



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 4.

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RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF: MARCH 18, 2008

DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY
DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JERBIC

Consent Discussion

SUBJECT:
NEW BILL

Bill No. 2008-15 Sets forth the authority and standards by which the City requires and processes certain fingerprint checks concerning prospective employees of the City and concerning applicants for work cards under certain business license categories. Proposed by: Bradford R. Jerbic, City Attorney

Fiscal Impact

No Impact

Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

The City requires national fingerprint checks concerning prospective employees and concerning applicants for work cards under certain business license categories. State and Federal agencies are now requiring local governments in Nevada to ensure that the authority and standards by which they require such fingerprint checks are set forth by ordinance. This bill will bring the City into compliance.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Bill No. 2008-15
2. Business Impact Statement

Motion made by RICKI Y. BARLOW to Approve Do pass

Passed For: 2; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

LOIS TARKANIAN, RICKI Y. BARLOW; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN declared the Public Hearing open.

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CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY VAL STEED explained that staff had been informed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) of the need to indicate by ordinance the authority by which certain prospective employers and workcard applicants are required to obtain a national fingerprint check. The FBI is tightening up on the use of the national data base and specified the exact language needed to see that the City is serious about the requirement. There may be additional licensing categories in the future, but this bill needs to move forward.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW discussed with CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY STEED the positions that currently require such background checks and the existing policy which enables the City to ask for one from all applicants. Section I involves City employment and Section II involves workcards for licenses. JIM DILMORE, Manager, Business Licensing, added that this would allow the City to discover a criminal history anywhere in the country of an applicant seeking employment in a privileged licensed business. It addresses a concern given the transient nature of some applicants for employment and workcards.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN declared the Public Hearing closed.

