

PROPOSED LICENSE – (RAMSAY) – WARD 09 (CLLR. GIAN-CARLO CARRA)
FILE NO: 2535 SPILLER RD SE (SN)

SUMMARY/ISSUE

License of Property.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DIRECTION/POLICY

None

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Land and Asset Strategy Committee recommend that Council:

1. Authorize the license recommendations as outlined in Attachment 2;
2. Request that the Recommendations, Report and Attachments remain confidential under Sections 23(1)(b), 24(1)(a), 24(1)(g) and 25(1)(b) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* until the Report is published in the Council Agenda.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE LAND AND ASSET STRATEGY COMMITTEE, DATED 2014 SEPTEMBER 18:

That Council approve the Administration Recommendations contained in Report LAS2014-47.

INVESTIGATION

The Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Limited operates the world renowned Calgary Stampede. It is a 10 day annual event that celebrates Alberta's western heritage and pioneer spirit.

The Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Limited approached The City of Calgary with a redevelopment and expansion master plan for the Stampede Grounds. This plan included a tunnel under Spiller Road to connect the Stampede Grounds with a parking lot known

as Back of House. This report seeks approval for a license of occupation between The City of Calgary and The Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Limited to authorize this tunnel through and under City of Calgary lands. The tunnel is used by cowboys and other Stampede events participants to park their vehicles and trailers. The original parking lot used for such purposes will be used to expand the Stampede Grounds.

The tunnel reduces traffic congestion around the Stampede Grounds, and allows easy access for participants without having to use public roads.

IMPLICATIONS

General

This report has been reviewed for alignment with The City of Calgary Triple Bottom Line (TBL) Framework Policy. The following implications were identified.

Social

The Calgary Stampede provides Calgarians' with access to services, amenities and provides recreational and leisure opportunities for all.

The Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Limited is a non-profit organization that supports a number of activities year round which contributes to the vibrancy of The City. They also support a number of services and charitable organizations, which provide educational opportunities for youth.

Environmental

The Property has been reviewed in accordance with The City of Calgary's Sales, Acquisitions and Leases Environmental (S.A.L.E.) Policy. No concerns were identified.

Economic (External)

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The Calgary Stampede is a major contributor to Calgary's economy. It is also a major North American annual attraction that draws tourists to Calgary from across the world. It is estimated that this event inserts more than \$300 million in the local economy.

BUSINESS PLAN/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The license will generate a onetime nominal fee recognized in program 694.

RISKS

The City of Calgary and The Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Limited collaborate on many different levels that contribute to the success of the Calgary Stampede. Not approving this transaction will hinder the expansion of the Stampede Grounds, thus not allowing the accommodation of the increasingly large crowds.

VALUATION

The license fee of the Property is a nominal fee. No valuation was completed.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Site Map
2. Recommendations
3. Alberta Corporation/Non-Profit Search