



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 31, 2023

A Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, at 9:32 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall. This Council meeting was convened by electronic means as authorized in Part 14 of the *Procedure By-law*.

PRESENT: Mayor Ken Sim*
Councillor Rebecca Bligh, Deputy Mayor
Councillor Christine Boyle*
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Lisa Dominato*, Acting Mayor (Leave of Absence – Personal Reasons – 2 pm onwards)
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Mike Klassen
Councillor Peter Meiszner
Councillor Brian Montague*
Councillor Lenny Zhou

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

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Paul Mochrie, City Manager
Karen Levitt, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Katrina Leckovic, City Clerk
Irina Dragnea, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

WELCOME

The Acting 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 Acting 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.

IN CAMERA MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Meiszner

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;

(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; and

(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
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Council – October 17, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Zhou
SECONDED by Councillor Montague

THAT the Minutes of the Council meeting of October 17, 2023, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

2. Public Hearing – October 17 and 19, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Montague

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing of October 17 and 19, 2023, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

3. Council (City Finance and Services) – October 18, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT the Minutes of the Council meeting following the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting of October 18, 2023, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

4. Public Hearing – October 19, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Zhou

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing of October 19, 2023, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Meiszner

THAT Council adopt Communication 2 and Report 2, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND REPORT 2
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

PRESENTATIONS

1. 2023 Homeless Count

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

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During questions to staff it was,

*MOVED by Councillor Fry
SECONDED by Councillor Carr*

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

*CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)*

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COMMUNICATIONS

1. Appointments to Council Committees:

- **Standing Committee on City Finance and Services, Chair and Vice-Chair;**
- **Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities, Chair and Vice-Chair;**

- **Nomination Sub-Committee members; and**
- **Auditor General Committee members.**

MOVED by Councillor Fry

SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT Council approve the following Councillors as Standing Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the term November 1, 2023, to November 09, 2024:

Standing Committee on City Finance and Services

Councillor Bligh (Chair)

Councillor Zhou (Vice-Chair)

Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities

Councillor Klassen (Chair)

Councillor Meiszner (Vice-Chair)

THAT Council approve a Nomination Sub-Committee for the purpose of recommending nominees to Civic Agencies, with the following members, for the term November 1, 2023, to November 09, 2024:

Councillor Klassen (Chair)

Councillor Dominato

Councillor Fry

THAT Council approve the following Councillors be appointed to the Auditor General Committee, as outlined below, for the term November 1, 2023, to November 09, 2024:

Councillor Fry (Chair)

Councillor Boyle (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Dominato

Councillor Kirby-Yung

Councillor Montague

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Fry

SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT the Auditor General Committee appointments be amended by adding Councillor Zhou as an Alternate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09599)

(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

The amendment having carried, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09600) with Mayor Sim absent for the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

THAT Council approve the following Councillors as Standing Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the term November 1, 2023, to November 09, 2024:

Standing Committee on City Finance and Services

Councillor Bligh (Chair)
Councillor Zhou (Vice-Chair)

Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities

Councillor Klassen (Chair)
Councillor Meiszner (Vice-Chair)

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Councillor Dominato
Councillor Fry

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Councillor Fry (Chair)
Councillor Boyle (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Dominato
Councillor Kirby-Yung
Councillor Montague
Councillor Zhou (Alternate)

2. Appointment of Council Representatives to Boards, Statutory Committees and Non-Profit Societies

THAT Council approve the following appointments for the term November 1, 2023, to November 09, 2024:

Vancouver Public Library Board
Councillor Meiszner

Public Art Committee
Councillor Klassen

Vancouver City Planning Commission
Councillor Fry

Vancouver Civic Theatres Board
Councillor Meiszner

Vancouver Heritage Commission
Councillor Klassen

Vancouver Heritage Foundation Board
Councillor Dominato

Joint Council on Childcare
Councillor Zhou

City of Vancouver Public Housing Corporation
Councillor Meiszner
Councillor Boyle
Councillor Montague
Councillor Zhou

Vancouver Civic Development Corporation
Councillor Boyle
Councillor Meiszner
Councillor Zhou

Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) Board (Chair)
Councillor Kirby-Yung

Parking Corporation of Vancouver (EasyPark)
Councillor Meiszner

Vancouver Art Gallery
Councillor Kirby-Yung
Councillor Montague

Vancouver School Board Facilities Planning
Councillor Klassen (Co-Chair)
Councillor Carr
Councillor Dominato

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 09601)

REPORTS

**1. City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026
October 16, 2023**

Karen Levitt, Deputy City Manager, provided a presentation and responded to questions.

