



VANCOUVER CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

January 14, 2015

A meeting of the Vancouver City Planning Commission (VCPC) was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2014, at 12:20 pm, in Committee Room 1, 3rd Floor, Vancouver City Hall

PRESENT: Karenn Krangle, Chair
Danielle Bauer
Matthew Carter
Catriona Feeney
Am Johal
Robert Matas
Phil Mondor
Brandon Yan

ABSENT: Michael Henderson
Brad Jones
Julia Payson
John Weldon
Andy Yan (Medical Leave)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Reimer, Vancouver City Council
Elizabeth Ballantyne, Commission Manager

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Leslie Tuerlings, Meeting Coordinator

1. ADMINISTRATION

a) Attendance

MOVED by Commissioner Johal
SECONDED by Commissioner Bauer

THAT Commissioners Henderson, Jones, Payson, Weldon and A. Yan be granted leaves of absence for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b) Minutes of December 3, 2014, for Approval

MOVED BY Commissioner Matas
SECONDED BY Commissioner Feeney

THAT the minutes of the Vancouver City Planning Commission meeting held December 3, 2014, be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c) Notice of VCPC Meetings

The Chair noted the next two Regular Meetings will take place on January 28 and February 11, 2015.

2. REPORTS

a) Manager's Report

The Commission Manager provided an update noting that the next few weeks will be busy with the following:

- New commissioner recruitment and orientation;
- Active Commission projects underway;
- Report to Council for 2014 with 2015 work plan; and
- Website updates

The Commission Manager also reminded the Commission that although Chair and Vice-Chair elections usually take place in January under the VCPC policy, they will be delayed this year until after the appointment of new Commissioners to fill vacancies.

b) Reports from Liaison Members

Trustee Lombardi provided an update on the seismic upgrades that are underway and reported that the Ministry of Education is opening a project office to handle all remaining seismic upgrades to existing buildings. He also noted that a 15 million dollar deficit has been projected and a series of public consultation meetings will be held before making any final decisions on the budget in April.

c) Report on the Urban Design Panel

Commissioner Mondor reviewed the December 17, 2014 Urban Design Panel meeting and provided a brief overview of the meeting to be held today, January 14, 2015.

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

d) Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner B. Yan reported that a new exhibition at the Museum of Vancouver entitled "*cəsnəʔəm, the city before the city*" will open on January 22, 2015, and he will be volunteering at the launch party on January 21, 2015. He also noted that the School of Community and Regional Planning's 7th annual symposium is being held on Friday, February 27, 2015.

Commissioner Johal reported that the annual Jim Green memorial event will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2015.

Commissioner Krangle reviewed the discussion surrounding the Beach Avenue towers that took place at the Development Permit Board last Friday.

3. BUSINESS MEETING

a) Heritage Action Plan Advisory Committee

Commissioner Carter reported on the Committee meeting which took place yesterday, noting that the agenda dealt with the First Shaughnessy District regulatory framework overview and the public engagement schedule.

b) Commission Initiatives

i. Planning/Development Chronology

Commissioner Matas provided an update on the chronology project and noted that the course was over-subscribed resulting in a wait list. A chronology advisory committee has been formed and Commission members will be meeting with the class next Wednesday.

ii. Museum of Vancouver Project

The Commission Manager provided a brief update on the Museum of Vancouver Project and noted that a revised project description has been circulated.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a) Transit Referendum

The Commission discussed possible contributions they could make during the transit referendum.

b) Work Plan 2015

The Commission will meet later in the day to continue development of the work plan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Bauer
SECONDED by Commissioner B. Yan

THAT this meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: January 28, 2015
TIME: 12:15 pm
PLACE: Committee Room 1
Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 1:40 pm.

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