

REPORT TO COUNCIL

STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL
ON PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

FEBRUARY 19, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Standing Committee of Council on Planning and Environment was held on Thursday, February 19, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Councillor Andrea Reimer, Chair
Mayor Gregor Robertson*
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor David Cadman*
Councillor George Chow
Councillor Heather Deal, Vice-Chair*
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Raymond Louie*
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

ABSENT: Councillor Tim Stevenson (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting of December 18, 2008, were adopted.

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VARY AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT item 2 be dealt with after item 7 on this agenda.

***CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY***

Note from Meeting Coordinator: The minutes are recorded in chronological order to ensure clarity.

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**1. Report for the Period 2007-2008 (Vancouver City Planning Commission)
January 30, 2009**

The Committee received a report and presentation from the past Chair and past members of the Vancouver City Planning Commission.

The Committee heard from 3 speakers who expressed concerns with aspects of the report.

**3. Hours of Liquor Service Policy for Food Primary Liquor Establishments and Revised
Business Licence Categories and Fees for Restaurants
February 3, 2009**

Staff from Licenses and Inspections presented the report and, along with staff from the Vancouver Police Department, responded to questions.

The Committee heard from 18 speakers 12 of whom spoke in general favour of, and 6 who spoke in general opposition to the report recommendations.

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During the hearing of speakers it was

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT, under Section 2.3 (c) of the Procedure By-law, Council extend the length of the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting by one hour or less, until 6:30 p.m.

CARRIED

BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

(Councillor Anton opposed)

(Mayor Robertson absent for the vote)

Following the hearing of speakers it was

MOVED by Mayor Robertson

THAT, under Section 2.3 (c) of the Procedure By-law, Council extend the length of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting for an additional 7 minutes in order to conclude this item.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AND BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

(Councillor Cadman absent for the vote)

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MOVED by Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT this item (Hours of Liquor Service Policy for Food Primary Liquor Establishments and Revised Business Licence Categories and Fees for Restaurants) be referred to staff in order to have a staff briefing of Council as soon as possible.

CARRIED
(Councillor Anton opposed
(Councillor Cadman absent for the vote)

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT items 4 (Emergency Operations Centre Renovations), 5 (Small Business Tax Bracket), 6 (Form of Development: 525 Abbott Street) and 7 (Building Affordable and Rental Housing) on this agenda be postponed to a future Standing Committee meeting, with the City Clerk's Office to determine the appropriate meeting dates.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. Emergency Operations Centre Renovations
February 4, 2009**

Postponed to a future Standing Committee meeting.

5. Small Business Tax Bracket

Postponed to a future Standing Committee meeting.

**6. Form of Development: 525 Abbott Street
February 3, 2009**

Postponed to a future Standing Committee meeting.

7. Building Affordable and Rental Housing

Postponed to a future Standing Committee meeting.

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MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment recess and reconvene at 7:30 p.m. in order to deal with item 2 (Demolition of Rental Housing at 4550 Fraser Street and 701 East 30th Avenue).

CARRIED

(Councillor Woodsworth opposed)

(Councillor Cadman absent for the vote)

The Committee recessed at 6:36 p.m. and reconvened at 7:40 p.m. with Councillors Deal and Louie absent.

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**2. Demolition of Rental Housing at 4550 Fraser Street and 701 East 30th Avenue
January 26, 2009**

The Director of Planning, the Assistant Director of Development Services and the Managing Director of Social Development reviewed the report and responded to questions.

The Committee heard from 10 speakers, 9 of whom spoke in opposition to and 1 who spoke in favour of, the report recommendations.

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During the hearing of speakers on it was

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT, under Section 2.3 (e) of the Procedure By-law, Council extend the length of the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting by 15 minutes until 10:15 p.m.

LOST NOT HAVING RECEIVED A UNANIMOUS VOTE

(Councillor Woodsworth opposed)

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MOVED by Councillor Louie
THAT the Committee recommend to Council

THAT the City Clerk be directed to establish two evening dates in the next two weeks
in order to continue hearing speakers on this item.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Committee adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
STANDING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL ON
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

FEBRUARY 19, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, February 19, 2009, at 10:05 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, following the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment meeting, to consider the recommendations and actions of the Committee.

PRESENT: Mayor Gregor Robertson
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor George Chow
Councillor Heather Deal
Councillor Kerry Jang
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Geoff Meggs
Councillor Andrea Reimer
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

ABSENT: Councillor Tim Stevenson (Sick Leave)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, Mayor Robertson in the Chair.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of Standing Committee on Planning and Environment
February 19, 2009

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

1. Report for the Period 2007-2008 (Vancouver City Planning Commission)
2. Demolition of Rental Housing at 4550 Fraser Street and 701 East 30th Avenue

3. Hours of Liquor Service Policy for Food Primary Liquor Establishments and Revised Business Licence Categories and Fees for Restaurants
4. Emergency Operations Centre Renovations
5. Small Business Tax Bracket
6. Form of Development: 525 Abbott Street
7. Building Affordable and Rental Housing

Items 1 to 7

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the recommendations and actions taken by the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment at its meeting of February 19, 2009, as contained in items 1 to 7, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Council adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

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