### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MAY 15, 2006**

#### NAMING OF THE NEW CITY HALL IN HONOUR OF FORMER MAYOR, LORNA D. JACKSON

#### Recommendation

Mayor Michael Di Biase recommends that the following resolution be approved;

Whereas the late Lorna D. Jackson was first elected to Vaughan Council in 1974 and served continuously until April 2002; and

Whereas Lorna served as the Mayor of the City of Vaughan from 1982 to April 2002; and

Whereas Lorna was committed to the City of Vaughan and well respected by the citizens, the business community, her colleagues and within the municipal sector;

Now therefore be it resolved that the new City Hall be named "The Lorna D. Jackson Building"; and

That the Jackson family be advised of the City's intent and that formal arrangements be made to announce the naming of the City Hall at the official opening.

## **Economic Impact**

N/A

### **Purpose**

To recognize and honour the years of service and the contribution to the City of Vaughan, by the City's former Mayor, Lorna D. Jackson.

## **Background – Analysis and Options**

The late Lorna Jackson served as the Mayor of Vaughan from 1982 until her passing in April 2002. She was first elected to office as a local Councillor in Vaughan in 1974 when Vaughan was a small town with a population of less than 20.000.

Lorna was dedicated to Vaughan and served tirelessly for 28 years. During that time she led Council and the community through years of rapid growth and development and through the transition from a small Town into a vibrant City.

For seventeen (17) years I worked alongside Lorna on Vaughan Council and as well on Regional Council. We shared many common goals and I can personally attest to her commitment to the City of Vaughan.

The City of Vaughan will be constructing a new City Hall, which will be built on the site of the existing City Hall and ready for occupancy in 2007. It would be a fitting tribute to the former Mayor, the late Lorna D. Jackson that the new City Hall be named in her honour.

#### Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

# Conclusion

The late Lorna Jackson was a long-time Mayor of the City of Vaughan, well respected and admired by the citizens of Vaughan, the business community within Vaughan and by her counterparts in neighbouring municipalities and in other levels of government.

The naming of the new City Hall "The Lorna D. Jackson Building" is a fitting tribute to her dedication, numerous contributions and her memory.

# **Attachments**

N/A

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Michael Di Biase