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During questions to staff, it was

MOVED by Councillor Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Zhou

THAT Council recess for 30 minutes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote)

Council recessed at 10:49 am and reconvened at 11:25 am.

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MOVED by Councillor Dominato
SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

*THAT Council approve the document entitled *Vibrant Vancouver: City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023-2026*, contained in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", and direct staff to publish the same report on the City's website.*

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT Strategic Objective No. 1, A, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", be amended by adding the following under "Key Aligned Work":

→ Start on Vancouver Plan's goal of transforming 11 percent of neighbourhood streets for community use.

CARRIED (Vote No. 09578)
(Councillor Montague opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the preamble to Strategic Objective No. 2 in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", be amended by adding the words "and affordable" before the word "housing";

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 2, A, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following phrase to the end "prioritizing the delivery of the "right supply" of housing that's affordable to Vancouver residents";

AND FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 2, B, in the above-noted report be amended by deleting the word "market" and replacing it with the word "affordable".

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During discussion on the amendment above, Council recessed at 12:00 pm and reconvened at 2:32 pm.

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At 2:35 pm, Councillor Bligh rose on a point of order, under section 8.7(f) of the Procedure By-law, stating the amendment above is dilatory and frivolous because the definition of the word “affordable” is encompassed within the definition of “non-market housing”, and asked the Chair to rule whether the amendment was in order. After consulting with staff, the Chair ruled the amendment in order as staff confirmed the word “affordable” can be used separately from the words “non-market housing”, with different definitions.

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The amendment was put and LOST (Vote No. 09579) with Councillors Bligh, Klassen, Meiszner, Montague, Zhou, and Mayor Sim opposed, and Councillor Dominato absent for the vote.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT Strategic Objective No. 3, C, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by adding the words “TV and digital entertainment”, after the word “film”, and changing the word “industry” to “industries”;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 3, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following as D:

- D. Provide support to green economy sectors
 - Key Aligned Work
 - Support the green and zero-emission building sector
 - Support local food production
 - Support a circular economy including recycling and re-use of materials
 - Support production of renewable energy.

amended

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

THAT Strategic Objective No. 3, C, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by adding the word “music”, after the word “TV”.

CARRIED (Vote No. 09580)
(Councillor Montague opposed)
(Councillor Dominato absent for the vote)

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amendment as amended was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 09581) with Councillor Montague opposed and Councillor Dominato absent for the vote.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, A, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", be amended by adding the words "and resilience", after the word "adaptation";

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, A, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following under "Key Aligned Work":

→ Sustain and expand Vancouver's city-wide tree canopy;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, B, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the words "we conserve fresh water and", before the word "our";

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, C, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the phrase "in line with overall Climate Emergency Action Plan goals" to the end;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, D, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the phrase "in line with overall Climate Emergency Action Plan goals" to the end;

AND FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following as E:

E. Increase production of renewable energy within Vancouver

Key Aligned Work

→ Ensure our Vancouver Building By-law enables and promotes readiness for solar photo-voltaic panels and solar hot water.

amended

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

THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, E, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", be amended by deleting the words "solar photo-voltaic panels and solar hot water," and replacing them with the words "sustainable energy sources".

CARRIED (Vote No. 09582)
(Councillor Montague opposed)

The amendment to the amendment having carried, the amendment as amended was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 09583) with Councillor Montague opposed.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Meiszner

THAT Strategic Objective No. 3, A, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", be amended by adding the words "to achieve 3.3.3.1", at the end.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09584)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT Strategic Objective No. 4, D, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", be amended by adding the following under "Key Aligned Work":

→ Pursue Britannia Long-Range Planning and Renewal work in collaboration with Vancouver Park Board and Vancouver School Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09585)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Boyle
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Strategic Objective No. 1, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled "City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026", be amended by adding the following as E:

