



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON POLICY AND STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities was held on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 9:30 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall. This Council meeting was convened in person and via electronic means as authorized under the Part 14 of the *Procedure By-law*.

PRESENT: Councillor Mike Klassen, Chair
Mayor Ken Sim*
Councillor Rebecca Bligh
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Lisa Dominato*
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung
Councillor Peter Meiszner, Vice-Chair
Councillor Brian Montague
Councillor Lenny Zhou*

ABSENT: Councillor Christine Boyle (Leave of Absence – Personal Reasons)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Paul Mochrie, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Lesley Matthews, Acting Deputy City Clerk
Rowena Choi, 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

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During the introduction of the “Matters Adopted on Consent”, Mayor Sim declared a conflict of interest on Item 1. Expanding the Metro West Inter-Municipal Business Licence to Include Health Care Professionals and Services, due to his personal involvement with the Health Care sector. Subsequently, Councillor Zhou declared a conflict of interest on Item 3. Proposed Amendment to Subdivision By-law No. 5208 - Reclassification of 1250 West 54th Avenue, due to his personal connection to the owner of said land.

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MOVED by Councillor Carr
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council adopt Reports 2 and 3 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Zhou absent for the vote for Report 3 due to conflict of interest)

REPORTS

1. **Expanding the Metro West Inter-Municipal Business Licence to Include Health Care Professionals and Services** **September 10, 2024**

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Prior to the start of Item 1. Expanding Proposed Amendment to Subdivision By-law No. 5208 - Reclassification of 1250 West 54th Avenue, Mayor Sim left the meeting due to a conflict of interest as noted above and did not return until the completion of the item.

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Staff from Development, Buildings and Licencing responded to questions.

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Following questions to staff, Chair Klassen relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chair Meiszner in order to participate in debate and provide closing comments. Chair Klassen resumed the role of Chair prior to calling the vote on this item.

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MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Meiszner

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve, in principle, the inclusion of health care professionals and services providing in-home care as businesses eligible for the Metro West Inter-Municipal Business Licence (IMBL);

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for enactment the by-laws necessary to include health care professionals and services providing in-home care as businesses eligible for the Metro West IMBL generally in accordance with by-laws attached in Appendix A and Appendix B of the Report dated September 10, 2024, entitled "Expanding the Metro West Inter-Municipal Business Licence to Include Health Care Professionals and Services", to be effective January 1, 2025.

- B. THAT Council approve, in principle, an increase to the annual fee for the Metro West IMBL from \$250 to \$300;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward for enactment the necessary by-laws generally in accordance with by-laws attached in Appendix A and Appendix B of the Report dated September 10, 2024, entitled "Expanding the Metro West Inter-Municipal Business Licence to Include Health Care Professionals and Services", to be effective January 1, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 10218)
(Mayor Sim absent for the vote due to conflict of interest)

**2. Contract Award for Supply and Delivery of Electrical Traffic Control Parts
August 20, 2024**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate an agreement with Interprovincial Traffic Services Ltd. ("ITS") for the supply and delivery of electrical traffic control parts for \$1,903,980 plus applicable taxes over an initial three-year term (the "Agreement"), with the City holding three two-year options to extend the Agreement, for a total value of \$5,711,940 plus applicable taxes over the potential nine-year term.
- B. THAT Council delegate its authority to execute the Agreement to the City's Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer, and General Manager of Engineering Services.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's approval of A and B above unless and until the City executes and delivers the Agreement.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 10223)

**3. Proposed Amendment to Subdivision By-law No. 5208 - Reclassification of 1250 West 54th Avenue
September 10, 2024**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the application to reclassify the property at 1250 West 54th Avenue, from R1-1 subdivision category E to category D of Schedule A, Table 1 of Subdivision By-law No. 5208.
- B. THAT if Council approves A above, the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law to amend the Subdivision By-law implementing the required change.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT (Vote No. 10225)
(Councillor Zhou absent for the vote due to conflict of interest)

**4. Civic Protocol Policy Amendments
August 7, 2024**

The City Clerk along with the City Manager responded to questions.

