COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JUNE 2, 2003

ELECTRONIC BULLETIN BOARD SIGN CHABAD LUBAVITCH CITY OF VAUGHAN

Recommendation

The Mayor recommends that the City of Vaughan indemnify the Region for all claims attributable to the encroachment of the electronic bulletin board of Chabad Lubavitch at the corner of Bathurst Street and Chabad Gate.

Purpose

To obtain Council approval to indemnify the Region regarding an encroachment.

Background - Analysis and Options

On May 6, 2002, Rabbi Z. Ahron Grossbaum, of the Chabad Lubavitch of Ontario, appeared on deputation and requested City support for a proposed electronic bulletin board. On May 13, 2002, Council received the deputation and referred to Staff for a report.

On October 15, 2002, Council resolved that the Region of York be advised that Council for the City of Vaughan supports the applicant's request for the installation of a sign subject to conditions.

On May 22, 2003, the request was considered by the Region, and the encroachment on the Regional road allowance was approved subject to certain conditions. One of the conditions was that the City indemnify the Region for all claims attributable to the encroachment.

Conclusion

Staff have contacted the City's insurers who have advised that the City would have insurance coverage in the event of an accident, which coverage would extend to the City's indemnification of the Region. They have recommended that the City request an indemnification from the Chabad Lubavitch.

Attachments

None

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Michael Di Biase