COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - DECEMBER 1, 2008

PEACE TREE DAY- JUNE 1

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends:

That the start time of June 1, 2009 Committee of the Whole (Working Session) be changed to 1:00 pm instead of 9:30 a.m. as June 1st has been designated as Peace Tree Day.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The annual Peace Tree Day event will be promoted, as per protocol, through our Corporate Communication Department.

Purpose

Like the years before us, the Peace Tree Day Celebration for 2009 will be taking place from 9:30 am – 12:00 noon at the Concord Thornhill Regional Park and invitations have already gone out to the community.

Background - Analysis and Options

The City of Vaughan endorsed Peace Tree Day in 2006 and 2007, and accordingly organized an official celebration. Due to the fact that on some years, June 1 will fall on a weekend and due to the fact that this event is coordinated in partnership with the York Region School Board, the York Catholic District School Board and the York Regional Police, this event should be held on a weekday to allow for the continued participation of the above noted groups. Additionally, holding the annual Peace Tree Day event on a consistent day allows for better planning of the event on behalf of the City and the external participants.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

Serving our citizens through the promotion of community, safety, health and wellness.

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

Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

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Attachments

Peace Tree Day - "Save the Date"

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Respectfully submitted,

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Let us embrace the beauty of every culture and faith to create peace on earth. Mitra Sen