



VANCOUVER CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

May 10, 2017

A meeting of the Vancouver City Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, May 10, 2017, at 3:16 pm, in Committee Room 1, Third Floor, Vancouver City Hall.

- PRESENT:** Nola-Kate Seymoar, Chair
Daniella Fergusson
Amelia Huang
Tl'akwasik'ən Khelsilem
Karenn Krangle
Robert Matas
Leslie Shieh
- ABSENT:** Janice Abbott
David Crossley
Neal LaMontagne
Jennifer Marshall, Vice-Chair
Melanie Matining
Anthony Perl
- ALSO PRESENT:** Yuri Artibise, Executive Director
Commissioner Casey Crawford, Park Board Liaison
Chris Robertson, Staff Liaison, Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability
- CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:** Denise Swanston, Committee Clerk

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The Commission agreed to vary the order of the agenda to deal with item 2 as the first item of business. For ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in numerical order.

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1. ADMINISTRATION

a) Attendance

MOVED by Commissioner Huang
SECONDED by Commissioner Krangle

THAT Commissioners Abbott, Crossley, LaMontagne, Marshall, Matining, and Pearl be granted Leaves of Absence for this meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b) **Approval of Minutes**

MOVED by Commissioner Fergusson
SECONDED by Commissioner Huang

THAT the minutes of the April 12, 2017, Vancouver City Planning Commission meeting be approved, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c) **Notice of VCPC Meetings**

The Chair advised that the next two Regular Meetings of the Vancouver City Planning Commission (VCPC) will take place on June 7, and July 5, 2017.

2. PRESENTATION

Heritage Action Plan

Tanis Knowles Yarnell, Planner, Regulation Policy Group, provided a presentation on the Heritage Action Plan and responded to questions.

Tanis agreed to circulate the consultants' reports to the Committee.

3. LIAISON MEMBER REPORTS

a) **Reports from Liaison Members**

Commissioner Crawford provided an overview of the Vancouver Park Board meetings held May 10, 2017, as well as upcoming items, and responded to questions.

Park Board Committee Meeting Minutes are available at:

<http://vancouver.ca/your-government/park-Board-meetings-and-decisions.aspx>

The Executive Director provided an update on behalf of the Council Liaisons, providing a brief overview of the Council Meetings held April 12, 18, May 2 and May 3, 2017.

Council Minutes are available at:

<https://covapp.vancouver.ca/councilMeetingPublic/CouncilMeetings.aspx>

Chris Robertson, Staff Liaison, Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, provided an update regarding the Chinatown Revitalization, False Creek Flats, the Cambie Corridor Project, Sign Bylaw update, the Housing Reset, and the recent release of a Development Cost Levies audit report. Chris noted he would like one to two members from VCPC to sit on a Committee discussion group in mid-June.

- Going forward, the Commission would like to try and streamline schedules/topics with those of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability.

4. BUSINESS MEETING

a) Event Planning update

Deferred to next meeting.

b) Rethinking the Region 5 update

The Executive Director will send out a reminder to the Commission that the event will take place June 17, 2017, and those interested should RSVP. Commissioner Khelsilem agreed to act as greeter for the event; Commissioner Fergusson will help facilitate the event.

- The Chair suggested hosting a dinner or brunch, with the Commissioners from Seattle and will send an invite when a day/time is arranged.

The Chair and Executive Director reminded the Commission of the upcoming roundtable event, hosted by VCPC on May 18, 2017, and noted that relevant Committees/Commissions have been invited to participate. Chair Seymoar and Commissioners Crossley, Fergusson, and Krangle will attend on May 18.

5. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

a) Committee Reports

The Program and Projects Sub-Committee reported that they are in the process of creating a timeline to plan events.

Discussion emerged surrounding timing of survey and was referred back to the subcommittee.

MOVED by Commissioner Krangle
SECONDED by Commissioner Matas

THAT the Vancouver City Planning Commission authorize payment for up to two members from the Commission to attend the one day course "Financing Urban Growth: The Use of Development Cost Charges and Community Amenity Contributions" offered by Simon Fraser University, and report back to the Commission.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b) Report on Urban Design Panel

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

c) Report on Heritage Action Plan Advisory Committee

None.

d) Report on Transportation Stakeholder Advisory Group

None.

e) Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Matas attended “Jane’s Walk” over the weekend, topics discussed included sea level rise.

- The Commission would like to connect with Katie McPherson, Chief Resilience Officer, and Doug Smith, Acting Director, Sustainability to discuss sea-level rise, among other resilience topics related to city planning.

Commissioner Shieh noted she will have the draft letter regarding heritage preservation next week.

Commissioner Fergusson attended the Metro Vancouver breakfast on waste water, as well as an event at Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden: “Wellbeing in the City: The Impact of Culture, Heritage and Community on healthy Cities”.

Commissioner Khelsilem informed the Commission that he was invited to present at an Indigenous Art Tour that will take place in Vancouver, anyone interested in attending should contact him.

Commissioner Huang received correspondence from a student wondering about volunteer opportunities, if anyone requires assistance, email Commissioner Huang.

f) Executive Director’s Report

The Executive Director noted he will be out of town for the June 7 meeting, but the meeting will take place, as scheduled.

The Executive Director informed the Commission that this weekend is the Vancouver design weekend and will include open studio tours including Commissioner Fergusson’s. There will also be a discussion “The Value of Design: 10 Perspectives from 10 Designers”; this will take place in Council Chambers and will discuss how design can contribute to the city.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Huang
SECONDED by Commissioner Fergusson

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Meeting:

DATE: June 7, 2017
TIME: 3:00 pm
PLACE: Committee Room 1, Third Floor
Vancouver City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 5:02 pm.

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