

APRIL 7, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall.

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 (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager
James Ridge, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Marg Coulson, Acting City Clerk
Laura Kazakoff, Meeting Coordinator

*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

PRAYER

The proceedings in the Council Chamber were opened with a prayer read by Councillor Cadman.

CONDOLENCES - WENDY LADNER-BEAUDRY

The Mayor and Councillor Anton extended condolences on behalf of Council to the family and friends of Wendy Ladner-Beaudry and recognized her contributions to the city, especially through her involvement in various youth and sports initiatives.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council will go into a meeting later this day which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraph(s):

- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;
- (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of an activity, work or facility that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city if they were held in public.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF MARCH 24, 2009

- Council appointed Marty Radakovich to the Deputy Collector of Taxes position.
- Council approved appointments to the following Advisory Bodies:
 - Urban Design Panel
 - Vancouver Economic Development Commission
 - Vancouver Heritage Foundation BoardNames of those appointed can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council - March 24, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Special Council (Public Hearing) - March 24, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - March 26, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - March 26, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Special Council (City Services and Budgets) - March 31, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Reimer

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Chow
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

THAT Council adopt Communication 1, Administrative Reports A1, A3 to A9 and A11, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. Host City Olympic Transportation Plan

Dale Bracewell, Director, Olympic Transportation, provided a Report Reference on the City of Vancouver's transportation plan for the 2010 Winter Games. Mr. Bracewell, along with Penny Ballem, City Manager, and Jerry Dobrovolny, Assistant City Engineer - Transportation, responded to questions concerning the proposed plan.

2. Interim Housing Plan - Strategic Partnership Proposal

Jill Davidson, Assistant Director of Housing Policy, provided an overview of proposed options for strategic partnerships between the City, Province and private parties for an interim housing plan in the city of Vancouver. She noted discussions are ongoing and any approvals would be brought to Council for consideration.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Rezoning: 6511 Granville Street

At the Public Hearing on March 24, 2009, Council heard from speakers regarding an application to rezone the site at 6511 Granville Street from RT-6 (One-Family Dwelling) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District to allow a development of a three-storey seniors supportive and assisted housing development. The Public Hearing on the application was concluded and Council referred the staff summation and Council's discussion and decision on the application to the next Regular Council meeting as Unfinished Business.

Michelle McGuire, Planner, Rezoning Centre, provided closing comments on the rezoning application.

MOVED by Councillor Anton

- A. THAT the application by Neale Staniszki Doll Adams on behalf of Aville Enterprises Ltd., to rezone 6511 Granville Street (PID: 008-138-800, 008-138-826, 008-138-877, Lots 1A, 1B, 1C, all of Lot 1, Block 11, DL 526, Plan 5615) from RS-6 (One-Family Dwelling) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) District, to permit development of a three-storey Seniors Supportive and Assisted Housing project, generally in accordance with Appendix A to the Policy Report "*CD-1 Rezoning - 6511 Granville Street*", dated February 18, 2009, be approved subject to conditions:

1. PROPOSED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL OF FORM OF DEVELOPMENT

- (a) That the proposed form of development be approved by Council in principle, generally as prepared by Neale Staniszki Doll Adams Architects, and stamped "Received City Planning Department, September 26, 2008", provided that the Director of Planning may allow minor alterations to this form of development when approving the detailed scheme of development as outlined in (b) below.

- (b) That, prior to approval by Council of the form of development, the applicant shall obtain approval of a development application by the Director of Planning, who shall have particular regard to the following:

Design Development

- (i) Design development to reduce the scale and massing of those portions of the building facing single-family residential properties;

Note to Applicant: This can be accomplished by lowering portions of the building at the edges by approximately 1.5 m or about 13 m above grade, by varying some of the ridge lines of the project, by following grade more closely, or some combination thereof. Similar adjustments should also be considered on the north façade to reflect the residential streetscape to the west. The characteristic pitch of the gable ends should be maintained.

- (ii) Design development to provide minimum setbacks as follows:
- from north property line (West 49th Avenue) - 3.05 m (10 ft.);
 - from south property line - 4.6 m (15 ft.);
 - from west property line - 3.05 m (10 ft.); and
 - from east property line - 5.85 m (19.2 ft.).

Note to Applicant: For the setback from the east property line this dimension is to be taken from the property line prior to any dedications.

- (iii) For the south wing of the building the setback from the east property line should be comparable to the front yard dimension of neighbouring properties for approximately half the length of the site.
- (iv) For the west wing of the building the setback from the north property line should be greater than the front yard setback of neighbouring properties to the west for approximately half the length of the site.
- (v) Design development to the base of the building to avoid a horizontal expanse of relatively undifferentiated stucco, and to achieve a stronger residential expression at grade;

Note to Applicant: This can be addressed by using horizontal siding or masonry in place of stucco, by adding window trim that is more consistent with the residential character of the upper floors, and by adding patio doors for residents to directly access the outdoor spaces. (See also condition (b)(xvii) regarding further development of the outdoor area.)

