

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

DATE: 2015 March 30

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &
CULTURAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: **FESTIVALS BURNABY PROGRAM – SMALL SCALE EVENT
15-S-009 SCANDINAVIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PURPOSE: Grant Approval Request

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the Festivals Burnaby grant request from the Scandinavian Community Centre for the Scandinavian Midsummer Festival on 2015 June 20-21 be received.

REPORT

Festivals and Special Events: Small Scale Event

Grant File 15-S-009: Scandinavian Community Centre

Application Received: 2015 March 13

Project Budget: \$55,900

Project Request: \$10,000

Previous Support: 2014 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant \$6,000
2013 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant \$6,000
2012 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant \$6,000
2011 Small Scale Festivals Burnaby Grant \$6,000

An application request for \$10,000 has been received from the Scandinavian Community Centre for the Scandinavian Midsummer Festival on 2015 June 20-21 at the Scandinavian Community Centre. The 20th festival with a theme of capital cities will celebrate Swedish, Norwegian, Finnish, Iceland and Danish countries. The two-day event showcases cultural song, dance, entertainment, performances, great cultural food and events for kids, country tents and a Viking village.

To: *Executive Committee of Council*
From: *Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services*
Re: *Festivals Burnaby Program – Small Scale Event*
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The Scandinavian Community Centre is a meeting place for all Scandinavians, local and visiting, who strive to preserve and promote Nordic culture, community and spirit within the Greater Vancouver area. Jointly owned by four charitable organizations, Danish House Society (DHS), Finland House Society (FHS), Norwegian House Society (NHS) and Sweden House Society (SHS), the SCC is the only community centre collectively operated by all five Scandinavian nationalities (including Iceland) and has over 3,000 members.

The application has been completed in full and the applicant has shown evidence that they have the capacity to coordinate the event. Festivals Burnaby funds would be allocated toward eligible project expenses related to programming, marketing/promotions and administration.



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