



REPORT TO COUNCIL

BUSINESS LICENSE HEARING MINUTES

APRIL 9, 2009

A Business License Hearing of the Council of the City of Vancouver was convened on Thursday, April 9, 2009, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Third Floor, City Hall, to determine whether or not City of Vancouver business licenses should be granted to Avalon Sunsplash Ltd. (the "License Applicant"), for a Retail Dealer - Food (Convenience Store) in premises located at 316 West Hastings Street and for a Retail Dealer and Administrative Offices in premises located at 301-307 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia.

PRESENT: Councillor Raymond Louie, Chair
Councillor Suzanne Anton
Councillor Ellen Woodsworth

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE: Lori Isfeld, Meeting Coordinator

1. **Avalon Sunsplash Ltd., dba 420 Convenience Store at 316 West Hastings Street and dba Cannabis Culture Magazine and Pot TV (Administrative Office) at #201 - 303 West Hastings Street, and dba Marc Emery's Cannabis Culture Headquarters (Retail Store) at 307 West Hastings Street**

The Business License Hearing Panel had before it for consideration an Evidence Brief, prepared by the City of Vancouver's Legal Department (*on file in the City Clerk's Office*) and including a Notice of Hearing which was delivered "by hand" to the License Applicant.

Catherine Kinahan, Counsel, was present on behalf of the City of Vancouver. Kirk I. Tousaw, Barrister, was present on behalf of the license applicant.

Ms. Kinahan advised the Notice of Hearing refers to license applications that had been referred to City Council at the request of the License Applicant, upon the refusal by the Chief License Inspector of the City of Vancouver to issue business licenses to the applicant.

Ms. Kinahan advised a request was received to allow cameras at the Hearing.

MOVED By Councillor Anton

THAT cameras and recording of this Business License Hearing be allowed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Tousaw requested a postponement on the grounds that the footing upon which he understood the Hearing was to proceed was different than that of the Chief License Inspector. He noted postponing the Hearing until May 19, 2009, would allow him a suitable amount of time to properly prepare.

POSTPONEMENT MOVED by Councillor Woodsworth

THAT the Business License Hearing for Avalon Sunsplash Ltd., dba 420 Convenience Store at 316 West Hastings Street and dba Cannabis Culture Magazine and Pot TV (Administrative Office) at #201 - 303 West Hastings Street, and dba Marc Emery's Cannabis Culture Headquarters (Retail Store) at 307 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, be postponed until Tuesday, May 19, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

CARRIED
(Councillor Louie opposed)

The Business License Hearing Panel adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

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