- (vi) Design development to the northeast portion of the building to better respond to this active and prominent intersection;

Note to Applicant: Consider a stronger and more distinctive expression for these bays of the building.

- (vii) Consideration to providing a colour palette which is more similar to character homes in the neighbourhood;

Sustainability

- (viii) Identification on the building plans and elevations of sustainable design features;

Note to Applicant: Measures which will reduce building energy and water consumption are especially encouraged. Note in particular those built features which relate to the LEED™ checklist provided, the ARKS Vision, and rezoning policy. Consider the provision of sufficiently sized planters and other supports for urban agriculture.

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)

- (ix) Design development to improve security and visibility in the underground parking level in accordance with Section 4.13 of the Parking By-law and by painting the walls and ceiling of the parking garage white;

Note to Applicant: More use of interior glazing, especially around the exit stairwells, and exterior lighting must be shown on the drawings. Consider noting design features to meet the Vancouver Building By-law Section 3.3.6.7 as well.

- (x) Design development to improve defensibility and reduce opportunities for break and enter;

Note to Applicant: Show how the space around the private outdoor space will be clearly defined by gates or fences and effectively lit at night. Lighting must not cross the property line.

Landscape Design

- (xi) Provision of a full Landscape Plan illustrating proposed plant materials (common and botanical names), including sizes and quantities; paving, walls, fences, and other landscape elements including site grading with labels;

Note to Applicant: Consider incorporating hardy drought-tolerant plantings into the planting scheme within the site to reduce use of water in the landscape.

- (xii) Design development of the landscape plan to retain healthy trees located outside the building envelope;

Note to Applicant: The expansive treed edges, as noted on the survey and in the arborist report, bordering Granville Street, the south property line and 49th Avenue should remain to effectively screen the new development as viewed from the street and the neighbouring property to the south. For trees that cannot be retained or relocated, replacement with a specimen of equal or greater value will be required.

- (xiii) Consideration to providing an on-site path from the building common area to the bus stop on Granville Street;
- (xiv) Design development to resolve conflicts between retained trees and the proposed building construction and excavation;

Note to Applicant: Proposed building foundations at the south, east and north elevation are located within the drip line of retained trees as noted on the Tree Preservation Plan of the rezoning document. It may be necessary to shift the building foundations away from the retained trees' roots to ensure long-term health.

- (xv) Provision of a more comprehensive and detailed Certified Arborist report on the feasibility of retaining trees located close to excavation for the proposed building, including risks to, and methods for, the safe retention of existing trees;

Note to Applicant: The report must include specific details about the method of protecting the trees listed as being retained. It is important for the trees to be preserved for the long term. Commentary must include risks to the health of trees located close to the excavation with measurable limits to excavation for trees with roots located within the building envelope. As well the report must include a written assessment by a professional tree mover or Certified Arborist on the feasibility of, risks and methods involved in the successful relocation of trees as noted on the Tree Preservation Plan.

- (xvi) Provision of a Construction Management Plan for tree retention

Note to Applicant: The plan should consider excavation and building materials storage, construction access and vehicle maneuvering during the construction process. For more details refer to Section 3.3, Tree Retention, Relocation and Replacement Guidelines, Private Property Tree By-law.

- (xvii) Design development of the Landscape Plan to expand the programming of the common outdoor open space to include opportunities for shared-gardening;

Note to Applicant: Consider locating a gardening area close by the main outdoor amenity patio. The shared gardening area should be designed to provide maximum solar exposure, universal accessibility and provided with amenities such as, raised beds, water for irrigation, potting bench, tool storage and composting.

- (xviii) Provision of a legal survey illustrating the following information:

- (1) Existing trees 20 cm calliper or greater on the development site;
and

- (2) The public realm (property line to curb) including existing street trees, street utilities such as lamp posts, fire hydrants, etc. adjacent to the development site.
- (xix) Provision of section details at a minimum scale of ¼"=1'-0" scale to illustrate proposed landscape elements including planters on building structures, benches, fences, gates, arbours and trellises, posts and walls and water features. Planter section details must confirm depth of proposed planting on structures;
- (xx) Provision of a high-efficiency irrigation system in all landscape common areas and hose bibs in patio areas as needed (illustrated on the Landscape Plan);

Engineering

- (xxi) Arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services for the following:
 - (1) Provide adequate clearance in the underground parking for the mini-bus to park, and sufficient vertical clearance under the porte-cochère roof for the Class B passenger vehicle (i.e. HandyDart);
 - (2) Provide confirmation from BC Hydro that the wood pole and guy wire blocking access to the loading bay in the lane can be relocated;
 - (3) Delete the portion of trellis that is shown encroaching over the West 49th Avenue property line;
 - (4) Delete the portions of fencing proposed along Granville Street that will encroach beyond the building line (dedication of the building line will result in an encroachment) or make arrangements for appropriate agreements to allow for the encroachment; and
 - (5) Provision of a storm water management plan that ensures no increase in site run-off from the existing site volumes and ensures a maximum 60% site impermeability.

