

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

Item 1, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007, as follows:

By approving that the Ward Councillors be notified when Special Occasion Certificates are issued; and

By approving that the Ward Sub-Committees be included in the notification.

1 REVISION TO SPECIAL OCCASIONS CERTIFICATE POLICY 01.15

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Yeung Racco, dated September 4, 2007, be approved; and**
- 2) That staff be directed to amend the Special Occasions Certificate Policy 01.15 guidelines to include the recognition of 50th Wedding Anniversaries and 75th Birthdays and that certificates be issued upon request.**

Recommendation

Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco recommends:

1. That the City Manager's office research the merit of revising the Special Occasions Certificate Policy No.: 01.15, CNL 95.11.27 for the recognition of anniversaries, birthdays, and official openings;
2. That the City of Vaughan review neighbouring municipalities Special Occasions Certificate Policies for comparison; and
3. That the City Manager report back to the October 1, 2007 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

None

Purpose

To address resident requests for certificates not outlined in the Special Occasions Certificate Policy No.: 01.15, CNL: 95.11.27 regarding the recognition of anniversaries, birthdays and official openings.

Background - Analysis and Options

Currently Policy No.: 01.15 allows for the recognition of Wedding Anniversaries beginning at the 60th Anniversary, and thereafter in five year increments. Birthday certificates are issued at 80 years and thereafter in ten year increments. Business Opening certificates are issued for new or new larger locations. Business Anniversary certificates are issued at 25 and 50 years, and miscellaneous certificates are issued for ground breaking, institutional openings and honorary citizens.

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Residents have inquired to my office regarding the issuance of special occasion certificates. The Policy does not allow for a certificate to be issued for Wedding Anniversaries at 25 or 50 years married. The Policy does not allow for certificates to be issued at 50, 60, or 65, birthdays, but rather begins at the 80th birthdays and thereafter in ten year increments. Due to changing demographics, the City of Vaughan may want to consider updating the certificate policy to allow for certificates to be issued for earlier birthdays and anniversaries.

The Policy states that exceptions will, at times, have to be made, but only with the consent of the Mayor. When residents have asked the City to make exceptions to the Policy they are reverted back to the Policy guidelines and specifications by the office of the Mayor.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

A-1 Pursue Excellence in the Delivery of Core Services

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

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

The Special Occasions Certificate Policy No.: 01.15, CNL 95.11.27 should be reviewed to determine more current guidelines for the issuance of certificates for the recognition of anniversaries, birthdays and official openings.

Attachments

1. Special Occasions Certificate Policy No.: 01.15, CNL: 95.11.27

Report prepared by:

Sandra Yeung Racco
Councillor, Ward 4

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Item 2, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007, as follows:

By approving Clause 4 of the recommendation of Councillor Shefman.

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CITY OF VAUGHAN CORPORATE IDENTITY

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Shefman, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

Councillor Shefman recommends:

1. That staff prepare a plan to review and update the corporate identity and slogan of the City;
2. That the implementation of the project be funded through the 2008 Budget;
3. That the review and update process be completed by May 2008 and that three options be presented to Council at that time; and
4. That a detailed report outlining the process to be used to develop and implement the new corporate identity be presented to a Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting in October 2007.

Economic Impact

To be determined at the time of the presentation to a Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting in October.

Communication Plan

To be determined at the time of the presentation to a Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting in October.

Purpose

1. To develop a plan for an updated corporate identify for the City of Vaughan

Background - Analysis and Options

1. The City of Vaughan last introduced an updated corporate identity in the early 1990's
2. Since that time the city has undergone dramatic changes in almost every aspect of its environment from dramatically increased population, increased urbanization and broader recognition.
3. Over the last few years the city has also received significant negative media coverage, impacting upon the extraordinary positive aspects of the municipality.
4. A new corporate identity reflecting a vibrant, major Canadian municipality will help reflect our current reality.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

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Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

1. That by mid-2008, the City of Vaughan begin the implementation of a new and update corporate identity reflecting the current reality of the City.

Attachments

None

Report prepared by:

Alan Shefman
Councillor, Ward 5

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City staff from various appropriate municipal departments will also be involved in activities such as the procurement of Regional Police assistance, media notification, detour signing and barricade provisions and any other similar requested assistance.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Regional Implications

The Region of York will be asked to provide a road closure on Major Mackenzie Drive between Highway 400 and the Vaughan Civic Center between the hours of 1:30p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on November 25, 2007.

Conclusion

Council's support through its request to the Region of York will ensure a safe and successful parade event.

Attachments

None

Report prepared by:

Joseph A.V. Chiarelli
Manager Special Projects Licensing & Permits
Insurance-Risk Management

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FATHER ERMANN0 CRESCENT TRAFFIC REVIEW

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Di Vona, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

Councillor Bernie DiVona recommends:

1. The City of Vaughan receives the petition by residents of Father Ermanno requesting a traffic review;
2. The City of Vaughan Engineering Department to conduct a review of the traffic volume, speed and accident history and report to the earliest committee of the whole;
3. The report to the Committee of the Whole include assessment of the volume, speed, and accident history with options, recommendations and cost implications for the options;
4. The City of Vaughan Enforcement Services review and give special attention to the abutting parks; and
5. The City of Vaughan Parks Department catalogue and coordinate the graffiti identification and any action to be taken with York Regional Police.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

N/A

Purpose

The public meeting allowed the residents to voice their concerns to the City staff and York Regional Police regarding safety in their community and parks.

Background - Analysis and Options

At a public meeting dated August 20, 2007, attended by York Regional Police, City of Vaughan Enforcement Services, Property Manager for the Chancellor Square Plaza and Councillor Bernie DiVona, some 60 families expressed their outrage and frustration with: increased vandalism to property; graffiti to their properties when they have complained about the youth; illegal parking, double parking; frequent pickup and drop offs; poor sight visibility when travelling along their street; extreme speeding and racing on the straight roadway sections; noise complaints and garbage emanating from Chancellor Square Plaza; large groups of youth causing an environment of fear.

