

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, MAY 16, 2005**

### **HERITAGE VAUGHAN COMMITTEE'S DONATION TO THE PIERRE BERTON RESOURCE LIBRARY**

#### **Recommendation**

Heritage Vaughan recommends:

That Council approve the allocation of \$500 from the Heritage Vaughan budget to be donated in memory of Pierre Berton to the Pierre Berton Library for the purchase of history books.

#### **Economic Impact**

The funding source for the proposed donation will be the 2005 Heritage Vaughan budget. There is no negative impact to the Heritage Vaughan budget as funds are available for this purpose.

#### **Purpose**

To approve a \$500 expenditure from the Heritage Vaughan budget for donation to the Pierre Berton Resource Library.

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

Heritage Vaughan Committee, a statutory advisory committee to Council, at its meeting of January 19, 2005, passed a motion to donate \$500 from the Committee's budget to the Pierre Berton Resource Library, in memory of Pierre Berton, for the purchase of history books for the Library.

The purpose of the donation by the Committee was to commemorate the memory of Pierre Berton as a Canadian cultural icon and his contribution to the Vaughan community, in particular, his participation in the yearly Kleinburg Binder Twine Festival.

Corporate policy requires that all donation of budget funds by advisory committees are to be approved by Council. In order to ensure this proposed donation is within the appropriate use of budget monies assigned to advisory committees, Council approval is being requested.

Budget monies assigned to Heritage Vaughan committee are intended to be used for fulfilling the Committee's goals and objectives. Heritage Vaughan's general mandate is to promote cultural heritage in Vaughan and as such the donation of monies by the Committee is considered a suitable use of funds. Additionally, the donation will be used to buy history books for users of the Vaughan Public Library system and therefore, directed back to the 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.

Through the Vaughan Vision, Heritage Vaughan enhances and promotes cultural history in the community.

**Conclusion**

The donation of funds to the Pierre Berton Resource Library by Heritage Vaughan committee for the purchase of history-related books is considered an appropriate use of funds as it will help promote cultural history in the community.

**Attachments**

None

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