Facility Operations

- (xxii) Provision of a mini-bus with a designated parking space (to provide regular transportation for residents to shopping and amenities) for the life of the building shall be a condition of the development permit.

2. PROPOSED CONDITIONS OF BY-LAW ENACTMENT

(a) That, prior to enactment of the CD-1 By-law, the registered owner shall:

Engineering

(i) Make arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services for the following:

- (1) Consolidation of Lots 1A, 1B and 1C;
- (2) Dedication of the East 10 feet of the site (the building line area) for road purposes;
- (3) Release of Easement & Indemnity Agreement 135693M (crossings) prior to occupancy of the building;
- (4) Provision of adequate water service for the site.

Note to Applicant: The application does not include enough information to determine if water system upgrading is necessary for the project. Please provide fire flow demands and project details for review;

- (5) Undergrounding of all new utility services from the closest existing suitable service point.

Note to Applicant: All services, and in particular electrical transformers to accommodate a primary service must be located on private property. The development site is not to rely on secondary voltage from the existing overhead network. Any alterations to the existing underground/overhead utility network to accommodate the development will require review and approval by the Utilities Management Branch. Early contact with the Utilities Management Branch is encouraged;

- (6) Provision of street trees adjacent the site where space permits; and
- (7) Provision of speed humps in the lane west of Granville Street between 49th Avenue and 52nd Avenue, subject to neighbourhood review.

Where the Director of Legal Services deems appropriate, the preceding agreements are to be drawn, not only as personal covenants of the property owners, but also as Covenants pursuant to Section 219 of the Land Title Act.

The preceding agreements are to be registered in the appropriate Land Title Office, with priority over such other liens, charges and encumbrances affecting the subject site as is considered advisable by the Director of Legal Services, and otherwise to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services prior to enactment of the by-law.

The preceding agreements shall provide security to the City including indemnities, warranties, equitable charges, and letters of credit, and provide for the withholding of permits, as deemed appropriate by, and in form and content satisfactory to, the Director of Legal Services.

The timing of all required payments, if any, shall be determined by the appropriate City official having responsibility for each particular agreement, who may consult other City officials and City Council.

- B. FURTHER THAT, the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law the amendment to the Subdivision By-law as set out in Appendix C to the Policy Report "*CD-1 Rezoning - 6511 Granville Street*", dated February 18, 2009.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Cadman and Reimer ineligible for the vote)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. 2010 Council Meetings Schedule

THAT the following schedule of Council meetings for 2010 be approved:

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| 9:30 a.m., Tuesday | Standing Committee on Transportation & Traffic (T&T) and Regular Council meeting to adopt the recommendations of the Committee. |
| 9:30 a.m., Tuesday or Wednesday; or 7:30 p.m. Thursday | Business License Hearing |
| 2:00 p.m., Tuesday | Regular Council Meeting |
| 7:30 p.m., Tuesday or Thursday | Public Hearing; Court of Revision (Crt of Revision - Eng. {Engineering - for approval of Local Improvements} or BIA {for approval of Business Improvement Area boundaries and levies}) |
| 9:30 a.m., Thursday | Standing Committee on City Services & Budgets (CS&B) and Regular Council meeting to adopt the recommendations of the Committee. |
| 2:00 p.m., Thursday | Standing Committee on Planning & Environment (P&E) and Regular Council meeting to adopt the recommendations of the Committee. |

| JANUARY | | |
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| | 1 | New Year's Day |
| Skip | 5 | |
| Skip | 12 | |
| | 19 | T&T Committee; Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 21 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| Skip | 26 | |

| FEBRUARY | | |
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| | 2 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council |
| | 4 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Court of Revision - BIA (7:30 pm) |
| Skip | 9 | 2010 Winter Olympic Games - February 12 to 28 |
| | 16 | Reserved time - no meeting scheduled; 2010 Winter Olympic Games - February 12 to 28 |
| Skip | 23 | 2010 Winter Olympic Games - February 12 to 28 |

| MARCH | | |
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| | 2 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 4 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| Skip | 9 | Spring Break, March 8 to 12; 2010 Winter Paralympic Games, March 12 to 21 |
| Skip | 16 | 2010 Winter Paralympic Games, March 12 to 21 |
| | 23 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 25 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| Skip | 30 | |

| APRIL | | |
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| | 2 | Good Friday |
| | 5 | Easter Monday |
| | 6 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 8 | CS&B and P&E Committees, Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 14 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am) |
| | 20 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 22 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| Skip | 27 | |

| MAY | | |
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| | 4 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 6 | CS&B and P&E Committees, Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 12 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am) |
| | 18 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 20 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| | 24 | Victoria Day |
| Skip | 25 | |

| JUNE | | |
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| | 1 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 3 | No CS&B or P&E Committees (FCM in Toronto, June 4 to 7) |
| | 8 | No Regular Council |
| | 10 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 15 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 17 | CS&B and P&E Committees |

