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## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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Meeting Date: March 27, 2012

TO: Vancouver City Council  
FROM: Chief Election Officer  
SUBJECT: Campaign Financing Disclosure Statements for 2011 General Local Election  
- Failure to File

### *RECOMMENDATION*

THAT the following report be received for Information.

### *REPORT SUMMARY*

Section 64.2 of the Vancouver Charter requires that the City Clerk present the name of any candidate, elector organization or campaign organizer that did not file a disclosure statement within the 120 day filing period to an open meeting of Council as soon as practicable. This report is to comply with the statutory requirement.

### *COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS*

There is no related Council authority.

### *CITY MANAGER'S/GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS*

The City Manager submits this report for information.

### *REPORT*

#### *Background/Context*

Section 62 of the Vancouver Charter requires that candidates and elector organizations file a campaign financing disclosure statement within 120 days after general voting day of the election. This section also applies to campaign organizers that incurred more than \$500 in election expenses or received more than \$500 in campaign contributions. The last day to meet this statutory requirement was March 19, 2012.

### *Strategic Analysis*

The following candidates did not file campaign financing disclosure statements by March 19, 2012 which is last day of the 120-day filing period:

- Lloyd Alan Cooke (candidate for Mayor)
- Samuel Pelletier (candidate for Mayor)
- Lauren Gill (candidate for Councillor)
- Aaron Spires (candidate for Councillor)
- Francis Wong (candidate for Councillor)
- Andrew Murray (candidate for Park Commissioner)
- Tammy Truong (candidate for Park Commissioner)
- Jane Bouey (candidate for School Trustee)

The candidates have been contacted.

Section 62.2 of the Vancouver Charter permits the candidates to file their disclosure statements up to 30 days after the deadline, that is, by April 18<sup>th</sup>, if they pay a late penalty of \$500 to the City.

Alternatively, they may apply to the Supreme Court, requesting relief from the responsibility to file. The petition notifying the City of the filing of this application must be served on the City no later than seven days after the end of the late filing period.

Those candidates who fail to file by the end of the late filing period and pay the penalty, will be disqualified from being nominated or elected to the Vancouver City Council, the council of another municipality, regional district board, board of school trustees, or the Islands Trust, until after the next general local election in 2014. The list of disqualified candidates will be sent to the Inspector of Municipalities.

### *Implications/Related Issues/Risk (if applicable)*

#### *Financial*

The late filing penalties are payable to the City.

### *CONCLUSION*

The Vancouver Charter requires that the City Clerk present the name of any candidate, elector organization or campaign organizer that did not file a campaign financing disclosure statement within the 120-day filing period to an open meeting of Council as soon as practicable. This report is to comply with the statutory requirement.

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