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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Standing Committee on City Services and Budgets
FROM: General Manager, Engineering Services
SUBJECT: 2008 Annual Special Events Report

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT the Special Events in Appendix A be approved, subject to staff finalizing acceptable arrangements with the event organizers.
- B. THAT Council delegate approval authority for use of City streets for recurring annual events and new events not requiring significant road closures and not having other major public impacts to the City Engineer.
- C. THAT Council approve an application by the UMA Foundation to present a South Asian music festival on Water Street in Gastown on May 3rd, 2008, subject to details being approved by FEST.
- D. THAT Council approve West Coast Wheelers Society application to hold the Westside Cycling Classic in Point Grey on June 1, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- E. THAT Council approve International Triathlon Union application to hold the 2008 Vancouver BG Triathlon World Championships in the West End from June 5 to 8, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST; and subject to approval of the use of Stanley Park and English Bay by the Park Board.

- F. THAT Council approve 4 applications to hold 2008 Car Free Day events in Kits Point, on Denman Street, on Cambie Street and on Main Street on June 15, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- G. THAT Council approve the Vancouver Pride Society application to extend the route of the 2008 Pride Parade and to expand the Pride Festival to include a street party on the August long weekend; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- H. THAT Council approve the Trojan One application to hold the Nike Human Race running event around False Creek on August 31, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.
- I. THAT Council approve in principle an application by Red Bull to present a Soapbox Derby street race event in early September, 2008; subject to a location and other details being approved by FEST.
- J. THAT Council approve a change in date for the Rogers Santa Claus Parade, to December 7, 2008; subject to final arrangements being approved by FEST.

COUNCIL POLICY

“Council welcomes celebrations, sporting events and special events for their contribution in making Vancouver a vibrant City, in reflecting our cultural diversity and neighbourhood character, and for the economic, cultural and recreational benefits they bring to the City. Council supports the facilitation of these events by staff, encourages mitigation of short-term disruptions in neighbourhoods and encourages citizens to welcome these activities and to participate in them.”

Council annually approves special events that use City streets or other City owned properties, as well as events on private property that might have an impact on the adjacent public. Recommendations for specific event approvals are presented to Council only for new events, or for on-going events with plans that have been changed significantly in time, routing or impacts.

All events except those deemed as Civic Events are charged costs of providing City services, except for administrative costs of FEST services, special event advice and approvals, which are funded from general revenues.

Commercial and corporate events are also charged a Special Event Permit fee of \$100.00 to cover the costs of staff time involved in co-ordinating them, and as well, are billed for lost parking meter revenue.

Not-for-profit organizers of cultural events can apply to the Office of Cultural Affairs for a Celebration Grant to assist with programming costs; additional support is available to non-commercial organizers of major community-based parades, recognizing up to 50% of their City service costs, including policing, as eligible for a special ‘service grant’ component of the

Celebration Grant program. These programs are currently under review by the Office of Cultural Affairs, but no changes are anticipated for the 2008 events Council is approving in this report.

A FEST offset of up to \$1,000, administered by the Special Events Office, is available to organizers of not-for-profit community based events to help cover the cost of Engineering and Police services for events. As well, the Special Event Office supports Block Parties in residential neighbourhoods through a series of initiatives, including multi-language information packages, free use of City-owned barricades and liability insurance coverage

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to submit for Council approval a list of 2008 special event applications that have been received and vetted by the Special Events office to date, to recommend that staff review and report back with possible limits on frequency of events to mitigate negative impacts, and to recommend that approval of the use of City streets for events with minimal public impacts be delegated to the City Engineer.

BACKGROUND

The Special Events Office coordinates the provision of appropriate City services for individuals and organizations planning events on public property or on City streets, and sets standards for safety and communication to the public about events. Many organizers are directed to other City Departments for specific approvals; larger and more complex events meet with FEST (Festival Expediting Staff Team), which includes staff from various Engineering branches, as well as the Office of Cultural Affairs, Development Services, Vancouver Fire & Rescue Services, Vancouver Police and Risk Management, as well as Park Board, Coast Mountain Bus Company, Translink, BC Ambulance and Coast Guard as required). FEST assesses and addresses issues like health and safety concerns, traffic disruptions and noise before recommending an event to Council for approval. Council annually approves all events using City streets. Specific recommendations are brought to Council's attention for new or modified events that do not require significant road closures or have other significant public impacts.

