

NIGHTCLUB BUSINESS LICENCE FEE OPTIONS

Option	Rationale	Comments
<p>1. Status Quo</p> <p>\$1,100 per annum</p>	<p>The \$1,100 fee is currently charged to a variety of liquor-primary establishments, including cabarets (nightclubs), lounges and neighbourhood pubs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – reflects in a symbolic way only the high impact of nightclubs (relative to other types of businesses) on police and other City services – assumes that nightclubs and other establishments equally culpable for impact on RCMP resources
<p>2. Straight Time</p> <p>\$4,150 per annum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – this fee is based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 4 on-duty officers · called from existing duty outside of downtown to attend to problems in downtown for 2 hours · average of 2 nights / week all year – total cost of \$24,918.40 spread equally among six clubs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – specific to nightclubs (other licensed establishments would pay existing) – fully reflects the cost associated with having to send on-duty members to the downtown core – does not address the policing shortage that results outside of downtown core when members are forced to attend downtown – assumptions of 2 hours, 2 nights is very conservative according to RCMP – does not cover costs other than policing that are incurred by City (e.g., tourism promotion, administration, bylaw enforcement, etc.); consider adding \$4,150 to existing \$1,100
<p>3. Overtime</p> <p>\$16,600 per annum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – this fee is based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 4 called-back (i.e., off-duty) officers · called-in specifically to attend to crowds · 4-hour minimum call-in required; double-time rate · average of 2 nights / week all year – total cost of \$99,673.60 spread equally among six clubs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – specific to nightclubs (other licensed establishments would pay existing) – fully reflects cost of attending to downtown issues without leaving other areas of City exposed – does not cover costs other than policing that are incurred by City (e.g., tourism promotion, administration, bylaw enforcement, etc.); consider adding \$16,600 to existing \$1,100