



STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

Use of Nathan Phillips Square for Various Events up to July 4, 2010.

Date:	January 20, 2010
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Chief Corporate Officer
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	P:\2010\Internal Services\F&re\Te10014F&re- (AFS 10954)

SUMMARY

It is recommended that Toronto and East York Community Council give exemption to the Camp Jumoke's "Turtle Walk", Schizophrenia Society of Ontario's "Walk of Hope for Schizophrenia", Autism Speaks Canada's "Annual Ontario Walk Now for Autism", request to solicit donations and the Toronto Downtown Jazz Society's "Toronto Downtown Jazz Festival" request to solicit donations and operate a tented beer/wine garden in a "gated" event on Nathan Phillips Square.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chief Corporate Officer recommends that:

1. City Council grant an exemption to the Toronto Downtown Jazz Society to operate a beer garden and to serve wine and hard liquor 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 Alcohol Policy
 - d. receipt of all the necessary permits associated with the production of the event
i.e. building permit, noise by-law extension permit
2. City Council grant permission to the Toronto Downtown Jazz Society to host "ticketed" performances and to solicit donations in support of their organization.

3. City Council grant permission to Camp Jumoke, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario and Autism Speaks Canada to solicit donations in support of their organizations.
4. City Council require that 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.

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 Camp Jumoke for the “Turtle Walk”, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario for the “Walk of Hope for Schizophrenia Event”, Autism Speaks Canada for the “Annual Ontario Walk Now for Autism Event”, and from the Toronto Downtown Jazz Society for the “Toronto Downtown Jazz Festival” for the use of Nathan Phillips Square up to July 4, 2010.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Municipal Code Chapter 237 “Nathan Phillips Square” prohibits the solicitation of donations, “gated” events and the sale of alcohol on “Nathan Phillips Square” without the approval of Council.

COMMENTS

The various event organizers are requesting permission either to solicit donations and/or to operate a tented beer garden and to serve beer, wine and hard liquor in the licensed area. The proceeds of these and other sales will go to their respective non-profit organizations.

Event Name and Date	Requesting Permission
Turtle Walk 2010 (Camp Jumoke) May 29, 2010	To solicit for donations
Walk of Hope for Schizophrenia (Schizophrenia Society of Ontario) May 23, 2010	To solicit for donations
Annual Ontario Walk Now for Autism (Autism Speaks Canada) June 20, 2010	To solicit for donations

Event Name and Date	Requesting Permission
Toronto Jazz Festival (Toronto Downtown Jazz Society) June 25 – July 4, 2010	To sell alcohol at a gated event and to solicit for donations

Additional Information:

Toronto Downtown Jazz Festival

Under this application the event organizer is requesting to host three daily performances:

- 1) Lunch performances - 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- 2) Dinner performances - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- 3) Evening performances - 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

The Toronto Downtown Jazz Society may also be requesting to host two Saturday night late evening performances from midnight to 2:00 a.m.

A beer/wine garden will operate nightly from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight with the exception of the two Saturday night late evening performances until 1:30 a.m.

In addition the event organizer is requesting permission to solicit donations for lunch and dinner performances and to sell tickets to all evening performances daily. Ticket prices will range from \$22.50 to \$30.00. Members of the general public who do not wish to purchase tickets will have the opportunity to enjoy the performances from standing areas outside the gated area. An area for people with special needs will be set aside. The proceeds for ticket sales will assist in offsetting the operating costs of the Society.

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