



CITY OF VANCOUVER

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: City Clerk and Director of Legal Services

SUBJECT: Business License Hearing Panels for May 10, 19, and 26, 2005

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council delegate the holding of the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for May 10 and 19, 2005, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and May 26, 2005, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., to a panel of three Council Members, pursuant to Section 277.1 of the Vancouver Charter, as follows:

The Business License Hearings pursuant to Section 275 of the Vancouver Charter regarding referrals to Council by the Chief License Inspector for the year 2005 business licenses and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings be delegated to:

May 10, 2005 - 9:30 a.m.
Councillor Peter Ladner, Chair
Councillor David Cadman
Councillor Raymond Louie
Councillor Jim Green, Alternate

May 19, 2005 - 9:30 a.m.
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth, Chair
Councillor Anne Roberts
Councillor Sam Sullivan
Councillor Tim Stevenson, Alternate

May 26, 2005 - 7:30 p.m.
Councillor David Cadman, Chair
Councillor Peter Ladner
Councillor Tim Louis
Councillor Jim Green, Alternate

Should any of the above Members of Council be unable to attend the hearings, the hearings and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings be delegated to the remaining two Councillors and alternate Councillors.

COUNCIL POLICY

Section 277.1 of the Vancouver Charter gives Council the power to delegate the holding of a Business License Hearing under Section 275 or Section 278, or an appeal under Section 277, by Resolution to one or more Council Members. On November 30, 1999, Council adopted a procedure relating to Business License Hearings whereby the Hearings will generally be conducted before a panel of three Members of Council, although Council may designate that a Hearing be conducted before a panel comprised of a greater number of Members of Council.

PURPOSE

To establish panels for the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for May 10, 19, and 26, 2005.

DISCUSSION

The *Vancouver Charter* confers on Council the power to delegate the holding of Business License Hearings to one or more Members of Council. Council must designate, by Resolution, Members of Council who will deal with each specific Hearing.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

CONCLUSION

Staff recommend that Council pass the recommendation contained in this report.

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