

APRIL 20, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Tuesday, April 20, 2010, at 2:15 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 Tim Stevenson*
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE: Penny Ballem, City Manager
Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Janice MacKenzie, Deputy 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 Anton.

PROCLAMATION - EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK

The Mayor proclaimed the week of May 2 to 8, 2010 as Emergency Preparedness Week. Jackie Kloosterboer, Emergency Planning Coordinator, Emergency Management Division, accepted the Proclamation and said a few words about Emergency Preparedness Week.

"IN CAMERA" MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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 paragraphs:

(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;

(d) the security of the property of 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;

(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the city;

(j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 [disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party] of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

(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 APRIL 8, 2010

Council made appointments to the following advisory bodies:

- Vancouver City Planning Commission
- Vancouver Heritage Foundation Board

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council - April 6, 2010

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Regular Council (City Services and Budgets) - April 8, 2010

MOVED by Councillor Louie
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Regular Council (Planning and Environment) - April 8, 2010

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Stevenson

THAT the foregoing Minutes be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
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 Cadman

THAT Council adopt Administrative Report A1 and Policy Reports P1, P2, P3, P7 and P8, on consent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORT REFERENCE

1. 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games - Cost Estimates March 31, 2010

Penny Ballem, City Manager, provided an overview of the estimated capital and operational costs in relation to the hosting of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in the city of Vancouver.

The Administrative Report dated March 31, 2010, entitled "2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games - Cost Estimates", was received for Information.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Finance, Budgets, Grants, Contracts

1. Downtown Eastside Capital Budget Funding Allocation: Green Community Projects April 6, 2010

THAT Council approve the allocation of \$165,000 to support three community projects as listed below as part of the City's contribution towards the Downtown Eastside Green Community Projects.

Grants:

1. \$100,000 to the SOLE Food Urban Agriculture Project;
2. \$25,000 to the LoCo Green Kitchens Project; and
3. \$40,000 to Strathcona Business Improvement Association Green Zone Implementation .

Sources of funding:

- \$115,000 from the 2008 Capital Budget (Downtown Eastside) and
- \$50,000 from the 2009 Greenest Neighbourhood Grant Fund.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

**2. Downtown Eastside Capital Budget Funding Allocation: Japantown Revitalization
April 6, 2010**

MOVED by Councillor Jang

THAT Council approve the allocation of \$150,000 to support three community projects as listed below as part of the City's contribution towards Japantown Revitalization:

Grants:

1. \$100,000 Vancouver Japanese Language School and Japanese Hall (VJLS-JH) Renovation and Expansion Project;
2. \$ 40,000 Powell Street Open Door Project; and
3. \$ 10,000 Community History Map Project.

Source of funds is the 2008 Downtown Eastside (DTES) Capital Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND
BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY
(Councillors Deal and Stevenson absent for the vote)

POLICY REPORTS

**1. 1895 Venables Street - Vancouver East Cultural Centre - Sign By-law Amendment
April 1, 2010**

THAT the Director of Planning be instructed to make application to amend Schedule A of the Sign By-law to permit signage consisting of one, facia sign containing third party advertising at 1895 Venables Street (Vancouver East Cultural Centre) and the application be referred to a Public Hearing together with:

- (i) draft Sign By-law provisions, generally as contained in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 1, 2010, entitled "1895 Venables Street - Vancouver East Cultural Centre - Sign By-law Amendment"; and
- (ii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to the conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy Report;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law, generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted Policy Report, for consideration at the Public Hearing; and

FURTHER THAT no legal rights or obligations be created or arise unless and until the legal agreements have been executed and delivered by the Director of Legal Services.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**2. CD-1 Text Amendment: 711 West Broadway
April 6, 2010**

A. THAT the application, by Salikan Architecture Inc. to amend CD-1 #358 (By-law No. 7648) to permit Health Care Office use and to add other uses that are consistent with the surrounding C-3A District Schedule be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:

- (i) draft CD-1 By-law amendments, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 6, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment: 711 West Broadway"; and
- (ii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve the text amendment.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the Policy Report for consideration at Public Hearing.