York Regional Police has given assistance and advised they would enhance CORE Unit enforcement and activities.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

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Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

Residents requests that traffic related problems are needed over and above enhanced enforcement.

Attachments

Petition from residents of Father Ermanno Crescent.

Report prepared by:

Councillor Bernie DiVona, ext. 8339

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**ENSURING THE PUNCTUAL START
OF COUNCIL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Carella, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

Councillor Tony Carella recommends that the City Clerk be directed to report by December 1, 2007, on options for ensuring the punctual start of council and council committee meetings, such options to include but not be limited to the implementation of a 'quorum bell'.

Economic Impact

Nil

Purpose

To ensure the punctual start of all council and council committee meetings

Communication Plan

As this is a 'housekeeping' matter, a communication plan is not warranted.

Background – Analysis and Options

The achievement of quorum is the *sine qua non* for the carrying on of any business before council or any council committee (e.g., Audit, Budget, Strategic Planning). Yet from time to time the start of such meetings is delayed, because members, while present at the civic centre, are unaware that the start-time of a meeting is at hand. This may necessitate calls to the offices of absent members of council, or to their administrative assistants, in order to achieve quorum before a half hour has lapsed, and the meeting as per the Procedural By-Law is cancelled as inquorate. To obviate this situation, other legislative bodies employ quorum bells, to ensure that all members are aware that the time for the start of a meeting has arrived, and that their presence is required immediately. This recommendation will provide for the efficient use of the public's time.

Regional Implications

Nil

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Conclusion

Punctuality is the politeness of kings (said Louis XIV), and the courtesy of councils.

Attachments

None

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Report prepared by:

Councillor Tony Carella

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Item 6, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007, as follows:

By approving the recommendation of Councillors' Carella and Shefman, dated September 4, 2007; and

By deleting Paragraphs 6 and 7 of the recommendation and replacing them with the following:

"That the City of Vaughan request that all householders receiving mail by Canada Post super mailboxes who do not wish to continue to receive direct marketing or bulk mail register that fact with Canada Post; and"

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LITTER-FREE CANADA POST SUPERMAILBOXES

This matter is being forwarded to the Council meeting of September 10, 2007, without recommendation.

Recommendation

Councillor Tony Carella and Councillor Alan Shefman recommend that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS the proliferation of litter in the vicinity of the Canada Post super mailboxes has marred the appearance of adjacent streetscapes and has resulted in significant maintenance costs for the City since the development of this form of postal delivery; and

WHEREAS this type of litter has been one of the greatest sources of complaint by residents living in the vicinity of these facilities; and

WHEREAS the majority of such litter consists of unsolicited direct marketing or bulk mail (e.g., advertising flyers) delivered by Canada Post; and

WHEREAS the direct marketing or bulk mail industry provides a service by which recipients of unsolicited direct marketing or bulk mail may request that the discontinuing of delivery of unsolicited direct marketing or bulk mail delivered by Canada Post; and

WHEREAS the facilitation of requests to stop delivery by Canada Post of direct marketing or bulk service providers will greatly reduce the amount of direct marketing or bulk mail which forms much of the aforesaid litter;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the City of Vaughan request that all householders receiving mail by Canada Post super mailboxes who wish to continue to receive direct marketing or bulk mail register that fact with the Clerks Department prior to March 31, 2008; and

*That within 30 days of that date the Clerk of the City of Vaughan communicate to bulk mail service providers and the Canadian Marketing Association "do not mail service" and Canada Post, the name and/or address of all households whose mail is delivered via Canada Post super mailbox in the City of Vaughan and which have **not** requested the continuation of direct marketing or bulk mail delivery, in order that said households may be removed from the list of direct marketing or bulk mail recipients; and*

That this resolution be communicated to all municipalities within the Greater Toronto Region, Canada Post, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and local MPP's and MP's

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Economic Impact

Nil

Purpose

1. To reduce the amount of unsolicited litter in the vicinity of Canada Post super mailboxes;
2. To respond to the local budgetary impact of the litter generated by Canada Post super mailboxes; and
3. To address concerns raised by the residents of the City of Vaughan living in the vicinity of Canada Post super mailboxes.

Communication Plan

The intent of this resolution, once adopted, will be communicated on the *City Page* of local newspapers between the date of its adoption and March 31, 2008

Background – Analysis and Options

Since the institution of the Canada Post super mailboxes, the Crown corporation has refused to take responsibility for the litter which is typically found around every super mailbox site. Furthermore, the City of Vaughan by resolution and letter, has contacted the Crown Corporation, the Federal Minister responsible for Canada Post and local Members of Parliament express our concerns without adequate response.

In light of the fact of the public's overwhelming disinterest in the vast majority of bulk mail items, known commonly, and rightfully, as 'junk mail', considerable problems result. Rather than being carried to the recipient's home, this junk mail is usually discarded at the point of delivery, with Canada Post making no effort to ensure that receptacles are available for the orderly collection on-site of such discarded items which, as a result, are immediately transformed into items of litter on adjacent sidewalks, boulevards, and roadways.

While the Crown corporation may argue that the collection of litter is a municipal responsibility, the fact that this litter, prior to being discarded by the recipient, constitutes a significant revenue stream for Canada Post, it is not unreasonable to argue that the corporation, as a good corporate citizen and a steward for the environment, can and should take responsibility for the appropriate disposal of these items which are by definition unsolicited by the recipient.

