

JUNE 2, 2009

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

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

ABSENT: Councillor David Cadman (Leave of Absence - Civic Business)

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager

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

PRAYER

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

PROCLAMATIONS - AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

The Mayor proclaimed June 21 to 27, 2009, as *Amateur Radio Week*.

CONDOLENCES - ARTHUR ERICKSON

The Mayor expressed condolences in regard to the recent passing of Arthur Erickson and proclaimed Tuesday, June 2, 2009, as *Arthur Erickson Day*.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - 100 BEST FLEETS WINNERS

The Mayor acknowledged the Equipment Services Branch for being short-listed as one of the top 100 fleet operations in North America.

PRESENTATION - MAYOR'S UPDATE ON HIGH SPEED RAIL

Mayor Robertson reported on his recent visit to Portland and Seattle to meet with proponents of upgraded rail infrastructure in the Pacific Northwest region.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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):

(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the city or another position appointed by the city;

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the city.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEMS ARISING FROM THE "IN CAMERA" MEETING OF MAY 21, 2009

Council made appointments to the following Advisory Bodies:

- LGBTQ Advisory Committee
- Seniors Advisory Committee
- Vancouver Food Policy Council
- Vancouver Public Library Board

Names of those appointed can be obtained in the City Clerk's Office.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council - May 19, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Special Council (Public Hearing) - May 19, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - May 21, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - May 21, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A1 to A8 and A10 to A13, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. Vancouver Foundation - "Youth Vital Signs Report Card"

Mark Gifford, Program Director, Vancouver Foundation, provided an overview of the *Youth Vital Signs* report card, which is a youth-driven research and public opinion project. Mr. Gifford introduced Cia Ramirez, Nellie Gossen, and Ricky Tu, of the Youth Vital Signs Leadership Council, who provided an overview on the findings and results of the research, which is contained within the *Youth Vital Signs* report card.

2. Social Indicators and Trends Report

Mary Clare Zak, Director, Social Policy, provided a Report Reference on the latest Social Indicators and Trends Report, which provides information on population growth, housing, income, diversity, and other issues.

The Administrative Report dated May 19, 2009, entitled "Social Indicators and Trends Report" was received for information.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Miscellaneous Urban Design Panel By-law Amendments May 12, 2009

THAT the text amendments to the Urban Design Panel By-law be approved, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Administrative Report dated May 12, 2009, entitled "Miscellaneous Urban Design Panel By-law Amendments";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the necessary By-law to amend the Urban Design Panel By-law, generally in accordance with Appendix A, for enactment.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. Solid Waste By-law Changes Effective July 1, 2009 May 21, 2009

A. THAT the garbage disposal fee at the Vancouver Landfill and Vancouver South Transfer Station for loads less than 140 kilograms be increased from \$6 - \$7 to a \$20 flat fee during peak hours (Monday to Friday 10:00AM to 2:00PM) and \$10 flat fee during non-peak hours (all operating hours excluding Monday to Friday 10:00AM to 2:00PM) effective July 1, 2009.

- B. THAT the yard trimmings fee at the Vancouver Landfill and Vancouver South Transfer Station for loads less than 100 kilograms be increased from \$0 - \$3 to a \$6 flat fee effective July 1, 2009.
- C. THAT the yard trimmings fee at the Vancouver Landfill and Vancouver South Transfer Station for loads greater than 100 kilograms be increased from \$35 - 45/tonne to \$56/tonne effective July 1, 2009.
- D. THAT the burial fee applied to nuisance waste (in addition to the applicable disposal charge) at the Vancouver Landfill be increased from \$150 per load to \$200 per load effective July 1, 2009.
- E. THAT the fee for gypsum deposited separately for recycling at the Vancouver Landfill be increased from \$100 per tonne (\$5 minimum) to \$150 per tonne (\$15 minimum) effective July 1, 2009.
- F. THAT Item 8.5 - Cost of Clean-up and Remediation in Part VIII be corrected to state "the city's direct and indirect costs, including lost revenues, of clean-up and remediation resulting from such disposal."
- G. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward for enactment the revisions to the Solid Waste By-law substantially as referred to in A through F above and substantially as set out in Appendix A to the Administrative Report dated May 21, 2009, entitled "Solid Waste By-law Changes Effective July 1, 2009".

