

SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, September 8, 2009, at 2:00 pm, 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 Tim Stevenson
- Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:** Penny Ballem, City Manager

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Marg Coulson, Acting City Clerk  
Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

\*Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

#### PRAYER

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

#### CONDOLENCES

- Abraham Rogatnick

The Mayor on behalf of Council extended condolences to the family and friends of Abraham Rogatnick and recognized his contributions to the city of Vancouver.

- Ed Neufeld

The Mayor on behalf of Council extended condolences to the family of Ed Neufeld, Deputy Chief Building Official/Manager of Building Branch, and recognized his contributions over his years of service with the City of Vancouver.

## "IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council will go into a meeting on Thursday, September 10, 2009, following the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets, which is closed to the public, pursuant to Section 165.2(1) of the Vancouver Charter, to discuss matters related to paragraph:

(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  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

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

Council made appointments to the Board of Variance and the First Shaughnessy Advisory Design Panel. Names of those appointed can be obtained from the City Clerk's Office.

## ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council - July 21, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

2. Special Council (Public Hearing) - July 21 and 23, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

3. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - July 23, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

4. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - July 23, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

5. Special Council (Special City Services and Budgets) - July 28, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Louie  
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Woodsworth

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MATTERS ADOPTED ON CONSENT**

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council adopt Administrative Reports A2 to A8 and Policy Reports P1 to P3, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## REPORT REFERENCE

### 1. Supporting Homeless Action Week 2009 Activities September 1, 2009

Celine Mauboules, Planner, Social Development - Housing Policy, provided a Report Reference regarding Supporting Homeless Action Week 2009 Activities.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

- A. THAT Council approve the allocation of a \$9,300 grant to the following organizations to organize projects aimed at engaging Vancouver residents in solutions to homelessness that will be taking place in the fall and winter months (including Homeless Action Week October 11 - 17, 2009):

- Carnegie Community Centre Association: \$1,300
- Renfrew/Collingwood Neighbourhood House: \$5,000
- Kitsilano Community Centre Association: \$1,000
- Watari Youth Community and Family Services: \$2,000.

Source of funds to be the Homeless Action Plan, within the Community Services Group (Housing Centre) 2009 operating budget.

- B. THAT staff to report back in early October with details on Homeless Action Week 2009 events and activities being championed and supported by Vancouver in addressing homelessness.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND  
A BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY  
(Councillor Louie absent for the vote)

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

### General Administration

#### 1. Business License Hearing Panels - September and October 2009 August 21, 2009

MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Council delegate the holding of hearings under Section 275 or 278, or appeals under Section 277 of the Vancouver Charter or under Section 36(7) of the Motor Vehicle Act, for those hearing dates designated by Council for the months of May and June to a panel of three Council Members as follows:

**September 24, 2009 - 7:30 pm**

Councillor Chow - Chair  
Councillor Jang  
Councillor Meggs  
Councillor Louie - Alternate

**October 14, 2009 - 9:30 am**

Councillor Louie - Chair  
Councillor Cadman  
Councillor Deal  
Councillor Woodsworth - Alternate

**October 20, 2009 - 9:30 am**

Councillor Stevenson - Chair  
Councillor Cadman  
Councillor Reimer  
Councillor Deal - Alternate

Should any of the above Members of Council be unable to attend the hearings, the hearings and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings be delegated to the remaining two Councillors and alternate Councillors.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Finance, Budgets, Grants, Contracts**

**2. 2009 Theatre Rental Grants Allocations  
July 7, 2009**

- A. THAT Council approve a transfer of the balance of \$188,500 from the New Cultural Grants Program budget and \$35,500 from the unallocated Cultural Program budget to the Theatre Rental Grants Operating budget on an ongoing basis.
- B. THAT Council approve a permanent transfer of the remaining balance of \$390 from Theatre Rental Grants Project budget to the Theatre Rental Grants Operating budget.
- C. THAT Council approve a grant of \$100,000 to the Vancouver Symphony Society to offset the rent payable under the lease with Civic Theatres for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2009; source of funds to be the 2009 Theatre Rental Grants Operating budget.
- D. THAT Council confirm its previous approval in principle of Theatre Rental Operating Grants to 15 organizations totalling \$1,326,143, which includes adjustments that reflect changes in the actual uses of the Civic Theatres within the first 6 months of 2009 as listed in Table 1 of the Administrative Report

*"2009 Theatre Rental Grants Allocations"* dated July 7, 2009; source of funds to be the 2009 Theatre Rental Grants Operating budget.

