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### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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Meeting Date: September 16, 2008

TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: City Clerk

SUBJECT: Business License Hearing Panels - September and October 2008

#### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council delegate the holding of the Business License Hearings presently scheduled for September 30, 2008, from 9:30am to 12:30pm; October 8, 2008, from 9:30am to 12:30pm; and October 14, 2008, from 9:30am to 12:30pm, 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:

**September 30, 2008 - 9:30am**  
Councillor Tim Stevenson, Chair  
Councillor David Cadman  
Councillor Peter Ladner  
Councillor Elizabeth Ball, Alternate

**October 8, 2008 - 9:30 am**  
Councillor Elizabeth Ball, Chair  
Councillor Peter Ladner  
Councillor Raymond Louie  
Councillor BC Lee, Alternate

**October 14, 2008 - 9:30 am**  
Councillor George Chow, Chair  
Councillor Kim Capri  
Councillor Raymond Louie  
Councillor Suzanne 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 September 30, October 8 and 14, 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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