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**3. Closure and Sale of Lane Adjacent to 3180 West 55th Avenue
May 15, 2009**

THAT Council close, stop-up and convey to the abutting owner, the adjacent lane legally described as: [PID: 013-985-256] That Part of Lot 1 in Explanatory Plan 10106 Block 10 District Lot 194 Plan 2242, the same as generally shown hatched on the plan attached as Appendix "A" to the Administrative Report dated May 15, 2009, entitled "Closure and Sale of Lane Adjacent to 3180 West 55th Avenue", subject to the terms and conditions as noted in Appendix "B" of the Administrative Report.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**4. Proposed Lease of a Portion of Cassiar Street, North of Bridgeway
April 22, 2009**

- A. THAT Council lease to Viterra Inc. that portion of Cassiar Street north of Bridgeway (4445 square feet / 413 square metres) as shown in heavy outline on the plan attached hereto as Appendix "A" to the Administrative Report dated

April 22, 2009, entitled "Proposed Lease of a Portion of Cassiar Street, North of Bridgeway" subject to the terms and conditions as noted in Appendix B of the Administrative Report.

- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be authorized to execute all documents required.
- C. THAT no legal right or obligation shall be created and none shall arise hereafter, until the documents are executed to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**5. Form of Development: 2660 Oak Street
May 11, 2009**

THAT the form of development for this portion of the CD-1 zoned site known as Vancouver General Hospital (2660 Oak Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE412465, prepared by Musson Cattell Mackey Partnership and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, March 30, 2009", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**6. Form of Development: 188 East 1st Avenue
May 12, 2009**

THAT the form of development of this site known as 188 East 1st Avenue, be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE411957 prepared by GBL Architects Group, and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, October 16, 2008", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely effect either the development character of this site or the adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**7. Award of Contract ITT PS09080 for Processing and Marketing of Recycling Depot
Materials
May 13, 2009**

- A. THAT, Contract ITT PS09080 for Processing and Marketing of Recycling Depot Materials for Ferrous Metals and Aluminum at the Vancouver South Transfer Station (VSTS) Depot and Ferrous Metals at the Vancouver Landfill (VLF) Depot

be awarded to Richmond Steel Recycling Ltd. at a tender value of \$518,504.76 (calculated annual revenue to the City) for a two year term.

- 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 Engineering Services, Manager of Supply Management and the Director of Legal Services.
- D. THAT, no legal rights or obligations will be created 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

**8. Fleet Addition - Equipment Rentals Pool
May 14, 2009**

- A. THAT Council approve the following:
 - i. the allocation of \$372,000 from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account to add 14 vehicles and pieces of various equipment (units) to the Equipment Rentals Pool fleet to replace 14 duplicate units; and
 - ii. the allocation of \$105,100 from the existing Equipment Rentals Operating Budget to pay for annual operating costs associated with the new units, including repayment of the Truck and Equipment Plant Account.
- B. THAT Council approve the following:
 - i. the allocation of \$957,000 from the Truck and Equipment Plant Account to add up to a maximum of 25 units to the Equipment Rentals Pool fleet on an on-going basis to replace external leases; and
 - ii. the allocation of \$245,100 from the existing Equipment Rentals Operating Budget to pay for annual operating costs associated with the new units, including repayment of the Truck and Equipment Plant Account.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**9. Change of Lessee to Provincial Rental Housing Corporation for 9 Supportive Housing Sites
May 19, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Council approve the substitution of the Provincial Rental Housing Corporation (PRHC) as the lessee of City-owned sites for any or all of the nine (9) supportive housing sites, as further discussed in the Administrative Report dated May 19, 2009, entitled "Change of Lessee to Provincial Rental Housing Corporation for 9 Supportive Housing Sites", but otherwise on the same terms and conditions already approved by Council for each respective project.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**10. SRA Exemption Application for 1025 Granville Street (Royal Hotel)
May 12, 2009**

THAT Council grant an exemption from the Single Room Accommodation By-law of all 76 units at 1025 Granville Street (Royal Hotel).

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**11. 309 Carrall Street - Façade Grant
April 29, 2009**

- A. THAT Council approve a façade grant of up to \$100,000 for the rehabilitation of the principal façades at 309 Carrall Street as contemplated by Development Building Application Number DB 429876. The source of funding is the 2008 Capital Budget for the Heritage Façade Rehabilitation Program.

