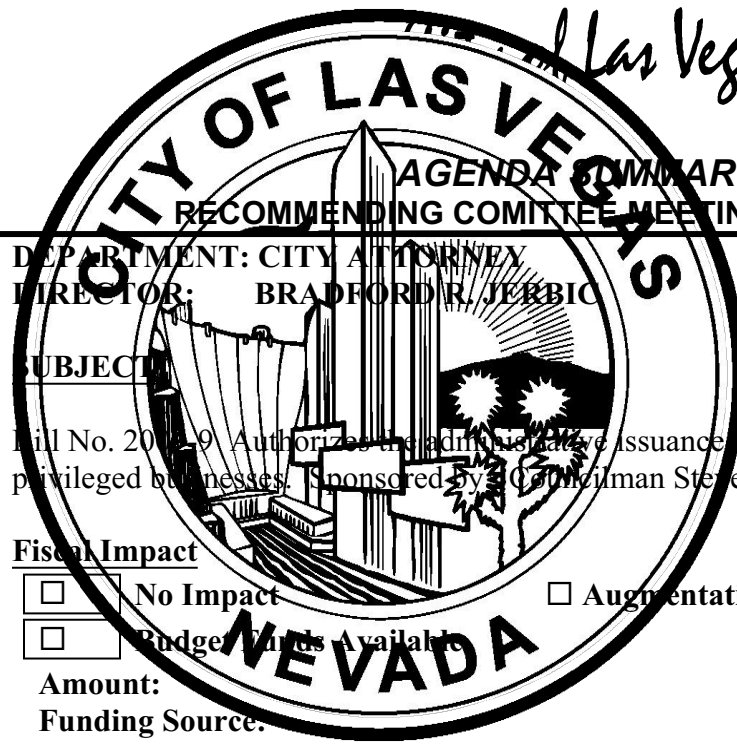




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**RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF: MARCH 17, 2009**

**DEPARTMENT:** CITY ATTORNEY  
**DIRECTOR:** BRADFORD R. JERBIC

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

**SUBJECT:**

Bill No. 2009-9 Authorizes the administrative issuance of temporary business licenses for privileged businesses. Sponsored by Councilman Steve Wolfson

**Fiscal Impact**

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No Impact

☐ Augmentation Required

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Budget Funds Available

**Amount:**

**Funding Source:**

**Dept./Division:**

**PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

Current code provisions authorize the administrative issuance of a temporary license for a limited number of privileged license categories. This bill would expand that authority to apply to all privileged categories. The administratively-issued temporary license would be good for up to 90 days, and could be extended by the City Council for two additional extension periods not to exceed 6 months each.

**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. 2009-9
2. Business Impact Statement

Motion made by DAVID W. STEINMAN to Hold in Abeyance to 3/31/2009

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

LOIS TARKANIAN, DAVID W. STEINMAN; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote -None); (Excused-None)

**Minutes:**

JIM DiFIORE, Business Services Manager, explained that this bill would allow administrative approval of temporary licenses for a 90-day period, except for reflexology, ice cream trucks, and mobile food vendors. This would allow privileged licenses, such as alcohol and massage uses, to be approved by the departments director.

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Currently, the process requires applicants to request preliminary background reports from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro). If an area of concern is found, MR. DiFIORE noted that Metro's police report can become quite detailed. He noted the reports also included the applicants' police record from the entire time of their residence in the Las Vegas Valley. Applicants who have resided in Nevada for less than two years are requested to provide a police report from their previous state of residence.

MR. DiFIORE stated this bill would make the licensing process more business-friendly by allowing businesses to open sooner. He explained that temporary approval would only be granted after staff met their due diligence and was confident that the applicant was eligible for the license. He stressed that the City Council would have approval of any subsequent temporary licenses and final approval of the permanent license.

MR. DiFIORE explained that this version of the bill would change the current process for reflexology, ice cream trucks and mobile food vendors. He recommended holding the item in abeyance to allow staff to submit an amendment which would allow the approval process for those uses to remain unchanged.

ACTING DEPUTY CITY MANAGER BRAD RYAN explained that the difference between this process and the current process is that applicants are typically approved for temporary licenses by the City Council. By approving those licenses administratively, the City would allow those businesses to open sooner while their Metro investigation is completed. Upon completion of the Metro report, the applicant would go before the City Council for approval of an additional temporary license or permanent license.

MR. DiFIORE stated he would work with CHIEF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY VAL STEED on the First Amendment of this bill so it could be presented to the Recommending Committee on March 31, 2009, and would be eligible for adoption on April 1, 2009.