E. Support diverse cultural communities

Key Aligned Work

- Update heritage policies to include intangible cultural heritage
- Protect and enhance cultural food hubs and culturally significant small businesses
- Support a new Filipino Cultural Centre in Vancouver;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 2, A, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following under "Key Aligned Work":

→ Expand Broadway Plan tenant protections to renters across Vancouver;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 2, C, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following under "Key Aligned Work":

→ Streamline and speed up processes for building non-market housing;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 3, B, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following under "Key Aligned Work":

→ Legalize corner stores across all residential neighbourhoods;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 5, B, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following under “Key Aligned Work”:

→ Launch Peer Assisted Care Teams (PACT) alongside the CMHA;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, D, “Key Aligned Work”, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the words “and AAA active-mobility lanes”, to the end of the phrase “Expand Vancouver’s greenways”;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 6, D, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following under “Key Aligned Work”:

→ Expand the School Active Travel Program;

AND FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 7, A, in the above-noted report be amended by adding the following under “Key Aligned Work”:

→ Take coordinated action to reduce drug poisoning deaths.

amended

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Prior to discussion on the amendment above, Mayor Sim declared a conflict of interest on the amendment to Strategic Objective No. 2, A, due to personal relationships with owners of real estate along the Broadway Corridor. Mayor Sim left the meeting until the completion of the amendment, and relinquished the Chair to Acting Mayor Dominato.

Prior to the introduction of the Amendment to the Amendment, Acting Mayor Dominato relinquished the Chair to Deputy Mayor Bligh, in order to participate in debate, and resumed the Chair after the completion of the amendment to the amendment.

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

THAT Strategic Objective No. 3, B, “Key Aligned Work”, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by deleting the word “Legalize”, and replacing with the word “Champion”, to read as follows:

→ Champion corner stores across all residential neighbourhoods;

FURTHER THAT Strategic Objective No. 5, B, “Key Aligned Work”, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by deleting the word “Launch”, and replacing with the word “Explore”, to read as follows:

→ Explore Peer Assisted Care Teams (PACT) alongside the CMHA;

carried

Prior to the vote on the amendment to the amendment, Council agreed to separate the vote on the two clauses. The first clause was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 09586) with Councillors Carr and Montague opposed, and Mayor Sim absent for the vote. The second clause was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 09587) with Councillors Boyle, Carr and Montague opposed, and Mayor Sim absent for the vote.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Montague
SECONDED by Councillor Zhou

THAT Strategic Objective No. 2, A, “Key Aligned Work”, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by deleting the bullet-point “→ Expand Broadway Plan tenant protections to renters across Vancouver”.

CARRIED (Vote No. 09588)
(Councillor Boyle, Carr and Fry opposed)
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote due to conflict of interest)

The amendments to the amendment having carried, the amendment as amended was put and CARRIED (Vote No. 09589) with Councillors Carr and Montague opposed, and Mayor Sim absent for the vote.

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Zhou
SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT Strategic Objective No. 9, C, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by adding the following under “Key Aligned Work”:
→ Explore the adoption of A.I. and other emerging technologies.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09590)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Dominato
SECONDED by Councillor Carr

THAT Strategic Objective No. 5, B, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by adding the following under “Key Aligned Work”:

→ Advance restorative city initiatives.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09591)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Meiszner
SECONDED by Councillor Bligh

THAT Strategic Objective No. 1, A, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by adding the following under “Key Aligned Work”:

→ Widen sidewalks in Davie Village to enhance pedestrian experience.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09592)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Montague
SECONDED by Councillor Meiszner

THAT Strategic Objective No. 5, B, “Key Aligned Work”, in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, be amended by deleting the following:

→ Advance the Better Together neighbourhood collective action pilot.

CARRIED (Vote No. 09593)
(Councillors Boyle, Carr and Fry opposed)

Prior to the vote on the amended motion, Council agreed to separate the vote on Strategic Objective No. 2, A, and B, from the rest of the amended motion. The Strategic Objective No. 2, A, and B, were put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09594) with Councillors Boyle, Carr and Fry abstaining from the vote and Councillor Montague absent for the vote.

The remainder of the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09595) with Councillor Fry abstaining from the vote and Councillor Montague absent for the vote.

FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED

THAT Council approve the document entitled *Vibrant Vancouver: City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023-2026*, contained in Appendix A of the Report dated October 16, 2023, entitled “City Council’s Strategic Priorities, 2023 – 2026”, and direct staff to publish the same report on the City’s website; with the approved underlined changes to read as follows:

Strategic Objective No. 1 - Vibrant and Diverse

A. Create vibrant public spaces - Key Aligned Work:

- Bring Vancouver’s public space to life
- Invest in Gastown
- Refresh downtown Granville Street
- Make sure our streets look great
- Update Vancouver’s street furniture contract
- Start on Vancouver Plan’s goal of transforming 11 percent of neighbourhood streets for community use
- Widen sidewalks in Davie Village to enhance pedestrian experience

E. Support diverse cultural communities (new)

- Update heritage policies to include intangible cultural heritage
- Protect and enhance cultural food hubs and culturally significant small businesses
- Support a new Filipino Cultural Centre in Vancouver

Strategic Objective No. 2 – Housing

C. Work with the Province and other partners to address the homelessness crisis

- Working with partners, renew focus on developing a regional approach to addressing homelessness
- Working with partners, support the creation of more housing for unsheltered individuals
- Working with partners, support increasing emergency shelter capacities
- Develop an integrated rapid response to encampments
- Streamline and speed up processes for building non-market housing

Strategic Objective No. 3 - Supporting Business

A. Transform the City's permitting and licensing processes to achieve 3.3.3.1

B. Do our part to support local business and ensure the business climate is welcoming

- Enhance City supports for local independent business
- Update liquor license requirements
- Ensure sufficient space for the tech industry
- Simplify the ride-hailing regulatory framework
- Champion corner stores across all residential neighbourhoods

C. Provide support to the local film, TV, music and digital entertainment industries

D. Provide support to green economy sectors (new)

- Support the green and zero-emission building sector
- Support local food production
- Support a circular economy including recycling and re-use of materials
- Support production of renewable energy

Strategic Objective No. 4 – City Services and Infrastructure

D. Ensure excellent Vancouver's civic facilities

- Ensure the City's civic facilities are properly maintained/modernized
- Pursue Britannia Long-Range Planning and Renewal work in collaboration with Vancouver Park Board and Vancouver School Board

Strategic Objective No. 5 – Safety and Security

B. Invest in preventative safety and security programs

- Advance actions responding to the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls report
- Advance a number of gender safety initiatives
- Advance the City's youth violence prevention strategy
- Explore Peer Assisted Care Teams (PACT) alongside CMHA
- Advance restorative city initiatives

Strategic Objective No. 6 – Climate Emergency

A. Incorporate climate change adaptation and resilience measures into our work

- Implement climate change adaptation measures
- Mitigate flooding risks
- As part of the Vancouver Plan, develop an ecological land use strategy
- Sustain and expand Vancouver's city-wide tree canopy

B. Make sure we conserve fresh water and our local waters are healthy and clean

C. Reduce Vancouver's GHG emissions from buildings in line with overall Climate Emergency Action Plan goals

D: Reduce Vancouver's GJG emissions from transportation in line with overall Climate Emergency Action Plan goals

- Support the delivery of Translink's Broadway Subway line
- Support the Broadway Subway extension to the University of British Columbia
- Build out Vancouver's micromobility network
- Enhance public realm charging infrastructure
- Expand Vancouver's greenways and AAA active-mobility lanes
- Implement bus-related road and sidewalk improvements

→ Expand the School Active Travel Program

E. Increase production of renewable energy within Vancouver (new)

→ Ensure our Vancouver Building By-law enables and promotes readiness for sustainable energy sources

Strategic Objective No. 7 – Healthy, Inclusive and Equitable

A. Work with the Province and other partners to address the mental health and addiction crisis

→ Continue the Community Overdose Response Team partnership

→ Take coordinated action to reduce drug poisoning deaths

Strategic Objective No. 9 – Good Government

C. Continuous focus on improving efficiency, effectiveness and customer service

→ Leverage technology to deliver services more effectively and efficiently

→ Continue to apply lean process improvement methodologies to enhance efficiencies across the organization

