

Vancouver's budget for 1893 finalized – April 24, 1893

Vancouver's estimated income for 1893 was \$524,021.18 Expenditures were expected to be \$408,941.78

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Vancouver April 24th 1893

The Council met on Monday April 24th 1893 at 8 P.M.

Present- His Worship, the Mayor and Aldermen Anderson, Salsbury, Collins, Hackett, McCraney, Cargill, Hobson, Franklin, Brown and Fowler.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

The following communications were received:

From E.A. Bickmore of London, Eng. Asking to be supplied with reliable information regarding Vancouver.

Referred to the Board of Trade

From the B.C. Cooperage & Jute Co. asking that the approach to their premises be repaired.

Already attended to by B of Works

From A.C. Brydone-Jack Solicitor serving writ in a suit between Jean Glysell and the City to recover monies claimed to be due Tupper Thomson

Referred to the City Solicitor

From J.J. Blake, Solicitor serving writ on behalf of Robert Campbell for recovery of wages claimed due from the City as Guard at the Isolation Hospital

Referred to the City Solicitor

From the Secretary of the School Board asking the Council to submit a ByLaw to the people to raise 60,000 for the erection of additional schools etc.

Laid over to be considered with the Estimates

From A.M. Beattie asking for the appointment of Mr. Manson as Market Clerk in place of G.W. Thomas resigned

Referred to the Police Committee

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From the City Auditor submitting report for March

Filed

~~Mr~~ Alderman Salsbury suggested that the Debenture and Revenue balances be shown

separately in the reports in future.

From W.B. Conkey Company of Chicago asking the City to have an advertisement inserted in the official Directory & Reference Book for distribution during the World's Fair
Referred to the Finance Committee to enquire into Cost.

From Geo Gagan calling attention to the Violation of the Market By-Law by the Lessee
Referred to the Police Committee

From I. Oppenheimer, President of the V.E.R.& L. Co asking permission to extend the street car track from Hastings Street to Cordova on Granville and from Granville to Cambie on Cordova
Moved by Alderman Fowler

Seconded by " Hackett

That the desired permission be granted

Carried

From the Park Commissioners asking for an addition of \$1000.00 to their Estimates.
Laid over to be considered with Estimates

G.W. Thomas appeared before the bar of the Council and accused the Lessee of the Market with violating the Market By-Law.
Referred to the Market Committee

The following Reports were read:-

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee met on Friday April 21st 1893.

Present – Aldermen Collins (in the Chair) Cargill and Hobson

It was resolved:-

1. That the following accounts be paid:-

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| 1. | A. St. G Hammersley | Law Costs | \$22.45 |
| | School Trustees | Grant | 5000.00 |
| | C. F. Dupont: | balance due on expropriation | 70.00 |
| | Jas. A. Cohen, Printing amendments to Charter | | 152.00 |
| | \$66.00 of which is to be charged to the B.I. & F.C.Ry Co. | | |
| | News-Advertiser, Advertising | | \$72.90 |
| | \$64.00 of which is to be charged to the V.E.R.& L. Co | | |
| | Van Gurney Cab Co. Hack hire | | 6.00 |
| | Bailey Bros. | Carbon paper. | .75 |
2. That the attention of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund be called to Section 141a of the amendments to the City Charter 1893. Regarding the Sinking Fund.
 3. That Dalton McCarsty be appointed to represent the City in the appeal case between the City and the CPR Co re Gore Avenue extension
sgd R.A. Anderson
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Hobson

Seconded by “ Brown.

That the Report be adopted.

Carried.

F.W. & L. Committee

The F.W. & L. Committee met on Wednesday April 19th 1893.

Present Aldermen Franklin, Salsbury, Fowler, Hackett & Cargill.

It was recommended:-

1. That the petition from Mrs Sarah Salsbury etal asking for an Electric Light on the corner of 8thAv and Quebec Street be laid over as it is not the intention to place any more lights until next fall when the petition will be considered.

