



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### Insight Productions Film Shoot at City Hall

<b>Date:</b>	May 6, 2013
<b>To:</b>	Toronto City Council
<b>From:</b>	Chief Corporate Officer
<b>Wards:</b>	All
<b>Reference Number:</b>	P:\2013\Internal Services\FAC\Cc13007

#### **SUMMARY**

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It is recommended that City Council give exemption to Insight Productions request to rappel from the West Tower Roof onto the Podium Green Roof of City Hall.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**The Chief Corporate Officer recommends that:**

1. City Council grants permission to Insight Productions request to rappel from the West Tower Roof onto the Podium Green Roof of City Hall.
2. City Council requires 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.

#### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial implications that result from this report.

#### **DECISION HISTORY**

The Facilities Management Division has received an application from Insight Productions to film an episode of a television show at City Hall on Friday May 24, 2013.

City Staff have met with the event organizers to discuss the event proposal.

The episode consists of 3 participants rappelling over the west tower roof onto the podium green roof of City Hall.

Insight Productions has hired Zero Hour Industries Inc. to manage all aspects of the rappelling.

A Site Inspection and Safety Plan have been drafted for this event in consultation with City Staff.

The event will conform to Canadian Occupational Health and Safety Act and Canadian Safety Standards for working at heights and fall protection will follow Canadian Labour Code, the Technical Standards and Safety Authority Standards and is classified as an "Amusement Devise" in the province of Ontario; therefore the organizers will obtain all the necessary permits as required.

The event will also adhere to the Society of Professional Rope Access Technicians (SPRAT), Safe Practices for Rope Access Work and Certificate Requirements for Rope Access Work standards.

City Staff will be present to oversee and monitor the event.

Insight Productions will provide the City of Toronto with \$10,000,000.00 liability insurance and WSIB coverage.

All participants will be asked to sign a Save Hold and Harmless Indemnifying Clause.

Facilities Management Division staff will enter into a standard City of Toronto contract with Insight Productions which will be reviewed by the City of Toronto Legal Department.

This is the first request by Insight Productions for this type of activity. City Council has approved a similar request last year for Make a Wish Canada's "Rope for Hope" rappelling event at City Hall.

#### **ISSUE BACKGROUND**

Municipal Code Chapter 237 "Nathan Phillips Square" prohibits climbing or being on any arch, roof of a building or any part of a building, structure or fixture without the approval of Council.

**COMMENTS**

The event organizer is requesting permission to rappel from the West Tower Roof onto the Podium Green Roof of City Hall.

Facilities Management Division will finalize the contract after all requirements are met.

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**SIGNATURE**

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