

DECISION/DIRECTION NOTE

Title: SERC - Hindu Temple Diwali Festival Celebrations

Date Prepared: October 30, 2024

Report To: Regular Meeting of Council

Councillor and Role: Councillor Jill Bruce, Cruise and Special Events

Ward: Ward 1

Decision/Direction Required: Seeking Council approval for an exemption to Fireworks By-Law for The Hindu Temple of St. John's Diwali Celebrations on November 2.

Discussion – Background and Current Status: The Hindu Temple will be hosting a Diwali event at their temple on November 2 and are requesting to have fireworks in their parking lot between 9:30pm – 10:00pm. There will be no aerial fireworks display, only sparklers for the children and fountain fireworks which do not exceed 3 feet. St. John's Regional Fire Department are in favor of this exemption and have completed and approved a site visit.

The Hindu Temple of St. John's is located at 26 Penny Lane.



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Key Considerations/Implications:

1. Budget/Financial Implications: N/A
2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: The Hindu Temple of St. John's, SJRFD
3. Is this a New Plan or Strategy: No
4. Alignment with Strategic Directions:

A Connected City: Increase and improve opportunities for residents to connect with each other and the City.
5. Alignment with Adopted Plans: N/A
6. Accessibility and Inclusion: N/A
4. Legal or Policy Implications: Requesting an exemption to the Fireworks By-Law
5. Privacy Implications: N/A
6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A
7. Human Resource Implications: N/A
8. Procurement Implications: N/A
9. Information Technology Implications: N/A
10. Other Implications: N/A

Recommendation:

That Council approve an exemption to Fireworks By-Law for The Hindu Temple of St. John's Diwali Celebrations on November 2.

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Report Approval Details

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