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#### CITY OF VANCOUVER

#### SPECIAL COUNCIL

April 11, 1968

A Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Thursday, April 11, 1968, in the #1 Committee Room, City Hall, at approximately 9:30 a.m.

PRESENT:

His Worship Deputy Mayor Atherton

Aldermen Adams, Alsbury, Bird, Broome, Graham,

Rankin, Sweeney and Wilson

ABSENT:

His Worship the Mayor

Aldermen Linnell

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL: R. Henry

#### BUSINESS

### Street Improvements on the Initiative

MOVED by Ald. Broome,

SECONDED by Ald. Sweeney,

THAT this Council do resolve itself into a Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing complaints against the proposed assessments on the accuracy of frontage measurements or any other complaints which persons interested may desire to make and which is by law cognizable by the Court, His Worship Deputy Mayor Atherton in the Chair.

- CARRIED

#### COURT OF REVISION

## Street Improvements on the Initiative

The Court noted Schedule #372 submitted by the Assessment Commissioner and heard delegations as follows.

Mr. D.H. Swan, Property Manager of Sterling Estates Limited, appeared and stated that, as owners of the Vogue Theatre and Studio Theatre in the 900 block Granville Street, they wished the City to retain the terrazzo sidewalks in front of the two theatres and requested they receive credit on the assessed value of these properties.

Mr. S. Kripps, representing the Theatre Row Improvement Committee, requested that the street widening be completed by June 15th.

Mr. Swan was advised that his request would be considered in a Board of Administration report dated April 5th and if Council adopted this report only two feet of the terrazzo sidewalk would be removed, leaving a width of 11 feet and that consideration would be given to reduction in the assessment.

MOVED by Ald. Adams,

SECONDED by Ald. Broome,

THAT Schedule #372, being Street Improvements on the Initiative, be approved.

- CARRIED

MOVED by Ald. Adams, SECONDED by Ald. Broome,

THAT the Court of Revision rise and report.

- CARRIED

#### COUNCIL

MOVED by Ald. Adams,

SECONDED by Ald. Broome,

THAT the report of the Court of Revision be adopted.

- CARRIED

## Local Improvements: Subsequent Procedure

The Council considered a Board of Administration report dated April 5, 1968, dealing with the subsequent procedure with respect to this project.

MOVED by Ald. Broome, SECONDED by Ald. Adams, THAT:

- (1) the project for the construction of sidewalks, the installation of street lights and plant containers and the planting of trees and shrubs on both sides of Granville Street from Robson Street to Nelson Street be undertaken;
- (2) the other work as listed below be proceeded with:-

Item	Description	Estimated Cos	t Source of Funds
	Relocate Trolley Feeders	\$ 6,000	Streets Capital Fund
11.	Standardize Trolley Poles	17,000	Streets Capital Fund
12.	Mid-block Pedestrian Signal	6,000	Traffic Control Reserve
13.	Revisions to Existing Signals	3	
	& Pedestrian Signal Heads	3,700	Traffic Control Reserve
14.	Illuminated Street Name Signs	800	Streets Capital Fund
		\$33,500	

(3) funds be provided out of the Contingency Reserve for the operating costs of the following items which were not provided for in the 1968 Revenue Budget:

a.	Mid-block Pedestrian Signal	\$	250
b.	Maintenance of Decorative		
,	Lighting & Signs		2,000
c.	Maintenance of Trees		100
d.	Illuminated Street Name Signs	_	<b>7</b> 5
		\$	2,425

- CARRIED

#### Donation to Theatre Row Improvement Project

The Council considered a Board of Administration report dated April 5, 1968, with respect to a donation received for "Downtown Beautification" from the Famous Players Canadian Corporation and Odeon Theatres (Canada) Limited as a contribution towards the cost of plant containers and the planting of trees. The offer is contingent on the scheme proceeding in the manner proposed by the design consultant and as approved by Council on February 27, 1968, and is limited to the estimated cost of \$5,000 which was shown on Appendix 1 of the report of the Board of Administration dated February 21, 1968. It is noted the Council has power, under the terms of the Vancouver Charter, to reduce the scope of a local improvement project.

MOVED by Ald. Graham, SECONDED by Ald. Broome, THAT:

- (a) the offer of the Famous Players Canadian Corporation and Odeon Theatres (Canada) Limited be accepted;
- (b) the Corporation Counsel be instructed to bring in a resolution for a later meeting of Council which would eliminate the installation of plant containers and the planting of trees from the local improvement project;
- (c) a letter of thanks be sent to the Famous Players Canadian Corporation and the Odeon Theatres (Canada) Limited for their support of this pilot project for "Downtown Beautification".

Existing Terrazzo Sidewalks in Theatre Row Local Improvement

The Council considered a report of the Board of Administration dated April 5, 1968, which deals with request of Sterling Estates Limited to retain the existing terrazzo sidewalk in front of the Studio and Vogue Theatres and reduce their assessment accordingly. The Theatre Row Improvement Committee concurs with the retention of the existing terrazzo. It is noted that by retaining this terrazzo sidewalk it is estimated that the cost of the proposed sidewalk project will be reduced by \$550.00.

MOVED by Ald. Broome, SECONDED by Ald. Bird, THAT:

- (a) the existing terrazzo sidewalks in front of the Vogue and Studio Theatres be left in place except for a strip approximately 2 ft. wide back of the curb and
- (b) the Corporation Counsel be directed to prepare a resolution when the costs are known, to give relief to the parcels abutting the the terrazzo walk amounting to the estimated saving effected by retaining the terrazzo. The relief will be based on the area of walk retained and the average cost per square foot of new sidewalk installed on the remainder of the project.

- CARRIED BY THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

# Leave of Absence: Alderman Broome

MOVED by Ald. Bird, SECONDED by Ald. Adams,

THAT Alderman Broome be granted leave of absence on April 23, 1968, in order that he might attend the U.B.C.M. Executive Meeting in Victoria.

- CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

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The above are the Minutes of Council dated April 11, 1968.

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CITY CLERK

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