

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JANUARY 20, 2003**

### **ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION CREATION OF THE VAUGHAN HOSPITAL STUDY TASK FORCE CREATION OF THE VAUGHAN HOSPITAL FOUNDATION**

#### **Recommendation**

Mayor Michael Di Biase recommends that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Vaughan adopt the following resolution:

**THAT** Council hereby endorses the creation of the “Vaughan Hospital Study Task Force” for the purpose of examining the need for a hospital/health-care facility in the City of Vaughan; and the creation of the “Vaughan Hospital Foundation” for the purposes of undertaking community oriented fund raising and advocacy activities in support of the planning, approval and construction of a hospital/health-care facility to serve the City of Vaughan.

**THAT** Staff is directed to report back to Council at first opportunity with recommendations in respect of:

1. The creation of the Vaughan Hospital Study Task Force including but not limited to its terms of reference, options for membership, sources of funding and a prospective work plan including public consultation; and
2. The creation of the Vaughan Hospital Foundation including its potential mandate, operating structure, sources of funding and the steps necessary to fulfill the statutory requirements for the creation of a charitable foundation.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to: Obtain Council’s endorsement for the creation of the Vaughan Hospital Study Task Force and the Vaughan Hospital Foundation; and to provide direction to Staff to prepare a report on the means of implementing the Task Force and Foundation.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

The City of Vaughan does not have a public health-care facility within its boundaries. Given the City’s rapid growth it will be important to ensure that Vaughan’s residents will be well served by local facilities, especially in the critical area of health-care. The time it takes to plan, finance and build a hospital or health-care facility can be lengthy. Therefore it is important to get the process underway as quickly as possible. This resolution will provide the direction for the City to begin the development of the organizational structure, which will be necessary to support the communities’ efforts to obtain a hospital or health-care facility. Community involvement and support will be essential if we are to be successful. The Task Force and Foundation will play an important role in building the essential partnerships with the community, the technical stakeholders and approval agencies.

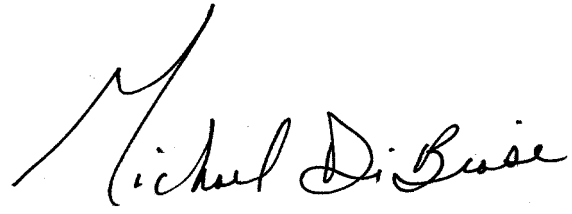
#### **Conclusion**

It is recommended that Council adopt the resolution set out above.

#### **Attachments**

N/A

Respectfully submitted,

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Michael Di Biase  
Mayor