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## **CITY OF TORONTO**

## BY-LAW No. 905-2003

## To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, respecting annual increase in licensing fees.

WHEREAS Section 150 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, grants local municipalities the authority to license, regulate and govern any business wholly or partly carried on within the municipality and to impose conditions requiring the payment of licence fees; and

WHEREAS licence fees provided for under the Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, have not been adjusted since 2001, notwithstanding increases in labour and non-salary costs to the City; and

WHEREAS in keeping with the requirement under the *Municipal Act*, 2001 that licence fees be established on a cost recovery basis, the Council of the City of Toronto has deemed it appropriate that all of the licensing fees be treated equally and be adjusted regularly to keep pace with increased operating expenditures;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

- **1.** Subsection 545-4M of Chapter 545, Licensing, of the City of Toronto Municipal Code is deleted, and the following substituted:
  - M. The respective sums of money set out in Column 2 of Appendix A at the end of this chapter opposite the respective descriptions of licences in Column 1 of such Appendix A are the current amounts of the fee for such licences and these amounts shall be updated on a yearly basis in accordance with subsection 545-4(N).
- **2.** Section 545-4 is further amended by adding:
  - N. The licence fees set out in Appendix A at the end of this chapter shall automatically increase on the first day of January in each year, commencing January 1, 2004, by the percentage increase in the All Items Index of the Consumer Price Index (not seasonally adjusted) for the Toronto Census Area, published by Statistics Canada, during the twelve-month period ending on September 30th of each previous year.
- **3.** This by-law comes into force on January 1, 2004.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 24th day of September, A.D. 2003.

CASE OOTES,

Deputy Mayor

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City Clerk

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