

REPORT

Council

Meeting Date: November 18, 2024

FROM: Clerk's Department

DATE: November 5, 2024

SUBJECT: Application to Conduct Charitable Lottery Events – Society of Saint Vincent De Paul – St. Matthew Conference

LOCATION: Town-wide

WARD: Town-wide

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the request from Society of Saint Vincent De Paul – St. Matthew Conference 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:

The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul – St. Matthew Conference has applied for permission to conduct charitable lottery events to foster a sense of community, by connecting neighbours and those in need with community and government resources. They are dedicated to assisting with groceries, educational supports, furniture, transportation and other community needs. They provide much needed assistance to those who are vulnerable, elderly, single parents with children, low-income and those who rely on government assistance. 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) COUNCIL 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 Society of Saint Vincent De Paul – St. Matthew Conference

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