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

- (i) THAT the passage of the above resolution 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 amending the CD-1 by-law, 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

**3. CD-1 Text Amendment - 2908 West 33rd Avenue
April 6, 2010**

A. THAT the application by Mackenzie Street Development Inc., to amend CD-1 #190 (By law No. 6155) for 2908 West 33rd Avenue (PID 013-283-006, 013-283-014, and 013 283-031; Lots 16, 17, and 18, all of Lot 1; Block 47; District Lot 2027; N.W.D; Plan 2972), to permit construction of a mixed-use development with 10 residential units and 4 commercial units at a floor space ratio (FSR) of 1.25, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:

- (i) plans received November 18, 2009;

- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law amendments, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 6, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Text Amendment - 2908 West 33rd Avenue"; and
- (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy Report.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary amending by-law generally in accordance with Appendix A of the above-noted Policy Report for consideration at the 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

**4. CD-1 Rezoning - 5912-5970 Oak Street
April 6, 2010**

MOVED by Councillor Chow

- A. THAT the application by Listraor Development Corporation, to rezone 5912-5970 Oak Street (PID: 009-246-851, 009-246-916, 009-246-941 and 009-246-967 - Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block I of Block 1008, DL 526, Plan 10897) from RS-1 to CD-1, to permit Multiple Dwelling use consisting of 27 rowhouses at a floor space ratio of 1.0, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
 - (i) plans received December 14, 2009;
 - (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 6, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 5912-5970 Oak Street";
 - (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy 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 Policy Report for consideration at Public Hearing.

- B. THAT, subject to approval of the rezoning at a Public Hearing, the Subdivision By-law be amended as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated April 6, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 5912-5970 Oak Street"; and

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Subdivision By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

- C. THAT A and B 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; 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.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillor Deal absent for the vote)

**5. CD-1 Rezoning - 3333 Main Street
April 8, 2010**

MOVED by Councillor Reimer

- A. THAT the application by Bastion Development Corporation, to rezone 3333 Main Street (Lots 6-12, Block 61, D.L. 302, Plan 198 PID: 005-019-648, PID:005-019-656, PID:005-019-664, PID:005-019-672, PID:005-019-681, PID:005-019-699, PID:005-019-711) from C-2 to CD-1, to permit development of a five-storey mixed-use commercial and residential building, be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
- (i) plans prepared by Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden Architects, received December 4, 2009;

- (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 8, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 3333 Main Street"; and
- (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy 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 Policy Report for consideration at Public Hearing.

- B. THAT, if the application is referred to a Public Hearing, the application to amend Schedule E of the Sign By-law to establish regulations for this CD-1 in accordance with Schedule B (C-2), as set out in Appendix C of the Policy Report dated April 8, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 3333 Main Street", be referred to the same Public Hearing.

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-law generally as set out in Appendix C of the above-noted Policy Report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- C. THAT, subject to approval of the rezoning, 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 dated April 8, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 3333 Main Street";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

- D. THAT A above be adopted on the following conditions:
- (i) THAT the passage of the above resolution creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; 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.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Councillors Deal and Meggs absent for the vote)

6. CD-1 Rezoning - 2250 Commercial Drive
April 8, 2010

Councillors referred to phone calls and correspondence received in regard to this item from persons requesting an opportunity to speak to Council regarding the Policy Report.

REFERRAL MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the Policy Report dated April 8, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 2250 Commercial Drive" be referred to a Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, April 22, 2010, in order to hear from the Grandview Woodlands Area Council and other people who had expressed a wish to speak, and also to receive additional information from staff.

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Prior to a vote on the above motion the Mayor advised the meeting would be recessed in order to allow the Director of Planning an opportunity to review the afore-mentioned correspondence and provide advice to Council.

The Council therefore recessed at 4:15 pm and reconvened at 4:25 pm with all Council members present.

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The Director of Planning advised that the issues raised in the correspondence were of a nature that could be appropriately raised and discussed at the Public Hearing.

The motion to refer the report to Standing Committee on April 22, 2010, was put and LOST with Councillors Anton, Chow, Deal, Jang, Louie, Meggs, Reimer, Stevenson and the Mayor opposed.