With the foregoing in mind, this resolution provides a means by which those who wish to continue to receive unsolicited bulk mail may register that fact with the City, which in turn will, on behalf of all other households communicate the desire of these latter residents to forego the opportunity to receive unsolicited bulk mail. This, we believe will go a long way to solve the excessive litter issues that arise from Canada Post super mailboxes.

Regional Implications

Nil

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

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Attachments

None

Report prepared by:

Councillor Tony Carella

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**7 TRAFFIC REVIEW CONTROLS AT ABERDEEN AVE. NEAR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Di Vona, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

Bernie DiVona recommends:

1. That the City of Vaughan Engineering Department conduct a full traffic review in the vicinity of Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School located at 500 Aberdeen Avenue;
2. That the Engineering Department review the installation of "No Parking/Stopping" signs as may be required on Aberdeen Avenue; and
3. That the review and recommendation be brought forward to a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

Economic Impact

No economic impact as this recommendation is to request a review and analysis on the need and appropriateness of traffic controls and signs.

Communication Plan

Engineering Staff will discuss with the residents and a School Representative the findings of the study and options.

Purpose

That the City of Vaughan Engineering Department conduct a review of traffic and provide the residents of Aberdeen Avenue with the comprehensive study.

Background - Analysis and Options

Residents expressed the need to conduct a review of the speed controls, raised intersections and/or speed hump and/or any other traffic control in front of Immaculate Conception Catholic School that may be warranted. Also the double and triple parking that takes place during the school year in front of the school.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report recommends a change from the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have not been allocated.

Regional Implications

N/A

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Conclusion

The residents of Aberdeen Avenue hope that a review of the necessary traffic measures will resolve the on-going traffic issues experienced by the residents of the area.

Attachments

N/A

Report prepared by:

Councillor Bernie DiVona, ext. 8339

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Item 8, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

8 **CITY SPONSORSHIP OF PROJECT VAUGHAN CONFERENCE**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Shefman, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

Councillor Alan Shefman recommends that the City of Vaughan sponsor the conference entitled *Project Vaughan: Towards an Understanding of the Italian Canadian Experience Beyond "Little Italy"*, convened by the Mariano A. Elia Chair in Italian Canadian Studies at York University, by waiving any fees relating to the conference's use of meeting spaces at the Vellore Village Community Centre, on September 28 and 29, 2007.

Economic Impact

The estimated fees total approximately \$800.00.

Purpose

To signal the City of Vaughan's support of this unique initiative, which proposes to study the experience of a significant portion of Vaughan's population, namely the Italian Canadian community.

Communication Plan

The sponsorship of the conference will be announced by a media release prepared by the Corporate Communications Department, with the assistance of Councillor Carella, one of the co-chairs of the conference.

Background – Analysis and Options

The Mariano A. Elia Chair in Italian Canadian Studies at York University is one of the leading centres for the study of Italian Canadiana, with a special interest in the development of the Italian Canadian community in Vaughan, the home of a significant percentage of York University students. In furtherance of its mission of understanding all facets of the Italian Canadian experience, the Chair is convening a conference entitled *Project Vaughan: Towards an Understanding of the Italian Canadian Experience Beyond "Little Italy"*, which will take place at the Vellore Village Community Centre on Friday evening, September 28, and Saturday, September 29, 2007. Auditorium space and meeting rooms have been reserved for this purpose. To permit the maximum possible public participation in this event, no registration or admission fee will be charged. To offset other expenses relating to the conference, the Chair will be greatly assisted if the City of Vaughan is prepared to act as a sponsor of the conference by the waiving of any fees. Such sponsorship will be publicized in the conference program.

Regional Implications

Nil

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

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Attachments

None

Conclusion

The sponsorship of this conference on the City of Vaughan's largest ethnic community constitutes appropriate support by the city of this community and the institution attended by so many of its university-aged residents.

Report prepared by:

Councillor Alan Shefman

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Item 9, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

9 ALL-WAY STOP AT VIA CARMINE AND FONTESELVA AVENUE

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Carella, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

Councillor Tony Carella recommends that an all-way stop sign be installed at the intersection of Via Carmine Avenue and Fonteselva Avenue, in the vicinity of St. Stephen's Elementary School.

Economic Impact

Minimal

Communications Plan

The local councillor will advise the residents in the immediate area.

Purpose

In order to ensure the safety of the students and residents in the area.

Background - Analysis and Options

The parents of the children attending St. Stephen's C.S. have concerns with respect to this intersection being dangerous and are requesting that Council approve this stop sign. The principal of St. Stephen C.S., the Chair of the schools's Traffic Committee, and the Chair of the Sonoma Heights Traffic Calming Committee strongly recommend that this stop sign be installed at this location.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Regional Implications

Nil

Conclusion

In response to concerns by area residents, as expressed in the attached petition supported by the principal, and the chair of the Sonoma Heights Traffic Calming Committee, the chair of St. Stephen's C.S. Traffic Committee, it is recommended that this stop sign be approved.

Attachments

Petition

Report prepared by:

Councillor Tony Carella

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**10 DEPUTATION – MR. JOE SICOLI WITH RESPECT TO THE CITY OF VAUGHAN
BOCCE POLICY**

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Community Services, dated September 4, 2007, be approved; and**
- 2) That the following deputations and written submission be received:**
 - a) Ms. Isabella Ferrara, President, S.A.V.I., 8 Anacapri Court, Vaughan, L4L 3J2, and written submission dated September 4, 2007; and**
 - b) Mr. Joe Sicoli.**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Director of Recreation and Culture, recommends:

- 1) That the report on Public/Private Partnerships to deliver senior programs including Bocce to minimize the impact to other clubs and users of the existing facilities be approved;
- 2) That a further report be provided to Council outlining the Public/Private Partnership Model, lease and operation costs; and
- 3) That the free Recreational Bocce play for Older Adults established by Council in March 2007 be replaced with a new Recreational Membership fee of \$15.00/year for older adults 60 years of age and older.

