

Use of Nathan Phillips Square for Various Events from April 1 - July 31, 2022

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To: Toronto and East York Community Council
From: Interim General Manager, Economic Development & Culture
Wards: Ward 10 - Spadina-Fort York

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to request various exemptions from the Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 636 "Public Squares" and former City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 237 "Nathan Phillips Square" for events that are proposed to be held on Nathan Phillips Square, April 1 - July 31, 2022.

The issuing of permits and exemptions for the events listed in this report will be conditional on adherence to public health regulations. Organizers will be responsible for submitting operational plans to the permit-issuing body, and monitoring on-site operations in a manner that maintains compliance with all public health guidelines and best practices. Staff in the Economic Development and Culture Division, in consultation with Toronto Public Health, will work with event organizers to assess viability, based on ongoing public health direction and the risks associated with specific events.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Interim General Manager, Economic Development and Culture recommends that:

1. City Council grant an exemption to PhilCan Mosaic Organization, Rugby Ontario & Toronto Inner - City Rugby Foundation, Pride Toronto, Special Events, EDC, City of Toronto, Festival Management Committee, The Terry Fox Foundation, Toronto Outdoor Art Fair, Taste of Middle East, Casa Cultural Peruana Inc., Young Canadian Alliances to operate a beer garden and to serve wine and hard liquor contingent upon the following conditions:

- Approval of the A.G.C.O.
- Approval of the Medical Officer of Health
- Compliance with the City of Toronto's Municipal Alcohol Policy
- Receipt of all the necessary permits associated with the production of the event i.e. building permit, noise by-law extension permit

2. City Council grant permission to Fast in the 6, Gursikh Sabha Canada/Ontario Sikhs and Gurdwara Council, Toronto Newcomer Office, Social Development, Finance and Administration, City of Toronto, SING! The Toronto Vocal Arts Festival, Autism Speaks of Canada, Make a Wish Foundation, PhilCan Mosaic Organization, Long Term Care Homes & Services, City of Toronto, Rugby Ontario & Toronto Inner - City Rugby Foundation, Dancing Damsels Inc., Nepalese Canadian Community Services (NCCS), Strategic Protocol and External Relations, City of Toronto, Pride Toronto, Special Events, EDC, City of Toronto, Baycrest Foundation, Festival Management Committee, The Terry Fox Foundation, Toronto Outdoor Art Fair, Taste of Middle East, Casa Cultural Peruana Inc., Canada International Dance Culture Association, Young Canadian Alliances, to solicit donations in support of their organizations.
3. City Council grant permission to Fast in the 6, ArtworxTO, City of Toronto, Rugby Ontario & Toronto Inner - City Rugby Foundation, Pride Toronto, Special Events, EDC, City of Toronto, Festival Management Committee, The Terry Fox Foundation, Toronto Outdoor Art Fair, Baycrest Foundation, Taste of Middle East, Young Canadian Alliances, Strategic Protocol and External Relations, City of Toronto, to place objects in the reflecting pool.
4. City Council grant permission to Gursikh Sabha Canada/Ontario Sikhs and Gurdwara Council, Toronto Newcomer Office, Social Development, Finance and Administration, City of Toronto, Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, Autism Speaks of Canada, PhilCan Mosaic Organization, Make a Wish Foundation, Long Term Care Homes & Services, City of Toronto, Rugby Ontario & Toronto Inner - City Rugby Foundation, Pride Toronto, Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, Festival Management Committee, The Terry Fox Foundation, Taste of Middle East, Casa Cultural Peruana Inc., Canada International Dance Culture Association, Young Canadian Alliances to engage in sport demonstrations.
5. City Council grant permission to Fast in the 6, Toronto Newcomer Office, Social Development, Finance and Administration, City of Toronto, Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, PhilCan Mosaic Organization, Rugby Ontario & Toronto Inner - City Rugby Foundation, Pride Toronto, Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, Festival Management Committee, The Terry Fox Foundation, Toronto Outdoor Art Fair, Taste of Middle East, Casa Cultural Peruana Inc., Canada International Dance Culture Association, Young Canadian Alliances, Make a Wish Foundation for sound amplification outside of Nathan Philipps Square amplification schedule policy.
6. City Council grant permission to Fast in the 6, Dancing Damsels Inc., Nepalese Canadian Community Services (NCCS), Strategic Protocol and External Relations, City of Toronto, Pride Toronto, Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, Festival Management Committee, The Terry Fox Foundation, Toronto Outdoor Art Fair, Taste of Middle East, Casa Cultural Peruana Inc., Canada International Dance Culture Association, Young Canadian Alliances to use open flame as part of their event production.
7. City Council grant permission to Fast in the 6, Pride Toronto, Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, Festival Management Committee, The Terry Fox

