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Meeting.....2015 June 15

COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2015 June 1

FROM: FIRE CHIEF

SUBJECT: FIRE SERVICES BYLAW AMENDMENTS

PURPOSE: To seek the approval of Council to amend the Service Fee Schedule contained in the Burnaby Fire Services Bylaw.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council approve amendments to the Burnaby Fire Services Bylaw to reflect proposed fee changes as outlined in this report.

REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND

The Burnaby Fire Services Bylaw was amended in 2012 and several areas were changed to provide greater clarity in the administration of the Bylaw and to reflect updated practices and/or services ensuring timely Bylaw compliance. This report is to seek the approval of Council to undertake further minor amendments to the fee schedule.

2.0 DISCUSSION

Arising from a Bylaw review conducted by staff, a minor fee schedule amendment has been identified and the recommended changes are summarized as follows:

- Amend the re-inspection after annual inspection and first re-inspection section of the fee schedule to allow for an escalating fee schedule in the case of multiple re-inspections. The current fee for the second and subsequent inspections is \$100.00. The proposed sliding fee schedule is to encourage compliance and to allow better use of Inspector's time.

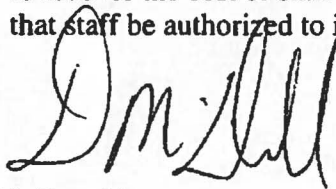
Subject to Council's concurrence to the above noted amendment, the following fee charges would be added to Schedule A of the Bylaw.

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	SERVICE	PROPOSED FEE	EXISTING FEE
1.	Re-inspection after annual inspection		
	(a) first (1 st) re-inspection there shall be no fee		
	(b) For Second re-inspection	\$100	\$100
	(c) For Third (3 rd) and Fourth (4 th) re-inspections	\$300	\$100
	(d) For Fifth (5 th) re-inspection and all subsequent re-inspections	\$500	\$100

3.0 CONCLUSION

The proposed Bylaw amendments are recommended to encourage timely compliance with fire safety requirements. In addition, the fee schedule changes would allow the City to recover the cost of staff time in response to multiple re-inspections. It is recommended that staff be authorized to implement the changes as proposed.



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FIRE CHIEF

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