

February 24, 2014

Chair and Members
Corporate Services Committee

Re: Council Members' Expense Account Policy 28(2)

In accordance with section (d) of the Council Members' Expense Account Policy 28(2), the undersigned are seeking approval on an exception basis to use our Expense Account to purchase multiple tickets to a community event.

Section (c)(x) of the Policy, provides for the use of the Council Members' Expense Account to purchase "community event sponsorship and ticket purchases". The City Clerk interprets this to mean that a Councillor may use the expense account to permit the purchase of a ticket for the Councillor to attend a community event. We believe that the Policy should be interpreted to permit a Councillor to purchase multiple tickets for a community event. The intent is to purchase multiple tickets to a community event, in order to provide an opportunity to those individuals that could not otherwise afford to do so, to attend the event.

We also respectfully request that the City Clerk be directed to amend the policy to ensure that this section of the policy will be interpreted to provide for the purchase of multiple tickets to a community event.

Respectfully,

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Councillor Ward 8

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Councillor Ward 12