



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: General Purposes Committee
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Business & Financial Services

To General Purposes - Nov 17, 2008

Date: November 6, 2008

File: 12-8060-20-8443

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**Re: Business Licence Bylaw No. 7360
Amendment Bylaw 8443**

Staff Recommendation

That Bylaw 8443, which amends Business Licence Bylaw 7360 to create revised fee schedules, be forwarded to Council and given first, second and third readings.

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Att.

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Law.....	Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>A. Rattan</i>	
Budgets.....	Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>		
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Staff Report

Origin

Business Licence fees are established by Council in Business Licence Bylaw 7360. As per the Long Term Financial Management Strategy (LTFMS), and in keeping with Policy 9 of the (LTFMS), all user fees are to be increased annually to keep up with inflation.

Analysis

For the licence year 2008, Council approved a fee increase of 2%. For the licence year beginning January 1, 2009, staff are again recommending an increase of 2%, rounding to the nearest whole dollar.

Financial Impact

Based on the number of licences issued in 2008, and with the proposed increase of 2%, approximately \$54,000 in additional fees could be expected.

Conclusion

The inflationary costs of administering the licence bylaw and an increase in enforcement costs, would indicate that the proposed increase is warranted. Further, the increase would be in accordance with Policy 9 of the Long Term Financial Management Strategy Policy whereby user fees are to be increased to keep up with inflation.


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City of Richmond

Bylaw 8443

Business Licence Bylaw No. 7360 Amendment Bylaw 8443

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. **Business Licence Bylaw No. 7360** is amended by deleting Schedule A and Schedule B in their entirety and substituting Schedule A and Schedule B attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
2. This Bylaw is cited as “**Business Licence Bylaw No. 7360, Amendment Bylaw No. 8443**”.

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

ADOPTED

CITY OF RICHMOND
APPROVED
for content by originating dept.
APPROVED for legality by Solicitor

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

SCHEDULE A to BYLAW NO. 7360

ASSEMBLY USE

GROUP 1			GROUP 2		GROUP 3	
Business Licence Fee assessed by Square Metres			Business Licence Fee assessed by Number of Seats		Business Licence Fee assessed by Number of Employees:*	
Except: (a) Mobile Vendors (Food) which are assessed a fee of \$71 per vehicle; and (b) Food Caterers which are assessed a fee in accordance with Group 3. Food Primary Liquor Licence Fee \$302						
Square Metres	(Square Feet)	Fee	Seats	Fee	Employees	Fee
0.0 to 93.0	(0 to 1,000)	\$145	0 to 30	\$460	0 to 5	\$116
93.1 to 232.5	(1,001 to 2,500)	\$220	31 to 60	\$917	6 to 10	\$196
232.6 to 465.0	(2,501 to 5,000)	\$381	61 to 90	\$1,376	11 to 15	\$284
465.1 to 930.0	(5,001 to 10,000)	\$610	91 to 120	\$1,836	16 to 25	\$421
930.1 to 1860.1	(10,001 to 20,000)	\$1,082	121 to 150	\$2,292	26 to 50	\$610
1,860.2 to 2790.1	(20,001 to 30,000)	\$1,548	151 to 180	\$2,751	51 to 100	\$881
2,790.2 to 3720.2	(30,001 to 40,000)	\$2,021	181 to 210	\$3,206	101 to 200	\$1,242
3,720.3 to 4,650.2	(40,001 to 50,000)	\$2,486	211 and over	\$3,353	201 to 500	\$1,795
4,650.3 to 5,580.3	(50,001 to 60,000)	\$2,957			501 to 1,000	\$2,712
5,580.4 and over	(60,001 and over)	\$3,353			1,001 and over	\$3,353

*For the purpose of assessing a licence fee, two part-time employees are counted as one full-time employee.