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| Skip | 22 | |
| Skip | 29 | |
| JULY | | |
| | 1 | Canada Day |
| | 6 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 8 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 14 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am) |
| | 20 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 22 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| | 27 | Reserved time - no meeting scheduled |
| AUGUST | | |
| | 1-31 | Summer Recess (BC Day, August 2) |
| SEPTEMBER | | |
| | 6 | Labour Day |
| | 7 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 9 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 15 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am) |
| | 21 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 23 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| Skip | 28 | UBCM in Whistler, September 27-October 1 |
| OCTOBER | | |
| | 5 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 7 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 11 | Thanksgiving |
| | 13 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am) |
| | 19 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 20 | Special Council (Court of Revision - Land Averaging) (2:00 pm) |
| | 21 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| Skip | 26 | |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| | 2 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| | 4 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 10 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am) |
| | 11 | Remembrance Day |
| | 16 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 18 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| Skip | 23 | |
| | 30 | T&T Committee; Regular Council |
| DECEMBER | | |
| | 2 | CS&B and P&E Committees; Business License Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| Skip | 7 | |
| | 14 | Business License Hearing (9:30 am); Regular Council; Public Hearing (7:30 pm) |
| | 16 | CS&B and P&E Committees |
| Skip | 21/28 | Christmas Break, December 27-December 31 |

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

**1. 2009 Theatre Rental Project Grants Recommendations
March 24, 2009**

THAT Council approve two (2) Theatre Rental Projects Grants totalling \$13,465 as outlined in Table 1 of this report for uses of the Civic Theatres in 2009; source of funds to be the 2009 Theatre Rental Projects Grant budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**2. 2009 Civic Child Care Grants: Allocation 1 of 3: Administration of City-owned Child Care Facilities Grant and City-wide Child Care Support Services Grant
March 16, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

- A. THAT Council approve an Administration of City-owned Child Care Facilities grant of \$112,541 to Vancouver Society of Children's Centres (VSOCC). Source of funds: 2009 Civic Childcare Grants Funds, 2009 Operating Budget.
- B. THAT Council approve a City-wide Child Care Support Services grant to Westcoast Child Care Resource Centre totaling \$228,704. Source of funds: 2009 Civic Childcare Grants Funds, 2009 Operating Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**3. Award of Environmental Consultant Contract for Queen Elizabeth Theatre Redevelopment - Audience Chamber Phase 2 Completion
March 24, 2009**

- A. THAT Council waive the normal policy of conducting a formal Public Tender or Request for Proposals process and approve entering into a sole-sourced agreement with EHS Partnerships Ltd. ("EHSP") for environmental consulting and abatement monitoring services for the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Redevelopment - Audience Chamber Phase 2 Completion to a maximum value of \$245,000 (plus applicable taxes) with the source of funding to be the Queen Elizabeth Theatre Redevelopment Capital Budget.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A above.
- C. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Business Planning & Services and the Director of Legal Services.

- D. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by Council's adoption of A, B, and C above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**4. Award of Furnishings Contract and Construction Contract for the Tenant Improvements for 507 West Broadway ("Cross Roads")
March 26, 2009**

- A. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in C, D, and E below, Herman Miller Canada Inc. be awarded the Furnishings contract for the tenant improvements for Suite 600, 507 West Broadway ("Cross Roads") for a maximum contract value of \$2,237,693.34 (plus GST); source of funds to be the capital budget for the Cross Roads tenant improvements.
- B. THAT, subject to the conditions set out in C, D, and E below, Ledcor Special Projects, a Division of Ledcor Construction Ltd., be awarded the Construction contract for the tenant improvements for Suite 600, 507 West Broadway for a maximum contract value of \$2,476,000 (plus GST); source of funds to be the capital budget for the Cross Roads tenant improvements.
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A and B above.
- D. THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the General Manager of Business Planning and Services and the Director of Legal Services.
- E. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by Council's adoption of A, B, C, and D above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**5. Lease Agreement for Offices for the Homeless Outreach Program at
215-217 Dunlevy Street
March 13, 2009**

- A. THAT, subject to B and C below, Council approve the lease of approximately 2,336 square feet of ground floor office space situated at 215-217 Dunlevy Street, with the Provincial Rental Housing Corporation (PRHC), an affiliate of British Columbia Housing Management Commission (BC Housing), for a gross cost of \$2,100/month (plus GST) on terms and conditions as generally outlined in this report, with source of funding to be \$525/month (plus GST) from the existing budget for the Homeless Outreach Program and \$1,575/month (plus GST) from BC Housing.

- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City all legal documents required to implement A above; and
- FURTHER THAT all such legal documents be on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Director, Carnegie Community Centre and the Director of Legal Services.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created or arise by Council's adoption of A and B above unless and until such legal documents are executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

6. **Pigeon Park Renovation and Hastings Street Sidewalk Reconstruction: Funding Request**
March 25, 2009
- A. THAT Council allocate \$187,500 from the International Village Community Amenity Contribution Reserve to fund the renovation of Pigeon Park.
- B. THAT Council allocate \$25,000 from the 2004 Downtown Eastside Revitalization - Public Realm Improvements Capital Budget to fund the reconstruction of the sidewalk along Hastings Street adjacent to Pigeon Park.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

7. **Carrall Street Greenway: Electrical Infrastructure Funding Allocation**
March 23, 2009
- A. THAT Council approve the concept plan for electrical infrastructure on the Carrall Street Greenway, as detailed in the Administrative Report dated March 23, 2009, entitled "Carrall Street Greenway: Electrical Infrastructure Funding Allocation" and set out in Appendix A of that report, to support community event programming.
- B. THAT Council approve the construction of the electrical infrastructure at the Hastings Street and Chinatown nodes of the Carrall Street Greenway, as detailed in the Administrative Report dated March 23, 2009, entitled "Carrall Street Greenway: Electrical Infrastructure Funding Allocation", at an estimated cost of \$760,000 with funding to be provided as follows:
- \$400,000 from the 2004 Capital Budget for Downtown Eastside Revitalization - Public Realm Improvements
 - \$360,000 from the 2009 Streets Basic Capital Budget (Carrall Street Greenway), subject to approval of the 2009 Basic Capital Budget, with funding provided from the 2009-11 borrowing authority approved by plebiscite.

- C. THAT Council approve an increase of \$36,500 for maintenance costs to the Engineering Operating Budget, without offset, beginning in 2010 and subject to an annual Budget Review.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**8. Fleet Addition - Sanitation Operations
March 10, 2009**

- A. THAT, Council approve the allocation of \$18,000 from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account to add one (1) trailer to the Sanitation Operations fleet.
- B. THAT, a budget increase of \$1,000 be approved to the Sanitation Operations Budget in 2010 (\$4,800 for capital and operating costs, less \$3,800 in offsets from existing Sanitation Operations Budget), subject to annual budget review.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**9. 2009 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations
March 24, 2009**

- A. THAT Council approve 9 Neighbourhood Organization Grants totalling \$695,488, including any recommended Conditions on the grants, as listed in APPENDIX A-1 of the Administrative Report dated March 24, 2009, entitled "2009 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations". Source of funding is the 2009 Community Services Grants budget.
- B. THAT Council approve 6 Organizational Capacity Building Grants totalling \$186,788, including any recommended Conditions on the grants, as listed in APPENDIX A-2 of the Administrative Report dated March 24, 2009, entitled "2009 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations". Source of funding is the 2009 Community Services Grants budget.
- C. THAT Council approve 90 Direct Social Services Grants totalling \$3,094,988, including any recommended Conditions on the grants, as listed in APPENDIX A-3 of the Administrative Report dated March 24, 2009, entitled "2009 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations". Source of funding is the 2009 Community Services Grants budget.
- D. THAT Council approve the establishment of a \$30,000 reserve in the 2009 Community Services Grants budget for the Partners in Organizational Development program.

- E. THAT Council approve 4 Rent Subsidy Grants totalling \$95,575, as listed in APPENDIX A-4 of the Administrative Report dated March 24, 2009, entitled "2009 Community Services Grants and Rent Subsidy Allocations". Source of funding is \$63,500 from the 2009 Rent Subsidy Grants budget and \$32,075 from the Contingency Reserve.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**10. 2010 Winter Games By-law Regarding Relaxation for Temporary Accommodation
March 26, 2009**

The Mayor advised that requests to speak to Administrative Report A10 had been received. Council agreed to refer the report to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2009, in order to hear from speakers.

**11. 2010 Winter Games By-Law Regarding Relaxation for Temporary Parking and
Ancillary Uses at East Fraser Lands
March 26, 2009**

- A. THAT Council relax CD-1 By-law No. 9733 to allow temporary parking and ancillary uses for VANOC's fleet of vehicles on approximately 20 hectares of land comprising a portion of the East Fraser Lands.
- B. THAT Council instruct the Director of Legal Services to bring forward for enactment a by-law entitled "2010 Winter Games By-law", generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated March 26, 2009, entitled "2010 Winter Games By-law Regarding Relaxation for Temporary Parking and Ancillary Uses at East Fraser Lands", to relax CD-1 By-law No. 9733 for the purposes set out above.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**12. Councillor's Travel and Training Budget
March 20, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Deal

- A. THAT Council Members' annual travel and training opportunities be planned annually in accordance with the funds available in the Councillors' Travel and Training budget, and that Council travel and training activities for the year be curtailed once the budget is expended.
- B. THAT sufficient funds from the Councillor's Travel and Training budget be made available for the following:

- i. For all Council Members to attend the annual conventions of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) as set out in the Mayor and Council Members' Expenses By-law No. 8904.
 - ii. For the Council Member appointed by Council as the voting representative on the FCM Board of Directors to attend each FCM Board meeting.
- C. THAT sufficient funds from the Councillor's Travel and Training budget be made available for those Council Members appointed by Council as alternate non-voting delegates on the FCM Board of Directors to attend each Board meeting.
- D. THAT sufficient funds from the Councillor's Travel and Training budget be made available for the Council Member appointed by Council as the City's representative to the Executive Board for the International Association of Peace Messenger Cities to attend the one Executive Board meeting annually.
- E. THAT all remaining non-designated funds from the Councillor's Travel and Training budget be allocated equally amongst all ten Council Members and where a Council Member has not made use of their allocated funds by September of each year that the unspent allocation be made available to all Council Members on first come first serve basis; and