Statistics tell the story of the increased interest in Vancouver as a venue for special events, sporting events and festivals. Since 2000, the number of special event applications has increased from 249 to 546 in 2006 (2007 records are incomplete because of the Civic workers strike), and the complexity of many events has also increased significantly. In 2000 only 3 events required specific Council approval, and only 13 required traffic plans, which were developed by City staff. In 2007 more than 30 events involved significant closures of City streets with traffic plans produced by private traffic control companies.

Event organizers must provide proof of insurance coverage to an amount determined by Risk Management; and events of a size and/or nature deemed significant may also be required to sign a license agreement with the City, outlining conditions of approval and the limits of the City's liability. Event organizers must also submit to the Special Event Office a deposit to

cover anticipated City and Park Board costs before their event takes place. Other non-City FEST partners make their own arrangements with event organizers about billing.

Staff are currently reviewing financial support provided to event organizers and a report on proposed changes will be presented to Council later this Spring.

A regularly updated list of Special Events is available on the Special Events Office website. It also provides information for the public about guidelines, explains the application process and links to an on-line interactive Special Event application. The website address is <http://vancouver.ca/engsvcs/filmandevents/events/index.htm>.

DISCUSSION

This section reviews the neighbourhood impacts of the growing number of special events, the approval process for events, and presents information on each of the events brought to Council for specific approval for 2008.

Event Impacts

The City has been very successful in attracting events that engage the City's residents, provide attractions for tourists, and contribute to the City's image as a fun and vibrant City. Along with this success, the number of public impacts related to local access, noise, and transit services have increased. In particular, the growing interest in parades, and athletic events like triathlons has resulted in a growing number of events requiring significant lengths of street closures. Event organizers seek to put on events in the core of the City for the profile this offers. The geographic constraints of the City combined with high levels of street and building construction complicates these closures and has increased staff workloads considerably. Some neighbourhoods are faced with events closing their streets numerous times each year. Making local residents aware of these events is also challenging.

One of the impacts of road closures required for parades, and triathlons is that certain parts of the city become 'land-locked' for a portion of time. This means that residents in those areas of the City may be held within these areas for as long as 15 or 20 minutes until gaps in the procession allow for movement. Police are present to ensure that emergency access is always maintained and to facilitate movement of vehicles in and out of the area when safe to do so.

Residents in some areas of the City are cut-off on multiple occasions each year for special events. The portion of Pacific Boulevard by the Plaza of Nations/BC Place is a popular choice for the start/end point for large runs and residents in the condominiums south of Pacific Boulevard from the foot of Hornby Street east to the foot of Nelson Street are 'land-locked' for short periods of time. West End residents also endure significant disruptions for special events each year. A large portion of the West End was virtually shut down last year for the International Triathlon Union's test event and will be again for this year's World Championship event. An area of Point Grey will find traffic seriously restricted if Council approves a new route for the Westside Cycling classic.

With direction from Special Events Office staff, most event organizers are very conscientious about maintaining crossing points for residents that are 'opened' as frequently as safely possible, and ensuring that residents of the area are notified about the closure well in advance by letter, and closer to the date by signage, detailing the time of the closure and the location of access points. FEST support for these events is based on having a certified Traffic Control company produce a detailed traffic plan, which is then approved by Traffic Management staff and VPD.

To date, the public have been very tolerant of events and their impacts, but there are no limits currently on the number of events and road closures that take place in any given area. The increasing number of major events is increasing these impacts and staff are also faced with having to deal with multiple requests for road use at the same time and location. We are close to reaching a limit in the numbers of events that can be accommodated in certain areas of the City, particularly in the Summer. Therefore, this report recommends that staff investigate the need for a set of policies to restrict the frequency of events in a given geographical area of the City and to prioritize and allocate space among competing requests. The Park Board has a set of policies restricting events in Parks. For example, road closures to facilitate running events in Stanley Park are limited to one per month and no road closures are permitted in July and August.

Administrative Change to Event Approvals

Currently, staff bring forward a recommendation to approve all events requiring street space for the year, highlighting those new events that require road closures. However, most events do not require major road closures and can be accommodated with minimal public impacts. Also, many of these events are not known at the time this report is presented to Council, and others happen prior to the report going to Council. To streamline the administrative process around event approvals, it is recommended that the City Engineer be delegated the authority to approve recurring annual events or those new events not requiring significant road closures and not having other major public impacts.

