

ITEM 12
MANAGER'S REPORT NO. 71
COUNCIL MEETING 87/11/16

RE: INTER MUNICIPAL COMMERCIAL VEHICLE LICENCES

MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendations of the Director Finance be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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FROM: DIRECTOR FINANCE

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RE: INTER MUNICIPAL COMMERCIAL VEHICLE LICENCES

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT an amendment to the Burnaby Commercial Vehicle By-law 1962, No. 4418, be brought forward to provide for a decal to be conspicuously displayed on or near the front windshield in a manner that can be readily seen from outside in front of the vehicle, and
2. That an amendment to the Burnaby Commercial Vehicle By-law 1962, No. 4418, be brought forward to reflect the replacement of a municipal licence plate with a decal as more specifically referred to in the body of this report.

SUMMARY

This report deals with:

1. Information regarding an increase of \$10.00 per licence for inter-municipal licences for vehicles used in business. This does not require a by-law amendment.
2. Recommended amendments necessary to the administration of By-law No. 4418 to deal with a change from licence plates to decals, and the display of such decals.

REPORT

The Municipal Act provides that operators of commercial vehicles and motor vehicles which are used in connection with a business shall be licenced with an intermunicipal plate. This licence must be recognized in every jurisdiction throughout the Province.

The Burnaby Commercial Vehicle Licencing By-law 1962, No. 4418, declares the municipality to be a participant in the inter municipal licencing of commercial vehicles. As a participant we issue plates and collect the applicable fee. We currently retain a \$2.00 fee for each plate issued with the remainder of the money being forwarded to Victoria for distribution on a per capita basis among participating areas.

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Fees	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>
Not exceeding 2,800 kg (GVW)	\$10.00	\$20.00
2,801 kg to 11,800 kg (GVW)	15.00	25.00
11,801 kg to 20,000 kg (GVW)	20.00	30.00
Exceeding 20,000 kg (GVW)	25.00	35.00

The Municipal Act is being amended so that effective 1988 January 01, the fees will be increased by \$10.00 per licence.

This is the first amendment to the fee structure since this program was implemented in 1962. In addition to the fee amendment, the issuing fee of \$2.00 per plate retained by the Municipality will be increased to \$5.00 per plate.

Estimated revenue increase from the amended fees is included in the 1988 provisional budget.

By-law No. 4418 provides that fees from municipal plates are those as set in the Municipal Act. Therefore, the by-law will not require amendment for application of the new fees.

We will be publicizing the fee increase through over the counter handouts and mailed notification to major local truck fleet operators and the office of the B. C. Transport Association. Also, the staffer notice that is regularly included in the business licence renewal notice will cover the new rates.

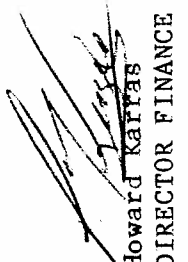
The Municipal Act is also being amended such that the administration of the municipal plate fund is being transferred from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to the Union of B.C. Municipalities. No by-law amendment is necessary in this regard.

Originally the Municipal Act and By-law No. 4418 provided for the issuance of municipal licence plates and further required that they be displayed on the front of the vehicle adjacent to the provincial motor vehicle licence plate. The municipal plate has now been replaced by a decal which may be displayed in the area of the front windshield or on an adjacent side window that would be appropriately conspicuous. The Ministry of Municipal Affairs has suggested that local by-laws should be amended to reflect this.

Within the Greater Vancouver area there is agreement among staff of the various jurisdictions that we should be uniform in designation of decal display. In this regard, there is consensus that the following would be an effective provision in local by-laws.

It is recommended that:

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 DIRECTOR FINANCE

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