

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - APRIL 3, 2006

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL WEED INSPECTORS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services in consultation with the Director of Parks & Forestry Operations recommends:

That Mr. Frank Romano, Mr. Nick Elias and Mr. Andrea Caravaggio, be appointed as Municipal Weed Inspectors for the City of Vaughan as authorized under Section 8.(1) of the Weed Control Act, revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990 Chapter W.5.

Economic Impact

There is no economical impact.

Purpose

To provide the Ministry of Agriculture the names and the individuals responsible for enforcing the act.

Background - Analysis and Options

Each year, the City is required to appoint municipal weed inspectors for the purpose of enforcing the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, under section 8, which states:

- (1) "The Council of any municipality not referred to in subsection 6 (1) may by by-law appoint one or more persons as municipal weed inspectors to enforce this Act in the area within the Council's jurisdiction and fix their remuneration or other compensation."

The Minister of Agriculture and Food for the Province of Ontario must be notified by May 1st of each year as to who will be Municipal Weed Inspectors. Traditionally, the enforcement of the Weed Control Act has been the responsibility of the Parks & Forestry Operations Department who have employees trained to identify noxious weeds. This notification has been submitted to the Clerks Department in March 2006.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report relates to Vaughan Vision 1.0 Service Delivery Excellence, "improve community safety through design, prevention, enforcement and education".

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

Conclusion

It is requested that Frank Romano, Nick Elias and Andrea Caravaggio be added to the list of approved Weed Inspectors at the City of Vaughan as authorized under Section 8.(1) of the Weed Control Act, Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990.

Attachments

None

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Respectfully submitted,

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