



CITY OF VANCOUVER

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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Meeting Date: October 16, 2007

TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: City Clerk
SUBJECT: Business License Hearing Panels for November 2007

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council delegate the holding of the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for November 14, 2007, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm; November 21, 2007, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm; and November 27, 2007 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, 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 2007 business licenses and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearing be delegated to:

November 14 - 9:30 am

- Councillor Louie - Chair
- Councillor Lee
- Councillor Deal
- Councillor Capri - Alternate

November 21 - 9:30 am

- Councillor Cadman - Chair
- Councillor Chow
- Councillor Deal
- Councillor Louie - Alternate

November 27 - 9:30 am

- Councillor Capri - Chair
- Councillor Ball
- Councillor Louie
- Councillor Anton - 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 a panel for the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for November 14, 21 and 27, 2007.

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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