Foundation, Toronto Outdoor Art Fair, Taste of Middle East, Young Canadian Alliances to use special effects pyrotechnics as part of their event production.

8. City Council grant permission to ArtworxTO, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto, to cover City Hall window and building as part of their event production.

9. City Council require that the various events compensate the City of Toronto, through the Facilities Management Division, for all City of Toronto costs associated with an event above the standard staffing compliment.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The City of Toronto will be compensated by the event organizers for any costs incurred by the City as a result of these various events and the approval of requested exemptions.

The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

The City of Toronto has received applications from the following for the use of Nathan Phillips Square up to July 31, 2022:

- PhilCan Mosaic Organization "PhilCan Mosaic Festival"
- Dancing Damsels Inc. "Toronto International Dance Festival (TIDF 2022)"
- Nepalese Canadian Community Services (NCCS) " Himalayan Festival"
- Pride Toronto "Pride Festival"
- Festival Management Committee's " Toronto Caribbean Carnival Official Launch"
- The Terry Fox Foundation's "Terry Fox Toronto Celebration"
- Toronto Outdoor Art Fair's "61st Toronto Outdoor Art Fair"
- Taste of Middle East's "Taste of Middle East Music & Art Festival 2022"
- Casa Cultural Peruana Inc. "Canadian Multicultural Peruvian Fest 2022"
- Canada International Dance Culture Association's " Toronto International Youth Dance Festival"
- Yong Canadian Alliance's " Taste of India"
- ArtWorxTO, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto "Project T Dot" & "OverFloe Sculpture in the Pond"
- Gursikh Sabha Canada/Ontario Sikhs and Gurdwara Council's "Khalsa Parade"
- Autism Speaks of Canada's "Autism Walk"
- Make a Wish Foundation's "Make a Wish/Rope for Hope"
- Long Term Care Homes & Services, City of Toronto's "Toronto Challenge"
- Sing! The Toronto Vocal Arts Festival's "Sing! The Toronto Vocal Arts Festival Launch"

- Toronto Newcomer Office, Social Development, Finance and Administration, City of Toronto's "Toronto Newcomers Day",
- Fast in the 6 Inc.'s "Fast in the 6"
- Baycrest Foundation's "Brain Art Project"
- Toronto Inner City Rugby Foundation's "Rugby in the Square"
- Strategic Protocol and External Relations, City of Toronto "Sunrise Ceremony"
- Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto "Doors Open" & "Canada Day Celebration"

COMMENTS

The Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 636 "Public Squares" and former City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 237 "Nathan Phillips Square" prohibits the solicitation of donations, the sale of alcohol, placing objects in the reflecting pool, use of open flame and special effects pyrotechnics, amplification of sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, "gated or ticketed" events and engagement in sport demonstrations and covering of City Hall windows and building on Nathan Phillips Square without the approval of Council.

Various event organizers are requesting permission to solicit donations, engage in sports demonstrations, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use of open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden, place objects in the pool, use special effects pyrotechnics and permission to cover City Hall windows. The proceeds of these and other sales will go to their respective non-profit organizations.

Date	Event	Organization	Requesting Permission
April 1- June 27	Project T Dot	ArtworxTO, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto	Permission to cover City Hall windows
April 15-16	Fast in the 6	Fast in the 6 Inc	Solicit donations, use of open flame and special effects pyrotechnics as part of their event production, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy and place objects in the pool
May 1	Khalsa Parade	Gursikh Sabha Canada/Ontario Sikhs and Gurdwara Council's	Solicit donations and engage in sports demonstrations

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May 1- July 4	OverFloe Sculpture in Pond	ArtworxTO, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto	Place objects in the pool
May 24-25	8th Annual Toronto Newcomer Day	Toronto Newcomer Office, Social Development, Fiancée and Administration, City of Toronto	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstrations and amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy
May 26-29	Doors Open	Special Events, Arts & Culture Services, City of Toronto	Engage in sports demonstration, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, permission to cover City Hall windows and building
May 26	Sing! The Toronto Vocal Arts Festival Launch	Sing! The Toronto Vocal Arts Festival	Solicit donations
June 4-5	Autism Speaks Canada Toronto Walk	Autism Speaks of Canada	Solicit donations and engage in sports demonstration
June 8	Make a Wish/Rope for Hope	Make a Wish Foundation	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstration and amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy
June 10-11	PhilCan Mosaic Festival	PhilCan Mosaic Organization	Solicit donations, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, engage in sports demonstration, operate beer/wine garden
June 16-17	Toronto Challenge	Long Term Care Homes & Services. City of Toronto	Solicit donations and engage in sports demonstration

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June 16-17	Rugby in the Square	Rugby Ontario & Toronto Inner -City Rugby Foundation	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstration, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, operate beer/wine garden and place objects in the pool
June 18	Toronto International Dance festival (TIDF2022)	Dancing Damsels Inc	Solicit donations and use of open flame as part of their event production
June 19	Himalayan Festival	Nepalese Canadian Community Services (NCCS)	Solicit donations and use of open flame as part of their event production
June 21	Sunrise Ceremony	Strategic Protocol and External Relations, City of Toronto	Solicit donations, place objects in the pool and use of open flame as part of their event production
June 24- 27	Pride Festival	Pride Toronto	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstration, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden, place objects in the pool and use special effects pyrotechnics

Date	Event	Organization	Requesting Permission
June 27-July 6	Canada Day Celebrations	Special Events, Arts and Culture Services, City of Toronto	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstration, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden, place objects in the pool, use special effects pyrotechnics and cover City hall windows
July 5- August 1	The Brain Project	Baycrest Foundation	Solicit donations and place objects in the pool
July 7	Toronto Caribbean Carnival Launch	Festival Management Committee	Solicit for donations, engage in sports demonstration, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use of open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden. Place objects in the pool and use special effects pyrotechnics
July 8-11	Terry Fox Toronto Celebration	The Terry Fox Foundation	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstrations, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use of open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden, place objects in the pool and use special effects pyrotechnic

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July 14-17	61st Toronto Outdoor Art Fair	Toronto Outdoor Art Fair	Solicit donations, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use of open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden, place objects in the pool and use special effects pyrotechnic
July 22-24	Taste of Middle East Music & Art Festival 2022	Taste of Middle East	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstration, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use of open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden, place objects in the pool and use special effects pyrotechnic
July 26	Canadian Multicultural Peruvian Fest 2022	Casa Cultural Peruana Inc.	Amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, operate beer/wine garden, solicit donations, use of open flame as part of their event production and engage in sports demonstration
July 29-30	Toronto International Youth Dance Festival	Canada International Dance Culture Association	Solicit donations, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use of open flame as part of their event production and engage in sports demonstration

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July 31- August 1	Taste of India	Young Canadian Allainces	Solicit donations, engage in sports demonstration, amplify sound outside of NPS amplification schedule policy, use of open flame as part of their event production, operate beer/wine garden, place objects in the pool and use special effects pyrotechnic

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