COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - DECEMBER 1, 2008

VELLORE VILLAGE FITNESS CENTRE

Recommendation

Councillor Bernie DiVona recommends:

- 1. That the City of Vaughan receives the petition from 736 City of Vaughan residents requesting a fitness centre be added to the site at the Vellore Village Community Centre.
- 2. That the City of Vaughan Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with other members of staff, review the request in the context of the Recreation Master Plan.
- 3. That the review include the original plan of Vellore Village Community Centre, the current status of service delivery, and requests received by community services to address the recreational needs of the community, within the context of the Recreation Master Plan.
- 4. That the Commissioner of Community Services bring back a report at the earliest possible Committee of the Whole, no later than January 13, 2009.

Economic Impact

Not applicable as this is a review.

Communications Plan

To be considered upon completion of the review by Staff.

Purpose

To respond to a petition from residents who wish to have a fitness centre in the Vellore Village Community Centre.

Background - Analysis and Options

Vellore Village Community Centre is a major recreation and culture facility located in the City of Vaughan, and has been built and constructed as part of a partnership with York Region District Catholic School Board, with a district park to service the Vellore Village Community.

Residents have made on going requests for a full recreation facility, and the existing service delivery already includes additional staff resources to facilitate the operation of a recreation facility.

The adjoining school has also expressed a desire and willingness to partner or participate with the City of Vaughan, and in fact, has operational a "mini fitness centre" to address the high demand that has existed since its inception.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

Linked to the Strategic Service Excellence objective "Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness."

Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

That a fitness centre be considered for the Vellore Village Community Centre.

Attachments

A petition has been submitted and will be available at the meeting.

Report prepared by:

Respectfully submitted,

Bernie DiVona, Councillor – Ward 3