COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JANUARY 21, 2008

AMENDMENT TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE VAUGHAN ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services recommends approval of the following Arts Advisory Committee recommendation:

1. That the "Meetings" section of the Terms of Reference of the Arts Advisory Committee be amended to allow the Committee to meet on a monthly instead of bi-monthly basis commencing in 2008.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact to the City.

Communications Plan

The approval of the recommendation contained in this report will be communicated to the Arts Advisory Committee and the revised monthly meeting schedule will be brought forward to the committee for adoption and inclusion in the 2008 Schedule of Meetings for Council & Statutory and Advisory Committees.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval of the proposed amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Arts Advisory Committee.

Background - Analysis and Options

At the Arts Advisory Committee meeting of November 29, 2007, the Committee passed a motion that requested Council to consider an amendment to the Committee's Terms of Reference as approved in October 2005 that would allow for monthly Committee meetings to officially take place instead of the bi-monthly meetings as identified in their Terms of Reference.

The Arts Advisory Committee is currently working on a number of initiatives that will increase awareness and help promote the arts in Vaughan. It has four active subcommittees that have been tasked with a number of projects. Committee members have advised that having bi-monthly meetings or meetings every other month, interrupt the momentum and progress of the Committee's ongoing initiatives. For this reason, the Arts Advisory Committee recommends an amendment to their Terms of Reference which would allow for official monthly Committee meetings to take place.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

Vaughan Vision 2020 identifies as a strategic priority, the objective of providing service excellence to Vaughan citizens by supporting Vaughan's arts and culture.

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

Regional Implications

No regional implications are associated with this initiative.

Conclusion

The approval of the recommendation found in this report would assist the Arts Advisory Committee in its ongoing initiatives. Meeting on a monthly basis will also help the Committee in accomplishing its mandate and goals as set out by Council.

Attachments

None

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