- E. THAT Council approve 11 Theatre Rental Grants totalling \$878,047 as listed in Table 2 of the Administrative Report *"2009 Theatre Rental Grants Allocations"* dated July 7, 2009; source of funds to be the 2009 Theatre Rental Grants Operating budget for use of the Civic Theatres within the last six months of 2009; source of funds to be the existing 2009 Theatre Rental Grants Operating budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**3. 2010 Interest Rate on Property Tax Arrears  
August 20, 2009**

- A. THAT City Council set an interest rate of 6.25% for real property tax arrears to be effective January 1, 2010.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the applicable by-law, on or before September 30, 2009, establishing the interest rate under section 415(2) of the Vancouver Charter and for enactment by Council.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**4. Councillor Geoff Meggs' Request for Reimbursement of Costs for Civic Business  
during Vacation in Italy in June/July, 2009  
August 17, 2009**

THAT Council authorize Councillor Meggs be reimbursed costs for local travel and translator fees for civic business during his vacation in Italy, at a cost of \$ 266.47, to be funded from the Councillors 2009 Travel Budget.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**5. Grant Request for Doug Storey Building Non-Market Housing Tenant Improvements -  
788 Richards Street  
August 14, 2009**

THAT Council approve a grant of up to \$37,200, to Coast Foundation Society, for installation of a security system in the non-market housing project at 788 Richards Street (Doug Storey Building). Source of funds to be the Downtown South Development Cost Levies for Replacement Housing.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND  
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

### Housing, Zoning, Development, Heritage, Culture

**6. Form of Development: 709 SW Marine Drive  
August 24, 2009**

THAT the revised form of development for the CD-1 site known as 709 SW Marine Drive (formerly 750 West 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE411387 prepared by Pacific Land Resource Group, and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, April 8, 2009", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes that would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**7. Form of Development: 161 West Georgia Street  
August 24, 2009**

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 651 Expo Boulevard (161 West Georgia Street being the subject site) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE412093 prepared by James KM Cheng Architects and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, June 19, 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

**8. Form of Development: 311 East 33rd Avenue  
August 24, 2009**

THAT the form of development for the CD-1 site known as 311 East 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE412351 prepared by Hywel Jones Architect, and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, February 9, 2009", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes that would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

### POLICY REPORTS

**1. CD-1 Rezoning - 970 Union Street (Villa Cathay Care Home)  
August 25, 2009**

A. THAT the application by Joe Y. Wai Architect Inc., to rezone 970 Union Street (Villa Cathay Care Home) (PID 007-584-415, Block 125, District Lot 181 & 2037,

Plan 16060, NWD) from RM-3A (Multiple Dwelling) District to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development), to permit the expansion of the Villa Cathay Care Home, a Community Care Facility - Class B, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:

- (i) plans received April 20, 2009 and addendum plans received June 17, 2009;
- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report "*CD-1 Rezoning - 970 Union Street (Villa Cathay Care Home)*", dated August 25, 2009; and
- (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at Public Hearing.

B. THAT A above be adopted on the following conditions:

- (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City and any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
- (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the public hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a by-law rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
- (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

2. CD-1 Rezoning – 111 Princess Avenue (formerly 590 Alexander Street)  
August 25, 2009

- A. THAT the application by GBL Architects on behalf of Portland Hotel Society to rezone 111 Princess Avenue, formerly 590 Alexander Street, (Lots 12,13,14,15 and16, Block 42, District Lot 196, Plan 196, PID 015-603-172, PID 015-603-199, PID 013-658-034, PID 013-658-042, PID 013-658-069) from DEOD (Downtown Eastside Oppenheimer District) to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development District), to permit a 10-storey residential building with a total floor space ratio of 5.29, be referred to a public hearing, together with:

- (i) plans prepared by GBL Architects, received May 14, 2009, generally as presented in Appendix F of the Policy Report "*CD-1 Rezoning – 111 Princess Avenue (formerly 590 Alexander Street)*", dated August 25, 2009;
- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as set out in Appendix A of the above-noted report; and
- (iii) the recommendation of Managing Director of Social Development and the Director of Planning to approve the application, subject to approval of conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted report; and

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary CD-1 By-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted report for consideration at public hearing, including a consequential amendment to the Sign By-law to establish regulations for this CD-1 in accordance with Appendix C of the above-noted report.

- B. THAT, if the application is referred to a public hearing, the application to amend the Sign By-law, to establish regulations for this CD-1 in accordance with Schedule E [assigning Schedule B (DEOD)] of the Policy Report "*CD-1 Rezoning – 111 Princess Avenue (formerly 590 Alexander Street)*", dated August 25, 2009, be referred to the same public hearing; and

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law amendments generally as set out in the Appendix C of the above-noted report for consideration at the public hearing.

