



VANCOUVER CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

November 13, 2013

A meeting of the Vancouver City Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, November 13, 2013, at 12:20 pm, in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Peter Greenwell, Chair
Rafael Aquino
Marian Brown
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)
Matthew Carter (Leave of Absence)

ALSO PRESENT: Elizabeth Ballantyne, VCPC Manager
Trustee Mike Lombardi, Vancouver School Board

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator

* Denotes absence for a portion of the meeting

1. ADMINISTRATION

a) Attendance

MOVED by Commissioner Chan
SECONDED by Commissioner Henderson

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission approve leaves of absence for Commissioners Bauer, Blight and Carter for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Feeney absent for the vote)

b) Approval of Minutes

MOVED by Commissioner Krangle
SECONDED by Commissioner Chan

THAT the Minutes of the October 30, 2013, meeting be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Feeney absent for the vote)

c) Notice of VCPC Meetings

The Chair noted the next two Regular Meetings:

November 27, 2013 - in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, City Hall
December 11, 2013 - in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, City Hall

d) Manager's Report

The Commission Manager provided her report (*on file*) noting the following:

- Online applications for advisory body vacancies closed Monday; Council selection will likely be in December;
- Group photos will be taken at the November 27 and December 11, 2013 Commission meetings;
- Frances Bula will speak at the November 27 Commission meeting;
- Plans for a year-end Commission event.

e) Reports from Liaison Members

Trustee Lombardi provided an update on the following matters:

- Required approval was received from the Provincial Supreme Court to build the International Village School; it is scheduled to open September 2015;
- Launched the centralized kindergarten registration system;
- 55 schools taking part in the Food Literacy Program;
- Coal Harbour school site has been determined;
- King George school expansion is in the capital plan;
- One more school will be built in the downtown peninsula; location still to be determined.

f) Report on Urban Design Panel

Commissioner Mondor provided a brief verbal report on the November 6 Urban Design Panel meeting and gave an overview of the meeting to be held November 20.

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:

- SFU Woodwards presented “Spaces of Contestation: Art, Activism and the City” featuring Jamie Peck on November 12;
- Think City’s “Baby Talks” is taking place Friday, November 15, from 11:00 to 12:30 pm at SFU Woodwards. It is a free event and the discussion will be on affordable housing for middle and lower-income earners.

Commissioner Krangle:

- Outlined ideas for a year-end event acknowledging the outgoing Chair and suggested inviting past Commission members;
- SFU City Conversation on “The DTES Community Plan: Who Should Live Here?” featuring Ray Spaxman and Michael Geller will take place on November 21, 2013 at 12:30 pm at Harbour Centre.

2. BUSINESS MEETING

a) Commission Work Plan - Report

Commission members reported on a presentation to Councillors Reimer and Tang on past projects and Commission directions. The Commission Manager will circulate a summary of the meeting. The discussion will continue with both Councillors at a later date.

b) Planning and Development - 2014

Brian Jackson, General Manager, Planning and Development Services, provided the Commission with a presentation on the department’s 2014 work plan. He also noted that the Commission can contact Kevin McNaney, Assistant Director, Central Area Planning, to discuss the consultation process for the eastern core.

3. NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Krangle
SECONDED by Commissioner Henderson

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(Commissioner Johal absent for the vote)

The Commission adjourned at 2:06 pm.

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