



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

JULY 26, 2023

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at 9:32 am in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall. This Council meeting was convened by electronic means as authorized under the Part 14 of the *Procedure By-law*.

PRESENT:

- Councillor Peter Meiszner, Chair
- Councillor Rebecca Bligh
- Councillor Christine Boyle
- Councillor Adriane Carr
- Councillor Lisa Dominato* (Leave of Absence – Civic Business – 9:30 am to 12 pm)
- Councillor Pete Fry*
- Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung
- Councillor Mike Klassen, Vice Chair
- Councillor Brian Montague
- Councillor Lenny Zhou

ABSENT: Mayor Ken Sim (Leave of Absence – Personal Reasons)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Paul Mochrie, City Manager
Armin Amrolia, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Lesley Matthews, Acting Deputy City Clerk
David Yim, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Chair 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 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.

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT Council adopt Reports 2 to 4, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Dominato absent for the vote)

PRESENTATIONS

1. Capital Plan Implementation Update

Members of the City's Leadership Team and staff from Civic Engagement and Communications provided a presentation and responded to questions.

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During questions to staff, it was

*MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Zhou*

THAT under section 5.4(d) of the Procedure By-law, Council ask a second round of questions to staff.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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REPORTS

1. Provincial 'Growing Communities Fund': Initial Allocation to City Projects July 11, 2023

Members of the City's Leadership Team and staff from Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management provided a presentation and responded to questions.

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After the staff presentation, it was

*MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato*

THAT Council suspend the rules of the Procedure By-law in order to hear from the public speaker prior to asking questions of staff on Report 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

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Council heard from one speaker who spoke to other aspects of the recommendations.

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During questions of staff, it was

*MOVED by Councillor Zhou
SECONDED by Councillor Carr*

THAT the meeting extend past noon to complete asking questions of staff on Report 1.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Subsequently, it was

*MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen*

THAT under section 5.4(d) of the Procedure By-law, Council ask a second round of questions to staff after the recess.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee recessed at 12:15 pm and reconvened at 1:08 pm.

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*MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen*

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve initial multi-year capital budget and funding adjustments for six projects as outlined in the Report dated July 11, 2023, entitled "Provincial 'Growing Communities Fund': Initial Allocation to City Projects", which will result in:

- a) An increase of \$22.5 million to the 2023-2026 Capital Plan; and
- b) An increase of \$25 million to the Multi-Year Capital Project Budgets.

Funding for these budget adjustments will come from the grant received from the Provincial Government's Growing Communities Fund. Details of the proposed adjustments can be found in Appendix A of the above-noted report.

- B. THAT staff report back with recommendations for the allocation of the remaining \$23.6 million of the Growing Communities Fund no later than the 2023-2026 Capital Plan Mid-term Update scheduled for mid-2024.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT the following be added as C:

THAT Council direct staff to include Parks within the priorities for the initial Growing Communities fund grant, and that a portion of funding for temporary plazas be used to fund and support the completion of a new turf field at Moberly Park that has been identified as a priority by the South Vancouver community;

FURTHER THAT staff conduct the appropriate analysis and report back to Council regarding the scope, cost, and delivery timelines of these projects.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT in the first clause of C, the words “that has” be struck and replaced with the words “and a spray park at Ross Park, both of which have”.

CARRIED (Vote No. 09450)
(Councillors Carr and Fry opposed)

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amendment as amended was put and CARRIED with Councillors Boyle, Carr and Fry opposed (Vote No. 09451).

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

THAT the following words “prioritizing access to washrooms in the public realm and accessibility and inclusion improvements as found in Appendix B of this report” be added at the end of B.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09452)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the following be added as D:

THAT Council direct staff to explore and report back on options and costs for full or partial addition of means prevention barriers as part of the Granville Connector, including consideration of:

- i. Allocating funds from the Growing Communities Fund
- ii. Working with CMHC-Granville Island and senior governments to seek partner funds

Prior to the vote, the Committee agreed to separate the vote on the components of the amendment. The amendment was put with D and subsection ii having CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09453), and D subsection i having CARRIED (Vote No. 09454) with Councillors Kirby-Yung and Meiszner opposed, and Councillors Bligh, Dominato, Montague, Klassen, and Zhou abstaining from the vote.

Subsequently, the Committee agreed to separate the vote on the components of the final motion as amended. The amended motion was put with A, B, D, and D subsection ii having CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09456), C having CARRIED (Vote No. 09457) with Councillor Carr opposed and Councillor Boyle abstaining from the vote, and D subsection i having CARRIED (Vote No. 09458) with Councillors Kirby-Yung, Meiszner, and Montague opposed, and Councillors Bligh, Dominato, Klassen, and Zhou abstaining from the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

- A. THAT Council approve initial multi-year capital budget and funding adjustments for six projects as outlined in the Report dated July 11, 2023, entitled “Provincial ‘Growing Communities Fund’: Initial Allocation to City Projects”, which will result in:
 - a) An increase of \$22.5 million to the 2023-2026 Capital Plan; and
 - b) An increase of \$25 million to the Multi-Year Capital Project Budgets.