There are eight event proposals to bring to Council's attention for specific approval for 2008; some are significant changes to annual events, others are totally new proposals. In chronological order, they include:

desiFEST - May 3, 2008

This is a new event for Vancouver - an outdoor musical festival showcasing a wide variety of South Asian music and dance performed by Canadian artists. The event, which has been successfully held in Toronto for the last three years, is expanding to Vancouver and Montreal this year. The organizers are working with FEST and the Gastown BIA to locate this 12 hour festival on Water Street. Subject to Council approval, FEST will work with the event organizers to address specific neighbourhood impacts and safety concerns.

Westside Cycling Classic - June 1, 2008

This is the third year for the Westside Cycling Classic and the organizers have requested an additional component to the event, and an extension to the race route. The 2007 race took place in Point Grey, Dunbar and Southlands communities, extending into the University Endowment Lands. The route was along SW Marine Drive, West 16th Avenue and Camosun

Street. For 2008 the organizers have partnered with the BC Cancer Foundation and are asking for approval of an additional event to the schedule, the BC Cancer Foundation's Westside Cycling Classic Community Ride. To accommodate this new event, the organizers have requested additional road closures on Trimble Street, West 10th Avenue and Blanca Street, which will shut off a nine block area of residential Point Grey, as well as three blocks of commercial area. The organizers have presented a traffic plan that allows for restricted residential access in the affected areas, and have the support of the Point Grey Village Business Association. Subject to Council approval, FEST will work with the event organizer to address specific neighbourhood impacts and safety concerns.

2008 Vancouver BG Triathlon World Championships - June 5 to 8, 2008

In 2006 the Vancouver Triathlon Society received agreement in principle from Council to hold a 2007 International Triathlon Union World Cup event, and the 2008 Vancouver Triathlon World Championships, in Vancouver. The 2007 ITU World Cup event was a test event in preparation for the 2008 World Championships and was held last year in Stanley Park, the West End and on and over the Burrard St. Bridge. The 2007 event necessitated the full closure of Beach Avenue from Stanley Park to the Burrard Bridge, as well as Davie Street from Thurlow to Denman; and restricted vehicle access into and out of a significant area of the West End between English Bay and Davie Streets from Thurlow to Denman. Impacts were also significant on Burrard Bridge. Because of delays in having the route approved by the International Triathlon Union, poor volunteer recruitment programs and an unsuccessful mail-drop to affected residents, there were a number of complaints received by the Special Events Office (and Council) about the lack of notice about the closures, and the impacts of it.

FEST met with the organizers immediately after the World Cup, and set more stringent conditions for City support of the 2008 World Championships. The ITU World Championships is a significant event for Vancouver, the final qualifying event for the 2008 Beijing Olympics. More than 2500 triathletes from 45 countries will be coming to Vancouver for the event in June, and Tourism Vancouver anticipates a 20 million dollar boost to the economy well before the summer tourist season officially begins. The West End BIA is the presenting sponsor of the ITU events, and will work with other members of the local organizing committee to try to continue hosting a World Cup event in future years.

A public meeting about the ITU event was held at the West End Community Centre on January 27th. A detailed plan for the 2008 Triathlon World Championships will be presented to Park Board for approval on March 31, and involves a significant closure of roads in Stanley Park, as well as restricted access to English Bay and Morton Park. The swim portion and the transition zone will be on English Bay, while the cycling routes will involve a 4-5 lap course that would commence on Beach Avenue and follow various West End and Stanley Park streets, including Beach Avenue, Davie and Thurlow. Both the run and bike routes would require closures of numerous streets in the West End. Subject to Council approval, FEST will continue to work with the ITU and the BIA to address specific neighbourhood impacts and safety concerns.

Car Free Day Festivals - June 15, 2008

Also known as Car Free Day on the Drive, the original Car Free Day Festival on Commercial Drive, closing Commercial from from 1st Avenue to Venables, has been very successful and well attended since its inception in 2005. This year the East Van Celebration Society has submitted applications for four additional Car Free Day events in other areas of the City.

