



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Use of Nathan Phillips Square for Various Events up to July 1, 2014

Date:	February 5, 2014
To:	Toronto and East York Community Council
From:	Chief Corporate Officer
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	P:\2014\Internal Services\Fac\Te14001Fac- (AFS 18899)

SUMMARY

It is recommended that Toronto and East York Community Council give exemption to Trek for Teens Foundation's "Trek for Teens", Schizophrenia Society of Ontario's "Walk for Schizophrenia", Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Toronto's "Boys and Girls Clubs – Capital One Race for Kids", Camp Jumoke's "Camp Jumoke Walk" and Autism Speaks Canada's "Walk Now For Autism" request to solicit donations, Toronto Downtown Jazz Society's "TD Canada Trust Downtown Jazz Festival" request to operate a beer/wine garden and to solicit donations and the City of Toronto & World Pride 2014's "World Pride Opening Ceremonies" request to use open flame, special effects pyrotechnics and to operate a beer/wine garden to be held on Nathan Phillips Square.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chief Corporate Officer recommends that:

1. City Council grant an exemption to Toronto Downtown Jazz Society and City of Toronto & World Pride 2014 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 Trek for Teens Foundation, Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Toronto, Camp Jumoke, Autism Speaks Canada and Toronto Downtown Jazz Society to solicit donations in support of their organizations.
3. City Council grant permission to City of Toronto & World Pride 2014 to use open flame.
4. City Council grant permission to City of Toronto & World Pride 2014 to use special effects pyrotechnics.
5. City Council require that the various events compensate the City of Toronto through the Facilities Management Division for all the City of Toronto costs associated with the event.
6. City Council grant permission to Toronto Downtown Jazz Society to host “ticketed performances and to solicit donations in support of their organization.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications that result from this report.

DECISION HISTORY

The Economic Development & Culture Division has received an application from Trek for Teen Foundation for the "Trek for Teens", Schizophrenia Society of Ontario for the “Walk for Schizophrenia”, Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Toronto for the "Boys and Girls Clubs – Capital One Race for Kids", Camp Jumoke for the “Camp Jumoke Walk”, Autism Speaks Canada for the “Walk Now For Autism”, the Toronto Downtown Jazz Society for the “TD Canada Trust Downtown Jazz Festival” and City of Toronto & World Pride 2014 for the "World Pride Opening Ceremonies" for the use of Nathan Phillips Square up to July 1, 2014.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

Municipal Code Chapter 237 “Nathan Phillips Square” prohibits the solicitation of donations, “gated” events, the use of open flame, special effects pyrotechnics 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
1. Trek for Teens (Trek for Teens Foundation) May 17, 2014	To solicit for donations
2. Walk for Schizophrenia (Schizophrenia Society of Ontario) May 25, 2014	To solicit for donations
3. Boys and Girls Clubs – Capital One Race for Kids (Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Toronto) May 31, 2014	To solicit for donations
4. Camp Jumoke Walk (Camp Jumoke) June 7, 2014	To solicit for donations
5. Walk Now For Autism (Autism Speaks Canada) June 8, 2014	To solicit for donations
6. TD Canada Trust Jazz Festival (Toronto Downtown Jazz Society) June 19 – July 1, 2014	To sell alcohol, ticket performances and to solicit for donations
7. World Pride Opening Ceremonies (City of Toronto & World Pride 2014) June 20, 2014	To sell alcohol, use open flame and special effects pyrotechnics

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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