COUNCIL MEMBER’S MOTION

6. Improving the Effectiveness and Efficiency of Development Application Processes

Submitted by: Mayor Stewart

WHEREAS

1. The B.C. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing undertook a one-year Development Approval Process Review over 2018 and 2019 with UBCM officials, local government officials and staff, developers and homebuilders, non-profit housing representatives, community neighbourhood representatives and academics to make the municipal government development process more effective and efficient;

2. The Development Approvals Process Review final report released in September 2019 made resolving lengthy and complicated internal staff development approvals processes a high priority;

3. The City of Vancouver requires applicants, as part of current operational procedure, to make a rezoning enquiry before they may submit a development application; and

4. This rezoning enquiry is not mandated by either the Vancouver Charter or the Zoning and Development By-law.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all rezoning enquiries are voluntary, not mandatory, for development applications.

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