MOTION ON NOTICE B.4

## 4. Support for Small Business

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## WHFRFAS

1. Many small businesses operate across Metro Vancouver in many municipal jurisdictions, each of which requires a separate business licence.

- 2. This duplication imposes a regulatory burden on small businesses and municipalities.
- 3. Mobile business licences have already been implemented with some success in the Okanagan and two Metro Vancouver municipalities.
- 4. City staff, as well as the Vancouver Economic Commission, have already begun to analyze the costs and benefits of this approach, including the impacts on city revenue and enforcement.
- 5. The Vancouver Board of Trade has identified mobile licences as an important strategy to foster small business success and reduce regulatory burden;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council ask staff and the Vancouver Economic Commission to report on the status of the city's work, including the feasibility of a pilot program, developed in partnership with the Board of Trade and other interested municipalities, to implement a mobile business licensing program

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