The Vancouver Charter requires a two-thirds majority of votes cast for this recommendation to pass.

- B. THAT Council authorize the City to enter into an agreement with the owner of 309 Carrall Street to be registered in the Land Title Office as a section 219 covenant, which agreement shall require the rehabilitation to be overseen by qualified Heritage Consultant and will require the owner to maintain the 309 Carrall Street façades in good appearance and good repair for a minimum of fifteen years.
- C. AND THAT the agreement described above shall be prepared, registered and given priority to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services in consultation with the Director of Planning.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**12. Olympic Legacy Reserve Projects: David Lam Permanent Power and Bicycle Parking
May 25, 2009**

- A THAT Council approve funding of \$125,000 to provide permanent power at David Lam Park as part of the construction of LiveCity Yaletown from the Olympic Legacy Reserve.
- B THAT Council approve funding of \$25,000 for bicycle parking infrastructure from the Olympic Legacy Reserve.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**13. Municipal Ticket Information (MTI) Pilot Project
March 9, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Anton

- A. THAT Council approve the Municipal Ticketing Information (MTI) process as a permanent by-law prosecution tool.
- B. THAT Council approve amendments to the Ticket Offences By-law to provide for graduated fines for MTIs as outlined in the Administrative Report dated March 9, 2009, entitled "Municipal Ticket Information (MTI) Pilot Project".
- C. THAT the Director of Legal Services bring forward the appropriate amendments to the Ticket Offences By-law.

CARRIED
(Councillor Woodsworth opposed)

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PRESENTATION - ACCESS AND INCLUSION AWARDS

The Mayor recognized the following 2009 Access and Inclusion Award recipients:

Street Youth Job Action Program, Family Services of Greater Vancouver	Organization Award
Pamela Andrews	Individual Award
The Social Planning and Research Council Of British Columbia (SPARC BC)	Organization Award: Honourable Mention
Shelley Hourston	Individual Award: Honourable Mention

The presentation was immediately followed by a reception in the foyer in honour of the 2009 Access and Inclusion award recipients.

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Council recessed at 4:15 p.m. and reconvened at 4:40 p.m. with the same members present.

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**14. Pacific Boulevard Great Street Implementation - Drake Street to Cambie Street
May 21, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Louie

- A. THAT Council approve the proposed improvements on Pacific Boulevard from Drake Street to Cambie Street at a cost of \$930,000, to be funded as follows:
- \$730,000 from debenture funding for 2009 Streets Basic Capital Budget (Major Projects), subject to approval of the 2009 Engineering Basic Capital Budget
 - \$200,000 from the GreenLinks Fund
- B. THAT staff continue to pursue opportunities to implement the Pacific Boulevard Great Street improvements for the remaining block of Pacific Boulevard, Homer Street to Drake Street.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**15. 2009 Basic Capital Budget, Supplementary Capital Budget and Closeouts
May 22, 2009**

The Mayor advised a request to speak had been received on this report. Council agreed to refer the report to a Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, June 11, in order to hear from speakers.

POLICY REPORTS

**1. Draft Updated Liquid Waste Management Plan
May 21, 2009**

MOVED by Councillor Deal

- A. THAT Council receive the draft updated Regional Liquid Waste Management Plan dated March 2009 for information and forward comments to Metro Vancouver as outlined in the Policy Report dated May 21, 2009, entitled "Draft Updated Liquid Waste Management Plan".

- B. THAT Council urge Metro Vancouver and senior governments to re-prioritize the upgrades to secondary treatment at the Iona and North Shore Treatment Plants and accelerate overall completion of the upgrade program.
- C. THAT Council urge Metro Vancouver to prioritize options for recovering energy and nutrients from liquid waste as described in Strategy 6 in the draft plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**2. Northeast False Creek: Directions for the Future (1st of 2 reports)
May 25, 2009**

Rob Jenkins, Assistant Director, Central Area Planning Branch, and Paula Huber, Planner, Central Area Planning Branch, provided an overview of four proposed directions arising out of the Northeast False Creek high level review and noted the final two directions will be reported back to Council in July.

