

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL **DATE:** 2017 Jan 03

FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION &
CULTURAL SERVICES **FILE:** 02410-20

SUBJECT: FESTIVALS BURNABY PROGRAM - NEIGHBOURHOOD EVENT
17-N-001 SCANDINAVIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY

PURPOSE: Grant Approval Request

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the Festivals Burnaby grant request from the Scandinavian Cultural Society for the Leif Erikson Day Festival 2017 September 30 to October 1 be received.

REPORT

Festivals and Special Events: Neighbourhood Event

Grant File 17-N-001: Scandinavian Cultural Society

Application Received:	2016 December 20
Project Budget:	\$5,350
Project Request:	\$2,000

Previous Support: 2016 Neighbourhood Festivals Burnaby Grant \$2,500
2015 Neighbourhood Festivals Burnaby Grant \$2,500

An application request for \$2,000 has been received from the Scandinavian Cultural Society for the Leif Erikson Day Festival 2017 September 30 to October 1 at the Scandinavian Cultural Centre. The 2017 festival will feature Finland as the country of focus showcasing its history, current endeavours and the contributions made to Canada by its immigrants. Other components of the festival include presentations, music and folk dance performances, craft workshops, photography and art displays, film screenings, cultural foods and children's activities.

To: *Executive Committee of Council*
From: *Director Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services*
Re: *Festivals Burnaby Program - Neighbourhood
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The Scandinavian Cultural Society – representing the cultures of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden – strives to promote and encourage learning about Scandinavian culture. The society's goals regarding the festival are threefold: to honour Leif Erikson, to praise the contributions to Canada of people of Nordic descent and to promote the spirit of discovery.

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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17-N-001 Scandinavian Cultural Society