

City Council

Motion without Notice

MM17.13	ACTION			Ward: All
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Use of Nathan Phillips Square - Doors Open Toronto and Pride Toronto - by Councillor Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Chris Moise

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Recommendations

Councillor Ausma Malik, seconded by Councillor Chris Moise, recommends that:

1. City Council approve a one-time exemption to the policies governing facility usage at City Hall and Nathan Phillips Square to allow the covering of ground level windows to the west of the main doors for an exhibition of artwork by the Photo Laureate for Doors Open 2024. Such exemption to apply from Monday, April 29 to Thursday, June 27, 2024.
2. City Council approve a one-time exemption to the policies governing facility usage at City Hall and Nathan Phillips Square to grant Pride Toronto permission to operate a beer and wine garden and serve alcohol, place objects in the reflecting pool and amplify sound in compliance with sound levels outlined in Municipal Code, Chapter 591 Noise as part of Pride Toronto 2024 Festivities being held on Nathan Phillips Square. Such exemption to apply from Friday, June 29 to Sunday, June 30, 2024.

Summary

The purpose of this Motion is to request various exemptions from Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 636 – Public Squares and former City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 237 – Nathan Phillips Square for both Doors Open 2024 and Pride Toronto 2024.

Normally these exemptions would have been included in Item – [Use of Nathan Philips Square for Various Events – May 1, 2024 to August 31, 2024 adopted at City Council in March 2024.](#)

Details of the Doors Open 2024 Photo Laureate project were still in development and requested use of the space by Pride Toronto had not yet been confirmed so they were not included at that time.

Background Information (City Council)

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