FURTHER THAT the remaining non-designated funds be reassessed after the UBCM Conference registration is closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**13. Exploration of Options for Wi-Fi in Civic Buildings
March 24, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS:

1. On January 20, 2009, Council asked Staff to prepare a report and implementation plan on the cost required to provide public wireless high speed internet coverage in all Vancouver's civic buildings.
2. The staff report of March 24, 2009 reports that there are about 40 hotspots across the City in civic buildings where wireless might be implemented.
3. The staff report estimates a cost of \$150,000 for set-up and operating costs of about \$150,000 if the project was to be done in-house or \$3000 per hot spot and a cost of \$3000 per year if the City used an external supplier.

4. The staff report states that, alternatively, Council could decide to select some high-priority locations (e.g. the 3rd Floor City Hall) and proceed with a lower cost solution.
5. The January 20, 2009, Council motion noted that providing free public access to the internet can lead to increased public involvement in government decision making.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to implement free, unfiltered wireless internet access for the third floor City Hall campus (Council Chamber and Reception area), either carried out in-house or by external supplier at the discretion of the City Manager;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to consult with the Park Board and Community Centre associations to determine what kind of cost-sharing could take place and report back with costs for all additional hotspots for consideration for inclusion in the 2010 Budget; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to report back on providing a larger program in the future and to include in that report information on BC Hydro's intentions with regard to providing wireless access everywhere and how that may affect the City's larger program at a later point in time.

referred

MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT Council refer the above motion to staff for a report back on all the components in the motion, and that the report back be brought to Council for consideration as part of the 2010 Operating Budget, or as soon as possible.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**14. Source of Funding: SRO Partnership
March 25, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Council approve the source of funding for the City's \$5,000,000 contribution to the acquisition and renovation of the Single Room Occupancy (SRO) hotels and rooming houses by BC Housing be the operating surplus in the 2008 Financial Statements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Chow absent for the vote)

15. 2009 Operating Budget - Final Estimates
April 1, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT Council approve the following budget resolution, thereby adopting the final 2009 Operating Budget with a property tax increase of 5.85%:

THAT WHEREAS, the Vancouver Charter, Section 219 requires that the Director of Finance submit to Council each year the detailed estimates of revenues and expenditures of the City for the year;

AND WHEREAS the Vancouver Charter, Section 372 requires that Council adopt the estimates of revenues and expenditures for the City as soon thereafter as possible;

AND WHEREAS Council has reviewed the development of the estimates in reports submitted by the Director of Finance on February 3, 2009, and March 24, 2009 and approved measures to bring the estimates into balance, including approval of a 5.85% general purposes property tax increase;

AND WHEREAS the total estimated expenditures of the City to pay all debts and obligations of the City falling due in the year 2009, exclusive of the amounts required for school, Greater Vancouver Regional District, Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority, British Columbia Assessment Authority and Municipal Finance Authority purposes and not otherwise provide for, as amended by Council, amount to \$923,582,000;

AND WHEREAS the total estimated expenditures as aforesaid is the sum of the appropriation requests of all departments and boards properly supported by detailed analysis of those expenditures and listings of the salaried staff;

AND WHEREAS the total estimated revenue of the City for 2009 from sources other than real property taxes, as amended by Council, amounts to \$371,376,000;

AND WHEREAS the amount of the General Purposes Tax Levy so required is \$552,206,000;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the said estimates, both as to totals and individual items pertaining thereto, of the Director of Finance as so amended by Council be and the same are hereby adopted by Council.

- B. THAT Council direct the City Manager to ensure work continues on public education workshops to build capacity in the creative sector, to develop an incubation hub for creative industries, and to expedite work on the arts council follow up.

carried

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the motion be referred back to staff to increase the Vancouver Park Board operating budget by \$1.7 million and to decrease other budgets in the City by the same amount.

LOST

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Woodsworth and the Mayor opposed)

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council suspend the 1% property tax redistribution for this year which will result in a 7.89% tax increase for residential and a 3.87% tax increase for non-residential, following on a 19.7% tax increase for residential taxes over the past three years and a 1.6% tax increase for non-residential taxes over those same three years.

lost

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Councillor Louie rose on a Point of Order and noted the topic under discussion was the 2009 Operating Budget and not the shifting of taxes from one class to another.

The Mayor ruled the amendment to be in order, as it is relevant to the tax levy that will be in place following approval of the main motion.

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The amendment, having been ruled in order, was put and LOST with Councillors Anton, Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, and the Mayor opposed.

The amendment having lost, Councillor Louie's motion was put and CARRIED with Councillor Anton opposed.