Economic Impact

The financial impact is not known at this time for the public private partnership and will require a future report to Council. Changes in the proposed new Recreational Membership Fee of \$15.00/year for older adults 60 years of age and older will result in a reduction of revenue of 75% from \$10,000 to \$2,500 in the 2007- 2008 Recreation and Culture operating budget.

Communications Plan

Letters were sent to bocce club presidents and notices were posted in the bocce areas at Father Ermanno Bulfon C.C., Chancellor C.C., Maple C.C. and Dufferin Clark C.C. during the week of August 20, 2007 notifying the residents of the September 4, 2007 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to identify the opportunities such as Public/Private Partnerships to deliver senior programs including bocce, while minimizing the impact to other clubs and users of the existing facilities.

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Background - Analysis and Options

On June 25, 2007, Council directed that a report be provided to the Committee of the Whole meeting of September 4, 2007, on opportunities such as Public/Private Partnership to deliver senior programs including bocce, while minimizing the impact to other clubs and users of the existing facilities; and that all affected clubs be so notified in writing and notices posted in appropriate community centres.

The City of Vaughan staff met with representatives of Trinistar Corporation to discuss a commercial business plaza at Tigi Court Units 15-16 which has leased space for a bocce facility. The existing bocce facility includes four bocce courts, a fully equipped kitchen, seating/eating area, office, washrooms and a 2nd floor mezzanine with additional gathering space.

The opportunity exists for the City of Vaughan in partnership with various service providers to utilize the facility for bocce play, social functions, community and city use. The facility is located centrally in Vaughan with good access to the unit via vehicular or public transit.

Further details and renovations will have to be undertaken by Trinistar Corporation which include: elevator access to the 2nd floor mezzanine, adequate parking, handicap access, kitchen equipment, and upgrades of the bocce courts to meet city standards.

Operation of the facility could be done in collaboration with S.A.V.I. (Seniors Association of Vaughan Inc.), a volunteer based organization which represents all City of Vaughan older adult clubs. Undertaking a community development model of program delivery, the City of Vaughan would work with this organization as a lead group to administer activities and social programming at the facility with an emphasis of day time programs and bocce use. The City of Vaughan Recreation and Culture Department would work with the organization to establish a framework for the delivery of programs and services. In addition, the department could also permit the space and use the location to deliver programs during the evenings and weekends based on community needs.

Operation of the kitchen/eating area could be managed by the City of Vaughan's Vending and Concession Services provider, Fontana Gardens Express.

The introduction of a new location for bocce, social and meeting space would allow for additional recreational and permitted bocce times for older adults, adults and clubs. Additionally, clubs could host tournaments in a facility that also provides a restaurant and liquor license. S.A.V.I. would also benefit from the opportunity with the establishment of an office and meeting location for the organization.

To further explore these opportunities staff recommend that meetings take place with S.A.V.I. and Fontana Gardens along with Trinistar Corporation to further explore partnership opportunities.

Administration of the Free Older Adult Bocce Memberships

On March 26, 2007 Committee of the Whole meeting, Council approved a report that recommended changes to the existing program by providing free recreational bocce for older adults, Monday to Friday from 12noon to 5:00p.m. The introduction of free Older Adult Bocce play will certainly benefit a number of older adults. However, during staff's public consultation with bocce members and clubs, reaction and support to change the program was mixed.

Not paying anything for bocce will cause significant issues between the "paying" and "non paying" bocce players not to mention the challenge for staff in monitoring and dealing with potential bocce distributes.

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Overcrowding - Expanded Recreational Bocce Schedule

Concerns about overcrowding are primarily at Father Ermanno C.C. Providing additional time in the bocce schedule could alleviate this problem. Currently, recreational bocce is offered from 12 noon to 5:00 p.m. The weekday schedule could be expanded from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. adding two additional hours of playing time per weekday. Traditionally, older adults have shown a preference to play in the afternoons. Expanding the schedule may encourage more players to take advantage of additional times and reduce the pressure in afternoon play.

Proposed New Recreational Bocce Membership Fee (Older Adults Only)

On April 19, 2004 Council approved the new Recreational Bocce Program which included the approval of an older adult recreational bocce fee of \$55.00+ tax. The Recreational Bocce Program has been operating well over the last three years. One concern for some older adults has been the bocce fee as the previous City's senior's policy included free bocce use for the older adults. The introduction of a new \$15.00 Recreational Bocce Membership fee for older adults provides bocce equitably (everyone pays) and at a very reasonable fee (comparable to the City of Toronto).

The financial impact of doing this would be to reduce revenue by 75% from \$10,000 to \$2,500. This also reduces the likelihood of disputes created by having to monitor two types of memberships. If this fee is approved, the current 15% discount to club members who are also recreational members should be discontinued.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved; and is consistent with A.1 - To pursue excellence in the delivery of core services.

Conclusion

Staff will continue to review the potential of Public/Private Partnerships to deliver senior programs including Bocce to minimize the impact to other clubs and users of the existing facilities. A future report will be prepared for Council outlining the public private partnership with S.A.V.I. and other partners along with the lease and operating costs associated with the bocce facility. In addition, staff recommends that the free Recreational Bocce play for Older Adults established by Council in March 2007 be replaced with a new Recreational Membership fee of \$15.00/year for older adults 60 years of age and older.

Report Prepared By

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Paul Compton, Area Recreation Manager (West), ext. 8358

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**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)
SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Chief Information Officer (CIO), dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

The Chief Information Officer (CIO), in consultation with the Deputy City Manager / Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services recommends:

1. That the City renew the Geographic Information System (GIS) software maintenance agreement with the vendor of record, Munirom Technologies Inc. (MTi), at a cost not to exceed \$55,000 (excluding taxes) per year for a period of five (5) years; and
2. That staff be authorized to negotiate the related agreement in consultation with Legal Services department; and
3. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign related documents.

