## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - FEBRUARY 21, 2005**

# REQUEST TO USE THE CITY PLAYHOUSE FOR THE CECILIA ZHANG MEMORIAL CONCERT

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends:

- 1. That the City of Vaughan approve the use of City Playhouse Theatre at no cost, for the Royal Conservatory of Music to host the Cecilia Zhang Memorial Concert on April 19, 2005; and
- 2. That the event be used as one of the three event dates allocated to the City of Vaughan for the their use at the City Playhouse Theatre.

### **Purpose**

To seek Council approval for allocating the City Playhouse Theatre at no cost to the Royal Conservatory of Music for the purpose of hosting the Cecilia Zhang Memorial Concert on April 19, 2005.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

Following the tragic death of Cecilia Zhang, Councillor Racco set up the "Cecilia Zhang Memorial Scholarship," in partnership with the Royal Conservatory of Music, in order to honour the memory of Cecilia and to provide music scholarship opportunities to children that possess musical aspirations, but demonstrate a financial need. As part of the fundraising initiatives of this project, a Cecilia Zhang Memorial Concert will be held at the City Playhouse Theatre on April 19, 2005. All proceeds of the Concert will go towards the Scholarship Fund.

The City of Vaughan sets aside three event dates to be used for various city purposes (i.e. Festival of the Arts). Councillor Racco would like to propose that the City Playhouse Theatre be used on April 19, 2005 as one of the City's allocated dates, for the Cecilia Zhang Memorial Concert as a community-based fundraising event.

## Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

6.4 Strengthen Corporate Image and Identity

#### Conclusion

Hosting such an event is beneficial to the community and the City of Vaughan, and Council approval is required for the Cecilia Zhang Memorial Concert to be allocated as one of the City of Vaughan's allocated event dates.

#### **Attachments**

None

Respectfully submitted,

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