

DECISION REPORT

Request – Liquor Serving Extension – 2020 Juno Week Events

ISSUE

This report submits a request from the Chair of the Saskatoon JUNOS Host Committee seeking approval for a temporary liquor serving extension for the 2020 JUNO Week events on March 13 to 15, 2020. This request is being brought forward as urgent business to accommodate the timing of the JUNO Week events.

BACKGROUND

A letter from the Chair of the Saskatoon JUNOS Host Committee, attached as Appendix 1, outlines a request for a temporary liquor serving extension for the 2020 Juno Week events March 13 to 15, 2010, with alcohol service extended to 3:00 a.m. for all beverages being consumed, with bars closing at 4:00 a.m. (a one-hour extension to existing Liquor laws). The applicant notes that the request for “extended serving hours” has been approved for past Canadian JUNO Awards Host cities, including Saskatoon in 2007 and Regina in 2013. Bars and restaurants have the option to close at their regular times of operation.

The applicant is seeking a letter confirming the City of Saskatoon/Saskatoon Police Service are in agreement with the hour of service extension.

OPTIONS

The option is to support or not support the request. Whichever option is chosen, the appropriate communication will be provided to the Saskatoon JUNOS Host Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mayor write a letter indicating the City has no objection to this one-time change.

RATIONALE

The decision to grant extended serving hours is within the complete discretion of the SLGA. In discussions with the SLGA, it is understood that prior to consideration of the request, it wants to know the position of the City and/or the Saskatoon Police Service.

We have no record of a similar request coming forward in 2007.

OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No expected impact as one-time event.

APPENDIX

1. Letter dated February 17, 2020 from Scott Ford, Chair Saskatoon JUNOS Host Committee.

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Report Approval

Written by: Joanne Sproule, City Clerk and Christine Bogad, A/City Solicitor
Approved by: Jeff Jorgenson, City Manager

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JUNO Awards Saskatoon 2020

HOST COMMITTEE

February 17, 2020

City Clerk's Office
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Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
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Attention: Joanne Sproule

The *Saskatoon Juno Host Committee* is requesting a temporary liquor serving extension for the **2020 JUNO Week** events on March 13 to 15, 2020. We are requesting liquor service extension on Friday, March 13th, Saturday, March 14th and Sunday March 15th with alcohol service extended to 3:00am for all beverages being consumed, then bars closing at 4:00am. This is basically a 1-hour extension to existing Liquor Laws.

The reason for our request is to allow 2020 Juno Week Venues (Hotels, Nightclubs, and Restaurants), who host public and private events, to showcase musical experiences for our local and out of town visitor a little longer during JUNO Week. The request for "extended serving hours", has been approved for past Canadian JUNO Awards Host cities including Saskatoon in 2007 and Regina in 2013. Bars and Restaurants are not required to stay open and they have the option to close at their regular times of operation.

We would appreciate a letter from the City of Saskatoon stating your agreement to this hour of service extension. This letter is required by Saskatchewan Liquor & Gaming Authority to confirm that the City of Saskatoon and Saskatoon Police are on board with this request.

Thank you in advance for your consideration to our request.

Yours sincerely,



Scott Ford
Chair Saskatoon JUNOS Host Committee

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