

**Minute No. 64**

**Report – Executive Policy Committee – December 3, 2014**

**Item No. 10                      Amendment to the Councillors Representation Allowance –  
Ineligible Expenses**

**COUNCIL DECISION:**

Council concurred in the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee and adopted the following:

1. That section 5 (Business Meetings & Hospitality) of The Councillors’ Representation Allowance (CRA) Fund Policy be amended by replacing:

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3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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## DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by His Worship Mayor Bowman,

That the recommendation of the Executive Policy Committee be adopted.

The motion for adoption of the item was put.

Councillor Wyatt called for the yeas and nays which were as follows:

Yea: His Worship Mayor Bowman, Councillors Allard, Browaty, Dobson, Eadie, Gerbasi, Gillingham, Gilroy, Lukes, Mayes, Morantz, Orlikow, Pagtakhan, Schreyer, Wyatt and Sharma. 16

Nay: 0

and the motion for adoption of the item was declared carried.

## EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On December 3, 2014, the Executive Policy Committee passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS a City Hall that Works requires trust in government, establishing priorities and addressing the most challenging issues;

AND WHEREAS it is imperative that elected representatives utilize the resources at their disposal in an efficient, transparent, and appropriate manner;

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and submitted the matter to Council.