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MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

DECEMBER 6, 2011 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Title: CITY OF VAUGHAN CHINESE NEW YEAR EVENT

Submitted by: Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco

Whereas, Chinese New Year has been recognized by the City of Vaughan in the past; and

Whereas, the Federation of Chinese Canadians in York Region (FCCYR) have formally requested that the City of Vaughan host a Chinese New Year Event in 2012; and

Whereas, Chinese New Year is the most important holiday celebration for the Chinese community; and

Whereas, the Chinese community is Vaughan is a large community that continues to grow every year;

Be it therefore resolved that the City of Vaughan support an annual Chinese New Year Event at City Hall; and

That this year's event be held on Sunday, January 29, 2012 at Vaughan City Hall in the multipurpose room and atrium; and

That the permit for the facility and the services-in-kind be provided at no charge for the event; and

That staff be encouraged to volunteer on the organizing committee, along with the FCCYR; and

That the Corporate Communications Department advertise the Chinese New Year Event via the City's website and social networking sites, a media advisory, and a news release.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Yeung Racco Councillor, Ward 4 (Concord/Thornhill North)

Attachments

1. Letter of Request from FCCYR



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City of Vaughan c/o Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco

Nov 5, 2011

Dear Sandra,

In January 2012, the Chinese community will once again look forward to bidding farewell to the Year of the Rabbit and welcoming in the Year of the Dragon! Of all the traditional Chinese festivals that are celebrated around the world, the New Year is perhaps the most elaborate, colourful and important celebration in the Chinese community. This is the time for the Chinese to congratulate each other and themselves on having passed through another year and a time to finish out the old and welcome in the new.

This year, the Federation of Chinese Canadians in York Region would like to organize another spectacular Chinese New Year Celebration in the City of Vaughan with Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco. Recognizing the growing diversity in Vaughan and York Region, this will be an excellent opportunity for the residents, community groups and businesses to partake in this popular tradition. We would like to host the Inaugeral Chinese New Year Celebration at the Vaughan City Hall on Sunday, January 29, 2012. We would like to co-organize this Chinese New Year Celebration with Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco and the City of Vaughan. We would like to request the support from City of Vaughan for the facility permit, cleaning and set-up, and administrative support.

We look forward to your positive response and your other suggestions. Thank you in advance for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Dr Ken Ng Chairman Federation of Chinese Canadians in York Region