

Meeting 2022 Jun 20

COUNCIL REPORT

FROM: ACTING GENERAL MANAGER FILE: 38000-40 ENGINEERING

## SUBJECT: ROAD CLOSURE REQUEST – AADI POORAM, THER THIRUVIZCHA (CHARIOT) FESTIVAL 2022

**PURPOSE:** To seek Council approval for a parade on Sunday, 2022 July 31.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- **1. THAT** Council approve the road closures for the Chariot Parade as outlined in this report.
- 2. THAT a copy of this report be sent to the coordinator of the event, Karavainada Nadarajah, Secretary and Event Coordinator, Arul Migu Thurkadevi Hindu Society, 7468 Edmonds Street, Burnaby, BC, V3N 1B2.

### REPORT

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

A request to use City streets for a parade on Sunday, 2022 July 31 between 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm has been received from Karavainada Nadarajah, Secretary and Event Coordinator, Arul Migu Thurkadevi Hindu Society.

# 2.0 DISCUSSION

The Arul Migu Thurkadevi Hindu Society wishes to pull a small chariot (6 feet wide) around the block of the Society's assembly hall as part of their annual Aadi Pooram, Ther Thiruvizcha (Chariot) Festival. The hall is located at 7468 Edmonds Street and the proposed parade will start at the hall at 6:30 pm going north on Edmonds Street to Mary Avenue, right on Mary Avenue to 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, right on 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Humphries Avenue, right on Humphries Avenue to Edmonds Street, and right on Edmonds Street to the Society's hall, finishing at approximately 10:00pm (see Attachment #1, **attached**). The moving road closures would start at 6:00pm and finish at 11:00pm to allow time for setup and cleanup.

The parade organizers will be required to arrange for the delivery, installation and removal of all necessary traffic control equipment (i.e. barricades, cones, stanchions), certified traffic control personnel (TCP's) who will be stationed at Mary Avenue and Edmonds Street and at Humphries Avenue and Edmonds Street to control traffic, at their cost. The organizers are expecting about 300 members to attend this year's parade.

The organizers are aware that approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. That the parade be conducted under the supervision of one person as marshal or organizer.
- 2. That all participants be instructed to respect the rights and property of the individuals encountered en route.
- 3. That the parade is covered with liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$5 million with the City of Burnaby named as co-insured, and that the insurance policy includes a 30-day cancellation notice and a cross liability clause.
- 4. That a signed copy of the "City of Burnaby Permit For Short Term Use and Occupancy Of City Lands" be received no later than one week prior to the event.
- 5. That the organizers send out letters to the residents who are affected by the road closures 14 days in advance.
- 6. That the organizers are responsible for retaining a traffic control company to produce a traffic management plan and provide Traffic Control Personnel to redirect traffic.
- 7. All emergency services, bus services, etc. are advised of said event 14 days in advance.

For the protection of the parade participants along Edmonds Street, the east half of Edmonds Street will be closed between Humphries Avenue and Mary Avenue for the duration the parade is travelling along Edmonds Street. During this time, northbound and southbound traffic will be routed onto the western half of Edmonds Street.

# 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Council approve the road closures for the Chariot Parade as outlined in this report. It is further recommended that a copy of this report be sent to Karavainada Nadarajah, Secretary and Event Coordinator, Arul Migu Thurkadevi Hindu Society, 7468 Edmonds Street, Burnaby, BC, V3N 1B2.

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Copied to: General Manager Community Safety OIC RCMP Fire Chief Emergency Program Coordinator (Attn. Charmaigne Pflugrath) Manager Recreation Services (Attn. Isabelle Taillon) Supervisor Sports and Outdoor Recreation (Attn. Lucas Bjerke) BC Ambulance Special Operator (via email at SpecialOperations@bcehs.ca) City Clerk



# Aadi Pooram, Ther Thiruvizcha (Chariot) Festival sunday, JULY 31 2022

Attachment # 1