Working with local communities they propose Car Free Days on Cambie Street, Main Street, Denman Street, and on various residential streets in Kitsilano.

While local residents are generally supportive of Car Free events to showcase alternatives to vehicle traffic, the closures often result in significant impacts on transit service and neighbourhood access, particularly on arterial routes. While bus re-routing is relatively simple for the Commercial Drive and West end Car Free Days, both Main and Cambie bus service will be more significantly impacted. Trolley buses are restricted to streets with trolley wires, so buses are often forced to re-route long distances from the actual closure areas. There are not enough diesel buses in the Coast Mountain Bus fleet to allow alternative buses in areas where there isn't a nearby trolley route. Traffic on neighbouring residential streets to the closures is also increased as drivers try to find ways around the closure.

Here is a list of the new Car Free Day closure requests, and details about the impacts, all are scheduled to take place on Sunday, June 15th, the same day as the Commercial Drive Car Free Festival:

Cambie Village "Breakfast on Cambie":

- the event will take place on Cambie from W. 16th to 19th from 10am to 2pm; vehicle and bus traffic will be re-routed off Cambie to Main Street from West 16 to King Edward Avenue from 9:30am to 2:30pm. The Cambie Village BIA supports this event.

Main Street 'Dancing On Main':

- the event will take place on Main from West 13th from 4pm till 8pm; vehicle and bus traffic will be re-routed off Main to Cambie Street from West 12th to West 16th from 3:30 till 9:00pm. The Mt. Pleasant BIA supports this event.

West End:

- the event will close Denman Street between Davie and Robson from 12 noon until 6pm. Robson and Davie buses will be detoured from Denman with minimal disruption. Area merchants have expressed support for this neighbourhood-based closure, even though it is only one week after the Triathlon World Championships.

Kitsilano:

-this request is to support a number of coordinated but individual block parties on various residential streets in the Kitsilano area. These events will follow the block party approval process, and would be scheduled between 10am and 9pm.

Subject to Council approval, FEST will continue to work with these event organizers, and the local BIA's, to address specific neighbourhood impacts and safety concerns.

Pride Parade and Festival - August 1 and 3, 2008

The past few years has seen a marked increase in the attendance at the annual Pride Parade, and as 2008 is the 30th anniversary of Vancouver Pride even more participants and spectators are anticipated. The Pride Society and FEST have reviewed a number of options for lengthening the parade route, with the goal of spreading out viewing opportunities. The new route would start on Thurlow, south of Robson, and travel along Robson to Denman, Denman

to Beach, and end on Pacific Street at Bute. Dispersal of the parade will take place on Pacific between Bute and Thurlow.

The Society is also proposing a street festival on Davie Street on August 1st. We do not have specific details yet, but the Society is working with a local event producer and has communicated with the West End BIA. Subject to approval in principle by Council and Park Board, FEST will work with the event organizers, the local BIA's, and resident associations to address specific neighbourhood impacts and safety concerns of both the new parade route and the street festival.

Nike Human Race - August 31, 2008

Nike is presenting a running event in 32 cities around the world on Sunday, August 31st, with an anticipated 1 million people participating globally. This is a ten-kilometre evening run, starting at either 7 or 8pm, and will be followed by a concert. The proposed route will start and finish either at GM Place or on the Concorde Place property east of the Plaza of Nations. The run would circle False Creek, going over Burrard Street Bridge and Cambie Street Bridge. It will require partial road closure on Burrard and Cambie bridges, as well as other streets. Subject to Council and Park Board approval, FEST will work with the event organizers to address specific neighbourhood impacts and safety concerns. Uncertainty about the availability of the Plaza of Nations for the Taiwanese Festival on the same weekend is causing indecision about a final site for the concert that will follow the run. It may be held outdoors on Concord lands adjacent to the Plaza, or inside GM Place. Council is asked to approve both the run and the post-run event/concert in principle, allowing FEST to work with the applicant and consult with area residents and stakeholders about a final plan for the event.

Red Bull Soap Box Derby - September 6, 2008

An application from Red Bull to organize a Soap Box Derby on a Sunday in September has recently been received. Unfortunately at this time no specific proposal for a route has been submitted, although preliminary discussions have included 4th Avenue or Yew Street in Kitsilano or perhaps the west end of Davie Street. This event would be a more adult-competition than the long-standing Kitsilano Soap Box Derby, an event that is no longer being held. Red Bull successfully put on a Flug Tag event in 2006, and if Council approves the soap-box derby event in principle FEST will continue to work with the organizers to determine if there is sufficient time to complete a viable plan for a 2008 event.

