

VANCOUVER CITY PLANNING COMMISSION



MINUTES

JUNE 5, 2013

A meeting of the Vancouver City Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, at 12:17 pm, in Committee Room No. 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

PRESENT: Peter Greenwell, Chair
Rafael Aquino
Louise Blight
Marian Brown*
Caitriona Feeney
Michael Henderson
Am Johal
Karenn Krangle, Vice-Chair
Phil Mondor
Canisius Chan

ABSENT: Danielle Bauer (Leave of Absence)
Matthew Carter (Leave of Absence)
John Weldon (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Tony Tang, City of Vancouver
Elizabeth Ballantyne, VCPC Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Tina Hildebrandt, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

1. ADMINISTRATION

a) Leave of Absence Requests

MOVED by Commissioner Canisius Chan
SECONDED by Commissioner Louise Blight

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve leaves of absence for Commissioners Danielle Bauer, Matthew Carter and John Weldon for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Marian Brown absent for the vote)

b) Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Commissioner Karenn Krangle
SECONDED by Commissioner Phil Mondor

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve the minutes of the meetings held May 1 and May 15, 2013, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Marian Brown absent for the vote)

c) **Notice of VCPC Meetings**

Regular Meetings: June 19, July 3

d) **Manager's Report**

The Commission Manager provided a brief report (*distributed - on file*).

e) **Reports from Liaison Members**

Councillor Tang provided a report on the following items and responded to questions:

- 2013 Operating Budget;
- on May 15, 2013, Council passed a motion directing staff to review and recommend appropriate by-law changes regarding a possible increase in covered areas for back decks and patios in residential single family zones;
- on May 29, 2013, Council (PT&E), passed a motion to permit taxis to travel but not stop in bus lanes; and
- on June 11, 2013, Council will consider a staff report seeking further direction in moving forward on the rezoning application for Oakridge Centre.

f) **Report on Urban Design Panel**

Commissioner Mondor reviewed the agenda for the Urban Design Panel meeting to be held later this day and responded to questions.

Agendas and Minutes for the Urban Design Panel are available at:

<http://vancouver.ca/your-government/urban-design-panel.aspx>

g) **Reports from Commissioners**

- i) Commissioner Mondor reported on a meeting held June 3, 2013, with the City's Development Planners and members of the Urban Design Panel and Development Permit Board Advisory Panel to discuss urban design issues.
- ii) The Chair reported on a workshop held May 30, 2013, on Building a Culture of Participation with Dave Meslin, organized by the SFU Centre for Dialogue jointly with the Mayor's Engaged City Task Force. Mr. Meslin presented ideas from his project "The Fourth Wall".
- iii) Commissioner Krangle reported on program topics from the following annual conferences held May 30 to June 3, 2013:
 - Women Transforming Cities; and
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

2. BUSINESS MEETING

a) Committee Reports

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Councillor Tang left the meeting prior to consideration of the following item and did not return.

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i. Regional Context Statement Comment Group

The Chair reviewed the Commission's submission to Council on the draft Regional Context Statement (*distributed - on file*), and sought feedback.

MOVED by Commissioner Karenn Krangle
SECONDED by Commissioner Michael Henderson

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve in principle the submission to Council regarding the draft Regional Context Statement scheduled for the Public Hearing on June 11, 2013.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ii. Transportation Planning Committee

Commissioner Brown circulated the committee's final version of their report entitled "Opportunities for Linking Transportation Actions and Ecological Planning" for submission to the Transportation 2040 Implementation Team in response to the meeting held in February.

Following discussion of the report and possible next steps, the Commission agreed that the Manager would circulate the report with points requiring further consideration highlighted, for review at the next meeting, and that the project concept would be included in the development of the work plan.

b) 2013 Commission Work Plan and Retreat Report

The Chair provided a brief update on the recent retreat session on May 29, 2013, and noted that the development of the work plan will continue at the meeting to follow.

3. NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Karenn Krangle
SECONDED by Commissioner Am Johal

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: Wednesday, June 19, 2013
TIME: 12:15 pm
PLACE: Committee Room No. 1
Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 1:29 pm

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