



**STAFF REPORT  
ACTION REQUIRED  
with Confidential Attachment**

**CANADA CULTURAL SPACES GRANT - EXPENDITURES**

<b>Date:</b>	February 26, 2015
<b>To:</b>	The Board of Directors of the Hummingbird (Sony) Centre for the Performing Arts
<b>From:</b>	Interim Chief Executive Officer
<b>Wards:</b>	All
<b>Reason for Confidential Information:</b>	This report involves the security of property belonging to the City or one of its agencies, boards, and commissions.
<b>Reference Number:</b>	

**SUMMARY**

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The Sony Centre has been approved for \$513,000 in matching funding from the federal government through the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund to purchase specialized theatre equipment totalling \$1,026,000. The Federal funding stipulates that the Centre must make those expenditures by March 31, 2015, the end of the Federal fiscal year. The application was approved by the Sony Board on September 11, 2014. The expenditures supported by this grant are included in the Sony Centre's 2015 Recommended Capital Budget scheduled for consideration by City Council on March 10, 2015.

The purpose of this report is to seek authorization from the Board as outlined in Sony's Purchasing Policy #303 for staff to make purchases in excess of \$100,000 for specialized theatre equipment.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**The Interim Chief Executive Officer recommends that the Board of Directors of the Hummingbird (Sony) Centre for the Performing Arts:**

1. Accept the \$513,000 Canada Cultural Spaces funding grant described in the letter dated February 16, 2015 from The Honourable Shelly Glover, the Minister of Canadian Heritage and Official Languages [Attachment 1].
2. Approve expenditures, as planned in the Sony Centre 2015 Recommended Capital Budget, conditional upon City Council's approval of the 2015 Capital Budget at its meeting on March 10 and 11, 2015.
3. Authorize Sony Centre staff to make purchases over \$100,000, more specifically as outlined in the confidential Attachment 2 to this report.

**Financial Impact**

There is no financial impact beyond what is already included in the Sony Centre 2015 Recommended Capital Budget, as noted in this report.

**DECISION HISTORY**

The Board authorized the Sony Centre to submit a grant application to Canada Cultural Spaces Fund for specialized equipment to the main stage and other public areas in the building.

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2014.HB40.1>

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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Letter from The Honourable Shelly Glover, P.C., M.P.  
Attachment 2 – Confidential List of Expenditures for Specialised Equipment