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Meeting	2018 Jan 22

COUNCIL REPORT

TO:

CITY MANAGER

DATE:

2018 Jan 08

FROM:

CITY CLERK

SUBJECT:

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR ANNE KANG

PURPOSE: To seek Council direction in regard to the vacancy on Council

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the vacancy on Council due to the resignation of Councillor Anne Kang not be filled until the next general local election on 20 October 2018.

REPORT

On 26 June 2017, Councillor Anne Kang was granted a leave of absence from Council due to her being elected as a Member of the Legislative Assembly for Burnaby-Deer Lake.

Councillor Kang has since advised in writing of her resignation from Council effective 02 January 2018.

Pursuant to the Local Government Act, Council has the option to either call a byelection or leave the office vacant. More specifically, the legislation provides that if the vacancy occurs after January 1st in the year of a general local election, Council may decide that a by-election is not to be held.

The next general local election will be held on 20 October 2018, which is in approximately nine months' time. This vacancy does not impact on the quorum of Council or on Council's ability to conduct of City business.

Therefore, it is submitted for Council's consideration that the office vacated by Councillor Kang remain vacant until the next general local election.

Dennis Back City Clerk

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Deputy City Manager

City Solicitor