

REPORT

Council

Meeting Date: April 29, 2024

FROM: Clerk's Department

DATE: April 16, 2024

SUBJECT: Application to Conduct Charitable Lottery Events – Canadian Croatian Choral Society

LOCATION:

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the request from Canadian Croatian Choral Society to conduct charitable lottery events in the Town of Oakville be approved.

KEY FACTS:

The following are key points for consideration with respect to this report:

- All first-time applicants are required to be approved by the Council of the municipality in which the event is to be held.
- The applicant complies with all licensing requirements.

BACKGROUND:

Under the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario's Order in Council 208/2024 as amended, all first-time applicants seeking permission to conduct lottery events are required to be approved by the Council of the municipality in which the event is to be held. Once Council has approved the original application, staff is then authorized to approve all renewals without further referral to Council.

COMMENT/OPTIONS:

Canadian Croatian Choral Society has applied for permission to conduct charitable lottery events to expand their programming in Oakville. They are committed to fostering a vibrant, enthusiastic choral community for members of all ages and cultural backgrounds to perform together. They plan to provide free concerts to those who are unable to attend regular performances. This much needed financial support will benefit the organization and their ability to successfully serve the Oakville community. Staff has checked the documentation provided by the applicant and found it to comply with the licensing requirements for the Province of Ontario

and the Town of Oakville. Staff has reviewed the charity's by-laws, financial statements and mandate and has found them to be in compliance with AGCO and OLG requirements. It is therefore recommended that Council approve this request to conduct lottery events.

CONSIDERATIONS:

(A) PUBLIC

Local charitable and not-for-profit organizations use lottery licensing to raise funds that are used to benefit the community.

(B) FINANCIAL

There is no financial consideration to the Town.

(C) IMPACT ON OTHER DEPARTMENTS & USERS

Lottery licensing is provided by the Clerk's Department under the regulations established by the Province. There is no impact on other departments.

(D) CORPORATE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

This report addresses Council's strategic priority of Community Belonging.

(E) CLIMATE CHANGE/ACTION

There is no impact.

APPENDICES:

Appendix A: Letter of request from Canadian Croatian Choral Society

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