

Memo

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Letham

Date: 16th May 2017

Subject: KATVA Event

Background

In the past, the Kawartha ATV Association has held an event on the City Trail called Ride for Dad. The event requires several approvals from the City including an exemption from By-law 2007-107 to allow side-by-side OTV/UTV access on sections of the trail during the event. This year, the organization did not seek timely approvals or the exemption and therefore ran the event without proper authorization. The organization runs a very worthwhile event and this memo is seeking two things. The first is to put the organization on notice that proper approvals and exemptions need to be received from the City prior to the event taking place and they need to ensure they receive this prior to their event next year. The second is to suggest a by-law amendment to authorize the Director of Community Services the authority to grant the exemption which will save organizations from meeting the Council meeting schedule.

The City wants to encourage these events but it must also ensure that proper approvals are sought and granted prior to events for liability purposes.

Recommendation To Council

RESOLVED THAT the memo from Mayor Letham regarding **KATVA Event**, be received;

THAT confirmation is given to exempt the Kawartha ATV Association to allow the use of Side by Side UTV's for a one day event known as Ride for Dad on June 3, 2017;

THAT KATVA be advised that the City must receive notification of any requests for exemption and support from the City for future events a minimum of 30 days prior to the event date: and

THAT the matter be referred to staff for review and consideration of an amendment to the By-law to provide the Director of Community Services with authority to grant exemptions from the provisions of the by-law with the report to come by end of Q3, 2017.