



City of North Bay Report to Council

Report No: CSBU-2024-060

Date: November 27, 2024

Originator: Jason Whiteley

Business Unit:

Department:

Community Services

Fire Department

Subject: Request for the Use of Fireworks- Canadore College and City of North Bay

Closed Session: yes no

Recommendation

That Council permit:

1. the City of North Bay Arenas and Events division to have a pyrotechnic (fireworks) display to celebrate New Years Eve on December 31, 2024, at Thomson Park; and
2. Canadore College to have a pyrotechnic (fireworks) display on December 19, 2024, as part of their Christmas celebrations at the main campus at 100 College Drive.

Background

Council enacted By-Law 2010-146, being a By-Law to Regulate the Sale of Fireworks and for Prohibiting the Sale of Fireworks on certain days during the year. In By-Law 2010-146 the use of fireworks is only permitted three (3) times a year, any other fireworks display must be authorized by a Resolution of Council.

Fire and Emergency Services has received two (2) requests to permit pyrotechnic (fireworks) displays on a day not authorized in the By-Law.

The first request is to permit a pyrotechnic display on December 19th at Canadore College's main campus. This display is being managed by a professional fireworks company contracted by Canadore College.

The second request is to permit the City of North Bay’s Annual New Years Eve fireworks on December 31st at Thomson Park. This event is also being managed by a professional fireworks company.

Fire and Emergency Services has reviewed each request for safety and compliance with the by-law.

Financial/Legal Implications

There are no Financial or Legal Implications.

Corporate Strategic Plan

- Natural North and Near
- Affordable Balanced Growth
- Responsible and Responsive Government
- Economic Prosperity
- Spirited Safe Community

Specific Objectives

Options Analysis

Option 1: That Council permit the City of North Bay Arenas and Events division to have a pyrotechnic (fireworks) display to celebrate New Years Eve on December 31, 2024, at Thomson Park and Canadore College to have a pyrotechnic (fireworks) display on December 19, 2024 as part of their Christmas celebrations at main campus at 100 College Drive.

This is the recommended option.

Option 2: That Council does not permit the requests for the fireworks display.

This is not recommended.

Recommended Option

That Council permit:

1. the City of North Bay Arenas and Events division to have a pyrotechnic (fireworks) display to celebrate New Years Eve on December 31, 2024, at Thomson Park; and
2. Canadore College to have a pyrotechnic (fireworks) display on December 19, 2024 as part of their Christmas celebrations at the main campus at 100 College Drive.

Respectfully submitted,

Name: Jason Whiteley

Title: Fire Chief

I concur with this report and recommendation

Name: John Severino, P.Eng., MBA

Title: Chief Administrative Officer

Personnel designated for continuance:

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Title: Fire Chief