



CITY OF VANCOUVER

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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Meeting Date: December 11, 2007

TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: City Clerk
SUBJECT: Business License Hearing Panels for January 2008

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council delegate the holding of the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for January 23, 2008, from 9:30am to 12:30pm; January 29, 2008, from 9:30 am to 12:30pm; and January 31, 2008, from 7:30pm to 10:30pm, 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 2008 business licenses and the power to make a Council decision in relation to those hearings be delegated to:

January 23, 2008 - 9:30am

Councillor Chow - Chair
Councillor Ladner
Councillor Louie
Councillor Ball - Alternate

January 29, 2008 - 9:30am

Councillor Cadman - Chair
Councillor Ball
Councillor Deal
Councillor Lee - Alternate

January 31, 2008 - 7:30pm
Councillor Louie - Chair
Councillor Anton
Councillor Chow
Councillor Deal - 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 January 23, January 29, and January 31, 2008.

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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