Funding for these budget adjustments will come from the grant received from the Provincial Government’s Growing Communities Fund. Details of the proposed adjustments can be found in Appendix A of the above-noted report.
- B. THAT staff report back with recommendations for the allocation of the remaining \$23.6 million of the Growing Communities Fund no later than the 2023-2026 Capital Plan Mid-term Update scheduled for mid-2024, prioritizing access to washrooms in the public realm and accessibility and inclusion improvements as found in Appendix B of the Report dated July 11, 2023, entitled “Provincial ‘Growing Communities Fund’: Initial Allocation to City Projects”..
- C. THAT Council direct staff to include Parks within the priorities for the initial Growing Communities fund grant, and that a portion of funding for temporary plazas be used to fund and support the completion of a new turf field at Moberly Park and a spray park at Ross Park, both of which have been identified as a priority by the South Vancouver community;

FURTHER THAT staff conduct the appropriate analysis and report back to Council regarding the scope, cost, and delivery timelines of these projects.

- D. THAT Council direct staff to explore and report back on options and costs for full or partial addition of means prevention barriers as part of the Granville Connector, including consideration of:
 - i. Allocating funds from the Growing Communities Fund;
 - ii. Working with CMHC-Granville Island and senior governments to seek partner funds.

**2. 2023 Annual Inflationary Rate Adjustment to Development Cost Levies
July 11, 2023**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve, in-principle, a 2023 inflationary rate adjustment of 8.3% for the Vancouver Development Cost Levy By-law, the Vancouver Utilities Development Cost Levy By-law and the Area Specific Development Cost Levy By-law;

FURTHER THAT, in recognition that in 2022 Council approved a two-phase Development Cost Levy increase with the second phase scheduled to come into effect on September 30, 2023, the implementation of the 2023 inflationary rate increase be deferred and included as part of the 2024 annual inflationary rate adjustment.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 09447)
(Councillor Dominato absent for the vote)

**3. UBCM 2023 Community Excellence Awards Submission
July 11, 2023**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council endorse staff's submission of the Sea2City Design Challenge for a 2023 UBCM Community Excellence Award in the category of "Excellence in Sustainability".

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 09448)
(Councillor Dominato absent for the vote)

**4. Contract Award for Contractor Services for Domestic Re-piping of the New
Continental
July 6, 2023**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize City staff to enter into a contract with Cambridge Plumbing Systems Ltd, for the domestic re-piping of the New Continental building, for a term of approximately two (2) years, with an estimated contract value of \$3,907,000.00, plus applicable taxes over the initial two (2)-year term, to

be funded through a combination of Real Estate, Environment and Facilities Management (REFM) approved Capital Maintenance and Energy Programs budget.

- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer and General Manager of Real Estate, Environment and Facilities Management be authorized to execute on behalf of the City the contract contemplated in A above.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A and B above unless and until such contract is executed by the authorized signatories of the City as set out in A and B above.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 09449)
(Councillor Dominato absent for the vote)

5. Contract Award for Green Bin Organics Processing July 12, 2023

Staff from Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management and Engineering Services responded to questions.

Council heard from four speakers who spoke in opposition of the recommendations.

MOVED by Councillor Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT, having been advised of the Notice of Intent to Contract that the City issued on June 16, 2023 (the "**NOITC**") to inform the market about the City's intent to enter into a contract with GFL Environmental Inc. ("**GFL**") for the receipt and processing of organics for a term of five years and with an estimated value of \$30,800,000 plus applicable taxes ("**Contract**") and the complaints that the City received from vendors in response to the NOITC, Council authorizes staff to proceed with the permitted sole source process for the Contract pursuant to the City's Procurement Policy (ADMIN-008).
- B. THAT the City's Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer and General Manager of Engineering Services be authorized to negotiate the Contract to their satisfaction and in accordance with the Report dated July 12, 2023, entitled "Contract Award for Green Bin Organics Processing", and be delegated authority to execute the Contract on behalf of the City.
- C. THAT Council directs City staff to:
 - i. engage with industry through a market sounding or similar procurement process for the purpose of informing the City's long term planning for organics processing; and

- ii. report back to Council in 2025 with the results of the market engagement process described above and recommendations for the City's future organics processing strategy.

- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of A and B above unless and until the City and GFL Environmental Inc. execute the Contract.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09459)
(Councillors Boyle, Carr, Fry, and Meiszner abstained from the vote)

COUNCIL MEMBERS' MOTION

A1. Requests for Leaves of Absence

MOVED by Councillor Boyle
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT Councillor Kirby-Yung be granted a Leave of Absence for civic business from meetings on November 1 and 2, 2023.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 2:45 pm.

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**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

JULY 26, 2023

A meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at 2:45 pm, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Acting Mayor Mike Klassen
Councillor Rebecca Bligh
Councillor Christine Boyle
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Lisa Dominato
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Peter Meiszner
Councillor Brian Montague
Councillor Lenny Zhou

ABSENT: Mayor Ken Sim (Leave of Absence – Personal Reasons)
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung

CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE: Paul Mochrie, City Manager

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE: Lesley Matthews, Acting Deputy City Clerk
David Yim, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, July 26, 2023

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities. Its items of business included:

Presentation:

1. Capital Plan Implementation Update

Reports:

1. Provincial ‘Growing Communities Fund’: Initial Allocation to City Projects
2. 2023 Annual Inflationary Rate Adjustment to Development Cost Levies
3. UBCM 2023 Community Excellence Awards Submission
4. Contract Award for Contractor Services for Domestic Re-piping of the New Continental
5. Contract Award for Green Bin Organics Processing

Members' Motion:

A.1 Requests for Leaves of Absence

MOVED by Councillor Zhou

SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting of July 26, 2023, as contained in Presentation 1, Reports 1 to 5 and Members' Motion A.1, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Meiszner

SECONDED by Councillor Zhou

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 2:47 pm.

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