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Mayor and Council,

Late last week, we received several media enquiries and one complaint pertaining to Twiggy the water skiing squirrel's planned appearance at the Vancouver International Boat Show this past weekend. We replied to the media and the single complaint advising that Section 13 of Schedule A of the City's Business Prohibition By-law No. 5156 prohibits businesses from using rodents in competitions, exhibitions, performance or events.

A warning letter is being prepared to send to the special event organizers notifying them that the performance appeared to contravene the Business Prohibition By-law. The letter will likely be received by organizers Monday morning, after the Boat Show has concluded. Further action is unlikely for 2020 but staff will monitor the event for 2021 and proactively monitor for any similar performances to avoid a repeat occurrence.

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Pronouns: he, him, his



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