2. That the following accounts be paid:-

Creamer & Langley	Reducers, pipe etc	\$148.54
London Carriage Works	Repairs to wagon	2.50
McLennan & McFeely	Brass work	648.13
Godfrey & Co	Supplies	4.54
Bailey Bros	Time Books	.50
J.P. Blake	Bread	4.68

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Crowder & Penzer	Feed	\$42.44
Henry R. Worthington	Meter Counter	2.22
W. Hooper etal	Labor	279.05

sgd J.K. Franklin

Chairman

Moved by Alderman Collins

Seconded by “ Brown

That the Report be adopted.

Carried

Police Committee

The Police Committee met on Tuesday April 18th 1893

Present: Aldermen Fowler, Hobson and Hackett

It was recommended:-

1. That the following accounts be paid:-

D. McRae	Carpentering	\$8.75
Philp Bros	Supplies	10.80
M. Cunningham	Hack hire	2.50
G.L. Allen	Supplies	1.25
Gurney Cab Co	Hack hire	.75
W.A. McIntosh	supplies	26.80
J.P. Blake	“	26.10
C.F. Foreman	“	29.08
John McLaren	Ry fares	4.75

2. That a revolver in possession of the police, stolen from Godfrey & co be returned to Them.

3. That free water be granted to A.M. Beattie for the Market Hall.
4. That the resignation of G.W. Thomas as Market Clerk be accepted.
5. That the communication from Wm Crickmay in reference to Musical entertainment in the Market Hall be filed
6. That \$100.00 be placed to the credit of the Mayor as a secret service fund.

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7. That \$200.00 be spent on repairs to the roof of the Market Hall.

sgd Wm Fowler
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Salisbury

Seconded by " Cargill

That the clause in the Report in reference to free water for Mr Beattie be referred to the F. W. & L. and Police Committee

Carried

Moved by Alderman Hobson

Seconded by " Hackett

That the balance of the Report be adopted.

Carried

Board of Works

The Board of Works met on April 28th 1893

Present: Alderman McCraney, Brown, Haskett, and Franklin

It was recommended:-

1. That the communication from C.E. Hope, requesting the board to deepen the sewer in the lane between Howe and Hamilton Streets in Block 46, subdivision 541, be left in hands of the City Engineer to have the necessary levels taken, and report
2. That the communication from the manager of the BC. Cooperage and Jute Co Ltd asking that a box drain be put in at the gutter at the entrance to their yard in at the gutter at the entrance to their yard at the foot of Cambie Street be referred to the Street Inspector for attention if necessary
3. That the communication from Lindsay Phillip asking for a sidewalk opposite his house On Robson Street corner of Nicola Street be laid over to be added to the Estimates.
4. That John Potter be furnished with sufficient wooded box drains taken from elsewhere to put in Block 5. Sub 185
5. That the communications from Wm. Tierney & son

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And John Potter re delay on their contracts be filed

6. That the communication from the President of the Vancouver Electric Railway & Light Company asking permission to continue the present track on Powell Street from

the businesses easterly to the City Limits and also along Robson St to Stanley Park be laid over until after the vote on the By-Law for guaranteeing the interest on the bonds of the company have been polled.

7. That R. Robinson be furnished with the grades asked for on Alberni Street and Estimates be prepared as to the cost of opening up said street from Nicola to Cordero.

8. That A. Calori be granted permission to erect iron balconies on his new hotel on Powell St provided they have not a greater projection than 2'6"

9. That the Street Inspector be authorized to use old plank for the purpose of planking the lane in Block 36. 541, as soon as it is taken up on the streets being paved.

10. That the communication from D.C. Craig etal asking that a 12 ft. alley be constructed in Block 101. 196 and offering to deed over to the City the land required be referred to Alderman Franklin to get the balance of the signatures of the property owners in the block.

11. That the Provincial Government be asked to give a small piece at the Court House Corner with a view to straightening Hastings Street

12. That the following accounts be paid:-

H. Lomas etal	Labor	\$561.80
D. McGillivray	Street Paving	1643.07
Tye & Co.	Supplies	2.05
Evans, Coleman & Evans	Coal	19.00
Bailey Bros.	Stationery	1.25
News. Advertiser	Printing	8.00

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Evans, Coleman & Evans	Sewer pipes	\$264.05
J.J. Nickson	Sewer contract No 11	887.25
H. Exsince	Express hire	1.00
	sgd H.P. McCraney	
	Chair	

Moved by Alderman Hackett

Seconded by " Fowler

That the Report be adopted.