Santa Claus Parade - December 7, 2008

The 2008 event will be the fifth annual Rogers Santa Claus Parade. In past years it has taken place in the latter part of November, but the organizers have asked the City to approve a date change to the first Sunday of December. There are three reasons for the date change: the 3rd Sunday in November often falls on either the onset of Grey Cup Festival week or the Grey Cup game itself, the 4th Sunday is American Thanksgiving which poses problems for the organizers getting any of the large marching bands which enhance the participant line-up significantly, and finally, the organizers are responding to concerns from the public that the parade comes too early each year. The organizers feel a December date is more suitable for a Santa Claus Parade than November. Subject to Council and Park Board approval, FEST will work with the event organizers to address specific neighbourhood impacts and safety concerns. The DV BIA appreciates the desire of the organizers to move the parade to a more appropriate date.

CONCLUSION

The number and range of events listed in this report reflect the increased interest in producing major special events in Vancouver; and provide important experience for both City staff and Vancouver residents to prepare us to welcome the world in 2010.

City staff and our FEST partners work proactively to ensure that public safety issues are addressed and that impacts on citizens who do not choose to participate in these events are managed. The message that the City *“welcomes celebrations, sporting events and special events for their contribution in making Vancouver a vibrant City, in reflecting our cultural diversity and neighbourhood character, and for the economic, cultural and recreational benefits they bring”* is obviously being heard.

While increased private construction, Canada Line construction and City Engineering projects have made it more challenging to accommodate special events in many parts of the city the Special Events Office is anticipating an even greater increase in activity in 2009. This report recommends that Council approve the 2008 Special Events included in Appendix A, and direct FEST to work with the organizers of events approved in this report to ensure they fulfil the City's requirements. An administrative process change is being recommended to delegate authority for annual recurring events and for new events that do not require significant road closures in order to streamline the approval process for these events.

A proposed report back on the need for restrictions in the number of events and a process for prioritizing the allocation of space will examine the increasing number of major events and competing event proposals. This review is needed to determine how to allocate street space in a way that continues City support for events and mitigates public impacts.

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Appendix A

2008 SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

EVENT NAME	EVENT TYPE	EVENT DATE	ROAD CLOSURE REQUIRED
JANUARY			
CONNECTED AND PROTECTED LET THEM STAY	CORPORATE FUNCTION/PROMOTION	24-Jan-08	NO
COUNCIL OF THE FEDERATION - PREMIERS CONFERENCE PRESS CONFERENCE	Demonstration or Rally - One Location Other	26-Jan-08 28-Jan-08	NO NO
TAXI BILL OF RIGHTS	Other CORPORATE FUNCTION/PROMOTION	28-Jan-08 30-Jan-08	NO NO
FEBRUARY			
DAY OF ACTION: PUBLIC POWER VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day Other	2-Feb-08 6-Feb-08	NO NO
BCIT - ASK THE QUESTION SUPPORT ARRESTED STUDENT	Other Demonstration or Rally - One Location	8-Feb-08 9-Feb-08	NO NO
2008 CHINESE NEW YEAR PARADE CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION W/ SILK ROAD MUSIC	Parade Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	10-Feb-08 10-Feb-08	YES* NO
'FIRST HALF' HALF MARATHON \$10 NOW RALLY	Walk or Run Demonstration or Rally - One Location	10-Feb-08 16-Feb-08	YES* NO
VANCOUVER AWARENESS NETWORK RALLY VANCOUVER PROTEST - SAY NO TO KOSOVO INDEPENDENCE SOS SAVE THE EARTH	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day Demonstration or Rally - One Location Demonstration or Rally - One Location	10-Feb-08 16-Feb-08 16-Feb-08	NO NO NO
BREAKFAST CLUB OF CANADA 100TH BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR FIRE HALL NO. 6	Other Other	17-Feb-08 18-Feb-08	NO NO
CANADA -DO NOT RECOGNISE ILLEGAL PARTITION OF SERBIA WOMENS SKI JUMPING 2010 NURSES RALLY FOR SENIORS QUALITY CARE	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day Demonstration or Rally - One Location Demonstration or Rally - One Location Demonstration or Rally - One Location	22-Feb-08 23-Feb-08 24-Feb-08 24-Feb-08	NO YES NO NO
MARCH			
SPEAK THE REAL SPRING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONCERTS PACIFIC DENTAL CONFERENCE DOWNTOWN BHANGRA INTERNATIONAL WOMEN DAY TUPPER GREENWAY PLANTING DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day Other Other Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day Celebration/Public Festival - One Day Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	3-Mar-08 3-Mar-08 6-Mar-08 7-Mar-08 8-Mar-08 8-Mar-08	NO NO NO NO NO YES