- C. THAT, subject to approval of the rezoning at a public hearing, the Noise Control By-law be amended to include this CD-1 in Schedule B generally as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report "*CD-1 Rezoning – 111 Princess Avenue (formerly 590 Alexander Street)*", dated August 25, 2009.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**3. Rezoning Policy for 7165 Granville Street (Shannon Mews)  
August 25, 2009**

THAT Council is prepared to consider an application to rezone the Shannon Estate site at 7165 Granville Street from RS-6 to CD-1 provided that:

- 1. any application must be for comprehensive, not piecemeal re-development of the entire site;
- 2. the preliminary development principles set out in Appendix A of the Policy Report "*Rezoning Policy for 7165 Granville Street (Shannon Mews)*", dated August 25, 2009, form the basis for staff review of any application;
- 3. the owner hold at least one public open house in the community, prior to the submission of an application, to seek public input into refining the development and design principles for the redevelopment of the site;

4. any application contain several distinct development alternatives for the site, including one that only explores "approved" and "uncertain" Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy (ARKS) Community Vision directions; and
5. following any application, the owner and City staff conduct a thorough public consultation process including, but not limited to, a facilitated community design workshop.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

#### 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 Stevenson

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 Cadman

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law to amend the Zoning and Development By-law (re secondary suites) (By-law No. 9919)
2. A By-law to amend the Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan By-law (re secondary suites) (By-law No. 9920)
3. A By-law to amend the Parking By-law regarding secondary suites in apartments (By-law No. 9921)

4. A By-law to amend the Zoning and Development By-law (re C-2C and C-2C1 District Schedules) (By-law No. 9922)
5. A By-law to enter into a Heritage Revitalization Agreement (re 3589 Commercial Street) (By-law No. 9923)
6. A By-law to designate certain real property as protected heritage property (re 3589 Commercial Street) (By-law No. 9924)
7. A By-law to enter into a housing agreement (re 4875 Heather Street) (By-law No. 9925)

#### MOTIONS

##### A. Administrative Motions

###### 1. C-2B, C-2C and C-2C1 Guidelines

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the document entitled "C-2B, C-2C and C-2C1 Guidelines" be adopted by Council for use by applicants and staff for development applications in the referenced District Schedules.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

###### 2. Principal Dwelling Unit Combined with a Secondary Dwelling Unit Guidelines

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

THAT the document entitled "Principal Dwelling Unit Combined With a Secondary Dwelling Unit Guidelines" be adopted by Council for use by applicants and staff, in the processing of development applications.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

##### B. Motions on Notice

###### 1. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Anton

MOVED by Councillor Cadman  
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Councillor Anton be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from the Standing Committees on City Services and Budgets and Planning and Environment to be held September 24, 2009, in order to attend an Urban Planning Congress in Quebec.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 2. Coroner's Inquest into the death of Curtis Brick

MOVED by Councillor Reimer  
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

WHEREAS witnesses allege that Curtis Brick spent hours in the sun on the second hottest day of 2009 in Vancouver, with temperatures reaching over 34 degrees Celsius;

WHEREAS on May 5, 2009, this City Council unanimously endorsed the immediate implementation of all twelve recommendations from the Frank Paul Inquiry;

WHEREAS the Chief Coroner has the discretion to call a public coroner's inquest to answer public questions and prevent similar deaths;

WHEREAS individual members of the Aboriginal and broader community, the Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs, the Aboriginal Transformative Justice Services Society, the B.C. Civil Liberties Association, the Canadian Aboriginal AIDS Network, the Lu'ma Native Housing Society, and the Pivot Legal Society have publicly called for a coroner's inquest to take place and asked this Council to endorse their call for an inquest in order to prevent similar deaths in the future;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Vancouver City Council endorses the request from the community for a coroner's inquest into the death of Curtis Brick; and

FURTHER THAT Vancouver City Council requests the Mayor write a letter on behalf of the Mayor and Council to the Chief Coroner's Office, and instructs the City Manager to report back to this Council at the first available and appropriate public opportunity the response of the Coroner's Office; and

FURTHER THAT staff undertake a review of existing extreme weather emergency services offered by the City and make recommendations on these services that would further reduce the risk for street homeless and other vulnerable populations, such as homebound senior citizens, in the event of extreme heat or cold events.

referred

The Mayor advised that a request 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, September 10, 2009, in order to hear from the speaker.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Provincial Arts Cuts

MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth  
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

#### WHEREAS:

1. In the new BC budget, the provincial government will be cutting arts and culture investment by about 50%;
2. Before the cuts, the Arts and Culture budget represented 0.5% of the budget;
3. The BC Liberals are expected to cut arts and culture investment from approximately 47.8 million in 2008/2009 down to about 3.7 million in 2010/2011;
4. These cuts reduce funding for the arts in BC to 1971 levels;
5. According to the government's own statistics, every dollar invested in the arts brings in \$1.38 in taxes alone;
6. Every other jurisdiction in Canada -- even those dealing with much bigger deficits than BC's -- have either increased or maintained their support for arts and culture because the creative economy matters, and works;
7. These cuts will create significant job losses in a sector with one of the highest rates of "spin-off" returns;
8. The City of Vancouver is committed to supporting the arts and culture community in the city; and
9. The City of Vancouver requires provincial and federal government funding and partnerships to maintain a vibrant and healthy arts and culture community.

#### THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the City of Vancouver write a letter to the Premier, the Minister for Tourism, Culture and the Arts, and the Minister for Finance (CC to all BC MLA's, the Union of BC Municipalities and Vancouver Members of Parliament), demanding that they re-institute all arts and culture funding, including that allocated through the BC Arts Council and Direct Access Gaming.
- B. THAT the City of Vancouver also call upon the provincial government to restore all Direct Access Gaming funding to ensure a healthy civil society in our city and province.
- C. THAT the City of Vancouver ask the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) to address this emergency motion at the first available opportunity.

amended

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Louie

THAT the Motion be struck and replaced with the following:

1. Provincial Budget Impact on Vancouver

WHEREAS the Provincial budget will negatively impact many citizens across Vancouver including transit users, leaky condo owners, library users, sport and recreation participants; and

WHEREAS the Provincial budget will have a particularly negative impact on the arts and culture community; and

WHEREAS there continues to be a lack of clarity and information about a number of areas at risk in the provincial budget; and

WHEREAS the Provincial budget will have a potentially detrimental impact on Vancouver's on-going budget preparations and on taxpayers.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the Mayor be asked to write a letter urging the Premier and the Finance Minister to appropriately fund areas of concern to Vancouver citizens including arts and culture, public education, transit, leaky condo repairs, public libraries and sport and recreation.
- B. THAT the City Manager be tasked with evaluating the provincial budget and reporting back to Council on any possible negative impacts on Vancouver's 2010 operating budget.
- C. THAT the City of Vancouver coordinate with the UBCM and other municipalities to ensure that appropriate levels of funding are obtained from the provincial government.

amended

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the amendment to the Motion be amended to read as follows:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

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FURTHER THAT the City of Vancouver also call upon the provincial government to restore all Direct Access Gaming funding to ensure a healthy civil society in our city and province;

FURTHER THAT the City Manager be tasked with evaluating the provincial budget and reporting back to Council on any possible negative impacts on Vancouver's 2010 operating budget; and

FURTHER THAT the City of Vancouver ask the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) to address all of these issues as an emergency motion at the first available opportunity.

LOST

(Councillors Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Stevenson and Mayor Robertson opposed)

Council agreed to separate the vote on the components of the following Motion:

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the amendment to the Motion be amended to read as follows:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- A. THAT the Mayor be asked to write a letter urging the Premier, the Finance Minister and other appropriate ministers, with copies to all BC MLA's, the Union of BC Municipalities and Vancouver Members of Parliament to rescind cuts and implement robust and sustainable levels of funding to the areas of concern to Vancouver citizens including arts and culture, public education, transit, leaky condo repairs, public libraries, sport and recreation, and childcare.

CARRIED

(Councillor Anton opposed)

- B. THAT the City of Vancouver also call upon the provincial government to restore all Direct Access Gaming funding to ensure a healthy civil society in our city and province.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- C. THAT the City Manager be tasked with evaluating the provincial budget and reporting back to Council on any possible negative impacts on Vancouver's 2010 operating budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- D. THAT the City of Vancouver coordinate with the UBCM and other municipalities to ensure that appropriate levels of funding are obtained from the provincial government.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AMENDMENT MOVED by Councillor Anton

THAT the following Resolution be added to the Motion

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

THAT the City of Vancouver demonstrate its leadership in arts and cultural funding by restoring the 9.6% funding removed from the Office of Cultural Affairs for the remainder of 2009.

not put

The Mayor ruled the motion was out of order as it is not germane to the issue which is specific to the provincial budget.

**FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED AND ADOPTED**

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- C. THAT the City Manager be tasked with evaluating the provincial budget and reporting back to Council on any possible negative impacts on Vancouver's 2010 operating budget.
- D. THAT the City of Vancouver coordinate with the UBCM and other municipalities to ensure that appropriate levels of funding are obtained from the provincial government.

#### ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

##### 1. Distribution of Advertising

Councillor Woodsworth requested the City Manager to review the City's distribution of advertising dollars in the various local newspapers and report back.

##### 2. KPMG

Councillor Anton enquired on the status of her previous enquiries regarding KPMG's letter of independence from the auditors and their Consultant's report with regard to the Olympic Village project and when Council will be receiving this information.

The City Manager advised that she would follow-up on the status of the letter of independence. She also advised that the Consultant's report is available from her office for viewing by Councillors.

The Council adjourned at 4:17 pm

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