
Licensing and Standards Committee

Meeting No.	18	Contact	Dela Ting, Acting Administrator
Meeting Date	Friday, January 9, 2009	Phone	416-397-7769
Start Time	9:30 AM	E-mail	lsc@toronto.ca
Location	Committee Room 1, City Hall	Chair	Councillor Howard Moscoe

Licensing and Standards Committee		
Councillor Howard Moscoe (Chair)	Councillor Mike Feldman	Councillor Anthony Perruzza
Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong	Councillor Rob Ford	Councillor David Shiner

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Speakers/Presentations: A complete list will be distributed at the meeting

Confirmation of Minutes: November 17, 2008

Communications/Reports

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Appointments to the Licensing and Standards Committee, January 1, 2009 to November 20, 2010 Term

Origin

(December 9, 2008) Letter from City Clerk

Summary

City Council appointed the following Members of Council to the Licensing and Standards Committee for a term of office starting January 1, 2009 to November 30, 2010, and until their successors are appointed:

Councillor Howard Moscoe, Chair

Councillor Mike Feldman
 Councillor Rob Ford
 Councillor Denzil Minnan-Wong
 Councillor Anthony Perruzza, and
 Councillor David Shiner

Background Information

Letter from City Clerk

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ls/bgrd/backgroundfile-17932.pdf>)

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Election of Vice Chair**Summary**

Election of Vice Chair.

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Taxicab Driver Recognition Event Proposal**Origin**

(December 15, 2008) Report from Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards

Summary

The purpose of this report is to advise the Licensing and Standards Committee of the Taxicab

Driver Recognition Day to be held in June 2009, and annually thereafter.

The taxicab industry and other stakeholders will be invited to participate on the planning committee to garner support from the industry for the event.

An Awards Sub-Committee will be formed to choose the award recipients from the candidates that are recommended by the City of Toronto and the industry.

The segments of the industry that are to be recognized will include:

- Standard Driver of the Year
- Ambassador Driver of the Year
- Accessible Driver of the Year
- Lifetime Achievement

Background Information

Staff Report from Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ls/bgrd/backgroundfile-17934.pdf>

LS18.4	ACTION			Wards: All
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Vehicle Branding and Continuous Registration of Vehicles in Ontario for Licensed Limousines

Public Notice

Origin

(December 15, 2008) Report from Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards

Recommendations

The Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards, recommends that:

1. The City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, Licensing, not be amended to require Toronto licensed limousines to be continuously registered in Ontario and be subject to the branding program administered by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation.

Summary

To report on a proposal to amend the City of Toronto Municipal Code, Chapter 545, Licensing regarding continuous registration in Ontario and provincial vehicle branding for vehicles to be used as licensed limousines in the City of Toronto.

An amendment to the City of Toronto Municipal Code requiring Toronto licensed limousines to be continuously registered in Ontario should not be implemented due to the lack of availability of used Canadian vehicles and the added expense of approximately \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 for these vehicles. Further to this, the Ontario Ministry of Transportation branding program, which assigns "brand" types that indicate whether a vehicle has been severely

damaged in the past, is already capturing any vehicles imported from other jurisdictions and currently no vehicle branded as irreparable or salvage can be registered for use in Ontario and therefore could not be licensed as a limousine in the City of Toronto.

Financial Impact

The adoption of the recommendation in this report will have no financial impact beyond what has already been approved in the current year's budget.

Background Information

Staff Report from Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards
(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ls/bgrd/backgroundfile-17937.pdf>)

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Administrative Delegation to Establish and Select Members of Licensing Examining Panels

Public Notice

Origin

(December 15, 2008) Report from Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards

Recommendations

The Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards Division, recommends that City Council:

1. delegate to the Executive Director of the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division the authority to establish Examining Panels and select members, as required, in accordance with the relevant qualifications set out in the Toronto Municipal Code, §545-416 and §545-434;
2. amend the Toronto Municipal Code, §545, Licensing, to give effect to the above recommendation and to delete relevant provisions of Article XXXIII relating to the licensing of electrical contractors and master electricians; and amend and delete relevant provisions of Article XXXIV relating to the examining of master plumber examinations, as well as adding certain provisions regarding examinations of drain layers; and
3. authorize the City Solicitor to submit any necessary bills to give effect to the recommendations in this report.

Summary

This report recommends that the Executive Director of the Municipal Licensing and Standards Division be delegated the authority to establish Examining Panels and select members as required in accordance with the Council-approved criteria to conduct and mark examinations for certain trade licences.

The term “Examining Panel” to be used instead of “Examining Board” to clarify that, this is an administrative body, which does not operate as a board. The Toronto Municipal Code, §545, Licensing, will need to be amended to reflect these changes and to delete certain sections relating to the licensing of electrical contractors and examining and licensing of master electricians. In November 2005, the provincial government passed a Bill to give province wide authority to the Electrical Safety Authority to licence these trades. This came into force on July 1st, 2006.

This report also recommends changes with respect to examinations of applicants for a master plumber and drain layer’s licence.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Background Information

Staff Report from Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ls/bgrd/backgroundfile-17938.pdf>

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Perimeter Fences Around Cemeteries

Origin

(November 18, 2008) Letter from Councillor Cesar Palacio, Ward 17 - Davenport

Summary

Requesting City Staff to report back on the feasibility of a by-law that would specify what materials cemeteries in Toronto may erect perimeter fences out of, with an aim to properly buffer the cemetery from private residential properties and ensure the appropriate level of privacy and solemnity within the cemetery itself.

Background Information

Letter from Councillor Cesar Palacio, Ward 17 - Davenport
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ls/bgrd/backgroundfile-17942.pdf>

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Safer Bars Program as Mandatory Municipal Licensing Requirement

Origin

(December 9, 2008) Member Motion from Councillor Gord Perks, Ward 14, Parkdale-High Park

Summary

Requesting the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards Division to report further on the feasibility of including the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health Safer Bars training program as a mandatory element of municipal licensing requirements prior to issuing/renewing business licenses.

Background Information

Letter from Councillor Gord Perks, Ward 26 - Don Valley West
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ls/bgrd/backgroundfile-17944.pdf>

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Licensing of Paving Companies**Origin**

(December 17, 2008) Memo from Councillor Howard Moscoe, Ward 14 - Eglinton-Lawrence

Summary

Requesting further consultation and direction to permit regulations for paved and widened driveways in the City of Toronto.

Background Information

Letter from Councillor Howard Moscoe, Ward 14 - Eglinton-Lawrence
<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2009/ls/bgrd/backgroundfile-17948.pdf>