

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

1. Simplifying Development Permit Requirements & Alleviating Sewer Infrastructure Issues

Summary: To amend the Zoning and Development By-law to remove rainwater management plan requirements, the Vancouver Building By-law to add rainwater management regulations for new Part 3 buildings, and to update regulations for non-potable water systems. These amendments would replace the City's current rainwater management plan review process conducted under the Zoning and Development By-law with a streamlined process under the Vancouver Building By-law.

Applicant: General Managers of Development, Buildings & Licensing; Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability; and Engineering Services; and the Chief Building Official.

Referral: This relates to the report entitled "Simplifying Development Permit Requirements & Alleviating Sewer Infrastructure Issues", dated May 29, 2023, ("Report"), referred to Public Hearing at the Council Meeting of June 13, 2023.

Recommended Approval: By the General Managers of Development, Buildings & Licensing; Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability; and Engineering Services; and the Chief Building Official, subject to the following conditions as proposed for adoption by resolution of Council:

- A. THAT Council approve, in principle, the application to amend the Zoning and Development By-law to remove rainwater management plan requirements, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment an amendment to the Zoning and Development By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Report.

- B. THAT Council approve, in principle, amendments to the Building By law to add rainwater management regulations for new Part 3 buildings, and to update regulations for non-potable water systems, generally as presented in Appendix B of the Report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment an amendment to the Building By-law generally in accordance with Appendix B of the Report.

- C. THAT, at the time of enactment of the proposed amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law, the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability be instructed to bring forward for approval by Council the updated Green Buildings Policy for Rezoning, generally in accordance with Appendix C of the Report.

- D. THAT, at the time of enactment of the proposed amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law, the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability

be instructed to bring forward for approval by Council the updated Rezoning Policy for Sustainable Large Developments, generally in accordance with Appendix D of the Report.

- E. THAT, as result of the by-law amendments, staff be directed to administer in-stream applications to facilitate the approval of developments that meet the amended specifications, or their equivalent.
- F. THAT Recommendations A to E be adopted on the following conditions:
 - (i) THAT passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for any 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 any by-laws including zoning by-laws; and
 - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials 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.

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