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson

- A. THAT the application by Image Development Inc. to rezone 2250 Commercial Drive (Lot 1, BLOCK 153, DISTRICT LOT 26A, NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT PLAN 17345) P.I.D. 007-286-635 from C-2C to CD-1, to permit a five storey mixed commercial-residential building be referred to a Public Hearing, together with:
- (i) plans prepared by Ankenman Marchand Architects, received June 19, 2009;
 - (ii) draft CD-1 By-law provisions, generally as presented in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 8, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 2250 Commercial Drive"; and
 - (iii) the recommendation of the Director of Planning to approve, subject to conditions contained in Appendix B of the above-noted Policy 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 Policy 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 A of the Policy Report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- B. THAT, subject to approval of the rezoning, 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 dated April 8, 2010, entitled "CD-1 Rezoning - 2250 Commercial Drive";

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Noise Control By-law at the time of enactment of the CD-1 By-law.

- C. THAT A and B 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; 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.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**7. Proposed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Development Plan, Referencing Existing City Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets and Policies as Required by the Vancouver Charter
April 9, 2010**

- A. THAT the Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Development Plan, attached as Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 9, 2010, entitled "Proposed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Development Plan, Referencing Existing City Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets and Policies as Required by the Vancouver Charter", setting out existing Council targets and policies in regards to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions be adopted.
- B. THAT a by-law to adopt the Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Development Plan, generally as set out in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 9, 2010, entitled "Proposed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Development Plan, Referencing Existing City Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets and Policies

as Required by the Vancouver Charter", as an Official Development Plan be referred to Public Hearing; and

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

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**8. Amendments to the Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan Regarding Floor Area and to the Parking By-law
April 7, 2010**

- A. THAT the Director of Planning be instructed to make application to amend the Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan to increase the maximum floor area to include additional density already approved through various CD-1 rezonings, generally as set out in Appendix A of the Policy Report dated April 7, 2010, entitled "Amendments to the Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan Regarding Floor Area and to the Parking By-law", and that the application be referred to Public Hearing; and

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the amending by-law generally as set out in Appendix A of the above-noted Policy Report for consideration at the Public Hearing.

- B. THAT amendments to the Parking By-law to revise the parking standards for Southeast False Creek, generally as set out in Appendix B of the Policy Report dated April 7, 2010, entitled "Amendments to the Southeast False Creek Official Development Plan Regarding Floor Area and to the Parking By-law", be approved; and

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare a by-law to amend the Parking By-law, in accordance with Appendix B of the above-noted Policy Report, and to bring forward the by-law for adoption.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

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 Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council 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

Councillors Chow and Jang rose and confirmed they have received a report of the Public Hearing in regard to By-laws 6 and 7 and would therefore be voting on the enactment of the by-laws.

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Deal

THAT Council, except for those members excused as noted below, enact the by-laws listed on the agenda for this meeting as numbers 3, 4, 6 and 7 inclusive, and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and seal the enacted by-laws.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. A By-law regarding designation of a special event and relaxations of the Sign By-law for the PNE 100th Anniversary (By-law No. 10024)
2. A By-law to amend Heritage Taxation Exemption By-law No. 9036 for 5 West Pender Street (By-law No. 10025)
3. A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 regarding miscellaneous text amendments (By-law No. 10026)
(Councillors Deal, Meggs, Woodsworth and the Mayor ineligible for the vote)
4. A By-law to amend CD-1 By-law No. 9193 regarding miscellaneous text amendments (By-law No. 10027)
(Councillors Deal, Meggs, Woodsworth and the Mayor ineligible for the vote)

5. **A By-law to amend Housing Agreement By-law No. 9853 for 601 East Hastings Street. (By-law No. 10028)**
6. **A By-law to amend Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575 to rezone an area to CD-1 (re 1300 - 1336 Granville Street) (By-law No. 10029)**
(Councillors Meggs, Reimer, Woodsworth and the Mayor ineligible to vote)
7. **A By-law to amend Sign By-law No. 6510 (re 1300 - 1336 Granville Street) (By-law No. 10030)**
(Councillors Meggs, Reimer, Woodsworth and the Mayor ineligible to vote)

MOTIONS

A. Administrative Motions

None.

