

# INFORMATION REPORT

ТО:	Chair and Members Emergency and Community Services Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	August 15, 2019
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Feasibility of Assisting Major Festivals (Shut Out of Celebrate Ontario Grant Funding) (HSC19045) (Wards 2, 3 and 12) (Outstanding Business List Item)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Wards 2, 3 and 12
PREPARED BY:	Dawn Walton (905) 546-2424 Ext. 4755
SUBMITTED BY: SIGNATURE:	Chris Herstek Director, Recreation Division Healthy and Safe Communities Department

#### COUNCIL DIRECTION

On June 26, 2019, Council directed Recreation (Cultural Projects) staff, in consultation with other appropriate staff, to report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee on the following:

- (a) Municipal services utilized by the Festival of Friends, Ancaster Heritage Days and Supercrawl festivals and the cost of rendering those services; and,
- (b) Municipal services utilized by the Festival of Friends, Ancaster Heritage Days and Supercrawl festivals that the City of Hamilton may consider offering in-kind as a means to continue to make these major Hamilton festivals viable.

#### **INFORMATION**

In June 2019, the Government of Ontario announced the successful recipients of the 2019 Celebrate Ontario grant funding. Two major festivals in Hamilton, Supercrawl and Festival of Friends, were not successful in their applications for funding from Celebrate Ontario despite having received funding in previous years.

# SUBJECT: Feasibility of Assisting Major Festivals (Shut Out of Celebrate Ontario Grant Funding) (HSC19045) (Wards 2, 3 and 12) - Page 2 of 4

Council directed staff to investigate the municipal services utilized by Festival of Friends, Ancaster Heritage Days and Supercrawl and the associated costs.

The total costs for municipal services are as follows:

•	Supercrawl 2018	\$58,888
•	Festival of Friends 2018	\$23,274
•	Ancaster Heritage Days 2019	\$ 4,227

Council also directed staff to identify City services that could be offered in-kind. Responses from the associated Section/Division can be separated into two categories – negotiable and non-negotiable fees. Where a fee is defined as negotiable the associated costs may be waived with appropriate authorization. Non-negotiable fees are required and cannot be waived due to contractual relationships with emergency services to ensure public and participant safety.

The respective charts below summarize the applicable permits and services that each of these festivals obtained from the City and are expected to obtain in 2019 for their events. There are Section/Divisions that have fee waivers in place or absorb the expense for these events in their operating budgets including By-law and HSR. Where cost was provided, the fees have been identified as part of this analysis.

# **Summary of Municipal Services and Associated Cost**

### **Supercrawl**

Section/Division	2018 Actual Cost	Permits/Services	Negotiable Fee
Hamilton Municipal Parking System Section	\$5,000	- Parking meters - Municipal parking lots	Yes
Geomatics and Corridor Management Section	\$673	- Road closure permit	Yes
Traffic Operations Section	\$1,107  *funding in place from CEF to offset this cost	- Advance warning board - Traffic detour signs	Yes
Hamilton Police Service	\$34,131	- Paid Duty Officers	No
Public Health Services Division	\$464	- Food vendor forms - Inspections	Yes

SUBJECT: Feasibility of Assisting Major Festivals (Shut Out of Celebrate Ontario Grant Funding) (HSC19045) (Wards 2, 3 and 12) - Page 3 of 4

Building Division	\$2,009	- Stage/Tent permits	Yes
Hamilton Paramedic Service	\$8,124	- Transport unit - Emergency response vehicle - Supervisors	No
Licensing & By-Law Services	\$180	- Noise Exemption Permit	Yes
Hamilton Street Railway (HSR)	\$7,200	- Additional bus service	N/A
	*fee for service		
	already absorbed		
	by divisional budget		

## **Festival of Friends**

Section/Division	2018 Actual Cost	Permits/ Services	Negotiable Fee
Hamilton Police	\$6,772	- Paid Duty Officers	No
Service		-	
Parks & Cemeteries	\$3,000	- Labour	Yes
Section		- Material costs	
Public Health Services	\$798	- Food vendor forms	Yes
Division		- Inspections	
Recreation Division	\$3,636	- Park permit	Yes
Hamilton Street	\$9,068	- Additional bus service	N/A
Railway			
	*fee for service		
	already absorbed		
1	by divisional		
	budget		

# **Ancaster Heritage Days**

Section/Division	2019 Actual Cost	Permits/Services	Negotiable Fee
Hamilton Municipal Parking System Section	\$229	- Parking meters	Yes
Geomatics and Corridor Management Section	\$673	- Road closure permit	Yes

SUBJECT: Feasibility of Assisting Major Festivals (Shut Out of Celebrate Ontario Grant Funding) (HSC19045) (Wards 2, 3 and 12) - Page 4 of 4

Parks & Cemeteries	\$768	- Labour	Yes
Section		- Material costs	
Traffic Operations	\$627	- Advance warning	Yes
Section		board	
	*funding in place from CEF to offset this cost	- Traffic detour signs	
Hamilton Police Service	\$1,357	- Paid Duty Officers	No
Public Health Services Division	\$39	- Food vendor form	Yes
Recreation Division	\$534	- Park permit	Yes

The total cost to the City to waive negotiable fees for the three major events combined is \$19,737. Fees which are attributed to emergency services and cannot be waived total \$50,384.

### APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None