Economic Impact

The cost of software maintenance services for the City's GIS applications is estimated to be \$55,000 (excluding taxes) per year. This amount is included in the Information & Technology Management department approved annual operating budget.

GIS applications have been deployed in numerous City departments in support of service delivery to residents. Ensuring uninterrupted operation of the GIS applications through a software maintenance agreement will enable City departments to provide effective and efficient services.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to receive Council approval to enter into a software maintenance agreement with the City's GIS vendor of record, Munirom Technologies Inc. (MTi) for maintenance of City GIS applications.

Background - Analysis and Options

Munirom Technologies Inc. (MTi) has been the City's vendor of record for delivery of Geographic Information System (GIS) applications since 2002. During the past 5 years, numerous GIS applications have been developed and deployed in several City departments in support of service delivery to residents. Such applications include the Development Tracking Application (DTA) Client/Server, Development Tracking Application (DTA) Intranet, Vaughan Site Selection (VSS), Vaughan Site Selection (VSS) Data Management Utility, Single Line Road Network (SLRN) and data maintenance utilities.

As with all software applications, a maintenance agreement with the software vendor is required in order to keep the software functionality current and to maximize operational efficiency through enhanced software functionality. At its meeting on November 7, 2005, Council gave approval to enter into a maintenance agreement with MTi. Subsequent to that approval, an agreement was signed with MTi. The signed agreement has now expired and requires renewal.

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A software maintenance agreement with MTi will ensure that timely and effective fixes are made to GIS applications in the event that a malfunction occurs. The agreement would also allow the City to receive functional enhancements of the GIS applications, as they become available in new releases of the GIS software. A five (5) year commitment to MTi for software maintenance services will secure the best possible discount for such services, thus having a reduction of overall software maintenance costs.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

The recommendations of this report support the following objectives of the Vaughan Vision 2007:

Provide effective and efficient delivery of services

- develop and implement innovative alternatives for service delivery

Technology and Innovation

- Utilize technology to enhance quality and effectiveness of services

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

Conclusion

During the past 5 years, numerous GIS applications have been developed and deployed in several City departments in support of service delivery to residents. To protect City's investment into GIS applications and to benefit from enhanced software functionality, a software maintenance agreement with the City's GIS vendor of record, MTi, is required.

The estimated cost of services to be provided under the software maintenance agreement is \$55,000 (excluding taxes) per year for a five (5) year period. This amount is part of the Information & Technology Management department's approved annual operating budget.

Attachments

None

Report prepared by:

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GREENING VAUGHAN'S "DOUBLE-UP DAYS"

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That Council approve the provision of 4 designated "Double-Up Day" events to be provided throughout the calendar year, whereby residents would be allowed to place out 6 items of waste per designated garbage collection day, without the need to purchase garbage tags;
2. That these "Double-Up Day" events be determined with input from the Greening Vaughan Advisory Committee; and
3. That the current number of items collected without the need for a paid tag remain at 3.

Economic Impact

It is estimated that there is minimal impact to the City's annual Operating Budget in terms of advertising costs and "lost" revenue from the sales of the garbage tags should the "Double-up Day" concept be approved. However, the provision of "Double-Up Day" events (collection of extra garbage) is outside the parameters of the current waste collection contract and therefore the City will accrue some additional collection costs to implement this program. Preliminary discussions with the City's waste collection contractor have estimated that the cost to implement a "Double-Up Day" event would be approximately \$10,000 per event (representing 8 collection days because of the bi-weekly collection of garbage). Assuming one of the "Double-Up Day" events is launched in the latter part of 2007, the projected impact to the 2007 Operating Budget would be approximately \$10,000 (representing 1 event between September and December 2007). This cost have not been incorporated into the 2007 Operating Budget. In subsequent years, the projected cost to implement 4 "Double-Up Day" events on an annual basis is \$40,000.

The concept of increasing the number of items collected without the need for a paid tag from 3 to 4 has been discussed also. This too is outside the scope of the current waste collection contract. The contract was bid based on the original Greening Vaughan plan of 3 "free" bags, and collection vehicles were obtained based on projected tonnages for each waste stream. In discussions with our contractor, they have indicated that a change from 3 to 4 "free" items would result in a 12% price increase for the waste collection component of the contract. This translates into a \$375,000 cost increase over a 12 month period.

Communications Plan

Prior to the "Double-Up Day" concept coming forward, the matter of providing periodic relief to residents was discussed at the Greening Vaughan Advisory Committee (GVAC). A number of options were looked at, and cost implications discussed.

Should Council approve the recommendation to provide these designated "Double-Up Days", an extensive advertising campaign will take place using local newspapers, mobile signs, the City's web site, and other means to get the message across to residents.

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Purpose

The purpose is to provide all residents of the City of Vaughan with an opportunity to dispose of a limited amount of excess garbage at no additional cost (i.e. no paid garbage tags) on designated days throughout the year. This will assist with seasonal clean-ups and may help reduce illegal dumping of material on the City's streets and in the City's open spaces.

Background - Analysis and Options

The intent of the "Greening Vaughan" initiative is to divert the vast majority of household waste through the various diversion programs offered by the City. The most predominant programs to facilitate this are the green bin, blue box and leaf and yard collection programs. As Council is aware, there is no limit on the number of blue boxes or green bins (or leaf and yard bags) a resident may set out at the curbside for collection. The green bin and blue box programs are offered weekly, whereas the leaf and yard collection program is offered seasonally (34 collections per year).

