

MOTION

Moved by:	Councillor Mammoliti	
Seconded by:	Councillor Del Grande	

SUMMARY:

The City of Toronto licenses 356 Holistic Centres and 25 Body Rub Parlours. Numerous members of City Council have expressed concerns with respect to issues in their communities that are associated with the licensed and unlicensed holistic centres and body rub parlours. Over the last two years, Municipal Licensing and Standards (ML&S) have carried out numerous investigations in conjunction with the Toronto Police Service that resulted in over 600 By-law charges. It has also become apparent that certain establishments re-open under new ownership when a licence is lost or move to another location to try to continue operations.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Request the Executive Director Municipal Licensing and Standards in conjunction with the Toronto Police Service, to report to the Licensing and Standards Committee within six months on potential improvements to the City's licensing policies and enforcement strategies as it relates to Body Rub Parlours and Holistic Centres.
2. Request the City Solicitor to report to Licensing and Standards Committee within six months of the Superior Court's decision in the Terri Jean Bedford, Amy Lebovitch and Valerie Scott v. A.G. of Canada dealing with Criminal Code provisions relating to prostitution and the impacts of the decision on the City.