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TIBETAN NATIONAL DAY	Demonstration (with March)	9-Mar-08	NO
HARRY'S SPRING RUN-OFF	Walk or Run	9-Mar-08	NO
KIDS ONLY 5KM RUN	Walk or Run	9-Mar-08	NO
2 YEAR COUNTDOWN TO THE PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	12-Mar-08	NO
GLOBAL DAY OF ACTION	Demonstration (with March)	15-Mar-08	NO
CELTICFEST VANCOUVER ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE	Parade	15-Mar-08	YES*
SEAL CAMPAIGN	Demonstration or Rally - One Location	15-Mar-08	NO
RALLY TO BAN THE US HIV TRAVEL BAN	Demonstration or Rally - One Location	16-Mar-08	NO
GROOMS NIGHT OUT	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	20-Mar-08	NO
MEAT OUT DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	20-Mar-08	NO
FIRST DAY OF SPRING FUNDRAISER - GTR VCR FOODBANK	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	20-Mar-08	NO
LIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS	Religious or School Event	21-Mar-08	NO
PURIM PROCESSION	Religious or School Event	21-Mar-08	NO
BCIT - ASK THE QUESTION	Other	21-Mar-08	NO
MEMORY MARCH	Other	22-Mar-08	NO
VANCOUVER CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL	Demonstration (with March)	23-Mar-08	NO
OPUS HOTEL / MCL JAGUAR XF LAUNCH	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	25-Mar-08	NO
	CORPORATE FUNCTION/PROMOTION	27-Mar-08	YES
APRIL			
TILMA RALLY	Demonstration or Rally - One Location	1-Apr-08	NO
A TIGHT AND BRIGHT SPRING RIOT	Block Party	3-Apr-08	NO
PACIFIC POPULAIRE	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	6-Apr-08	NO
NO + CHAVEZ	Demonstration or Rally - One Location	11-Apr-08	NO
HEALTH AND LONGEVITY FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	12-Apr-08	NO
SPORTSFUNDER PROMOTION	CORPORATE FUNCTION/PROMOTION	12-Apr-08	NO
GLOBAL DAY TO STOP DARFUR GENOCIDE	Demonstration or Rally - One Location	13-Apr-08	NO
NATIONAL FARM ANIMALS DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	13-Apr-08	NO
FASHION SHOW FOR CHARITY	Other	17-Apr-08	NO
VAISAKHI PARADE	Parade	17-Apr-08	NO
BIKE THE BLOSSOMS	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	19-Apr-08	YES*
420	Demonstration or Rally - One Location	19-Apr-08	NO
THE VANCOUVER SUN RUN	Walk or Run	20-Apr-08	NO
EARTH DAY STREET PARTY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	20-Apr-08	YES*
JEANS DAY BBQ	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	23-Apr-08	YES
		24-Apr-08	NO

