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FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) THAT the following 19 Celebrate Markham grants, totaling \$24,950 to a maximum of 35% of the original grant for a virtual project/event be approved for the **Cultural Events** and **Programs Category** (as per Attachment 2):
 - a. Social Services Network for York Region receive \$875 for their South Asian Senior Heritage virtual photo gallery;
 - b. Vedic Cultural Centre Arya Samaj receive up to \$875 for their South Asian Heritage Month virtual Celebration;
 - c. TEDx Markham receive \$1,050 for their TEDxMarkham virtual event;
 - d. Markham Federation of Filipino Canadians receive \$1,225 for their Philippine Independence Day virtual Celebration;
 - e. New Step for You Arts, Entertainment and Recreation receive \$1,225 for their Trail of Hope virtual project;
 - f. St. Mary and St. Samuel the Confessor Coptic Orthodox Church receive \$1,050 for their virtual Community Festival;
 - g. J & C Maple Panda receive \$1,050 for their virtual Jr and Cadets Canada International Table Tennis Championships U12 conditional on receiving and approving the Project Outcome/Financial Report for their 2020 J & C Canada International Table Tennis Championships;
 - h. Sanatan Mandir Cultural Centre receive \$1,750 for their Navratri virtual Festival;
 - i. Canada One Family Network receive \$1,575 for their Age of Literati virtual Cultural Festival;
 - j. United Hindus Federation of Canada receive \$700 for their virtual Hindu Heritage Month;
 - k. Cherish Integrated Services receive \$1,050 for their One and Only virtual Artfest;
 - 1. Greater Toronto Community Engagement and Family support Centre receive, \$875 for their virtual event;

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- m. Markham Village B.I.A. receive \$1,750 for their virtual Festival of Lights;
- n. Indian-Canadian Organization receive \$700 for their annual community and cultural virtual celebrations;
- o. Kindred Spirits Orchestra receive \$5,000 for their annual virtual programs and concert series which includes a series of events;
- p. Dorcas Centre receive \$1,050 for their annual virtual community and cultural;
- q. Centre for Tamil Heritage and Culture receive up to \$1,400 for their Markham Thai Pongal Vizha virtual event;
- r. Rolia Cultural Association receive up to \$1,050 for their virtual Rolia New Year Gala:
- s. Markham Community Wellness Group receive \$700 for their virtual MCW Annual Community Wellness Fair;
- 2) THAT the following 3 Celebrate Markham grants, totaling \$10,500 to a maximum of 35% of the original grant for a virtual project/event be approved for the the **Major Community Festivals Category** (as per Attachment 3):
 - a. Markham Village Festival Corporation receive \$3,500 for their Markham Village Virtual Music Festival;
 - b. Markham Jazz Festival receive up to \$3,500 for the virtual Markham Jazz Festival;
 - c. Federation of Chinese Canadians in Markham receive \$3,500 for the virtual TD Taste of Asia Festival;
- 3) THAT the following 10 Celebrate Markham grants, totaling \$7,350 to a maximum of 35% of the original grant for a virtual project/event be approved for the for the **Seniors Clubs Category** (as per Attachment 4):
 - a. SEAS Centre receive \$350 for their virtual Tai Chi workshops Program;

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- b. Greensborough Tamil Seniors' Wellness Club receive \$875 for their virtual annual programs and activities conditional on receiving and approving the Project Outcome/Financial Report for their 2019-20 annual programs and activities;
- c. Fengcai Senior Activity Centre receive \$700 for their virtual annual programs;
- d. Markham Tamil Seniors Association Canada receive \$875 for their virtual annual programs and activities;
- e. Armadale Punjabi Seniors receive \$700 for their virtual annual programs and activities;
- f. Paradise Senior Association Markham receive \$700 for their virtual annual programs and activities;
- g. Markham Brotherhood Seniors receive \$700 for their virtual annual programs and;
- h. Good Neighbour of York Region receive \$875 for their virtual annual programs and activities;
- i. Boxgrove Seniors Community Wellness Club receive \$700 for their Tamil Heritage Month Celebration;
- j. New Unionville Home Society receive \$875 for their virtual Seniors Symposium conditional on receiving and approving the Project Outcome/Financial Report for their 2020-21 Creative Aging Through the Arts program;
- 4) THAT the following 3 Celebrate Markham grants, totaling \$5,775 to a maximum of 35% of the original grant for a virtual project/event be approved for the **Sports Events** Category (as per Attachment 5):
 - a. DanceSport Grand Prix Canada receive up to \$3,500 for their World Open Championships;
 - b. Markham Speed Skating Club receive up to \$1,050 for their Ontario Provincial Circuit Meet;
 - c. Dodgeball Ontario receive up to \$1,225 for the Provincial Championship;

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- 5) THAT subject to approval by Council, recommended applications be posted on the Celebrate Markham website for applicants' and the public's information, along with Council's resolution; and,
- THAT the remaining funds of \$207,425 (out of the \$256,000 available for Celebrate Markham community grant applications after allocating the \$48,575 recommended for approval in this 2021-22 funding cycle) will be carried forward to the 2022-23 funding cycle and allocated to the same categories from which the previous year surpluses were realized.

All funding is conditional on receiving documents outlined in the Resolution of Council dated April 20, 2021 and conditional on receiving any outstanding documentation from prior year's applications.