RESIDENTIAL USE		
Business Licence Fee assessed by Number of Rental Units		
Units		Fee
0 to 5		\$140
6 to 10		\$215
11 to 25		\$369
26 to 50		\$600
51 to 100		\$1,059
101 to 200		\$1,515
201 to 300		\$1,974
301 to 400		\$2,428
401 to 500		\$2,883
501 units and over		\$3,353

SERVICE USE		
Business Licence Fee assessed by Number of Employees*		
Employees		Fee
0 to 5		\$116
6 to 10		\$201
11 to 15		\$295
16 to 25		\$434
26 to 50		\$622
51 to 100		\$905
101 to 200		\$1,272
201 to 500		\$1,841
501 to 1,000		\$2,773
1,001 and over		\$3,353

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VEHICLE FOR HIRE BUSINESSES

1. Each Vehicle for Hire **applicant** must pay:

- (a) an office licence fee of \$116; and
- (b) the following per vehicle Licence Fee, based on number of vehicles:

CLASS "A" Taxicab	\$106
CLASS "B" Limousine	\$71
CLASS "C" Sightseeing Taxicab	\$106
CLASS "D" Airport Taxicab	\$106
CLASS "E" Private Bus	\$106
CLASS "T" Charter Minibus	\$106
CLASS "J" Rental Vehicle	
Group 1	\$13
Group 2	\$71
CLASS "K" Driver Training Vehicle	\$52
CLASS "M" Tow-Truck	\$106
CLASS "N" Taxicab for Persons with Disabilities	\$106

- 2. Notwithstanding the per-vehicle licence fees stipulated in Section 1, the maximum licence fee for any Vehicle for Hire business is \$3,353.
- 3. The fee for transferring a Vehicle for Hire Licence within any calendar year is \$40
- 4. The fee for replacing a Vehicle for Hire Licence plate or decal is \$12

VENDING MACHINE USES

Business Licence Fee assessed for each vending machine as per group:

Group 1	\$26
Group 2	\$36
Group 3	\$ 8

Business Licence Fee assessed per Banking Machine - \$111

Business Licence Fee assessed per Amusement Machine - \$26

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MERCANTILE USE		
Business Licence Fee assessed by Square Metres		
Square Metres	(Square Feet)	Fee
0 to 93.0	(0 to 1,000)	\$116
93.1 to 232.5	(1,001 to 2,500)	\$186
232.6 to 465.0	(2,501 to 5,000)	\$341
465.1 to 930.0	(5,001 to 10,000)	\$576
930.1 to 1,860.1	(10,001 to 20,000)	\$1,042
1860.2 to 2,790.1	(20,001 to 30,000)	\$1,516
2,790.2 to 3,720.2	(30,001 to 40,000)	\$1,981
3,720.3 to 4,650.2	(40,001 to 50,000)	\$2,448
4,650.3 to 5,580.3	(50,001 to 60,000)	\$2,917
5,580.4 and over	(60,001 and over)	\$3,353

INDUSTRIAL/MANUFACTURING USE	
Business Licence Fee assessed by Number of Employees*	
Number of Employees	Fee
0 to 5	\$140
6 to 10	\$232
11 to 15	\$324
16 to 25	\$460
26 to 50	\$646
51 to 100	\$917
101 to 200	\$1,284
201 to 500	\$1,831
501 to 1,000	\$2,746
1,001 and over	\$3,353

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ADULT ORIENTATED USES

(i)	Adult Entertainment Establishment	\$3,353
(ii)	Body-Painting Studio	\$3,353
	each employee	\$116
(iii)	Body-Rub Studio	\$3,353
	each employee	\$116
(iv)	Casino	\$5306
(v)	Escort Service	\$3,353
	each employee	\$116

FARMERS' MARKET \$116

SCHEDULE B to BYLAW NO. 7360

1. The fee for transferring a licence from one person to another, or for issuing a new licence because of a change in information on the face of such licence, except a change between licence categories or subcategories, is \$40.
2. The fee for changing the category or subcategory of a licence is either:
 - (a) \$40; or
 - (b) the difference between the existing **licence** fee and the fee for the proposed category or subcategory,whichever is the greater.
3. The fee for a Business Licence reprint is \$10.00.