Phase 3 of Greening Vaughan will be launched in September of 2007. Phase 3 will bring about every other week collection of garbage. The garbage item limit will be set at 3 garbage items every other week. A paid garbage tag will be required for any garbage items over the 3 item garbage limit. All other aspects of the City's collection programs will remain unchanged.

In light of all these changes brought about by the "Greening Vaughan" initiative (specifically relating to the garbage limits), it is recognized that at certain times of the year, residents may generate excess amount of waste material that cannot be disposed of through the green bin, blue box or other recycling / re-use programs.

Staff has explored various options that would allow residents to set out additional household waste. The options included:

- A limited number of free Garbage Tags inserted with the Tax Bill
- A limited number of free Garbage Tags inserted in the PowerStream (Electric) Bill
- A limited number of free Garbage Tags inserted in the Collection Calendar
- A limited number of free Garbage Tags sent via self addressed / direct mail
- Designated "Double-Up Day" events whereby residents would be allowed to place out 6 items of waste per designated garbage collection day, without the need to purchase garbage tags.

Staff conducted a cost-benefit analysis on the options noted above and presented a summary of the analysis to the Greening Vaughan Advisory Committee (GVAC) in May of 2007. Weight limits and restricted timelines on mail outs and additional printing and mailing costs were either too restrictive and / or expensive for all but the "Double Up Day" option. The placement of tags in the calendar could result in issues with staff at the various community centres and the city facilities with residents claiming that they did not receive their calendar or tags. Without a tracking system in place on a network wide basis, this would be subject to abuse as residents could continually claim and receive free tags. The GVAC concluded (and approved) that the "Double-Up Day" option was the most economically responsible vehicle for residents to dispose of a limited amount of excess household at no additional cost to the resident.

In response, staff has developed a program called "Double-Up Days". The purpose of these days is to provide residents with an opportunity to place a limited amount of excess garbage at the curbside for collection on designated days throughout the year, without the need to purchase garbage tags for these additional items.

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This concept would be to "double-up" the amount of garbage permitted at curbside on the residents designated collection week. As such, on the designated "Double-Up Days", residents would be permitted to place out 6 items of garbage instead of 3 every other week without the need for a paid garbage tag. However, any additional items over the 6 (every other week) would still require a paid garbage tag.

It is intended that a maximum of 4 designated "Double-Up Day" events be offered throughout the year on an ongoing basis. The designated days will be spread out throughout the calendar year to accommodate these somewhat seasonal fluctuations in waste generation. The program would commence after the implementation of Phase 3, when the City moves to every other week garbage collection. Given collection will be bi-weekly after September 2007, the "Double-Up Days" would be offered for two consecutive weeks per event to capture both collection cycles (i.e. "Blue Week" and "Yellow Week").

The cost to implement "Double-Up Days" is anticipated to be approximately \$1,200 per collection day. This represents approximately \$10,000 per Double-Up Day event (\$1,200/day x 4 collection days/week x 2 weeks (for bi-weekly collection)). The annual cost is anticipated to be approximately \$40,000 per year (representing 4 Double-Up Day events per year).

The provision of 4 events per year is not anticipated to have a severe impact on the City achieving its 65% waste diversion rate.

As noted earlier, the concept of increasing the number of "free" items collected had come up in discussions as well. This change is also outside the scope of the current waste collection contract. The contract was bid with unit prices for each component of the waste stream, and each phase of the Greening Vaughan program. Collection vehicles and staffing needs were based on projected tonnages for each waste stream to be collected. In discussions with our contractor about a potential change from 3 to 4 "free" items, they have indicated that such a change would result in a 12% price increase for the waste collection component of the contract. This translates into a \$375,000 cost increase over a 12 month period. In addition to the cost, it is anticipated that such a change would have a negative impact on the City achieving the 65% diversion target. Due to both of these factors, it is recommended that no change be made to the number of "free" items collected per household.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council, specifically Vaughan Vision A1 "Pursue Excellence in the Delivery of Core Services", and D4 "Communicate Effectively".

Regional Implications

In 2006, the City took part in the Joint Municipal Waste Diversion Strategy. Through the City's Greening Vaughan program, and waste diversion initiatives in partnership with the Region of York, the City is working towards a minimum of 65% diversion of waste from landfill. The provision of the 4 annual designated "Double-Up Days", will not severely impact the City's efforts in achieving this target. However, any initiative that would hinder the City in achieving this target would impact the Region in terms of increased waste disposal costs, and additional landfill/disposal needs. For that reason, it is recommended that the City not increase the number of "free" items collected per collection day.

Conclusion

Staff recognizes that it would be beneficial to residents if there were some allowances made to the garbage limit on designated days throughout the year to accommodate seasonal fluctuations in waste generation. The "Double-Up Days" initiative addresses this need and provides residents

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an opportunity to dispose of a limited amount of excess household garbage over and above the permitted limit at no additional cost. The timing for these events will be established with consultation from the GVAC. It is not anticipated that providing 4 such “Double-Up Day” events will severely impact the City’s waste diversion target of 65%.

Increasing the amount of items collected without the need for a paid garbage tag would require additional funding in the amount of \$375,000 per year, and such a change would have a negative impact on achieving the City’s 65% diversion target, and therefore is not recommended.

Attachments

N/A

Report prepared by:

Caroline Kirkpatrick, C.E.T., M.C.I.P.
Brian T. Anthony, CRS-S,C. Tech

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**STRADA DRIVE AND TROWERS ROAD
PROPOSED ALL-WAY STOP CONTROL**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

That an all-way stop control **be installed** at the intersection of Strada Drive and Trowers Road.

Economic Impact

The cost to install the stop signs and pavement markings would be an initial impact on the 2007 Operating Budget, and the costs to maintain the signs and pavement markings would have an impact to future Operating Budgets.

