

VANCOUVER CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

October 2, 2013

A meeting of the Vancouver City Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, October 2, 2013, at 12:19 pm, in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Peter Greenwell, Chair

Rafael Aquino*
Danielle Bauer
Louise Blight*
Matthew Carter*
Canisius Chan*
Caitriona Feeney
Michael Henderson

Am Johal*

Karenn Krangle, Vice-Chair

Phil Mondor John Weldon

ABSENT: Marian Brown (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Elizabeth Ballantyne, VCPC Manager

Councillor Tony Tang, Council Liaison

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator

1. ADMINISTRATION

a) Attendance

MOVED by Commissioner Chan SECONDED by Commissioner Blight

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve a leave of absence for Commissioner Brown for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(Commissioner Aquino absent for the vote)

^{*} Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting.

b) Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Commissioner Bauer SECONDED by Commissioner Mondor

THAT the Minutes of the September 18, 2013, meeting be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Commissioner Aquino absent for the vote)

c) Notice of VCPC Meetings

The Chair noted the next two Regular Meetings:

October 16, 2013 - in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, City Hall. October 30, 2013 - in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, City Hall.

d) Manager's Report

Items in this report were provided under the relevant agenda items.

e) Reports from Liaison Members

Councillor Tang provided an overview of agenda items from the Council, Public Hearing and Standing Committee meetings that took place from September 24 - 27, 2013. He also noted topics discussed at the Mayor's Roundtable on Mental Illness and Addiction, and outlined items that will be headed to Council shortly. A Green Street Party is being held at VanDusen Gardens on Saturday, October 5 at 2:00 pm, for those that are interested.

f) Report on Urban Design Panel

Commissioner Mondor provided a brief verbal report on the Urban Design Panel meeting held September 25, 2013, and gave an overview of the meeting to be held later today.

Agendas and Minutes for the Urban Design Panel are available at: http://vancouver.ca/your-government/urban-design-panel.aspx

g) Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Johal reported that Michael Kluckner will be presenting an illustrated historical overview of gentrification in Vancouver at SFU Woodward's on Monday, October 7, at 7:00 pm. He also distributed tickets to *Urban Conspiracy 2: It's the Economy, Stupid!* being held at SFU Woodward's on Friday, October 4, at 7:30 pm.

Commissioner Bauer reported that a second Open House to view the concepts for the Vancouver Art Gallery's North Plaza will be held on October 5, 2013, from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. The plans are also available online. A survey regarding the use of the space is available on the Talk Vancouver website.

Commissioner Krangle reported on *A Conversation with Brian Jackson about Heritage in Vancouver.* Topics included the status of heritage priorities for 2013 and a look ahead to the City's priorities for the upcoming year.

The Chair reported on his remarks to the September 23, 2013 Park Board meeting in regard to the Renfrew Ravine. He also gave an update on the Engaged City Task Force and noted that a Public Forum on Homeless Access to Public Transit is being held at Collingwood Neighbourhood House on October 16, 2013, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Commissioner Feeney gave an overview of the Food Policy Council's focus group on urban farming that she attended on October 1, 2013.

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The Commission agreed to vary the agenda in order to deal with item 2(b) next. For ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in numerical order.

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2. BUSINESS MEETING

a) Rezoning Applications and Referrals

The VCPC manager reviewed the proposed method for tracking rezoning applications.

Commisioner Mondor noted that there may be limited knowledge of the rezoning process within the Commission and offered to provide an overview during the next meeting.

b) Commission Work Topics

The Commission discussed the Commission's statement on the staff report on "Community Plans: Next Steps".

MOVED by Commissioner Krangle SECONDED by Commissioner Mondor

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission adopt the statement submitted to Mayor and Council on September 25, 2013, as its official statement on the staff report on "Community Plans: Next Steps," dealing with extensions to the timelines for the community plans.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The statement was submitted in writing to Mayor and Council in advance of the Council meeting, and will be posted on the Commission website.

The VCPC Manager reviewed all active B list work plan topics. The Commission members agreed to schedule a Committee meeting next week to discuss the Commission's interest in participating in the Eastern Core and Viaducts projects. The VCPC Manager will contact interested parties to organize a date and time.

3. NEW BUSINESS

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Mondor SECONDED by Commissioner Krangle

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Comissioners Blight, Carter, Chan and Johal absent for the vote)

The Commission adjourned at 2:06 pm.

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