TO:

CITY MANAGER

1996 August 26

File: C58-1

FROM:

DIRECTOR FINANCE

SUBJECT:

1996 COUNCIL INDEMNITIES

PURPOSE:

To set Council indemnities in accordance with the formula set by

the Council Indemnity Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. THAT Council indemnities for 1996 be set as detailed in the report; and
- 2. THAT the City Solicitor bring down a bylaw to establish the new indemnities effective 1996 January 01.

REPORT

1996 Indemnities

In 1992, Council established a Council indemnity Advisory Committee comprised of five representatives from the local community. Their mandate was to review and report on Council indemnities. The Committee established a formula to calculate the increase in the 1992 indemnities and Council endorsed the continuation of the formula for establishing the 1993 to 1995 indemnities. The formula has again been used to establish the 1996 indemnities.

Using the formula, the percentage increase for 1996 is calculated as:

1995 Consumer Price Index Increase - Vancouver	2.0%
1995 Industrial Aggregate wage increase - B.C.	3.7%
1995 Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 23 increase	1.5%
Average of the above three indicators	2.4%

This increase would result in the following recommended indemnities:

	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>
Mayor	\$71,582	\$73,300
Each Councillor	24,474	25,061

The following is a comparison between the recommended indemnities and the indemnities for other local communities. The relative ranking of the seven municipalities surveyed is shown in brackets.

	Councillor	<u>Mayor</u>	<u>Population</u>
Vancouver	\$39,278(1)	\$89,154(1)	521,048(1)
Surrey	26,584(2)	72,362(3)	295,000(2)
Richmond	25,750(3)	66,245(5)	145,100(4)
Burnaby	25,061(4)	73,300(2)	169,000(3)
Coquitlam	20,515(5)	68,385(4)	100,946(5)
Delta	20,000(6)	60,000(6)	96,870(6)
Langley (Township)	16,688(7)	50,064(7)	80,375(7)

The recommended indemnities are:

	Total <u>Indemnity</u>	Expense Allowance Portion (1/3)	Balance of Indemnity (2/3)
Mayor	\$73,300	\$24,433	\$48,867
Each Councillor	25,061	8,354	16,707

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