, it was

*MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato*

THAT the meeting extend past noon in order to complete the business on the agenda.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Following discussion, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 08786).

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

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4. Changes to 2022 Council Meetings Schedule

MOVED by Councillor De Genova
SECONDED by Councillor Wiebe

THAT Council cancel the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting on October 26, 2022, at 9:30 am.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 08787)

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Hardwick
SECONDED by Councillor De Genova

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Special Council adjourned at 11:56 am.

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