B. Motions on Notice

1. Amendment to Deputy and Acting Mayor Roster

MOVED by Councillor Stevenson
SECONDED by Councillor Cadman

THAT Councillor Geoff Meggs be named in place of Councillor Tim Stevenson as the Deputy Mayor and Acting Mayor for the month of January, 2011; and

FURTHER THAT Councillor Tim Stevenson be named in place of Councillor Geoff Meggs as the Deputy Mayor and Acting Mayor for the month of June, 2010.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Request for Leave of Absence - Councillor Tim Stevenson

MOVED by Councillor Cadman
SECONDED by Councillor Jang

THAT Councillor Stevenson be granted Leave of Absence for Civic Business from the Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets meeting to be held on June 17, 2010, in order to attend a Metro Parks Committee meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Note from Meeting Coordinator: It was subsequently determined that there was no City Services and Budgets meeting to be held on June 17, 2010.

3. Provincial Education Funding Cuts in Vancouver

MOVED by Councillor Reimer
SECONDED by Councillor Louie

WHEREAS the Vancouver Board of Education (VBE) is facing an \$18.1 million provincial government funding shortfall for the 2010-11 school year;

WHEREAS this shortfall will result in severe negative impacts on students, including the elimination of important programs, a shortened school year, layoffs of hundreds of teachers and support staff, and the potential closure of schools;

WHEREAS the \$18.1 million shortfall is the result of the provincial Ministry of Education not providing funding for costs that the Ministry controls, such as inflation on required goods and services; a provincially-approved increase in utility costs such as hydro and natural gas; provincially-negotiated increases in salary increments; and increased tax and benefit costs for employees and other costs beyond the control of the VBE;

WHEREAS the provincial government provides 93% of all funding for the VBE;

WHEREAS the VBE cannot run a deficit and must balance its annual budget through cuts to needed services;

WHEREAS the VBE has already cut \$51 million in accumulated annual education spending over the past eight years, making new cuts even more severe;

WHEREAS Vancouver schools play an integral role in early childhood development, as well as cover gaps in our social safety net, including services such as frontline settlement for new families; and

WHEREAS the public education system is crucial to Vancouver's quality of life, and in attracting people to live, work and invest in our city.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Vancouver City Council call on the Province to fund at a minimum the \$18.1 million shortfall in the 2010-11 Vancouver Board of Education budget, and urge the Province to increase funding to reduce the impact of cuts to the Vancouver Board of Education over the past eight years.

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

4. Recognition of Previous City Electrician

MOVED by Councillor Anton
NOT SECONDED

WHEREAS

1. Mr. Arkady Tsisserev was hired as Chief Electrical Inspector in December 1993, was appointed by the City Council in January 1994 pursuant to section 312 of the Vancouver Charter as City Electrician, and worked as the City Electrician for over 16 years;
2. The City Electrician is one of only a few staff appointments made directly by Vancouver City Council;
3. Mr. Tsisserev has a doctorate in electrical engineering;
4. Mr. Tsisserev enjoyed the respect of his peers both at the city and across the country, as exemplified by the following positions and recognitions:
 - (a) Chair of the Canadian Electrical Code Part I committee;
 - (b) Active member of numerous other national and international technical and standards committees;
 - (c) Association of Professional Engineers and Geologists of BC Professional Service Award;
 - (d) Canadian standards association John Jenkins award, awarded to those who have shown leadership through personal involvement over a period of years in the development advancement and application of voluntary standards;
 - (e) Inducted into the Fellowship of Engineers of Canada
 - (f) Twice recognized by Vancouver City Council for his contribution to electrical safety in the city of Vancouver;
5. Mr. Tsisserev was dismissed by council for "restructuring" on January 21, 2010;
6. Mr. Tsisserev is the only member of city staff who has been "restructured" out of a position with the City of Vancouver in the recent round of budget cuts;
7. Mr. Tsisserev was paid \$153,000 upon his departure from the City;
8. In letting Mr. Tsisserev go, Council neglected to give Mr. Tsisserev a vote of confidence and thanks.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1. Vancouver City Council thanks Mr. Arkady Tsisserev for his many years of exemplary service as City Electrician in the City of Vancouver.