POLICY REPORTS

1. Rezoning Policy for "High Tech" Sites in the False Creek Flats March 23, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT, in advance of the False Creek Flats planning program, Council endorse a policy for the consideration of site-specific rezoning of properties zoned as "high tech" to include a broader range of non-residential, job space by adopting the *"False Creek Flats Rezoning Policy: Additional General Office Use in 'High Technology' Districts (I-3, Great Northern Way Campus CD-1 (402) and Portions of the I-2)"* as contained in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated March 23, 2009, entitled "Rezoning Policy for 'High Tech' Sites in the False Creek Flats" and as amended below, noting that each such rezoning application would be subject to full review and Public Hearing;

FURTHER THAT the proposed *"False Creek Flats Rezoning Policy: Additional General Office Use in 'High Technology' District (I-3, Great Northern Way Campus CD-1 (402) and portions of I-2)"* be amended in Section 2.0 - *Rezoning for General Office Use*, by adding the following fifth bullet point:

- Rezonings in "High Technology" Districts (I-3, Great Northern Way Campus CD-1 (402) and western portions of I-2) should consider installing hydronic heating systems to be neighbourhood energy utility compatible; and

FURTHER THAT the fourth bullet point be amended by striking the words "in the Great Northern Way Campus" and replacing with the words "for sites within CD-1 (402)".

- B. THAT Council reaffirm the city-serving, employment and transportation roles of the eastern I-2 area of the False Creek Flats.

carried

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the proposed *"False Creek Flats Rezoning Policy: Additional General Office Use in 'High Technology' District (I-3, Great Northern Way Campus CD-1 (402) and portions of I-2)"* be amended in Section 2.0 - *Rezoning for General Office Use*, by striking out the word "modest" from the first bullet point.

LOST

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Woodsworth and the Mayor opposed)

The amendment having lost, Councillor Louie's motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**2. Preliminary City Comments on Draft Regional Plan: *Metro Vancouver 2040*
March 27, 2009**

The Mayor advised requests to speak to Policy Report P2 had been received. Council agreed to refer the report to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., in order to hear from the speaker.

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

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 Cadman

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

The Mayor advised that By-laws 10, 11 and 12 were withdrawn from this agenda and will be resubmitted for approval on Thursday, April 9, 2009.

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Council, except for those members excused as noted in the agenda, enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 1 to 9 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. **A By-law to amend Street Name By-law No 4054 re East 1st Avenue and Thornton Street (By-law No. 9827)**
2. **A By-law to amend Street Name By-law No. 4054 re Canada Place Extension (By-law No. 9828)**

3. A By-law to amend Vancouver Archives By-law regarding fees and charges (By-law No. 9829)
4. A By-law to amend Parking Meter By-law No. 2952 to implement a pay by phone system (By-law No. 9830)
5. A By-law to Street and Traffic By-law No. 2849 to modify fines for breaches (By-law No. 9831)
6. A By-law to amend Parking Meter By-law No. 2952 to increase parking meter rates and expand areas and increase certain fines (By-law No. 9832)
7. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement with respect to certain properties owned by Provincial Rental Housing Corporation (By-law No. 9833)
8. A By-law to enact a Housing Agreement for 1435/1455 East 14th Avenue (By-law No. 9834)
9. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (By-law No. 9835)
(Councillors Cadman, Deal, and Reimer ineligible for the vote)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

None.

B. Motions on Notice

1. Renewing the Childcare Agenda

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Mayor Robertson

WHEREAS accessible, affordable and quality childcare is essential to the health and well-being of the city of Vancouver's children and families;

AND WHEREAS child development and childcare play a crucial role in the economic stability of our city;

AND WHEREAS it is critical that all levels of government, including those at the local level, and the private sector take an active partnership in ensuring successful child development opportunities;

AND WHEREAS the current Early Childhood Development Memorandum of Understanding lays out a framework for collaboration between the many partners in

child development that supports coordinated actions on specific policy such as a joint council on childcare;

AND WHEREAS the establishment of a joint council and protocol on childcare between the Council, School Board and Park Board led to the creation of more than 600 new childcare spaces between 2002 and 2005, exceeding the original goal of a 5% increase;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Council direct staff to reinstate the Joint Council on Childcare and renew its goals, and previously adopted Terms of Reference, along with an objective of a further 5% increase, at a minimum, in childcare spaces in the next three years;

FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to undertake a supply and demand review of infant, toddler, 3-5 year old and out of school care spaces, and disaggregate the data by neighbourhood; and

FURTHER THAT costs and revenue sources for implementing a universal approach to a sustainable Childcare Endowment Reserve be confirmed, including the development of eligibility criteria, consultation with stakeholders and identifying alternative mechanisms to enhance this Fund.

carried

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the motion be referred to staff for a report back on costing and needs analysis.

LOST

(Councillors Cadman, Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Woodsworth and the Mayor opposed)

The amendment having lost Councillors Louie's motion was put and CARRIED with Councillor Anton opposed.

