# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SEPTEMBER 15, 2003

## PESTICIDE-FREE POLICY

## Recommendation

Councillor Kadis recommends that the pesticide-free policy currently in place on Ward 4 & 5 parks and many of our playing fields be extended to all City of Vaughan owned lands through a two year phased in plan.

## **Background - Analysis and Options**

A pilot project is currently being implemented on Ward 4 & 5 parks and many of our soccer/baseball fields across the city. It is time to develop a plan to extend this policy to all City owned land recognizing there will be exceptions pertaining to health and safety issues. Other municipalities such as Kitchener-Waterloo have successfully implemented a pesticide-free policy on their own land.

#### **Attachments**

none

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Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Susan Kadis