→ Continue to ensure that the City is appropriately protected from cyber threats

→ Explore the adoption of A.I. and other emerging technologies

2. Vancouver Community Sport Event Grants – Fall 2023 Intake October 20, 2023

- A. THAT Council approve 18 Vancouver Community Sport Event Grants totaling \$101,500 from the 2023 Vancouver Community Sport Hosting Program Budget to the organizations listed in Table 1 of the Report dated October 20, 2023, entitled “Vancouver Community Sport Event Grants – Fall 2023 Intake”, for the amount set out beside their names.
- B. THAT the grants in A above be subject to each grant recipient agreeing to the terms and conditions of the City’s Community Sport Hosting Grant Program, as generally outlined in the Report dated October 20, 2023, entitled “Vancouver Community Sport Event Grants – Fall 2023 Intake”, and otherwise satisfactory to the Director, Sport Hosting Vancouver and the City’s Director of Legal Service Solicitor.
- C. THAT Council delegates its authority to negotiate and execute the grant agreements dispersing the grants to the recipients described in A above to the Director, Sport Hosting Vancouver.
- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations are created by the approval of the A through C above unless and until the grant agreement is executed and delivered by the grant recipient.

- E. THAT, pursuant to Section 206(1)(j) of the *Vancouver Charter*, Council deems the organizations listed in Table 1 of the Report dated October 20, 2023, entitled “Vancouver Community Sport Event Grants – Fall 2023 Intake”, that are not otherwise a registered charity with Canada Revenue Agency to be an organization contributing to the culture, beautification, health, or welfare of the City.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND A
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY (Vote No. 09602)

**3. Closure of a Portion of Road Adjacent to 181 West Georgia Street
September 29, 2023**

MOVED by Councillor Zhou
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT Council close, stop-up and raise title in the name of the City of Vancouver to a portion of road at the corner of Beatty and West Georgia Streets as generally shown outlined in bold on the plan attached as Appendix A (the “Road Portion”) to the Report dated September 29, 2023, entitled “Closure of a Portion of Road Adjacent to 181 West Georgia Street”, subject to the terms and conditions noted in Appendix B of the same report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09596)
(Councillor Montague absent for the vote)

**4. Report Back – EHT Graduated Tax Rate and an Administrative By-law Change
October 18, 2023**

Staff from Finance, Risk and Supply Chain Management, provided a presentation.

Council heard from one speaker who spoke in opposition to the report recommendations.

MOVED by Councillor Fry
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

- A. THAT Council maintain the Empty Homes Tax rate at 3% on all vacant properties.
- B. THAT Council approve an amendment to the *Vacancy Tax By-law*, allowing late declarations to be made up to the second business day in July, of the fifth year following the vacancy reference period.
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for enactment the By-law amendment (see Appendix A of Report dated October 18, 2023, entitled “Report Back – EHT Graduated Tax Rate and an Administrative By-law Change”) in accordance with B above.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09597)

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Prior to the start of Report 5 – Decision Re: Integrity Commissioner Investigation Report, both Councillor Boyle and Mayor Sim declared a conflict of interest as the report directly relates to actions taken by Councillor Boyle and Mayor Sim. Mayor Sim relinquished the Chair to Acting Mayor Dominato until the completion of the item.

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**5. Decision Re: Integrity Commissioner Investigation Report
October 20, 2023**

MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

- A. THAT Council resolve to review the Investigation Report issued by the Integrity Commissioner on October 3, 2023 (the “Investigation Report”) attached as Appendix A of the Report dated October 20, 2023, entitled “Decision Re: Integrity Commissioner Investigation Report”.
- B. THAT Council endorse the recommendation on sanctions made by the Integrity Commissioner in the Investigation Report, as attached as Appendix A of the Report dated October 23, 2023, entitled “Decision Re: Integrity Commissioner Investigation Report”.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09598)
(Councillor Boyle and Mayor Sim absent for the vote due to conflict of interest)

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Dominato
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 through 10 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 1. A By-law to Contract a Debt by the Issue and Sale of 4.90% Sinking Fund Debentures in the Aggregate Principal Amount of \$100,000,000 for the Objects Set Out in Schedule “B” (By-law No. 13828)
- 2. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (2146 Semlin Drive (Kilpin Residence)) (By-law No. 13829)
- 3. A By-law to authorize Council entering into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement with the Owner of Heritage Property (2146 Semlin Drive (Kilpin Residence)) (By-law No. 13830)

4. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to facilitate arts and culture events (By-law No. 13831)
(Councillors Carr, Fry and Mayor Sim ineligible for the vote)
5. A By-law to amend the License By-law No. 4550 to facilitate arts and culture events (By-law No. 13832)
6. A By-law to amend the Building By-law No. 12511 to facilitate arts and culture events (By-law No. 13833)
7. A By-law to amend Fire By-law No. 12472 to facilitate arts and culture events (By-law No. 13834)
8. A By-law to amend the Procedure By-law No. 12577 regarding public hearing dates (By-law No. 13835)
9. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 3279-3297 Vanness Avenue (By-law No. 13836)
10. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 1190 Burrard Street (By-law No. 13837)

ADMINISTRATIVE MOTIONS

1. Approval of Form of Development – 2086-2098 West 7th Avenue and 2091 West 8th Avenue

Staff from Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, responded to questions.

MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the form of development for this portion of the site known as 2086-2098 West 7th Avenue and 2091 West 8th Avenue be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DP-2022-00500, prepared by Human Studio | Architecture + Urban Design, and submitted electronically on November 16, 2022, 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

2. Resolution - Closure of a Portion of Road Adjacent to 181 West Georgia Street

MOVED by Councillor Meiszner
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;

2. There is a proposal to develop a new Art Gallery over the southern portion of [PID: 009-860-991] Block 48, District Lot 541, Plan 8970 under a 99-year ground lease between the City and the Vancouver Art Gallery Association;
3. The City, as owner of Block 48 wishes to consolidate the abutting 98.3 square metre portion of road at the corner of Beatty and West Georgia Streets to enable the required land tenure to support the development and leasehold subdivision;
4. The said portion of road to be closed was dedicated as road on Plan 8970 in 1954;
5. The said portion of road to be closed is no longer required for municipal or highway purposes; and
6. The said portion of road to be closed will be consolidated with Block 48 to form a single parcel.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all that portion of road adjacent to Block 48, the same as shown in heavy outline on the Reference Plan prepared by Andrew Slater, B.C.L.S., completed on the 12th day of October, 2023, and numbered Plan EPP133178, a copy of which is attached hereto, be closed, stopped-up and title raised in the name of the City of Vancouver; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the said portion of road to be closed is to be consolidated with the said Block 48 to form a single parcel, as shown within the heavy bold outline on the Reference Plan prepared by Andrew Slater, B.C.L.S., completed on the 12th day of October, 2023 and numbered Plan EPP133179, a copy of which is attached hereto, to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

(Closure of a Portion of Road Adjacent to 181 West Georgia Street (RTS 15972), as per Council authority October 31, 2023)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEMBER'S MOTIONS

1. Building Inclusive Communities That Work for All Residents

Councillor Bligh submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting agenda of November 15, 2023, as a Council Members' Motion.

2. Working with Youth Climate Corps Vancouver

Councillor Carr submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting agenda of November 15, 2023, as a Council Members' Motion.

3. Increasing FSR on Multiplexes to Existing Sewer Capacity

Councillor Montague submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting agenda of November 15, 2023, as a Council Members' Motion.

4. Unlocking Shaughnessy: Building Affordable Housing Options for All of Us

Councillor Boyle submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting agenda of November 15, 2023, as a Council Members' Motion.

5. Enhancing Housing Density Near Under-Enrolled Vancouver Schools

Councillor Zhou submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting agenda of November 15, 2023, as a Council Members' Motion.

6. Reducing Barriers to Allow for the Expansion of Childcare Services Citywide

Councillor Klassen submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting agenda of November 15, 2023, as a Council Members' Motion.

7. Delivering a New Supply of Middle-Income Housing in Vancouver

Mayor Sim submitted a notice of Council Members' motion on the above-noted matter. The motion may be placed on the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting agenda of November 15, 2023, as a Council Members' Motion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Leave of Absence

MOVED by Councillor Bligh
SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT Councillor Bligh be granted a leave of absence for Civic Business from meetings on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, from 9:30 am to noon.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 09603)

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Fry
SECONDED by Councillor Boyle

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council adjourned at 4:30 pm.

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