



City Council's Strategic Priorities, 2023-2026

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**VIBRANT VANCOUVER: CITY COUNCIL'S
STRATEGIC PRIORITIES, 2023 - 2026**

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Purpose

- Articulates Council's strategic priorities through Q4-2026
- **Framework** to inform resource allocation decisions by Council and staff
- Conveys Council priorities to the public
- Not intended as an exhaustive list of work underway/contemplated
- Not Council direction to allocate resources or undertake specific work elements
- Not a comprehensive business/strategic plan

Council strategic priorities, document structure

Council's focus statement



9 strategic objectives



3-5 priority outcomes
per strategic objective



2-5 aligned work items
per priority outcomes

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***Vibrant and diverse.** We do all we can to ensure Vancouver is a dynamic and vibrant city, with a great range of exciting and engaging amenities and events throughout the city.*

Create vibrant public spaces · Enable largescale sporting, cultural and arts events · Revive Chinatown's vibrancy · Deliver outstanding parks and recreation services

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

1.

Vibrant and diverse



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2.

Housing



We work with senior governments and other partners to address the local housing crisis, with the goal of ensuring that appropriate housing options are available for everyone in Vancouver.

3.

Supporting business



We ensure the City is doing our part to ensure our local economy is robust and resilient, and Vancouver is a place in which businesses can thrive and succeed.

4.

City services and infrastructure



We deliver the high-quality city services and public infrastructure that make Vancouver a healthy, safe, beautiful and enjoyable place for everyone.

5.

Safety and security



We work to provide effective emergency response and emergency planning services that make Vancouver safe and enjoyable for everyone.

6.

Climate emergency



We are responding to the climate emergency through environmental initiatives, greenhouse gas emission reductions, and climate change adaptation measures.

7.

Healthy, inclusive and equitable



We put Vancouverites' physical and mental health front and centre as we make service, infrastructure and policy decisions, and strive to alleviate barriers to residents' well-being and sense of belonging..

8.

Reconciliation



We maintain mutually respectful relationships with and work to support and advance the rights of local Indigenous nations and Urban Indigenous people.

9.

Good government



We responsibly steward the public funds with which we are entrusted, ensure we have an efficient administrative infrastructure, and maintain a high-performing, engaged workforce.

1. Vibrant and diverse

- a. Create vibrant public spaces
- b. Enable largescale sporting, cultural and arts events
- c. Revive Chinatown’s vibrancy
- d. Deliver outstanding parks and recreation services

4. City services and infrastructure

- a. Water, sewerage and drainage systems are effective, well-maintained, environmentally friendly
- b. Make sure Vancouver’s solid waste services are effective, efficient and environmentally friendly
- c. Ensure Vancouver’s bridge, road, sidewalk and street lighting infrastructure is effective and well-maintained
- d. Ensure excellent Vancouver’s civic facilities

7. Healthy, inclusive and equitable

- a. Work with the Province and other partners to address the mental health and addiction crisis
- b. Ensure Vancouver is a seniors-friendly, accessible city
- c. Do our part to ensure we have sufficient childcare options for Vancouver families
- d. Do our part to ensure Vancouver residents are physically and mentally healthy
- e. Work to ensure Vancouver’s cultural communities feel included and respected
- f. Libraries dynamic social/learning hubs across the city

2. Housing

- a. Create the right regulatory framework and processes to support the efficient delivery of housing on private lands
- b. Leverage City-owned property to add substantially more market and non-market housing
- c. Work with the Province and other partners to address the homelessness crisis

5. Safety and security

- a. Reduce property and violent crime
- b. Invest in preventative safety and security programs
- c. Invest in preventing fires
- d. Be prepared for largescale emergencies
- e. Enhance the safety of our transportation network

8. Reconciliation

- a. Advance the City of Vancouver United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) Task Force recommended actions
- b. Support Indigenous land development and stewardship
- c. Provide programs and services to support local Indigenous people

3. Supporting business

- a. Transform the City’s permitting and licensing processes
- b. Do our part to support local business and ensure the business climate is welcoming
- c. Provide support to the local film industry

6. Climate emergency

- a. Incorporate climate change adaptation measures into our work
- b. Make sure our local waters are healthy and clean
- c. Reduce Vancouver’s GHG emissions from buildings
- d. Reduce Vancouver’s GHG emissions from transportation

9. Good government

- a. Responsible financial management
- b. A high-performing, engaged workforce
- c. Continuous focus on improving efficiency, effectiveness and customer service
- d. Responsible asset management

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