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To: "[Direct to Mayor and Council - DL](#)"

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Subject: Council Memo - REFM - Support of Filipino Legacy Society of Canada – proposed Nominal Lease of Library Square Retail Unit - June 5, 2026 - RTS#18385

Attachments: Memo to Mayor Council - REFM - Filipino Legacy Society of Canada Lease Grant - 2026-06-05.pdf

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see the attached memo regarding the Support of Filipino Legacy Society of Canada – proposed Nominal Lease of Library Square Retail Unit.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Best,
Armin

Armin Amrolia - Deputy City Manager (she/her)
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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the x m k y m/Musqueam, S wxwú7mesh/Squamish and s lilw ta /Tsleil-Waututh nations

MEMORANDUM

June 5, 2026

TO: Mayor and Council

CC: City Leadership Team
Donny van Dyk, City Manager
Jason Twa, City Clerk
Mellisa Morphy, Acting Chief of Staff, Mayor's Office
Andrew Newman, Director Real Estate Services

FROM: Armin Amrolia
General Manager, Real Estate, Environment and Facilities Management

SUBJECT: Support of Filipino Legacy Society of Canada – proposed Nominal Lease of Library Square Retail Unit

On December 10, 2025, Council approved a motion to fast-track the creation of dedicated cultural and community spaces for the Filipino community in the City (<https://council.vancouver.ca/20251210/documents/cfscA1.pdf>), which included the following specific direction:

- E. THAT Council direct staff to work with Filipino stakeholders, such as, the Filipino Legacy Society of Canada to identify a suitable City-owned or City-controlled property for use as an interim community space, and report back to Council on a potential location that may be leased to the Filipino Legacy Society at a nominal lease rate, subject to Council approval of such a lease as a grant.

City Staff have been engaged with the Filipino Legacy Society of Canada (“FLSC”) and have identified a vacant Commercial Retail Unit in Library Square at #205 – 350 West Georgia Street (the “Subject Property”) as a suitable interim space for their use:

- Leasable Area: 1,535 sq. ft.
- Gross Market Lease Rate: \$68/sf (\$104,380/annum + tax)
- Held in the Property Endowment Fund (PEF)

The Subject Property requires tenant improvements of \$50-80,000, dependent on tenancy needs, which were anticipated to be negotiated in a market lease deal.

Staff will bring a report to Council for July 28, 2026, seeking a nominal lease (and subject to confirmation, funding for tenant improvements) be provided to FLSC for a term of two (2) years).

The proposed nominal lease and potential tenant improvement funding constitute a grant, requiring a 2/3 affirmative vote of all Council members, in accordance with Section 206(1) of the Vancouver Charter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Armin Amrolia', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Armin Amrolia
General Manager, REFM

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