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Council receive for information the *Northeast False Creek - Directions for the Future*, attached as Appendix A to the Policy Report dated May 25, 2009, entitled "Northeast False Creek: Directions for the Future (1st of 2 reports)";

AND FURTHER THAT Council defer delegations on this Policy Report until the second report and final version of the *Directions for the Future* has been provided to Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RISE FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPT REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

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, 2 and 5 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Councillors Jang and Meggs rose and advised they had reviewed the proceedings of the Public Hearing in relation to By-laws 3 and 4 and would therefore be voting on enactment of the two by-laws.

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MOVED by Councillor Deal
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

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 3 and 4 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Reimer, Woodsworth and the Mayor ineligible for the vote)

1. A By-law to amend Noise Control By-law No. 6555 (By-law No. 9856)
2. A By-law to amend Vehicles for Hire By-law No. 6066 regarding pedicabs and motor assisted pedicabs (By-law No. 9857)
3. A By-law to amend CD-1 By-law No. 4412 (re Langara College) (By-law No. 9858)
4. A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (re Langara College) (By-law No. 9859)
5. A By-law to Authorize Borrowing and Incurring a Debt for the Purposes of Financing the Southeast False Creek Development Project (By-law No. 9860)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

1. Closure and Sale of Lane Adjacent to 3180 West 55th Avenue

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;
2. The owner of [PID: 011-687-436] Lot 1, Except Part in Explanatory Plan 10106, Block 10 District Lot 194 Plan 2242 ("Lot 1") has made application to purchase the 33 foot wide "L" shaped lane adjacent to Lot 1;
3. The subject 33 foot wide lane to be closed, stopped-up and conveyed is legally described as [PID: 013-985-256] That Part of Lot 1 in Explanatory Plan 10106 Block 10 District Lot 194 Plan 2242 ("That Part of Lot 1 in Explanatory Plan 10106");
4. That Part of Lot 1 in Explanatory Plan 10106 was established as lane by document filed 590360L, deposited in the Land Title Office on June 20, 1969;
5. That Part of Lot 1 in Explanatory Plan 10106 is no longer required for municipal purposes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT [PID: 013-985-256] That Part of Lot 1 in Explanatory Plan 10106 Block 10 District Lot 194 Plan 2242, established as lane by document filed 590360L, be closed, stopped-up and conveyed to the owner of abutting [PID: 011-687-436] Lot 1, Except Part in Explanatory Plan 10106, Block 10 District Lot 194 Plan 2242 at 3180 West 55th Avenue on the condition that the portion of closed lane is consolidated with the said abutting Lot 1 to create a single parcel to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. **Closing a portion of lane adjacent to PID: 007-044-054, Lot E, Block 159, District Lot 264A, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 19383, Except: Part Shown on Plan BCP31198**

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS:

1. The City of Vancouver is the owner of all the streets and lanes lying within the limits of the City of Vancouver;
2. There is a proposal to construct a new daycare facility to be leased to the Young Men's Christian Association (the "YMCA"), onto a portion of lane adjacent to PID: 007-044-054, Lot E, Block 159, District Lot 264A, Group 1, New Westminister District, Plan 19383, Except: Part Shown on Plan BCP31198;
3. The said portion of lane, more particularly described as PID: 027-132-153, That Portion Lot E Shown on Plan BCP31198, Block 159, District Lot 264A, Group 1, New Westminister District, Plan 19383 established as lane by document BB275975 deposited in the New Westminister Land Title Office on July 12, 2007 and by resolution passed by Council on July 10, 2007;
4. The proposal requires that the said portion of lane to be occupied by the new facility be closed, stopped-up and leased to the YMCA; and
5. The said portion of lane is no longer required for municipal purposes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all that portion of lane, adjacent to PID: 007-044-054, Lot E, Block 159, District Lot 264A, Group 1, New Westminister District, Plan 19383, Except: Part Shown on Plan BCP31198, and more particularly described as PID: 027-132-153 That Portion Lot E Shown on Plan BCP31198, Block 159, District Lot 264A, Group 1, New Westminister District, Plan 19383 be closed, stopped-up and leased to the YMCA.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **Special Relief Resolution (re: Pavement, Curbs, Trees and Bulges - Templeton Drive from Triumph to Pandora Street)**

MOVED by Councillor Louie

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS:

On June 8, 2005, Council approved an owner petitioned pavement and curbs project (the "project").

