

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - APRIL 4, 2005

A CHARACTER COMMUNITY CONFERENCE

Recommendation

Regional Councillor Joyce Frustaglio recommends:

1. That the appropriate staff participate at the 2nd Annual York Region Character Community Council's Building Communities of Character Conference being held April 14 and 15, 2005.
2. That the City of Vaughan embraces and adopt the principles of "A Character Community".

Purpose

To build communities of character, and to elevate the awareness level of the importance of good character in business, education and our communities.

Background - Analysis and Options

York Region adopted the Character Community philosophy and established a Council in 2003 and held the first Building of Communities Character Conference in April 2004. The conference was well attended and received unanimous support to become an annual event!

Vision into Action will take place on April 25 and 15 at the Sheraton Parkway North in Richmond Hill. As well as offering informative workshops, enriching panel discussions, and dynamic speakers, this conference will also highlight the importance of building partnerships and offer suggestions on how Vision into Action will enable us to make a difference that can extend beyond our immediate community.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Attachments

A Character Community Newsletter #13. (Available in the Clerks Department)

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Frustaglio
Regional Councillor