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Town of Aurora

Information Report

No. CS25-028

Subject: Illuminations at Aurora Town Square

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Department: Corporate Services

Date: December 2, 2025

In accordance with the Procedure By-law, any Member of Council may request that this Information Report be placed on an upcoming Committee of the Whole or Council meeting agenda for discussion.

Executive Summary

This report is a follow up to report CS24-022 - Addition of Illumination Requests to the Town's Flag Policy and provides information on the Town's experience with illumination requests one year into accepting them. The report touches on;

- The Town received and approved 14 requests for illumination at Aurora Town Square in the first year of accepting requests
- There have been no complaints regarding the lighting from illumination requests from the property owners in the area

Background

When Council approved illumination requests to take place at Aurora Town Square, a follow up report was requested to ensure that the lighting did not cause adverse effects to the surrounding neighbourhood.

Analysis

The Town received and approved 14 requests for illumination at Aurora Town Square in the first year of accepting requests

Requests for illumination began to be accepted to illuminate Mirkopoulos Plateia (the Outdoor Square) last October. The following are the approved list of illuminations;

- Purple for National Disability Employment Awareness Month – October 17, 2024
- Red for National 211 Day – February 11, 2025
- Purple for National Epilepsy Awareness Month – March 26, 2025
- Green for World Autism Day – April 2, 2025
- Purple for National Dental Hygienists Week – April 4, 2025
- Red for Menstrual Health Day – May 28, 2025
- Red for Cavernous Malformation Awareness Month – June 12, 2025
- Blue for Prostate Cancer Foundation of Canada - September 7, 2025
- Blue/Yellow for National Coaches Week - September 17, 2025
- Green for World Mitochondrial Disease Week - September 20, 2025
- Blue/Purple rotation for National Disability Employment Awareness Month - October 16, 2025
- Blue for World Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Awareness Week - November 24, 2025
- Purple for UN International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women - November 25, 2025
- Red for World AIDS Day – December 1, 2025

There have been no complaints regarding the lighting from illumination requests from the property owners in the area

The lights used to illuminate Mirkopoulos Plateia (the Outdoor Square) have not been intrusive to the neighbouring properties. Further to this, staff ensure the lights are turned off by 10-11 p.m. depending on the time of year.

Advisory Committee Review

None

Legal Considerations

None.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Communications Considerations

None.

Climate Change Considerations

None

Link to Strategic Plan

Accepting illumination requests strengthens the Town's commitment to increasing awareness about our not-for-profit partners.

Alternative(s) to the Recommendation

1. Council provide direction

Conclusions

This report provides information on the Town's experience with illumination requests one year into accepting them.

Attachments

None

Previous Reports

[CS24-022 - Addition of Illumination Requests to the Town's Flag Policy – September 3, 2024](#)

Pre-submission Review

Agenda Management Team review on November 13, 2025

Approvals

Approved by Patricia De Sario, Director, Corporate Services/Town Solicitor

Approved by Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer