Date: April 12, 2010
To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: General Manager, Economic Development and Culture
Wards: Ward 27 – Toronto Centre - Rosedale

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.

CONTACT

Joe Sellors
Supervisor, Special Events
Economic Development & Culture
Tel: 416-395-7419
Fax: 416-395-0278
jsellor@toronto.ca

SIGNATURE

Michael H. Williams, General Manager
Economic Development & Culture