Carried.

Health Committee

The Health Committee met on Tuesday April 18th 1893

Present – Aldermen Collins, Cargill and Hobson.

It was recommended:-

1. That the following accounts be paid:-

C.F. Foreman	Supplies	\$78.39
W.S. Cook	Scavengering	85.75
H.H. Layfield & Co.	Supplies	10.20

J.R. Foster & Co.	“	71.52
J.T. Herritt & Co		75.28
Jas McGregor	Costs for advertising colt	11.50
W.A. McIntosh & Co	Supplies	22.03
W.S. Cook		.50
Thos. Dunn & Co.		.77
S.T. Tilley & Son		3.20
Fred Allen	“	1.50
Wilson Herald.	Ex. Of Lunatic	5.00
Champion & White,	Scavengering	5.00
W.J. McGuigan	Inquests etc.	20.00
J.P. Blake	Supplies	6.30
Palmer Bros.	“	2.00
Leatherdale & Smith	Hack hire	2.75
Gurney Cab Co	Supplies	68.00
Green	Labor	1.25
Philp Bros.	Supplies	56.46
Hudsons Bay Co	Supplies	16.00
Gordon Drysdale	“	12.57
Wm Ralph	“	9.00
Champion & White	“	4.00
C.F. Foreman	“	7.15
Atkins & Atkins	“	16.22

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Cook & Carrierre	Scavengering	\$2.00
J.R. Foster & Co	Supplies	102.84
J.M. O'Toole	“	49.45
Wm Ralph	“	72.02
Thos. Dunn & Co	“	3.05
J.A. Skinner & Co	“	9.00
J.P. Blake	“	20.15
C.F. Foreman	“	68.10
W.A. McIntosh & Co	“	82.68
Atkins & Atkins	“	61.26
J.R. Foster	“	12.80
News Advertiser	“	7.00
F.W. Hart	“	2.50

2. That the pipelayer bond submitted by M. Derosier be approved.

3. That the Caretaker of the Cemetery be supplied with a Suit – covering to protect him while digging graves.

4. That the account submitted by Dr. McGuigan for examining trains and boats be not paid by the City as the Committee considers that the Provincial Government is responsible for same.

5. That Geo Gagan, Secretary of the Trades and Council, who wrote regarding Chinese Piggeries on False Creek be informed that the matter received attention before the Receipt of his communication.

6. That the City Clerk again notify the City Scavengers not to dump garbage over the City wharves but to have same conveyed to the crematory for destruction

7. That the City Hospital be furnished with a lawn mower and other tools required
sgd Henry Collins
Chairman

Moved by Alderman Salsbury

Seconded by " Fowler

That the Report be adopted. Carried

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The Council went into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Estimates, Alderman McCraney in the Chair.

Moved by Alderman Fowler

Seconded by " Collins

That a By-Law be submitted to the ratepayers to raise \$60,000 for the Construction of schools, etc.

Lost

Moved by Alderman Anderson.

That \$1000.00 be added to the Park Commissioners Estimates and taken Out of the Finance Contingent.

Carried

The Estimates were gone over item by item and finally confirmed as follows:-

Estimates for 1893

Receipts

Sundry as per Schedule 1.	\$118,530.40
Taxes " " " 2.	<u>290,411.38</u>
	<u>\$408941.78</u>
Sundries as per Schedule	118530.40
Taxes @ 2%	36733.78
" Arrears	<u>38124.</u>
	<u>\$524021.18</u>

Expenditures

Finance as per schedules 3/4/5	216,790.99
Board of Health " 6/7	23,846.25
Fire Water & Light " 8/9/10	59,573.54
Police " 11	17,891.00
Board of Works " 12	86,900.00
Park Commissioners	<u>4,000.00</u>
	<u>40,8941.78</u>

