# HALIFAX

# Special Events Task Force (SETF)

March 13, 2019

# **History**

- Special Events Task Force (SETF)
  - Approved July 2, 1996
- The SETF is comprised of reps from various Municipal, Provincial & Federal Depts
- Provide info & assistance on policies, procedures, and best practices concerning events
- Special Events Admin Order 2014-010-ADM
  - Approved August 5, 2014



# **SETF Documentation**

- Admin Order
- Application
- Event Planning Guide
- Membership List

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NUMBER 2014-010-ADM

Special Events Task Force Process for Events, Parades & Street Closures

BE IT RESOLVED AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER of the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality under the authority of the Halifax Regional Municipality

This Administrative Order may be known as the Special Events Administrative Order.

2. This Administrative Order applies to special events being held on municipal land, and to the municipal services provided to special events held on non-municipal land.

- 3. In this Administrative Order,
  - (a) "applicant" means a person applying for a review of a proposed special event on
  - (b) "CAO" means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Municipality;



### **SETF Process**

- Application received from Event Organizer
  - 120 days prior to event
- Assess Event's request level of complexity and determine which B.U. will take the lead
- SETF Meeting may be required with the Event Organizer if multiple B.U. are affected
- SETF works with Event Organizer to finalize event logistics
  - May include special arrangements and/or alternate location(s)



# **SETF Process (Cont'd)**

- Review Risk & Safety to the general public, both vehicular and pedestrian
- B.U. issues appropriate permits and/or operation plans outlining municipal services required
- B.U. & Events Staff communicate the associated costs of services
  - Quote vs Estimate



## **SETF Process Cont'd**

- B.U. continue to communicate with Event Organizer until delivery of the event
- B.U. charge the appropriate work order for municipal services rendered
- Event Staff with Finance Staff settles municipal costs and invoices are issued
- Admin Order includes timeline of processes



## Example Timeline (as per Admin Order)

- Holiday Parade of Lights
  - Organizer submits application prior to 120 day deadline
  - SETF's B.U. reviews application & communicates to Event Staff on any issues that should be identified
  - Event Staff invites organizer to Sept. SETF meeting
  - Organizer presents at SETF meeting and affected B.U. have opportunity to address potential issues/ opportunities
  - Event Staff provides municipal costs following the SETF meeting (~\$30,000)



# Example Timeline Cont'd (as per Admin Order)

- Organizer confirms understanding and obligation of costs
- Final meeting with organizer is held in October/ November to trouble shoot any outstanding issues
- B.U. submits operations plans, permits, maps and other material to Event Organizer prior to the event
- Ongoing communication with Event Organizer continue up to and through out the event, dealing with any issues that arise in a coordinated effort



# Example Timeline Cont'd (as per Admin Order)

- Follow up meeting is held in December with the SETF to review the event to discuss possible areas of improvement
- Event Staff settles the account with Finance
- Event Organizer is invoiced
- Event Organizer pays the invoice
- Process completed





# **Questions**



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