

General Committee - Corporate Grants

Date: February 12, 2020
Time: 1:04 PM
Location: Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 2nd Floor
300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

Members	Councillor Stephen Dasko	Ward 1
	Councillor Karen Ras	Ward 2
	Councillor Chris Fonseca	Ward 3
	Councillor John Kovac	Ward 4
	Councillor Carolyn Parrish	Ward 5
	Councillor Ron Starr	Ward 6
	Councillor Dipika Damerla	Ward 7
	Councillor Matt Mahoney	Ward 8
	Councillor Pat Saito	Ward 9
	Councillor George Carlson	Ward 11
Members Absent	Mayor Bonnie Crombie	(Other Municipal Business)
	Councillor Sue McFadden	Ward 10 (Resolution 0299-2019)

Staff Present

Shari Lichterman, Acting Commissioner, Community Services
Diana Rusnov, Director of Legislative Services and City Clerk
Sacha Smith, Manager of Legislative Services and Deputy Clerk
Allyson D'Ovidio, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services

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1. CALL TO ORDER

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5. DEPUTATIONS

5.1 Vikas Kholi, Executive Director and Lauren Pires, Project Management Lead, MonstrARTity regarding the 2019 Festival update and 2020 - 10th Anniversary Bollywood Monster Mashup Festival at Celebration Square

Mr. Kholi spoke to the annual Festival; to success stories; statistics from previous years; investments in local artists; and noted that the Bollywood Monster Mashup was awarded 2019 "Festival of the Year" from the Mississauga Arts Council. Mr. Kholi spoke to the VIP reception taking place on July 9th to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Bollywood Monster Mashup Festival.

Ms. Pires spoke to the "Monster Arts for Youth" program, South Asian arts classes led by professional, world class artists for elementary, middle and secondary school students. Ms. Pires spoke to the many workshops, removing cultural barriers and noted the program was extended to seniors in 2018 through the "Monster Arts for Youth at heart" program.

Councillor Kovac spoke in support of the festival. In response to Councillor Kovac, Mr. Kholi advised the festival will be taking place from July 10th – July 11th and spoke to special presentations and new technology planned for the event.

Councillor Damerla spoke in support, enquired about the cultural standpoint of the programs. In response, Mr. Kholi spoke to ensuring inclusion by using "mashup" to mix communities altogether.

RECOMMENDATION GC-0086-2020

Moved by Councillor Starr

That the deputation on February 12, 2020 by Vikas Kholi, Executive Director and Lauren Pires, Project Management Lead, MonstrARTity regarding the 2019 Festival update and 2020 10th Anniversary Bollywood Monster Mashup Festival at Celebration Square be received.

Received

5.2 Item 7.1 Ajaay Modi, Indo-Canada Arts Council regarding the funding request for the Diwali RazzMatazz Festival

This matter was withdrawn. No discussion took place.

5.3 Item 7.2 Ron Duquette, President, Legends Row and Douglas Hancock, President Heritage Mississauga

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Mr. Duquette and Mr. Hancock spoke to the history of Legends Row; how it came to be; the inductees; the grand opening on June 3, 2017 at Mississauga Celebration Square; the partnership with Heritage Mississauga and the continued support of the Legends Row Legacy.

Councillors Ras, Starr, Saito, Dasko and Parrish spoke in support of the transfer of Legends Row to Heritage Mississauga and to the work done by Mr. Duquette as a volunteer for 50 years.

In response to Councillor Parrish, Mr. Duquette spoke to how to submit nominations online and noted the upcoming celebration of the 2018 class of inductees on February 15th and the 2019 inductees celebration at the year end.

RECOMMENDATION GC-0087-2020

Moved by Councillor Saito

That the deputation by Ron Duquette, President, Legends Row and Douglas Hancock, President Heritage Mississauga regarding the report dated December 13, 2019, titled "Transfer of Legends Row and City Funding Approval for Heritage Mississauga" be received.

Received

7. MATTERS CONSIDERED

7.1 2020 Culture and Community Grant Programs

Councillor Saito spoke to the Community Grants for Youth Program; multi-year grants and enquired about the application process and the eligibility criteria, specifically for the "Dam Youth" drop-in centres.

In response to Councillor Saito, Shari Lichterman, Acting Commissioner, Community Services spoke to the multi-year grant application process, noting it is based on 3 year cycle and open to all. Ms. Lichterman noted the smaller, \$10,000 grant is for a single program and further, the "Dam" could be eligible for multi-year funding if they apply. At the request of Councillor Saito, staff will review the application history of the "Dam" to determine if there is an opportunity to award the multi-year grant in 2020 and return to General Committee with a report.

Councillor Starr enquired about increasing the funding for the Egyptian Coptic Festival and approving funding for the Senior Tamil Society. Andrew Douglas, Grants Coordinator spoke to the required criteria and the rationale for the recommended funding.

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Councillors Damerla and Saito spoke to the process and raised questions. In response, Sonia Banic, Manager, Culture Services spoke to the process, noting the intensive review conducted to arrive at the recommendations with great opportunity for support of the applicants. Ms. Lichterman spoke to the matter noting there is no further investigation required.

Councillor Ras spoke to accountability for awarding funding and noted a presentation of the grant application and decision process would be valuable in advance of the next report.

Members of the General Committee voted on a motion from Councillor Starr to increase funding for the Egyptian Coptic Festival by \$2,500.00. The motion failed.

RECOMMENDATION GC-0088-2020

Moved by Councillor Saito

That staff be directed to report back to General Committee regarding the eligibility of "The Dam" Youth Centre for Multi-Year Community Grant Funding in 2020.

YES (9): Councillor S. Dasko, Councillor K. Ras, Councillor C. Fonseca, Councillor J. Kovac , Councillor C. Parrish, Councillor R. Starr, Councillor M. Mahoney, Councillor P. Saito, and Councillor G. Carlson

ABSENT (3): Mayor Crombie, Councillor D. Damerla and Councillor S. McFadden

Carried (9 to 0)

RECOMMENDATION GC-0089-2020

Moved by Councillor Damerla

That the Corporate Report dated December 13, 2019 from the Commissioner of Community Services entitled "2020 Culture and Community Grant Programs" be approved.

YES (10): Councillor S. Dasko, Councillor K. Ras, Councillor C. Fonseca, Councillor J. Kovac , Councillor C. Parrish, Councillor R. Starr, Councillor D. Damerla, Councillor M. Mahoney, Councillor P. Saito, and Councillor G. Carlson

ABSENT (2): Mayor Crombie, and Councillor S. McFadden

Carried (10 to 0)

7.2 Transfer of Legends Row and City Funding Approval for Heritage Mississauga

In response to Councillor Parrish, Paul Damaso, Director of Arts and Culture spoke to the recommendation to provide clarity.

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RECOMMENDATION GC-0090-2020

Moved by Councillor Ras

1. That the Commissioner of Community Services or his designate be authorized to negotiate and enter into a license agreement with Heritage Mississauga for the management and operation of Legends Row, including all necessary agreements and documents ancillary thereto, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
2. That an additional \$35,000 in 2020 grant funding be approved for Heritage Mississauga, from the 2020 Arts and Culture grant budget, to fund the annual operating cost for Legends Row; and
3. That all necessary by-laws be enacted.

YES (10): Councillor S. Dasko, Councillor K. Ras, Councillor C. Fonseca, Councillor J. Kovac , Councillor C. Parrish, Councillor R. Starr, Councillor D. Damerla, Councillor M. Mahoney, Councillor P. Saito, and Councillor G. Carlson

ABSENT (2): Mayor Crombie, and Councillor S. McFadden

Carried (10 to 0)

8. ADJOURNMENT

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Councillor Fonseca