The City Engineer has certified the project as complete, and Council has enacted a by-law specially assessing, for part of the project costs, the real properties that will benefit from the project.

On October 5, 1971, Council approved giving relief on local improvements charges to homes on flanking higher-zoned lots so that they pay a rate according to their zoning but with a residential level of flankage relief; that the relief be limited to owner-occupied single family dwellings, the ownership of which precedes the assessment of the local improvement charge; and, that the relief apply to local improvements for pavement, curbs, and sidewalks.

On July 22, 1980, Council approved giving special local improvement relief to underdeveloped properties which front on pavement and curb improvements, with the relief to be such that the owners pay only 75% of the rate for their zoning; the relief to be limited to owner-occupied single-family dwellings, the ownership of which precedes the assessment of the local improvement; the relief to be given on a year-to-year basis so long as the properties remain eligible; and the relief to commence with projects placed on the tax roll in 1980 for the first time; and, for the Collector of Taxes to be instructed to bring forward each year the list of properties in a formal resolution under section 67 of By-law No. 3614 as amended to give effect to the policy.

On October 16, 1982, Council approved current policies for local improvements remaining in effect except that property owners' rates must never be adjusted lower than residential rates.

On July 16, 1990, Council approved giving additional special relief, being the basis for the relief referred to in the preceding paragraph of this preamble, for local improvements in the West End, for owner-occupied multiple conversion dwellings having no more than four suites including the owner's suites affected by the West End Improvement Project (east of Denman), according to the relief formula set out in the City Manager's report dated February 9, 1983.

The annual special rate levied by the by-law imposing the local improvement tax expires in 2023.

Those certain parcel of real property described as:

- (a) PID: 007-525-451, the North ½ of Lot 1, Block 31, District Lot 184, Plan 178 ("N ½ Lot 1"), which includes two dwellings, abuts the project; and
- (b) PID: 002-786-486, the South ½ of Lot 1, Block 31, District Lot 184, Plan 178 ("S ½ Lot 1"), which includes two dwellings, abuts the project.

The owner of each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 has applied for special relief by way of a reduction in taxes.

The zoning for each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 is RM-3A under the Zoning and Development By-law.

The Collector of Taxes is satisfied that, under the Council approvals cited in this By-law, each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 is eligible for the relief requested.

A special annual assessment for the project imposed on each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 for 15 years if assessed as RM-3A would be \$853.54.

THEREFORE COUNCIL RESOLVES, by the votes of not less than two-thirds of its members, to:

- (a) deem and declare, for the reasons set out in the preamble to this special resolution, that each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 is especially inequitably or unjustly affected by such special annual assessment, and, having met the criteria required by the approvals cited in the preamble, will be subject to a reduced special assessment, for the year 2009 and each following year up to and including 2023, of \$426.77;
- (b) direct the Collector of Taxes, so long as the Collector is satisfied that each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 remains eligible, to enter onto the tax rolls against each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 the amount of the reduced special assessments; and
- (c) provide for the difference between the original and reduced amounts for each of the N ½ Lot 1 and S ½ Lot 1 out of the general funds of the City.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY

B. Motions on Notice

1. Secondary Suites in Townhouse Developments

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT Council instruct staff to review Vancouver Building By-law regulations and objectives with a view to establishing performance criteria that would enable secondary suites in townhouse developments.

CARRIED
(Councillor Anton opposed)

2. Leave of Absence - Councillor Louie

MOVED by Councillor Chow
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Councillor Raymond Louie be granted a Leave of Absence for civic business from all Council and Council Committee meetings scheduled for the period June 9-11, 2009, in order to attend a tour of Seattle and Dallas police facilities.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Amtrak

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MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the meeting be extended for a period of one hour or less.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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The following motion contains revisions to the original Motion on Notice which were accepted by Council.