2. Expansion of the TransLink Universal Pass program to all public post-secondary students

MOVED by Councillor Meggs

SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

WHEREAS TransLink states that the U-Pass is a "way of providing students with affordable access to public transit and reducing vehicle trips to campuses;" and

WHEREAS in order to meet the greenhouse gas emissions set by the premier of British Columbia, transit ridership in the GVRD would have to double by 2020; and

WHEREAS implementation of the U-Pass at SFU and UBC has led to 39% and 53% increases in ridership since 2003; and

WHEREAS the Students' Unions of Vancouver Community College, Douglas Students' Union and the Emily Carr Students' Union have repeatedly requested that TransLink remove the "revenue neutrality" policy (institutions with high ridership prior to U-Pass implementation are assessed a higher U-Pass fee) to allow for the expansion of a fairly priced Universal Pass to all public post-secondary students in Metro Vancouver; and

WHEREAS the Presidents of VCC and Emily Carr have sent letters of support to TransLink for a fairly priced Universal Pass at their institutions; and

WHEREAS UBC students pay \$23.75/month, SFU students pay \$26.10/month, while Vancouver Community College, Emily Carr University and Douglas College students are forced to pay up to five times that amount; and

WHEREAS the BC Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services agrees with students that accessible transit services are an important spending priority and has urged government to consider facilitating the implementation of a standard U-Pass, bearing in mind the regional differences in transit services; and

WHEREAS The Students' Unions of Vancouver Community College, Douglas Students' Union and the Emily Carr Students' Union intend to launch a formal complaint against the Ministry of Transportation and TransLink through the BC Ombudsman for U-Pass price discrimination;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver endorse the formal complaint to the BC Ombudsman launched on behalf of students of Emily Carr University, Vancouver Community College and Douglas College seeking an end to this discriminatory policy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver endorse the call of the Students' Unions of Vancouver Community College, Emily Carr Students' Union and Douglas Students' Union for a standardized price for the Universal Pass program in Metro Vancouver that will not increase the cost to students already included in the program; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the City of Vancouver, through the Mayor, communicate this decision to the TransLink Board of Directors and Transport Minister Kevin Falcon and circulate this resolution to other municipalities through the TransLink service area for their consideration and endorsement.

referred

The Mayor advised that requests to speak had been received on this motion. Council agreed to refer the motion to the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2009, in order to hear from speakers.

3. Leave of Absence - Councillor Reimer

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

WHEREAS the Resource Centre on Urban Agriculture and Food Security (RUAF) has invited Councillor Reimer to give a presentation at the Urban Agriculture International Meeting and Fair, held from April 22 - 26, 2009.

AND WHEREAS the RUAF will be covering travel, accommodation and meal expenses.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Councillor Reimer be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic, Vancouver City Council, Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets, and the Standing Committee on Planning and the Environment, to be held April 21, 2009 and April 23, 2009 respectively, in order to represent the City at the Urban Agriculture International Meeting and Fair.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Application for a Vancouver School District "Schools Community Connections" Grant to support the City of Vancouver's 2009 Celebration of International Day of Persons with Disabilities

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Vancouver City Council support and approve the application of the Office of the Equal Employment Opportunity Program for a Vancouver School District "Schools Community Connections" grant of \$2000, to assist in hosting a celebratory event on December 3rd 2009 to recognize International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

THAT Vancouver City Council confirms that these funds, if granted, will be administered by the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity Program, City of Vancouver, for hosting of the said event.

THAT Vancouver City Council confirms that this application will be included in the limit of three applications to be submitted to the Vancouver School District through the "Schools Community Connections Grant."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Keefer Steps

Councillor Meggs noted concerns expressed by the residents of buildings adjacent the Keefer Steps to the arrangement whereby the steps are owned by the developer who built the project but the strata corporations pay fees to maintain them. He noted the involved Strata Councils have discussed the matter and have come up with a possible solution and he requested staff to provide information on the possibility of the City stepping in to assist in finding a resolution to this long-standing situation.

2. South End of Cambie Bridge

Councillor Meggs noted residents of the area on the south side of False Creek west of the Cambie Bridge have been working for a year to prepare their ideas for the future development of the southwest False Creek area and the area around the new Canada Line station. He further noted that as numerous City departments are involved he requested the City Manager to advise whether a single point of contact could be provided to these residents.

3. Addressing Incidents of Violence against LGBTQ Community

Councillor Woodsworth expressed concern with regard to incidents of violence directed at members of the LGBTQ community and asked the Mayor to ascertain whether the Vancouver Police Department was undertaking any initiatives to address this violence and promote a culture of zero violence towards the gay community in this city. The Mayor agreed to raise the matter with the Chief Constable.

4. VANOC Committee to Establish Peace Truce during 2010 Games

Councillor Woodsworth noted a request came to her from an organization called "Promoting a Culture of Peace for Children Society" to the VANOC Board. The group has an understanding that VANOC has set up a committee to establish a peace truce during the games and they were hoping to be able to meet with this committee. Councillor Woodsworth asked the City Manager to follow up with VANOC as to whether such a committee has been set up and, if so, how that committee is progressing.

5. Engineering Street Sweeps in the Downtown Eastside

Councillor Woodsworth enquired on the status of her previous enquiries regarding street sweeps by the Engineer Department in the Downtown Eastside.

The Council adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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