

City Council**Notice of Motion**

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Looking for a Place to Happen: Finding a City Facility to Broadcast the Final Tragically Hip Concert - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Joe Cressy

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Economic Development Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Joe Cressy, recommends that:

1. City Council authorize the General Manager, Economic Development and Culture, in consultation with the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation and impacted local City Councillors, to explore options to broadcast the final Tragically Hip concert in a City of Toronto square, theatre or a park, including the authority to assign necessary funds from their existing operating budget or through identification of a sponsor for all or part of the cost.

Summary

One of Canada's most beloved bands will be soon be starting their final tour across Canada. For over 30 years, the Tragically Hip have rocked shows across Canada and around the world. With 13 studio albums, one live album and 54 singles, the Tragically Hip have been part our shared Canadian soundtrack for generations.

The Hip frequently use Canadian heritage and geography in their music, something celebrated by communities across Canada. This can be heard in their song, "Fifty Mission Cap", a tribute to Toronto Maple Leafs' defenseman Bill Barilko who, shortly after scoring the goal that won the Leafs the 1951 Stanley Cup, went missing on a fishing trip having perished in a plane crash only to be found a decade later.

As a last gift to their fans, despite the personal and physical toll it will have, the Hip will share a final concert tour with Canada. CBC has since announced that they will be broadcasting their final performance live from Kingston.

We, as the City, should create a shared space for Toronto Hip fans to join together to watch this historic concert live.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM20.32