



CITY OF VANCOUVER

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: City Clerk
SUBJECT: Councillor Eligible Activities for April 1 through June 30, 2005

CONSIDERATION

That Council approve the eligible activities as defined by By-law No. 8904 undertaken by Councillor Woodsworth during the period of April 1 - June 30, 2005.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The City Manager submits this report for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL POLICY

Mayor and Council Members' Expenses By-law No. 8904.

PURPOSE

To obtain Council's approval of those eligible activities undertaken by individual Council Members during the period of April through June 2005 for which prior Council approval was not obtained - nor required - under s.2.2 of By-law No. 8904.

BACKGROUND

Under the Mayor and Council Members Expenses By-law No. 8904, where a council member wishes to engage in an eligible activity as defined by s.1.2(c) of the By-law, the council member must request Council's approval prior to engaging in those eligible activities outside British Columbia. An eligible activity means representing the city, engaging in city business, or attending a course, meeting, or convention. However, as per s.2.2(a), when the eligible activity occurs within British Columbia, the council member is not required to obtain prior approval. In such instances, the By-law (s.3.8) requires that a report be brought forward on a quarterly basis outlining the eligible activities for Council's consideration and approval. Where Council opts not to approve the eligible activity of an individual council member, the related eligible expenses will not be reimbursed to that member.

There is no report required for the period January 1 through March 31 as all eligible activities of individual Councillors as defined by By-law 8904 received the prior approval of Council.

DISCUSSION

During the period of January through May 2005, the following Council Members incurred expenses for eligible activities not approved by Council prior to undertaking the activity:

Council Member	Destination and Date	Purpose	Cost
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth	Whistler - May 11 - 12, 2005	To attend the LMMA Annual General Meeting	\$633.88

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds are available through the Travel and Training budget.

CONCLUSION

Mayor and Council Members Expenses By-law No. 8904 requires that a report be brought forward on a quarterly basis outlining the eligible activities undertaken by individual Councillors for which prior Council approval was not required nor obtained. The report is for Council's consideration and approval.

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