Communications Plan

Not Applicable.

Purpose

To review the feasibility of implementing an all-way stop control at the intersection of Strada Drive and Trowers Road, in response to a request from an area business.

Background - Analysis and Options

A request has been received to review the traffic activity at the intersection of Strada Drive and Trowers Road. Strada Drive and Trowers Road are industrial roadways with a 23 metre right-of-way. The existing stop control is located on Strada Drive. The area is shown in Attachment No.1.

Staff conducted a turning movement count on Thursday, June 14, 2007, at the intersection of Strada Drive and Trowers Road during the morning and afternoon peak time periods of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. On the day of the traffic study the weather was sunny and clear. The data collected was compared to the Provincial Warrant for All-Way Stop Control with the following results:

•	Warrant 1 – Minimum Vehicular Volumes	Warranted	100%
•	Warrant 2 – Accident Hazard	Warranted	0%
•	Warrant 3 – Sight Restriction	Warranted	0%

All-way stop controls are recommended when one of the above warrants are satisfied to 100%. There have been no reported collisions from June 2005 through to June 2006 at this intersection susceptible to prevention by implementing all-way stop control. There are no sight restrictions at this intersection. According to the results above, this intersection meets the minimum requirements of the warrant.

Staff recommends that an all-way stop control be implemented at this intersection as the study results show the all-way stop control is warranted.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This traffic study is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2007 as to identify and implement innovative traffic management alternatives to improve general traffic safety (1.1.3).

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

Based on staff's review, it is recommended that all-way stop control be installed at the intersection of Strada Drive and Trowers Road.

Attachments

1. Location Map

Report prepared by:

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Mike Dokman, Supervisor Traffic Engineering, Ext. 3118

MR:mc

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**SITE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION DA.07.068 AND
PART LOT CONTROL EXEMPTION APPLICATION PLC.07.033
1720447 ONTARIO LTD.
RESERVATION OF SEWAGE AND WATER SERVICING CAPACITY**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Commissioner of Planning, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Commissioner of Planning recommend:

That Council pass the following resolution with respect to the RESERVATION of sewage capacity from the York-Durham Servicing Scheme and water supply capacity from the York Water Supply System which may be allocated in the future by Council in conjunction with Site Plan and Part Lot Control approval:

“IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT site development application DA.07.068 and part lot control exemption application PLC.07.033 are reserved sewage capacity from the York-Durham Servicing Scheme and water supply capacity from the York Water Supply System for a total of 229 residential units. Said reservation shall automatically be revoked after a period of one year from the time of reservation of servicing capacity through Council in the event that a Site Plan Agreement has not been executed.”

Economic Impact

There are no immediate budgetary impacts resulting from the adoption of this report.

Communications Plan

Not applicable.

Purpose

To seek authorization from Council to reserve servicing capacity for site development application DA.07.068 and part lot control exemption application PLC.07.033 in accordance with the City's Servicing Allocation Capacity Distribution Protocol as adopted by Council on November 14, 2005.

Background – Analysis and Options

The subject lands as identified on Attachment No. 1, are located on the north side of Steeles Avenue east of Bathurst Street. The lands were originally designated for residential use by Official Plan Amendment (OPA) 247 as amended. OPA and Zoning for the subject lands were subsequently approved by the Ontario Municipal Board in May of 2002. The owner has submitted a site development application to facilitate the development of 162 apartment units and 61 townhouse units, and a part lot control exemption application to facilitate the development of 6 single detached units for a total of 229 residential units.

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On November 14, 2005 the subject lands were reserved servicing allocation capacity by Council for a period of one year. Since there was not an active development application made to the City, and that a Site Plan Agreement had not been executed for the property, this reservation was automatically revoked on November 14, 2006.

On February 26, 2007, when the City last updated its Servicing Allocation Capacity Strategy, the subject lands were not re-reserved capacity as a result of the inactivity on the property over the previous 12 months. During this time the previous owners of the property, Cypress Point Holdings Limited were in the process of selling the lands to the current owner. The City was not advised of the pending sale, nor of the current owner's intention to submit development applications for the property.

On April 2, 2007 the City received written confirmation from the Region of York that allocation of servicing capacity is not required for retirement home type facilities where:

individual units/rooms do not contain kitchen facilities;
food preparation and dining are a centralized function/facility; and
assisted living care and/or healthcare are offered to the residents who are dependent on this service (although the facilities do not necessarily need to be registered under the Nursing Home Act).

Facilities that meet the above criteria are exempt from the individual assignment of allocation as they fall under the "non-residential" category for the purposes of servicing capacity. As a result, additional servicing allocation capacity from recently developed neighbouring retirement homes has become available for re-distribution by the City.

Development of the subject site will substantially assist in completing the build out of the OPA 247 community plan. Based on the current owners development schedule, it is expected that the subject lands will proceed to construction and that a site plan agreement will be executed within the next 12 months. Further, the site is adequately serviced by existing local and regional sanitary sewer and watermain infrastructure.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to planning and managing growth as established by Vaughan Vision 2007, the recommendations of this report will assist in staging growth to coordinate with available infrastructure and community facilities.

This report is therefore consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Regional Implications

Not applicable.

Conclusion

In accordance with the City's Servicing Allocation Capacity Distribution Protocol as adopted by Council on November 14, 2005, and given that site development application DA.07.068 and part lot control exemption application PLC.07.033 meet the City's Priority 2 criteria, it is recommended that these applications be reserved servicing allocation capacity for a period of one year.

Attachments

1. Location Map

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Report prepared by:

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Item 15, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007, as follows:

By receiving the memorandum from the Deputy City Clerk, dated September 7, 2007; and

By directing, that Mr. Michael Radov be thanked for his interest in the Vaughan Youth City Councillor position and advise him of Council's disappointment of his withdrawal, and urge that he continue his public service efforts.