2. The City Manager be requested to arrange a suitable recognition for Mr. Tsisserev as thanks and appreciation for his many years of service to the City.

not put

The motion, having not received a Seconder, was not put to a vote.

NOTICE OF MOTION

1. Fair Trade Town

Councillor Louie submitted the following Notice of Motion. The motion will be placed on the agenda of the Regular Council meeting on May 4, 2010, as a Motion on Notice.

MOVER: Councillor Raymond Louie

SECONDER: Councillor Andrea Reimer

WHEREAS Fair Trade Vancouver is a non-profit organization that seeks to increase awareness, availability, and sales of Fair Trade products in Metro Vancouver by connecting Metro Vancouverites to where their food and products come from; and

WHEREAS Fair Trade Vancouver works to raise awareness of Fair Trade as an idea and to make it easy and practical for consumers to find Fair Trade products in their daily lives by working with workplaces, faith groups and other non-profit organizations in order to help them convert to Fair Trade products; and

WHEREAS Fair Trade Vancouver is a volunteer-based organization with minimal operating costs and is currently a non-profit society in the process of seeking charitable status; and

WHEREAS Fair Trade Vancouver notes that they do not require, nor are they anticipating requiring, any funding from the City for any purpose; and

WHEREAS eight Canadian towns have already received certification and there are currently at least eleven other Canadian municipalities working towards becoming Fair Trade Towns, including Montreal, St. John's, Quebec City, and Barrie; and

WHEREAS the City of Vancouver has already adopted a Ethical Purchasing Policy (EPP) and Supplier Code of Conduct(SPP) and after one-year's experience with the policy, there has not been as significant costs as originally estimated, based on information from the supplier community at the time, leading to a clothing and uniform RFP outcome which allowed the City to contract for these items from suppliers who are compliant with the City policy and were cost competitive; and

WHEREAS this Council supported Phase II work on the Sustainable and Ethical Purchasing Policy (SEPP) which includes core labour conventions of the International Labour Organization (ILO) and demonstrates the City's commitment to sustainability

by seeking to ensure safe and healthy workplaces for the people who make products or supply services for the City of Vancouver; and

WHEREAS the SEPP Phase II work was identified as a key priority in early 2009 by the Mayor's Greenest City Action Team as further development of the SEPP into all areas of City procurements is seen as a key element in making the City of Vancouver a leading edge organization dedicated to the principles of sustainability and supporting the strategies, initiatives and outcomes identified by the Greenest City Action Team.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Council endorse an application to become a Fair Trade Town and continue the existing policy to purchase only Fair Trade coffee, tea and sugar, and other Fair Trade certified products where possible and practicable, for all meetings, offices and canteens and appoint a City representative to the Fair Trade Vancouver steering committee for quarterly meetings.

notice

NEW BUSINESS

1. Smoking in City-controlled Public Spaces

Councillor Woodsworth noted that the Vancouver Park Board had just passed a motion banning smoking on the City's public beaches, as previously did the City of White Rock, which also banned smoking in all City-controlled spaces.

Councillor Woodsworth requested staff to report back on the possibility of the City of Vancouver banning smoking in all City-controlled public spaces, and also on the feasibility of adding receptacles for cigarette butts onto all public garbage containers.

ENQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS

1. Vancouver Economic Development Commission (VEDC)

Councillor Deal noted Phil Heard will be stepping down as CEO of the VEDC and extended thanks to him for his past service with the Commission.

She enquired as to the status of the upcoming reporting on the Commission's Economic Development Strategy to Council and whether there will be a creative economy component of the strategy. Sadhu Johnston, Deputy City Manager, provided an estimated timeline for that report and confirmed a creative economy component will be included in the economic strategy.

2. Former City Electrician

Councillor Anton expressed her thanks to the former City Electrician for his many years of service and noted she will be sending her personal expression of thanks to him and encouraged other Councillors to do the same.

The Council adjourned at 5:20 pm

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