



REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES

FEBRUARY 5, 2025

A meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on City Finance and Services was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 9:32 am, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall. This Council meeting was convened in person and via electronic means as authorized by the Part 14 of the *Procedure By-law*.

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

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Armin Amrolia, Deputy City Manager
Sandra Singh, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Penney, Deputy City Clerk
Bonnie Kennett, 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 team members 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 Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council adopt Reports 3 and 4 on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Bligh absent for the vote)

REPORTS

1. **Childcare Strategy Implementation and Policy Harmonization January 27, 2025**

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 Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Montague*

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The Committee heard from two speakers who spoke in support of the recommendations.

MOVED by Councillor Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council receive the Report dated January 27, 2025, entitled “Childcare Strategy Implementation and Policy Harmonization”, providing a progress update on the City’s childcare goals, including implementation of Making Strides: Vancouver’s Childcare Strategy, and on advancing Council Motions supporting childcare expansion and the harmonization of the City’s childcare policies and guidelines with those of the Province.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to apply the City’s Childcare Design Guidelines (originally approved by Council in 1993 and last amended by Council in 2021,

generally as presented in Appendix A of the Report dated January 27, 2025, entitled “Childcare Strategy Implementation and Policy Harmonization”), only for any rezoning or development application received by the City prior to February 5, 2025 (the “In-Stream Applications”).

- C. THAT Council endorse application of the B.C. Ministry of Education and Child Care’s Design Guidelines for Child Care Centres (the “Provincial Child Care Design Guidelines”), dated August 2024 (generally as presented in Appendix B of the Report dated January 27, 2025, entitled “Childcare Strategy Implementation and Policy Harmonization”, and detailed in Appendix C of the same report), in replacement of the City’s Childcare Design Guidelines, to guide the design and construction of all new City-owned childcare facilities or childcare facilities otherwise preserved in the public domain by way of a condition of rezoning, development, or registered agreement (a “public childcare”);

FURTHER THAT the City, in its regulatory role, will not be requiring privately-owned, non-public childcares to follow the new Provincial Child Care Design Guidelines.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 10512)
(Councillor Bligh absent for the vote)

**2. Older Persons Strategic Framework and 2025 Early Actions
January 21, 2025**

Staff from the Strategy and Project Support Office provided a presentation, and along with staff from Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, responded to questions.

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During questions to staff, it was

*MOVED by Councillor Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Dominato*

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

During questions to staff, it was

MOVED by Councillor Klassen

SECONDED by Councillor Montague

THAT, as per section 2.8(a) of the Procedure By-law, Council extend the meeting past noon in order to complete the agenda.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY**

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The Committee heard from seven speakers who spoke in support of the recommendations.

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung

SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

- A. THAT Council approve the Older Persons Strategic Framework and 2025 Early Actions contained in Appendix A of the Report dated January 21, 2025, entitled “Older Persons Strategic Framework and 2025 Early Actions”.
- B. THAT Council direct staff to report back to Council in Q4 2025 with a 2026 implementation plan that identifies timelines and deliverables for next steps.
- C. THAT Council direct staff to submit an application to join the World Health Organization Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities, and request that the Mayor write a letter in support of this application.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Vote No. 10513)
(Councillors Bligh and Meiszner absent for the vote)

**3. Contract Award for Construction Services for Granville Bridge South Main Approach and Ramps Rehabilitation – Phase 1
January 17, 2025**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate an agreement for Granville Bridge South Main Approach and Ramps Rehabilitation - Phase 1 with Graham Infrastructure LP for an estimated total contract value of \$8,787,000.00 over the initial two (2)-year term (the “Agreement”), which will be funded from the multi-year capital project budget and the approved capital expenditure budget for the project, together with a contribution from the TransLink Major Route Network (MRN) Funding Applications that will cover 50% of eligible project costs up to \$6,000,000;

FURTHER 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;

AND FURTHER 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. 10517)

**4. Contract Award for Construction Services for Killarney Park Track and Field Civil Works
January 17, 2025**

THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT Council authorize City staff to negotiate an agreement for Construction Services - Killarney Park Track and Field – Civil Works with Wilco Civil Inc. for an estimated total contract value of \$8,285,436.00 over the eighteen (18) month term (the "Agreement"), which will be funded from the approved capital expenditure budget;

FURTHER THAT Council delegate its authority to execute the Agreement to the City's Director of Legal Services, Chief Procurement Officer, and General Manager of Park Board;

AND FURTHER 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. 10518)

The Committee adjourned at 12:10 pm.

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**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
CITY FINANCE AND SERVICES**

FEBRUARY 5, 2025

A meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 12:10 pm, in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT:

Mayor Ken Sim
Councillor Lisa Dominato
Councillor Pete Fry
Councillor Sarah Kirby-Yung
Councillor Mike Klassen
Councillor Brian Montague
Councillor Lenny Zhou

ABSENT:

Councillor Rebecca Bligh
Councillor Peter Meiszner (Leave of Absence – Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:

Armin Amrolia, Deputy City Manager
Sandra Singh, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:

Tina Penney, Deputy City Clerk
Bonnie Kennett, Meeting Coordinator

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on City Finance and Services
Wednesday, February 05, 2025

Council considered the report containing the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services. Its items of business included:

Reports:

1. Childcare Strategy Implementation and Policy Harmonization
2. Older Persons Strategic Framework and 2025 Early Actions
3. Contract Award for Construction Services for Granville Bridge South Main Approach and Ramps Rehabilitation – Phase 1
4. Contract Award for Construction Services for Killarney Park Track and Field Civil Works

Reports 1 to 4

MOVED by Councillor Kirby-Yung
SECONDED by Councillor Klassen

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on City Finance and Services at its meeting of February 5, 2025, as contained in Reports 1 to 4, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Klassen
SECONDED by Councillor Zhou

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 12:12 pm.

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