# **TORONTO** Member Motion

### **City Council**

### **Motion without Notice**

MM54.19	ACTION			Ward:All
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## Electronic Dance Music Concerts - by Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Vincent Crisanti

\* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice. \* This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. City Council directed the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place to submit this report directly to City Council.

### Confidential Attachment - The receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege

### Recommendations

Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Vincent Crisanti, recommends that:

1. City Council adopt the recommendations outlined in the attached report from the Chief Executive Officer of Exhibition Place, dated July 4, 2014, entitled "Electronic Dance Music Concerts".

Recommendations contained in the attached report:

1. Direct that the confidential information contained in the Board's report dated January 21, 2014 entitled "Electronic Dance Music Concerts", attached as Appendix B, not be released publicly in order to protect the competitive positions and future economic interests of Exhibition Place;

2. Direct that the Confidential Attachment 1 to the City Solicitor's report dated April 7, 201 entitled "Electronic Dance Music Concerts" attached as Appendix E remain confidential as it contains advice and information that is subject to solicitor-client privilege; and

3. Authorize the Board to set an age restriction of 16 years and older for attendees at EDMs at Exhibition Place.

#### Summary

In April 2014, the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place adopted a policy directing Staff of Exhibition Place to not enter into any new negotiations with third parties to stage electronic dance music concerts (EDMs) in buildings controlled by Exhibition Place, subject to any executed license agreements and without limiting the existing rights of tenants including the Manager of BMO Field.

In response to the Board's decision, City Council at its May 6, 7 and 8, 2014 meeting required the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place to reverse its April policy decision and to adopt a policy consistent with City Council's decision of August 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2000 to permit such events at Exhibition Place, on condition that safety measures are established.

City Council also required the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place to direct the Chief Executive Officer of Exhibition Place to undertake a consultation process to review the safety protocol for Exhibition Place Facilities Requirements, consultation with the City of Toronto Emergency Services and Toronto Public Health for Electronic Dance Music Concerts and dance parties, and to make appropriate amendments resulting from this review to ensure that Exhibition Place and event producers provide a safe venue for these events and to report back to Council by July 2014.

The Board held a public consultation meeting on June 16, 2014 wherein City Services (EMS, Fire, Police and Public Health) and Exhibition Place staff were in attendance to respond to any questions posed.

This Motion is urgent as City Council has directed the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place to report back to Council by July, 2014 on the review of its April 11, 2014 decision, after completion of the consultation process and the review of its safety protocol, with its decisions on the hosting of Electronic Dance Music Concerts at Exhibition Place facilities.

(Submitted to City Council on July 8 and 9, 2014 as MM54.19)

#### **Background Information (City Council)**

Member Motion MM54.19 (July 4, 2014) Report from the Chief Executive Officer, Exhibition Place, headed "Electronic Dance Music Concerts" (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-71296.pdf) (July 4, 2014) Appendix A - Requirements for Safety and EDM Protocols (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-71297.pdf) (January 21, 2014) Appendix B - Report from the Chief Executive Officer, Exhibition Place, to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place, headed "Electronic Dance Music Concerts" (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-71298.pdf) (January 21, 2014) Appendix C - Confidential Attachment 1 - From the Chief Executive Officer, Exhibition Place headed "Electronic Dance Music Concerts" (April 7, 2014) Appendix D - Report from the City Solicitor to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place headed "Electronic Dance Music Concerts" (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-71300.pdf) (April 7, 2014) Appendix E - Confidential Attachment - From the City Solicitor to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place headed "Electronic Dance Music Concerts" (June 17, 2014) Appendix F - Report from the City Solicitor to the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place headed "Electronic Dance Music Concerts - Supplementary Report" (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-71302.pdf)

Appendix G - Report on the Inquest into the Death of Allen Ho, Chief Coroner, Province of Ontario, dated October 2001 (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-71303.pdf)