Summary

Interest Sinking Fund	102391.66
Schools	49959.23
General Fund	256,590.89
Rebate	73,473.35
Arrears	<u>41,606.05</u>
	<u>\$524021.18</u>

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Schedule 1

Estimated Receipts

Licenses	33000.	
Cemetery Fees	1200.	
Hospital	750.	
Market Rent	1200.	
Poll Tax	10,000.	
Police Court Fines	3500.	
Water Rates (Collections)	45,000.	
Brockton Point A.A. refund	605.20	
Jockey Club	605.20	
Prov. Govt. Grant to Hospital	5000.	
" " " Fire Dept.	500.	
" " " Schools (say)	3000.	
Clearing D. L. 185 (refund)	6200.	
Miscellaneous	<u>2500.</u>	113,060.40
City Dept. Water		
Board of Works	1200.	
Fire Water & Light	4150.	
Board of Health	96.	
Finance	<u>24.</u>	5470.
		<u>\$118530.40</u>

Schedule 2

Tax Receipts

1887 to 1892 Inclusive	38,124.00
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Assessed Value for '93 & Rate of Taxation 2%

\$18,368,339 @ 2% \$367,366.78

Deduct for Rebate & arrears	\$115079.40	<u>252287.38</u>	<u>290411.38</u>
			290411.38

For	School purposes	2 ¾	Mills
"	Int & Skg Fund	5 3/5	"
"	General Fund	<u>11 13/20</u>	"

Total	<u>20</u>	“
20% Rebate for payment	<u>4</u>	“
Net	<u>16</u>	“

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Schedule 3 Finance Committee

Salaries

Treasurer	1500.	
City Clerk	1500.	
Accountant	1500.	
Solicitor	1500.	
Poll Tax Collector	900.	
Auditor	480.	
Assessor	200.	
Special	500.	8580.

Grant to Mayor		2000.
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Interest & Sinking Fund

By-Law	Interest	Skg. Fund	
No 12	846	478.	1324
13	483	563.27	1046.27
29	9055.20	1578.00	10633.20
44	1200	210.40	1410.40
64	9000	1578	10578.00
70	750	375	1125.
80	6250	1315	7565.
91	1000	210.40	1210.40
94	1500	315.60	1815.60
100	6250	1315.	7565.
126 & 127	23753.30	6208.68	29961.88
146 to 151	19142.67	5998.30	25140.97
155 (1/3)	1876.71	1135.18	3011.89
29 revote	<u>4.05</u>	<u> </u>	<u>4.05</u>
	<u>81,110.83</u>	<u>21280.83</u>	102391.66

<u>Stationery</u>	2500.00
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(4) Insurance

Market	15000	3 yrs	210.	
Crematory	5000	1 “	64.	
Fire Hall No 1	2000	“	100.	
Contingent			<u>126.</u>	500.00

<u>Telephones</u>	40.
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<u>Lights, City Hall</u>	275.
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<u>Fuel</u> “ “	<u>250.</u>
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Carried forward	116536.66
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Finance Contd.

Brt forward		116536.66	
Commission & Exchange		700.	
Election Expenses		600.	
Legal Expenses		2500.	
Grant to Band		600.	
Deficit, 1892		33135.36	
Contingencies		9000.	
Reading Room Revote	159.74		
“ “ Grant	3600.	3759.74	

Schedule 5 Schools

Salaries (revote)	6314.73		
“ 1893	26497.50		
Caretaking	2860.		
Sundries	1600.		
Fuel	1125		
Water	342.		
Rent	570.		
Heating East End	4000.		
Desks & Seats	5050		
Truant Officer	150.		
Secretary	300.		
Contingencies	1000.		
Water Connections	<u>150.</u>	<u>49959.23</u>	
			<u>216,790.99</u>

Schedule 6 Board of Health

Hospital Salaries

Matron	600.		
Nurses (2)	480.		
“ extra	240.		
Porter	420.		
Cook	360.		
“ Asst.	180.		
Medical Officer	600.		
Health “	1020.		
Night Nurse	<u>480.</u>	<u>4380.</u>	
Carried forward		4380.	216790.99

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Board of Health contd.

