

COUNCIL REPORT

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Submit comments to Council

TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: City Clerk

SUBJECT: Councillor Mike Klassen's Travel to Halifax for the Juno Awards March 21-25,

2024

Recommendations

THAT Council authorize Councillor Klassen to attend the 2024 Juno Awards in Halifax, Nova Scotia from March 21-25, 2024, at an estimated cost of \$3,650.00, to be funded from the Councillors 2024 Travel Budget.

Purpose and Executive Summary

Councillor Klassen requests Council approval to attend the 2024 Juno Awards from March 21-25, 2024 in Halifax, Nova Scotia to observe and represent the City of Vancouver as the event's 2025 Host City.

Council Authority/Previous Decisions

The City's Mayor and Councillor Expenses By-law No. 11529 requires that a Council member wishing to be paid travel expenses, other than conventions approved under section 3.1 of the By-law, must seek and obtain the prior approval of Council to participation and attendance at that eligible activity.

City Manager's Comments

The City Manager concurs with the foregoing recommendations.

Context and Background

The Juno Awards for Canadian music take place annually in a Canadian city chosen through competition. The 2024 Juno Awards take place in Halifax, Nova Scotia. During the Juno Awards weekend there is a program of musical events for all ages. The event is presented in many venues in partnership with government and corporate sponsorships. Vancouver is the host of the 2025 Juno Awards.

Discussion

As Vancouver is the host of the 2025 Juno Awards, Councillor Klassen requests that Council approve his attendance at the 2024 Juno Awards in Halifax, Nova Scotia as a representative of the City of Vancouver — the Awards' next Host City. It also presents an opportunity to observe and learn from how the City of Halifax creates an experience around the Awards to benefit the broader community of music fans.

Financial Implications

Item	Estimated Cost
Airfare (To/From Halifax including taxes)	\$1855
Accommodations – 4 nights @ \$185/night plus taxes)	\$895
Ground transportation (approx.)	\$300
Juno tickets (approx.)	\$300
Per Diem (5 days (May 21 - 25) @ \$60/day)	\$300
	\$3650

Should Council approve this request; the above noted costs are to be funded from the 2024 Councillors' travel budget.

Legal Implications

There are no legal implications.

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