MOVED by Councillor Anton
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

WHEREAS:

1. Amtrak wishes to add a second daily train between Vancouver and Seattle, a service increase that would demonstrate the potential of expanded passenger rail service and an eventual high speed rail corridor between Vancouver and Eugene, Oregon;
2. The economic benefit of the second train to the economy of the Lower Mainland would be between \$16m and \$33m per year, generating GST, PST and hotel room taxes of about \$1.87m per year;
3. Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA) has requested Amtrak to pay the \$1500 per day required for additional staff time for border clearance, although it has agreed to suspend the fees during the Olympic period;
4. It would be desirable for CBSA to waive the fee starting immediately to demonstrate Canada's commitment to expanded passenger rail service along the Cascadia Corridor as Seattle, Portland and other communities on the US side of the border seek a share of \$8 billion set aside for high speed rail development by President Obama;

5. Mayor Robertson has been promoting the fee waiver and the second Amtrak train and has signed a Memorandum of Agreement with Portland Mayor Sam Adams to collaborate in promoting development of passenger rail traffic along the Cascadia Corridor, including high speed rail;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Vancouver City Council

1. endorses the agreement signed between Mayor Robertson and Mayor Adams and encourage other municipalities in the region to sign on;
2. supports Amtrak in its efforts to bring a second daily train to Vancouver from Seattle;
3. requests the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) to waive the extra fees required by the second Amtrak train, beginning immediately and continuing indefinitely; and
4. request that Mayor Robertson write to both the Federal and Provincial Governments indicating the support of this Council for the additional Amtrak train and the waiver of fees by CBSA.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. 2009 Pride Parade

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

WHEREAS:

1. There have been numerous attacks on the LGTBQ community over the last three years, some of which have resulted in death.
2. There are provincial and federal laws against hate crimes which have never been enforced.
3. The City of Vancouver supports diversity and zero tolerance against violence against the LGTBQ community and has set up an LGTBQ Advisory body to work with the City.
4. Many City of Vancouver Departments walk in the Pride Parade each year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Council direct the City Manager to organize a steering committee composed of staff members and Councillors Stevenson and Woodsworth for the purpose of planning and implementing a consolidated presence of the various City of Vancouver service groups in the 2009 Pride Parade, with funding coming

from within the existing City budget. The theme of eliminating violence against gays, lesbians, transgender, bisexuals and queers using the colour pink to show united opposition to violence and bullying.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Leave of Absence - Councillor Cadman

MOVED by Councillor Jang
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT Councillor Cadman be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from the Special Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic meeting to be held June 16, 2009, in order to attend the ICLEI tri-annual World Congress.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Summary Capital Project Reporting

The following motion was submitted by Councillor Louie. Councillor Anton called Notice under section 10.3(d) of the Procedure By-law. Accordingly, the motion will be placed on the agenda of the next Regular Council meeting to be held on June 16, 2009, as a Motion on Notice.

MOVER: Councillor Raymond Louie
SECONDER: Councillor

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver has committed to a broad program of financial review and reporting to minimize the property tax burden on residents and businesses by maximizing the efficiency of the City's operations without compromising necessary public services;

AND WHEREAS implementation of these policies and initiatives requires coordination between all departments, owned/controlled entities and outside boards;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Council direct the City Manager to compile a Summarized Capital Project Report for semi annual reporting to Council for all departments, owned/controlled entities and outside boards, and this report be modeled in similar fashion to TransLink and Metro Vancouver reports.

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ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Memo to Taxi Drivers from VPD officer

Councillor Meggs noted concerns have been expressed by many taxi drivers with regard to a memorandum which was sent out by a VPD member concerning opening up the entire city to pick up by drivers from any cab company from anywhere in the region. City staff have held a meeting with taxi drivers in this regard and expressed concern to the VPD. Councillor Meggs requested the Mayor to raise this issue with the Police Board to ask that standard procedures be adhered to in order to avoid this type of situation in the future.

2. SRA Report

Councillor Woodsworth enquired on the status of the SRA report and requested to be advised of when that report might be forthcoming.

3. May 15, 2009, Memorandum Entitled "Housing Stock in the DTES, 2005-2012"

Councillor Woodsworth noted she has received several calls from people expressing concern regarding the Memorandum on the City's website dated May 15, 2009, entitled "Housing Stock in the DTES, 2005-2012", which seems to provide misleading information about the amount of DTES housing stock in that it considers provincially owned SROs as new housing. Councillor Woodsworth requested that future updates contain information about how the City's goal of providing new self-contained units is being met.

4. Waste and Recycling Facilities in Sweden

Councillor Deal provided a brief report on her trip to Sweden to tour waste and recycling facilities and noted she would be providing a written report to Council and a formal reporting of her trip to Metro Vancouver.

The Council adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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