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## Corporate Report

NO: R178

COUNCIL DATE: July 18, 2005

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TO: **Mayor and Council**  DATE:

FILE:

July 15, 2005

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FROM: General Manager,

Finance, Technology &

SUBJECT: **External Auditor Appointment** 

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Appoint KPMG as the City Auditor for a period of five years, beginning with the fiscal year-end of December 31, 2005:
- 2. Instruct the City Clerk to request the Surrey Public Library and the Logging Ditch Improvement District to appoint KPMG as their auditor for a period of five years, beginning with the fiscal year-end of December 31, 2005, and
- 3. Instruct staff to enter into a contractual agreement with KPMG as outlined within the request for proposal received on June 1, 2005.

## **DISCUSSION**

Section 169 of the Community Charter requires that Council appoint an auditor for the City, a position that has been held by KPMG for the past eight years. In preparation for the fiscal 2005 audit, an RFP was issued for this service and an evaluation team reviewed the proposals received. The results of this evaluation have now been presented to the Audit Committee.

## **CONCLUSION**

The Audit Committee recommends that Council appoint KPMG as the external auditor for the next five years, beginning with the fiscal year ending December 31, 2005.

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