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Subsequently, at 9:50 am, following questions to staff, the Committee took a brief recess and reconvened at 10:00 am.

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MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council approve amendments to the City's Civic Protocol Policy, as outlined in the Report dated August 7, 2024, entitled "Civic Protocol Policy Amendments", and attached as Appendix A.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Fry

THAT the following clause be added at the end:

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back on the potential to provide similar consideration to cultural and arts events that are beneficial to the City as is given to sporting teams and major sporting events as described in Appendix A, with the goal of them having similar ability to participate.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 10219)
(Councillor Dominato absent for the vote)

The amendment having carried unanimously, the motion as amended was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 10220).

FINAL MOTION AS APPROVED

THAT Council approve amendments to the City's Civic Protocol Policy, as outlined in the Report dated August 7, 2024, entitled "Civic Protocol Policy Amendments", and attached as Appendix A;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to report back on the potential to provide similar consideration to cultural and arts events that are beneficial to the City as is given to sporting teams and major sporting events as described in Appendix A of the Report dated August 7, 2024, entitled "Civic Protocol Policy Amendments", with the goal of them having similar ability to participate.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' MOTIONS

1. FCM Resolution: Enhancing Accessibility Under the Federal Plastic Straw Ban

MOVED by Councillor Dominato
SECONDED by Councillor Zhou

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council endorse the following resolution to be forwarded to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Board:

RESOLUTION

MOTION: Enhancing Accessibility Under the Federal Plastic Straw Ban

WHEREAS the federal Single-Use Plastics Prohibition Regulations limit the sale and distribution of certain single use plastics, including plastic straws;

WHEREAS the federal Single-Use Plastics Prohibition Regulations have very narrow exceptions for the sale and distribution of plastic straws, and does not sufficiently accommodate the special needs of persons with disabilities and medical issues;

AND WHEREAS persons with disabilities and medical issues may require an “accessible straw” for use at home, the workplace or when eating out.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT FCM urge the federal government to enhance accessibility under the Single-Use Plastics Prohibition Regulations by allowing the following:

- i. Food vendors to provide an “accessible straw” (flexible plastic straw, individually wrapped in paper) when requested;
- ii. Retailers to display packages of flexible plastic straws in stores; and
- iii. Flexible plastic straws attached to beverage containers like drink boxes.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 10221)

The Committee adjourned at 10:07 am.

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

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

A meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 10:07 am, 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:

Mayor Sim
Councillor Rebecca Bligh
Councillor Adriane Carr
Councillor Lisa Dominato
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung
Councillor Peter Meiszner
Councillor Brian Montague
Councillor Mike Klassen
Councillor Lenny Zhou

ABSENT:

Councillor Christine Boyle (Leave of Absence – Personal Reasons)

CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE:

Paul Mochrie, City Manager

CITY CLERK’S OFFICE:

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
Wednesday, September 25, 2024

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

Reports:

1. Expanding the Metro West Inter-Municipal Business Licence to Include Health Care Professionals and Services
2. Contract Award for Supply and Delivery of Electrical Traffic Control Parts
3. Proposed Amendment to Subdivision By-law No. 5208 - Reclassification of 1250 West 54th Avenue
4. Civic Protocol Policy Amendments

Council Members' Motions:

1. FCM Resolution: Enhancing Accessibility Under the Federal Plastic Straw Ban

MOVED by Councillor Klassen

SECONDED by Councillor Zhou

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities at its meeting of September 25, 2024, as contained in Reports 1 through 4 and Council Members' Motion 1, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

URGENT BUSINESS

The Mayor asked Council if there were any items of urgent business and there were none.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Dominato

SECONDED by Councillor Meiszner

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council adjourned at 10:09 am.

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