



## REPORT FOR ACTION

# Endorsement of Events for Liquor Licensing Purposes

**Date:** April 16, 2018  
**To:** Scarborough Community Council  
**From:** City Clerk  
**Wards:** 43

## SUMMARY

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This report requests that Community Council consider requests from various event holders for Community Council to declare events municipally significant, and for Council to endorse temporary extensions to licensed hours or areas, for liquor licensing purposes.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

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The City Clerk recommends that:

1. Scarborough Community Council consider the requests to designate events listed in Attachment 1 as events of municipal significance under the authority delegated by Municipal Code Chapter 27-152.
2. Scarborough Community Council consider the requests for extended licensed hours or areas listed in Attachment 2 and recommend to Council endorsements of extensions to licensed hours or areas.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT

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There are no financial implications.

## DECISION HISTORY

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The Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) in 2012 changed the liquor licensing regime so that event holders must obtain an "event of municipal significance" designation from the City to get a Special Occasion Permit for most special events where alcohol is sold in an unlicensed public area. Exceptions to the requirement include events held by charities or not-for-profits and nationally or internationally

significant events such as PanAm. In 2007 Council delegated the authority to designate events of municipal significance to Community Council (Municipal Code Chapter 27, s.152-F). When licensed establishments wish to extend their licensed hours or area for a special event, the AGCO requires event holders to get the Council's endorsement and non-objection to the extension. This cannot be delegated until legislation is changed.

## **COMMENTS**

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Community Council deals with two main types of requests for endorsement for liquor licensing purposes, requests for events to be declared "municipally significant" and requests to endorse extensions to licensed hours or areas. Extended hours are required to sell liquor before 11 a.m. or after 2 a.m. Extensions to licensed areas must be for areas contiguous with the existing licensed area, usually a patio or parking lot.

Attachment 1 summarises the requests from event organisers to be designated an event of municipal significance. Attachment 2 summarises requests on behalf of licensed establishments for Council's endorsement and non-objection to extending their licensed hours or area. The original requests are included as communications.

## **CONTACT**

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## **SIGNATURE**

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City Clerk

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1 - Events of Municipal Significance requests  
Attachment 2 - Extended Licensed Hours or Area requests

**Revised** Attachment 1 - Events of Municipal Significance Requests

Event Name	Contact	Location(s)	Event Date(s)	Event Hours
The Guild Alive With Culture Arts Festival	Councillor Paul Ainslie	On the grounds of the Guild Park and Gardens at 201 Guildwood Parkway	July 28 and July 29, 2018	11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Canada Day Event Royal Canadian Legion Branch 13	Councillor Gary Crawford	1577 Kingston Road	July 1, 2018	11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



**Revised** Attachment 2 - Extended Licensed Hours or Area Requests

<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Location(s)</b>	<b>Event Date(s)</b>	<b>Event Hours</b>	<b>Extension to Hours or Area</b>
The Guild Alive With Culture Arts Festival	Councillor Paul Ainslie	On the grounds of the Guild Park and Gardens at 201 Guildwood Parkway	July 28 and July 29, 2018	11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	special occasion liquor license permit
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**Councillor Paul Ainslie**

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Date: April 16, 2018  
To: Members of the Scarborough Community Council  
Subject: Endorsement for Event for Liquor Licensing Purposes  
The Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival

The Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival will take place on Saturday July 28, 2018 and Sunday July 29, 2018 inclusive, on the grounds of the Guild Park and Gardens located at 201 Guildwood Parkway.

With this letter I am requesting that Scarborough Community Council declare the Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival an event of municipal significance.

Correspondingly request that Scarborough Community Council recommend to Toronto City Council to advise the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that it has no objection in granting the Guild Renaissance Group a special occasion liquor license permit for Saturday July 28, 2018 from 11 a.m. – 7p.m. and Sunday July 29, 2018 from 11 a.m. – 7p.m. inclusive for the purposes of The Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely

Paul Ainslie  
City of Toronto Councillor  
Scarborough East - Ward 43