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ST. GEORGES, EASTER GOOD FRIDAY	Religious or School Event	25-Apr-08	NO
RELIGIOUS PROCESSION	Religious or School Event	25-Apr-08	NO
KERRISDALE CARNIVAL DAY	Parade	26-Apr-08	YES*
SUPER CITIES WALK FOR MS	Walk or Run	27-Apr-08	NO
MAY			
RBC DESIFEST	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	3-May-08	YES
ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL FAIR	Religious or School Event	3-May-08	NO
FALSE CREEK RACING CANOE CLUB ANNUAL SPRING REGATTA 2008	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	3-May-08	NO
INTERNATIONAL RESPECT FOR CHICKENS DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	4-May-08	NO
NETHERLANDS REMEMBRANCE DAY	Other	4-May-08	NO
BMO BANK OF MONTREAL VANCOUVER MARATHON	Walk or Run	4-May-08	YES*
E-HEALTH 2008: EXTENDING THE REACH	Walk or Run	5-May-08	NO
THE HOLT RENFREW FASHION GALA (IN SUPPORT OF ARTS UMBRELLA)	CORPORATE FUNCTION/PROMOTION	6-May-08	NO
MITSUBISHI CITY CHASE	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	10-May-08	NO
OPENING DAY SAILPAST	Other	10-May-08	NO
VANCOUVER INTR CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	12-May-08	NO
BIG BIKE	CORPORATE FUNCTION/PROMOTION	13-May-08	NO
VANCOUVER CHINATOWN NIGHT MARKET	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	16-May-08	YES*
KRAZY	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	17-May-08	NO
6TH SOUTH HILL NEIGHBOURHOOD FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	24-May-08	NO
RIO TINTO ALCAN DRAGON BOAT REGATTAS (WOMEN	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	24-May-08	NO
PMC_SIERRA SCIENCE FAIR FUN RUN	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	24-May-08	NO
RUNNING ROOM SHAUGHNESSY 8K RUN AND 5K POKER WALK	Walk or Run	25-May-08	NO
COLLINGWOOD DAYS	Walk or Run	25-May-08	NO
2008 MIRACLE WEEKEND	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	31-May-08	YES*
JUNE			
HSBC CHILDREN	Walk or Run	1-Jun-08	YES*
WESTSIDE CYCLING CLASSIC	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	1-Jun-08	YES
2008 VANCOUVER TRIATHLON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	5-Jun-08	YES
PORTUGUESE CULTURAL FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	7-Jun-08	NO
PLYWOOD CUP CORPORATE CHALLENGE	Other	7-Jun-08	NO
CHICKEN DANCE PARTY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	7-Jun-08	NO

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CELEBRATE MOUNT PLEASANT FESTIVAL 2008	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	7-Jun-08	NO
RIO TINTO ALCAN DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL REGATTAS	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	7-Jun-08	NO
CIRQUE DE SOLEIL - CORTEO	Other	12-Jun-08	NO
FRANCOFORCE	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	12-Jun-08	NO
FESTIVAL DE TE FRANCOPHONE DE VANCOUVER	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	14-Jun-08	YES*
MAIN STREET CAR FREE DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	15-Jun-08	YES
CAR-FREE VANCOUVER DAY / CAMBIE VILLAGE	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	15-Jun-08	YES
CAR-FREE COMMERCIAL DRIVE FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	15-Jun-08	YES*
KITS DAY - CAR FREE	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	15-Jun-08	YES
MARPOLE CAR FREE DAY COMMUNITY FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	15-Jun-08	YES
WEST END CAR-FREE FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	15-Jun-08	YES
CHIP WILSON MEMORIAL MILE RUN	Walk or Run	15-Jun-08	YES
20TH ANNUAL RIO TINTO ALCAN DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	20-Jun-08	NO
TD DUNK TANK EVENT	Other	20-Jun-08	NO
PRE GREEK DAY EVENT CALLED: STROLLING THE PLAKA	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	21-Jun-08	NO
VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL - GASTOWN JAZZ	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	21-Jun-08	YES*
POINT GREY FIESTA	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	21-Jun-08	YES*
MOUNT PLEASANT FARMERS MARKET	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	21-Jun-08	NO
GREEK DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	22-Jun-08	YES*
SCOTIABANK VANCOUVER HALF-MARATHON & 5K	Walk or Run	22-Jun-08	YES*
SHAW EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION EVENT	CORPORATE FUNCTION/PROMOTION	23-Jun-08	NO
VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL - JAZZ AT THE ROUNDHOUSE	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	28-Jun-08	YES*
CELEBRATE CANADA DREAMS	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	28-Jun-08	NO
EAST SIDE PRIDE FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	28-Jun-08	NO
JULY			
CANADA DAY BARRARD INLET FIREWORKS SHOW	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	1-Jul-08	YES*
YALETOWN GRAND PRIX	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	1-Jul-08	YES*
CANADA DAY ON ROBSON STREET	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	1-Jul-08	YES*
CANADA DAY AT CANADA PLACE	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	1-Jul-08	NO
THE ARBUTUS CLUB FUN RUN WALK	Walk or Run	1-Jul-08	NO
HBC RUN FOR CANADA	Walk or Run	1-Jul-08	YES*
BC LIONS STREET PARTY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	4-Jul-08	YES*
GAME OF SKATE ON LEDGE	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	5-Jul-08	YES*

