

Memorandum

To:

Mayor and Councillors

Date:

April 5, 2002

From:

Kiichi Kumagai

File:

Councillor

Re:

Proposed Resolution on Gaming in Richmond

This is to advise you that it is my intention to introduce the attached motion at the April 8, 2002 Council meeting if the previous resolution on this subject is rescinded as per my Notice of Motion.

Kiichi Kumagai Councillor

Att. 1

Whereas, at the regular Council meeting of Monday, September 14, 1998, Council passed the following resolution:

it was Moved and Seconded

That a letter be written to Premier Glen Clark, and to Mr. Mike Farnworth, Minister responsible for Public Gaming Policy, re-affirming Council's position that the city does not support the expansion of gaming within its jurisdiction, and that copies of this correspondence be sent to the Provincial Gaming project working group.

Whereas, when Council passed the above resolution, Council did not have any track record of social consequences related to slot machines in Richmond,

Whereas, new information received has not created social havoc where slots are allowed in communities,

Whereas, slot machines have created substantial new revenue sources for host communities,

Therefore, Be it resolved:

That Richmond City Council support hosting of a full service casino with slot machines in Richmond as an added source of revenue under current provincial government policy, and

That a letter be written to Richmond's three M.L.A.s, to the President of the B.C. Lottery Corporation, and to Premier Gordon Campbell conveying Council's position on this matter.