



**CITY OF VAUGHAN  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES  
OCTOBER 1, 2002**

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**CITY OF VAUGHAN**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2002**

**MINUTES**

**11:00 A.M.**

Council convened in the Municipal Council Chambers in Vaughan, Ontario, at 11:22 a.m.

The following members were present:

Mayor Michael Di Biase, Chair  
Regional Councillor Joyce Frustaglio  
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati  
Councillor Bernie Di Vona (11:30 a.m.-12:35 p.m.)  
Councillor Mario Ferri (11:43 a.m.-12:46 p.m.)  
Councillor Linda D. Jackson  
Councillor Susan Kadis

**303. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

MOVED by Regional Councillor Frustaglio  
seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the agenda be confirmed.

CARRIED

**304. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There was no disclosure of interest by any member.

MOVED by Regional Councillor Frustaglio  
seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT a Closed Session of Committee of the Whole be convened for the purpose of discussing the following matters:

- a) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including employees; and
- b) advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege

CARRIED

Council recessed at 11:23 a.m.

Council reconvened at 12:40 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Michael Di Biase, Chair  
Regional Councillor Joyce Frustaglio  
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati  
Councillor Mario Ferri  
Councillor Linda D. Jackson  
Councillor Susan Kadis

**305. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

MOVED by Councillor Ferri  
seconded by Regional Councillor Rosati

THAT the following Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommendation of October 1, 2002, be approved:

- 1) THAT the City of Vaughan appoint an Accessibility Advisory Committee comprising of Councillor Kadis, Councillor Jackson, Meenu Sikand, Brett Yerex, Maria Simpson and Lucia Pulciani; and
- 2) THAT the following report of the City Clerk, dated October 1, 2002, be received.

CARRIED

**Recommendation**

The City Clerk recommends that Council appoint an Accessibility Advisory Committee.

**Purpose**

To appoint an Accessibility Advisory Committee as required by the Ontarians With Disabilities Act.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

Council at its meeting held on August 26, 2002 directed amongst other things, that the City Clerk advertise to seek individuals to sit on an Accessibility Advisory Committee to be established by the City (attachment #1). An advertisement was run on August 29<sup>th</sup> and September 5<sup>th</sup> on the "City Page" (attachment #2). In addition letters were sent to the following organizations inviting them to submit applications from interested and qualified persons:

- York South Association for Community Living
- Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy
- Advocacy Resource Centre for the Handicapped
- Canadian Paraplegic Association
- Association of Differently-Abled People Together
- Canadian Hearing Society
- Community Living Newmarket/Aurora District
- Canadian National Institute for the Blind
- Community Support Housing
- Ontario March of Dimes – York Region Chapter
- Future Abilities and Creative Employment (FACE); and
- Integra Foundation

To date four applications have been submitted for Council's consideration (attachment).

As reported earlier, staff will be reporting in the fall on a mandate and operating procedures for the Committee. The Ontarians With Disabilities Act (the Act) mandates that a majority of the Committee members must be persons with disabilities. The Act defines a disability to mean,

- a) any degree of physical disability, infirmity, malformation or disfigurement that is caused by bodily injury, birth defect or illness and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, includes diabetes mellitus, epilepsy, a brain injury, any degree of paralysis, amputation, lack of physical co-ordination, blindness or visual impediment, deafness or hearing impediment, muteness or speech impediment, or physical reliance on a guide dog or other animal or on a wheelchair or other remedial appliance or device,

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- b) a condition of mental impairment or a developmental disability,
- c) a learning disability, or a dysfunction in one or more of the processes involved in understanding or using symbols or spoken language,
- d) a mental disorder, or
- e) an injury or disability for which benefits were claimed or received under the insurance plan established under the *Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997*; (“handicap”)

### **Conclusion**

Council’s direction on persons to be appointed to the City’s Accessibility Advisory Committee is requested.

### **Attachments**

1. Extract from Council Meeting – Item 40, Committee of the Whole Report No. 54
2. Advertisement
3. Applications – Mayor and Members of Council only (under separate cover)

### **Report prepared by:**

J. D. Leach, City Clerk

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(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)

### **306. UPLANDS WATER SUPPLY**

MOVED by Councillor Ferri  
seconded by Regional Councillor Rosati

THAT the following Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommendation of October 1, 2002, be approved:

THAT this matter be deferred to a Special Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) meeting to be held on October 7, 2002 at 10:30 a.m.

CARRIED

Councillor Di Vona declared an interest in this matter when it was considered at the Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) meeting and was not present when the matter was considered. Councillor Di Vona did not take part in the discussion or vote on the foregoing matter.

### **307. REGION OF YORK WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICING**

MOVED by Councillor Ferri  
seconded by Regional Councillor Rosati

THAT the following Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommendation of October 1, 2002, be approved:

THAT the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works report on the feasibility and

implications of transferring responsibility for drinking water and wastewater servicing to the Region of York.

CARRIED

**308. DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

MOVED by Councillor Ferri  
seconded by Regional Councillor Rosati

THAT the following Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommendation of October 1, 2002, be approved:

- 1) THAT staff advertise the position of Director of Human Resources including placement on the City's website and the Human Resources Professional Association of Ontario (HRPAO) website and screen applications for consideration;
- 2) THAT the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services report on options and costs of using internal and external resources to address, in the short term until a Director of Human Resources is appointed, initiatives in the Human Resources and Labour Relations areas; and
- 3) THAT the confidential memorandum from the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services, dated September 26, 2002, be received.

CARRIED

**309. CONFIRMING BY-LAW**

MOVED by Councillor Ferri  
seconded by Regional Councillor Rosati

THAT By-law Number 304-2002, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council at its meeting on October 1, 2002, be read a First, Second and Third time and enacted.

CARRIED

**310. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Councillor Jackson  
seconded by Councillor Ferri

THAT the meeting adjourn at 12:46 p.m.

CARRIED

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Michael Di Biase, Mayor

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J. D. Leach, City Clerk