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SAWAN MELA 2008	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	12-Jul-08	NO
MARPOLE SUMMERFEST	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	12-Jul-08	YES*
BC CANCER FOUNDATION' UNDERWEAR AFFAIR	Walk or Run	12-Jul-08	YES*
SUBARU VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL HALF IRON TRIATHLON	Other	13-Jul-08	YES*
TOUR DE GASTOWN	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	16-Jul-08	YES*
VANCOUVER FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	18-Jul-08	NO
VANDU	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	19-Jul-08	NO
HSBC CELEBRATION OF LIGHT	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	23-Jul-08	YES*
HSBC CELEBRATION OF LIGHT	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	26-Jul-08	YES*
ILLUMINARES	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	26-Jul-08	YES*
HSBC CELEBRATION OF LIGHT	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	30-Jul-08	YES*
AUGUST			
HSBC CELEBRATION OF LIGHT	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	2-Aug-08	YES*
LORD OF THE LINE	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	2-Aug-08	YES*
KRAZY 1 EXHIBIT	Other	2-Aug-08	NO
TERRY WALLACE MEMORIAL BREAKFAST	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	2-Aug-08	NO
30TH ANNUAL PRIDE PARADE	Parade	3-Aug-08	YES*
PRIDE FESTIVAL & CELEBRATION	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	3-Aug-08	NO
FESTIVAL VANCOUVER AT THE VAG	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	5-Aug-08	NO
ANIMAL RIGHTS DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	9-Aug-08	NO
RONA MS BIKE TOUR	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	10-Aug-08	NO
HIPPIE DAZE: THE SUMMER OF LOVE	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	16-Aug-08	YES*
THE GREAT GORILLA RACE	Walk or Run	16-Aug-08	NO
SINGAPORE CHILLI CRAB FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	17-Aug-08	NO
LATIN SUMMER FEST # 8	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	17-Aug-08	NO
GASTOWN MOTORCYCLE SHOW & SHINE	Other	17-Aug-08	YES*
ES GAME OF SKATE	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	23-Aug-08	YES*
TAIWANESE CULTURAL FESTIVAL	Celebration/Public Festival - Multi-Day	29 to 31-Aug-08	NO
NIKE HUMAN RACE	Walk or Run	31-Aug-08	YES
SEPTEMBER			
VANCOUVER TRIATHLON	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	1-Sep-08	NO
THE 5TH ANNUAL DAVIE DAY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	6-Sep-08	YES*

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CELEBRATING ISRAEL @ 60	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	7-Sep-08	NO
AVALON COUNTRY FAIR	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	7-Sep-08	YES*
COHO RUN	Walk or Run	7-Sep-08	NO
SUMMER END SKATE JAM	Walk or Run	13-Sep-08	YES*
SOUTHLANDS COUNTRY FAIR 2008	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	14-Sep-08	NO
OCTOBER			
WALKATHON	Religious or School Event	3-Oct-08	NO
CANADIAN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION CIBC RUN FOR THE CURE	Walk or Run	5-Oct-08	YES*
10TH ANNUAL GRANVILLE ISLAND TURKEY TROT	Walk or Run	6-Oct-08	NO
RIDE FOR DIABETES RESEARCH	Sporting Event (non-walk/run)	17-Oct-08	NO
PARADE OF THE LOST SOULS	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	25-Oct-08	YES*
8TH ANNUAL PUMPKIN PATCH IN THE CITY	Celebration/Public Festival - One Day	25-Oct-08	YES*
JAMES CUNNINGHAM SEAWALL RACE	Walk or Run	26-Oct-08	NO
NOVEMBER			
CHRISTMAS AT HYCROFT	Other	27-Nov-08	NO
DECEMBER			
DEC. 6 SHOE MEMORIAL	Other	6-Dec-08	NO
ROGERS SANTA CLAUS PARADE	Parade	7-Dec-08	YES*

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