



VANCOUVER CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 6, 2013

A meeting of the Vancouver City Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, February 6, 2013, at 12:19 pm, in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

**PRESENT:** Peter Greenwell, Chair  
Matthew Carter  
Canisius Chan  
Caitriona Feeney  
Michael Henderson  
Am Johal  
Karenn Krangle, Vice-Chair  
Phil Mondor  
John Weldon

**ABSENT:** Danielle Bauer (Leave of Absence)  
Louise Blight (Leave of Absence)  
Marian Brown (Leave of Absence)  
Rafael Aquino

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

**CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Pat Boomhower, Meeting Coordinator

**1. ADMINISTRATION**

**a) Attendance**

MOVED by Commissioner Krangle  
SECONDED by Commissioner Chan

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve Leaves of Absence for Commissioners Danielle Bauer, Louise Blight, and Marian Brown for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**b) Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Commissioner Weldon  
SECONDED by Commissioner Krangle

THAT the Minutes of the January 23, 2013, meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**c) Notice of VCPC Meetings**

The Chair noted the following Regular Meetings, and subsequent meetings for 2013, will be held in Committee Room 1, City Hall:

- February 20, 2013
- March 6, 2013

**d) Manager's Report**

The Commission Manager provided a written and verbal report (*on file*) and noted agenda items for the Public Hearings to be held on February 21 and February 27, 2013, at City Hall and the focus of the VCPC meeting on February 20, 2013.

**e) Urban Design Panel Report**

Commissioner Mondor advised that since member changeover does not occur until the end of February, he was an observer at the Urban Design Panel (UDP) January 30, 2013, meeting. He reported on topics covered as well as projects to be considered on February 13, 2013. Subsequent discussion highlighted seniors assisted living and the VCH requirement with respect to bed numbers.

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

**f) Reports from Liaison Members**

No report.

**g) Reports from Commissioners**

Commissioner Weldon reported on the West End Community Plan meeting with staff and noted policy options to be available the end of April and draft plans are expected the end of summer.

Commissioner Krangle provided an update on the Dogwood and Pearson facilities and sites the City is working on with Vancouver Coastal Health. This was followed by a brief discussion on the site west of Cambie Street.

Commissioner Mondor reported on two community planning workshops he attended in the Grandview-Woodland area. Purpose, participation numbers, and differences between the Arts and Culture workshop and the Heritage and Character workshop were discussed.

Commissioner Johal noted upcoming talks:

- February 12 - SFU Urban future
- February 26 - Jim Green Memorial lecture
- March 20 - discussion on foreign investment in the city.

Commissioner Greenwell, noted City will be conducting the annual Homeless Count on March 12 and 13, 2013.

Commissioner Krangle asked whether any member was planning to attend the UBC Students Community Planning Symposium "Beyond Downtown & Outside the Box" on February 8, 2013.

## 2. BUSINESS MEETING

### a) Presentation

Postponed.

### b) 2012 Commission Report

The Chair and Commissioner Manager provided an update on the "Report to Council for the year 2012" and noted comments added on page 4 of the draft report following the recent Transportation Committee meeting (*Distributed - on file*).

MOVED by Commissioner Mondor  
SECONDED by Commissioner Johal

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve the revised "Report to Council for the year 2012" as presented at the February 6, 2013, meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### c) Committee Reports

#### i. City-wide Plan Committee

Commissioner Feeny recommended name change to "City-wide Planning Committee" and requested the Committee's report be removed from the VCPC agenda until after the Committee meets. The Commission agreed.

#### ii. Transportation Plan Committee

Commissioner Chan reported the Committee recommended the name be changed to "Transportation Planning Committee" and noted a possible meeting with staff. The VCPC Manager provided background on the structure of Commission committees.

The Commission agreed to the change and that this committee will dissolve after completing its current project.

### d) 2013 Commission Work Plan

#### i. Work Planning Group - report

The Chair reported on the Work Planning meeting tentatively scheduled for March 9, 2013 and noted it would be helpful to have a brainstorming session before then.

- Outline of the February 6 and 20 and March 9 meetings (*distributed - on file*).
- Location for March 9 to be determined.

#### ii. Work Planning - next steps

The VCPC Manager will confirm if all Commissioners are available and whether an alternate day is needed.

For the brainstorming session, the Chair described the format for gathering ideas that of interest to members and to possibly explore for the Work Plan. A Commissioner requested the CoV link to the six principles for neighbourhood planning.

Roundtable comments were recorded by members and forwarded to the VCPC Manager. The Chair and VCPC Manager will compile the ideas submitted.

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

None.

### ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Weldon  
SECONDED by Commissioner Carter

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### Next Meeting:

DATE: Wednesday, February 20, 2013  
TIME: 12:15 pm  
PLACE: Committee Room 1, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 1:41 pm

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