

**To:** Her Worship Mayor Kate Rogers and Members of City Council

**From:** Megan Fortune – Special Events Coordinator

**Date:** 20/03/2023

**Title:** Freddy Beach Ribfest 2023

**Description:** Ribfest is a festival type event where the admission fee is by donation, all funds go to Children's Make a Wish Foundation. The event, which takes place on the grounds of the Capital Exhibit Center, features several food vendors, a licensed area, live entertainment and a Midway.

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**Requested By:** Mike Vokey – Capital Exhibit Centre

**Event:** Freddy Beach Ribfest 2023

**Date and Time:** Thursday, June 8 – Sunday, June 11, 2023

- Thursday, June 9 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 10 11:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.
- Saturday, June 11 11:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.
- Sunday, June 12 11:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

**Special Notes:** The Capital Exhibit Centre is asking the City of Fredericton to grant them an exemption from By-Law S-17, A By-Law Respecting Disturbance by Noise allowing the event to continue until 11:30 p.m. on Friday, June 9 and Saturday, June 10, 2023. Every measure will be taken to ensure noise is kept to a minimum and ensure the residential neighborhood will not be adversely impacted, including the angling of the speakers towards Super Store to reduce the sound distribution into the residential area on the Saunders Street side of the property.

City Staff have worked with Fredericton Exhibit Center to have earlier end times for this event, improved from 1:30 a.m. pre-COVID.

Event organizers are also requesting picnic tables, bleachers and metal barricades for use during the event.

## **COMMENTS FROM DEPARTMENTS**

**Police:** Police would like two off-duty officers hired by the event for the following hours:

- June 9, 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.
- June 10, 5:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

**Engineering:** Engineering Services has indicated they do not have any issues with this event.

**Parks & Trees:** The Parks and Trees Division will provide picnic tables and metal barricades as readily available as well as bleachers.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**It is recommended that City Council adopt the following resolution:**

BE IT RESOLVED that approval be given to the Capital Exhibit Centre to hold Ribfest 2023 at the Capital Exhibit Centre on Thursday, June 8, 2023 from the hours of 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., and Friday June 9 and Saturday June 10 from 11:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m., and Sunday, June 12 from 11:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., subject to all recommendations from City staff being met; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT an exemption be granted to Capital Exhibit Centre from the provision of Section 1 of By-Law S-17, being A By-Law Respecting Disturbance by Noise for events occurring as part of Ribfest being held at the Capital Exhibit Centre grounds from Thursday, June 8, 2023 to Sunday June 11, 2023 inclusive in adherence to the hours listed below:

- Thursday, June 9 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.
- Friday, June 10 11:00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m.
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**Submitted by:** Megan Fortune – Special Events Coordinator

**Approved by:** David Seabrook – Director of Recreation, Tourism & Community Engagement