

## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

# Use of open flame on Yonge-Dundas Square for Scotiabank Nuit Blanche – October 2 and 3, 2010

| Date:                | April 12, 2010                                    |
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| To:                  | Toronto and East York Community Council           |
| From:                | General Manager, Economic Development and Culture |
| Wards:               | Ward 27 – Toronto Centre - Rosedale               |
| Reference<br>Number: | P:/2010/Cluster A/EDC/TEYCC/ed1005-002            |

## **SUMMARY**

It is recommended that Toronto and East York Community Council grant an exemption from Municipal Code 636 to permit Scotiabank Nuit Blanche to use open flame on Yonge-Dundas Square.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

## The General Manager, Economic Development and Culture recommends that:

- 1. City Council grant Scotiabank Nuit Blanche an exemption from Municipal Code 636 to permit an open flame at Yonge-Dundas Square on October 2 and 3, 2010; and,
- 2. the appropriate officials be authorized to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

Economic Development & Culture has submitted an application for Scotiabank Nuit Blanche 2010 to use Yonge-Dundas Square on October 2 and 3, 2010.

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Scotiabank Nuit Blanche is a free all-night city-wide annual celebration of contemporary art. As part of the celebration the City invites proposals for creative art installation. The installation at Yonge-Dundas Square includes the use of an open flame. Municipal Code Chapter 636 governing "Public Squares" prohibits the lighting of any fire on "Yonge-Dundas Square" without the approval of Council.

#### **COMMENTS**

Economic Development & Culture Division (producers of Scotiabank Nuit Blanche) in consultation with Toronto Fire Services are requesting permission to use open flame on October 2 and 3, 2010 on Yonge-Dundas Square.

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