

MEMORANDUM

March 3, 2008

TO: Vancouver City Council

CC: Judy Rogers, City Manager
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FROM: Geoff Plant, Project Civil City Commissioner in consultation with the General Manager of Community Services, the Chief Licence Inspector and the Chief Constable

SUBJECT: ADDENDUM TO RTS NO. 07043: INCREASING MINIMUM FINES IN BY-LAWS (For March 11, 2007 Council Meeting)

Secondhand Dealers and Pawnbrokers By-law No. 2807:

Vancouver Police advise that any offence under this by-law relates to a premise that is dealing in stolen property or allowing a situation to exist that promotes dealing in stolen property, such as not requesting identification or receiving goods that show an indication of theft. They suggest that a substantial increase in the minimum fine to \$1,000 will provide a realistic deterrent to operators of Secondhand or Pawnbroker establishments.

Therefore staff request that the following RECOMMENDATION be added to the report (Increasing the Minimum Fines Set Out in By-laws and Amending Related Provisions of Those By-laws):

- C. THAT Council amend Section 4.2 of the Secondhand Dealers and Pawnbrokers By-law No. 2807 to increase the minimum fine from \$200.00 to \$1,000.00.



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