

From: **"Mochrie, Paul"**

To: **"Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"**

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Subject: Council Memo - C40 Workshop

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Dear Mayor and Council,

The attached memo is in response to a council motion in 2022 that directed staff to investigate and report back on a C40 Cities-supported workshop hosted by Vancouver on accelerating local climate action plans. Key points in the memo include:

- City staff have been working with C40 Cities (a network of nearly 100 cities focused on advancing climate action) to host a workshop in Vancouver on May 14-16 focussed on “green and thriving neighbourhoods”, which will include staff from 14 leading cities across North America.
- In addition to the C40 workshop, City staff presented at a Climate Leadership Symposium last fall hosted by the provincial Climate Action Secretariat and Thompson Rivers University that was focused on advancing local government and public sector climate action plans across B.C.
- Going forward, staff will continue to seek out opportunities to share Vancouver’s experience with climate action planning and to learn from other leading cities.

Should you have any questions, please contact Doug Smith (doug.smith@vancouver.ca).

Best,
Paul

Paul Mochrie (he/him)
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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sḵwəxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

MEMORANDUM

April 25, 2024

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: Paul Mochrie, City Manager
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FROM: Doug Smith, Acting General Manger, Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability

SUBJECT: Council Memo - C40 Workshop

RTS #: NA

This memo is in response to a Council motion passed on July 19, 2022, directing staff to investigate and report back on a C40 Cities-supported workshop hosted by Vancouver on accelerating local climate action plans.

City staff have been working with C40 Cities (a network of nearly 100 cities focused on advancing climate action) to host a workshop in Vancouver on May 14-16 focussed on "green and thriving neighbourhoods". The workshop will include staff from 14 leading cities across North America and will focus on best practices to advance complete, walkable neighbourhoods. The workshop will feature a public event on May 15, which will include a keynote speaker and panel discussion (an invitation to Mayor and Council was circulated by email on March 15). This C40-supported workshop and public event is intended to help strengthen the connection between land use planning and climate action in Vancouver and elsewhere.

In addition to the C40 workshop, City staff presented at a Climate Leadership Symposium last fall hosted by the provincial Climate Action Secretariat and Thompson Rivers University that was focused on advancing local government and public sector climate action plans across B.C. The convening included staff from local governments and public sector organizations across the province. City staff shared our approach to climate action planning, monitoring and reporting, as well as our experience with

requiring zero emissions space and water heating systems in new construction. The symposium also provided a forum to learn more about progress in other B.C. cities as well as the provincial CleanBC roadmap, including opportunities to align our climate work and leverage funding.

Going forward, staff will continue to seek out opportunities to share Vancouver's experience with climate action planning and to learn from other leading cities. Please feel free to contact Doug Smith at doug.smith@vancouver.ca, if you have any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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