



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Use of Nathan Phillips Square for Various Events up to December 2008

Date:	April 4, 2008
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Chief Corporate Officer
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	P:\2008\Internal Services\F&Re\Te08042F&Re - AFS#7457

SUMMARY

It is recommended that Toronto and East York Community Council give exemption to the various events as listed in Table 1 (page 3) for the reasons detailed therein.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chief Corporate Officer recommends that:

1. City Council give exemption to the Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Tastes of Thailand, Irie Music Festival, Toronto Cuba Friendship Day, Mexican Independence Day, and Cavalcade of Lights to operate a beer garden and L’Oreal Fashion Week to serve wine and hard liquor at a “gated event” contingent upon the following conditions:
 - a. Approval of the A.G.C.O.
 - b. Approval of the Medical Officer of Health
 - c. Compliance with the City of Toronto’s Municipal Officer of Health
 - d. Receipt of all the necessary permits associated with the production of the event, i.e. special occasions permit, building permit, noise by-law extension permit
2. Permission be granted to the Fashion Design Council of Canada to host a “gated and ticketed” event.

3. City Council grant permission to the Red, White and Blue Knights Toy Drive, Ride for Diabetes Research, Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon and the CIBC Run for the Cure to solicit donations in support of their organizations.
4. City Council grant permission to Hiroshima Day and Cavalcade of Lights to use open flame.
5. City Council grant permission to Cavalcade of Lights and New Year's Eve Bash to use special effects pyrotechnics.
6. The various events compensate the City of Toronto through the Facilities and Real Estate Division for all the City of Toronto costs associated with the event.
7. The appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications that result from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

The Economic Development, Culture & Tourism Division has received an application from the "Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition", "Tastes of Thailand", "Irie Music Festival", "Hiroshima Day", "Toronto Cuba Friendship Day", "Red, White & Blue Knights Toy Drive", "Ride for Diabetes Research", "Mexican Independence Day", "Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon", "CIBC Run for the Cure", "L'Oreal Fashion Week", Cavalcade of Lights and New Year's Eve Bash for the use of Nathan Phillips Square up to December 2008.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Municipal Code Chapter 237 "Nathan Phillips Square" prohibits use of open flame, the solicitation of donations and the sale of alcohol on "Nathan Phillips Square" without Council approval.

COMMENTS

The various event organizers request permission to use open flame, solicit donations and/or to sell alcoholic beverages. The proceeds of these and other sales will go to their respective non-profit organizations.

Table 1

Event Name and Date	Requesting Permission
1. Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibit July 11 - 13, 2008	To sell alcoholic beverages
2. Tastes of Thailand July 19 - 20, 2008	To sell alcoholic beverages
3. Irie Music Festival August 1 - 4, 2008	To sell alcoholic beverages
4. Hiroshima Day August 9, 2008	To use open flame
5. Toronto Cuba Friendship Day August 23, 2008	To sell alcoholic beverages
6. Red, White & Blue Knights Toy Drive Sept. 7, 2008	To solicit donations
7. Ride for Diabetes Research September 19, 2008	To solicit donations
8. Mexican Independence Day September 20, 2008	To sell alcoholic beverages
9. Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon September 28, 2008	To solicit donations
10. CIBC Run for the Cure October 5, 2008	To solicit donations
11. L'Oreal Fashion Week October 20 – 24, 2008	To sell alcoholic beverages and have a "gated and ticketed" event
12. Cavalcade of Lights November 22 & 29, December 6 & 13, 2008	To sell alcoholic beverages, to use open flame and to use special effects pyrotechnics
13. New Year's Eve Bash December 31, 2008	To use special effects pyrotechnics

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

L'OREAL FASHION WEEK

Under this application the event organizer is requesting to host hourly fashion shows in a tent on Nathan Phillips Square.

Alcohol will be sold and served daily between the hours of noon and 11pm.

In addition the event organizer is requesting permission to sell tickets daily to all shows. Members of the general public who do not wish to purchase tickets will have the opportunity to enjoy the performances from large screens outside of the tent. The proceeds from ticket sales will assist in offsetting the operating to produce the event.

We also strongly suggest that the organizer of L'Oreal Fashion Week be responsible for all cost incurred by the Facilities and Real Estate Division as a result of hosting this event on Nathan Phillips Square. The Facilities and Real Estate Division has a mandate to provide services to non-profit and charitable groups for public events. Given the revenue components of this event, it is appropriate that all costs associated with the event be carried by the operator. Total cost associated with this event will be determined once the full logistics details have been identified and invoiced directly to the customer.

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