COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MARCH 26, 2007

NOISE BY-LAW

Recommendation

Mayor Linda D. Jackson recommends that staff prepare a report for the Committee of the Whole meeting of May 28, 2007 which revisits the current Noise By-Law #96-2006, put into effect on April 10, 2006. The report should be inclusive of, but not limited to:

- A summary of the costs associated with monitoring decibel levels at private and community events,
- A summary of the various decibel level ratings,
- A summary of the number of permits issued, fees paid and locations of special events (both public and private), and
- Recommendations for possible amendments to the existing bylaw.

Economic Impact

None.

Communications Plan

None required.

Purpose

To review the effectiveness of and adherence to the existing Noise By-Law with a view to affecting improvements of same.

Background - Analysis and Options

Many private social associations rent or lease grounds in the City of Vaughan for the purposes of hosting fairs, celebrations, etc. The City of Vaughan is committed to ensuring that opportunities for private celebrations continue to exist, while preserving our residents' right to enjoyment of their private properties.

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.

Regional Implications

None.

Conclusion

A staff report which revisits the current Noise By-Law #96-2006, put into effect on April 10, 2006, will assist Council in ensuring that opportunities for private celebrations continue to exist, while preserving our residents' right to enjoyment of their private properties.

Attachments

None.

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Respectfully submitted,

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