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To: Toronto and East York Community Council
Re: 2018 Bum Run event

Summary:

City Council approved the 2017 Operating Budget for Transportation Services which included Street Event user fee increases. The user fee charged for an Athletic Event for permission to fully or partially close/occupy an expressway, major arterial, minor arterial and collector roads for the purpose of holding an Athletic Event went from $83.09 per day to $3500 per event, up to four consecutive days.

This event began seven years ago to raise public awareness that 90% of colon cancer deaths are preventable by early diagnosis. Through collaboration with surgeons, hospital staff, friends and families the event was created in order to raise funds for early diagnosis clinics, facilitation and awareness of the benefits of preventative action.

The Bum Run is the only Toronto hosted event that is registered as 100% non-profit. All funds raised are used toward the cause, cure and awareness campaign. The Bum Run is an unpaid volunteer event. Although there is a fundraising registration fee for a timing chip; it is an open - no fee event. All are invited to participate in the event for free by simply showing up. Toronto and East York Community Council are being asked to waive the user fees for street events, as a means to support this important event.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1) That City Council direct the General Manager, Transportation Services to waive the permit fee charged for the Bum Run's 2018 event (fee ref. no. 61.07, Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, Appendix C – Schedule 2, Transportation Services).

Respectfully submitted,



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