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**NOTICE OF MOTION**  
CC 661 (R2009-05)

THE CITY OF CALGARY  
CITY CLERK'S

NM2016-April 11

RE: TAX STATUS OF BINGO FACILITIES

COUNCILLORS JONES, CARRA AND CHABOT

WHEREAS there are three bingo facilities located in Calgary:

- Bingo Barn located at #10, 1107 33 St NE
- Five Star Bingo & Pub located at 4980 25 Street SE
- Bingo Palace located at 2604 35 Ave NE;

AND WHEREAS the bingo facilities are all run by non-profit organizations that facilitate fundraising for over 100 non-profit and charitable organizations;

AND WHEREAS the bingo facilities are not currently exempt from taxation as they are specifically excluded from exemption by section 8 of the *Community Organization Property Tax Exemption* by virtue of being bingo facilities holding bingo facility licenses;

AND WHEREAS the bingo facilities have requested tax relief due to their taxable status;

AND WHEREAS each Alberta municipality administers property assessment and tax rolls including exemptions in its jurisdiction within this legislative framework as part of the process of maintaining the municipality's property assessment roll;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to its authority under section 364 of the *Municipal Government Act*, Council can pass a bylaw to exempt a non-profit to any extent;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct administration to consult with the bingos and bring a report with options, including a draft tax exemption bylaw to exempt the municipal property taxes on the three bingo facilities, and a recommendations on how and whether to address the issue.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the report be brought to the Priorities and Finance Committee no later than May 31.

Signature of Member(s) of Council