Brought forward		4380	216790.99
Caretaker Isol.n Hospital		590.	
“ Cemetery	\$720		
“ Asst.	60	780	

“	Crematory	1200.	
Hospital	Supplies	5000.	
“	Lighting	720.	
“	Fuel	700.	
“	Wing	176.25	
“	Telephones	150.	
“	Inquests & Examinations	250.	
“	Cemetery Expenses	200.	
Schedule 7 “	Scavenger “	2500.	
	Crematory Repairs	200.	
“	Relief Destitute	500.	
“	Contagious Diseases	5000.	
“	Contingent Expenses	<u>1500.</u>	
			23,846.25
	Carried forward		210637.24

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Schedule 8	<u>Fire, Water, & Light Committees</u>	
	Brought forward	210637.24

Fire Brigade Salaries

Chief	1200.	
Engineer	960.	
: . asst	840.	
Foreman	780.	
“	720	
Teamster	720.	
“	720.	
“	720.	
Firemen (3) 55.	2025.	
“	1320	
Linesman	720.	
Firemen (4) 45	2160.	
“ Increase	55.	
Stokers 50.45.	1140.	
“ Increase	75.	
Call Men (3)	472.50	
Prov. For change of Caller to permanent men	270.	14897.50
Hose	1000.	
“ Wagon	500.	
Harness & Horses	1400.	
Feed & Shoeing	2000.	

Fuel Lighting Oil etc.		1250.	
Telephones		125.	
Street Lighting			18,000.
Schedule 9			
Uniforms, Rubbers etc.		1245.	
Repairs		1000.	
	Carrd. Fowd	41417.50	240637.24

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Fire, Water & Light Committee cont.d

Brought forward		41417.50	240637.24
Fire Alarm Boxes	586.04		
“ “ “ 5 new	750.		
“ Maintenance	<u>200.</u>	1536.04	
Repairs			
Contingencies		1000.	
Water Works Dept.			
Salaries Office	1200.		
“	600.		
Foreman 11 ms	<u>990.</u>	2790.	
Telephones		400.	
Repairs to submerged Main		1000.	
“ shop		320.	
City Maintenance	1800.		
N.S.B.S.	1800.		
Dam	<u>1500.</u>	5100	
Tools		300.	
Stationery, postage, etc		500.	
Schedule 10			
Hydrants 160 & \$25	4000.		
Fire Halls Water 3 @ \$25	<u>150.</u>	4150.	
Contingent a/cs		<u>1000.</u>	59513.54
			<u>\$300150.78</u>

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Schedule 11	Police Commissioners	300150.78
	Brought forwd.	

Salaries

Chief of Police	1200.	
Serjeant	960	
Police 9 @ \$840	7560	
1 proposed 10 mo.	600	
Jailor	840	
Caretaker	300	
Constable	<u>120</u>	11580.00
Poundkeeper		600.
Magistrate		1800.

Transport of Prisoners	175.	
Clothing of Prisoners	150.	
Board of Prisoners	1500.	
Telephones	36.	
Uniforms	1100.	
Contingent	600.	
Market Repairs	200.	
Pound Repairs	<u>150.</u>	17891.—

Carried forward		<u>318041.78</u>
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Schedule 12	<u>Board of Works</u>
	Brought forward

318041.78

Salaries

Engineer	2700	
Asst “	1500	
Street Supt. Dt	1200.	
Office Clerk	900.	
Extra	<u>1700</u>	8000.

Stationery	300.	
Repairs	9000.	
Street Cleaning	1200.	
Repairs to Bridges	1000.	
Provision for Clearing 185.	6200.	
Water for Flush Tanks	1200.	
New Work.	55000	
Contingent a/cs	5000	86900.

Park Commissioners Grant	<u>4000..</u>
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Notice of Motion

Alderman Anderson gave notice that at next meeting of Council he would introduce A ByLaw to strike the rate for the year 1893.

The Council then adjourned, to meet on Friday 28th April 1893 at 8 p.m for the Purpose of passing By-Laws.

Thos. F. McGuigan
City Clerk

F. Cope
Mayor