15 **APPOINTMENT OF VAUGHAN YOUTH CITY COUNCILLOR
FOR THE SEPTEMBER 2007 TO JANUARY 2008 TERM OF OFFICE**

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That Michael Radov, be appointed as Vaughan Youth City Councillor for the September 2007 to January 2008 Term of Office; and
- 2) That the following report of the Deputy City Clerk, dated September 4, 2007, be received.

Recommendation

The Deputy City Clerk, in consultation with the City Clerk and the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services/City Solicitor, recommends:

That Council provide direction with respect to the appointment of a Vaughan Youth City Councillor for the September 2007 to January 2008 Term of Office.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact as any incidental expenses can be absorbed within the approved departmental budget.

Communications Plan

Media releases will be sent out upon appointment.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to consider applications for the position of Vaughan Youth City Councillor.

Background - Analysis and Options

Pursuant to the *Vaughan Youth City Councillor Roles and Responsibilities* approved by Council in June 2006, application packages were forwarded to appropriate staff at the York Catholic District School Board and the York Region District School Board in February 2007 for distribution to the Co-operative Education Teachers in Vaughan under their respective areas of responsibility. As no applications were received by the April 20th deadline, the deadline was extended to June 29, 2007. In addition to the deadline extension, Corporate Communications sent out media releases and local newspapers ran stories on the Vaughan Youth City Councillor position.

The position of Vaughan Youth City Councillor is linked to a 2-credit afternoon co-op program and affords students a unique opportunity to become involved in politics at the municipal level, while at the same time developing and/or enhancing their leadership skills, people skills and

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communication skills. More importantly the Youth City Councillor, as an advocate for youth, is in a position to bring youth related issues and concerns to Council's attention, as well as report on achievements/successes of youth in Vaughan.

Eligibility requirements include: residency in Vaughan; a Grade 12 student enrolled in a high school in Vaughan; a high academic standing with demonstrated leadership qualities as a member on Student Council or a community organization; taken or interested in taking courses such as civics, law, history and social science and an interest in pursuing a law or political science degree.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Regional Implications

Not applicable.

Conclusion

Council direction is requested with respect to the appointment of a Vaughan Youth City Councillor for the September 2007 to January 2008 Term of Office.

Attachments

Application (Confidential – Members of Council only under separate cover)

Report prepared by:

Sybil Fernandes, Manager of Administrative Services/Deputy City Clerk Ext. 8628

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SIGN VARIANCE APPLICATION

FILE NO: SV.07-011

OWNER: HEREFORDSHIRE CAPITAL CORPORATION/STEVEN RUSE

LOCATION: 8010 BATHURST STREET, UNIT C-6, LOT 7, CONCESSION 2

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Sign Variance Committee, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

That Sign Variance Application SV.07-011, Herefordshire Capital Corporation/Steven Ruse, be APPROVED.

Economic Impact

None

Communications Plan

The results of this application will be communicated to the applicant through the Secretary to the Sign Variance Committee.

Purpose

Request to install additional wall signs on the subject building as shown on the attached drawings.

Background - Analysis and Options

The City's Sign By-law permits only those wall signs approved on the site plan agreement.

The Sign By-Law provides:

6.2 (a) Where a site plan approved by the City provides standards for signage and the signs for the development comply therewith, such signs shall be deemed to comply with this By-law.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Regional Implications

Region of York Engineering approval is not required for the proposed signs.

Conclusion

The applicant is proposing to install additional wall signs on the north and east elevations of the existing building as shown on the attached drawings.

Sign Variance Committee members have no objections to the application as submitted, and are of the opinion the intent and purpose of the by-law is being maintained.

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If Council finds merit in the application, a Sign Permit issued by the Building Standards Department is required.

Attachments

1. Site Plan
2. Sketch of Sign

Report prepared by:

John Studdy, Manager of Customer & Administrative Services Ext 8232

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**SIGN VARIANCE APPLICATION
FILE NO: SV.07-013
OWNER: JOY RABIDEAU
LOCATION: 252 BASS PRO MILLS DRIVE, UNIT 502
BLOCK 1, REGISTERED PLAN 65M-3696**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Sign Variance Committee, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

That Sign Variance Application SV.07-013, Joy Rabideau, be APPROVED.

Economic Impact

None.

Communications Plan

The results of this application will be communicated to the applicant through the Secretary to the Sign Variance Committee.

Purpose

Request to install an additional wall sign at the rear of the building of the subject property as shown on the attached drawings.

Background - Analysis and Options

6.2 (a) Where a site plan approved by the City provides standards for signage and the signs for the development comply therewith, such signs shall be deemed to comply with this By-Law.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Regional Implications

Region of York Engineering approval is not required for the proposed signs.

Conclusion

The applicant is proposing to install an additional wall sign at the rear of the building as shown on the attached drawings.

Sign Variance Committee members have no objections to the application as submitted, and are of the opinion that the intent and purpose of the Sign By-law is being maintained.

If Council finds merit in the application, a Sign Permit issued by the Building Standards Department is required.

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Attachments

1. Site Plan
2. Sketch of Sign

Report prepared by:

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**SIGN VARIANCE APPLICATION
FILE NO: SV.07-015
OWNER: 2019625 ONTARIO INC.
LOCATION: 100 AUTO VAUGHAN DRIVE
BLOCK 1, REGISTERED PLAN 65M-3766**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Sign Variance Committee, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

That Sign Variance Application SV.07-015, 2019625 Ontario Inc., be APPROVED.

Economic Impact

None

Communications Plan

The results of this application will be communicated to the applicant through the Secretary to the Sign Variance Committee.

Purpose

Request to install a pylon sign with a height of 7.97 m on the subject property as shown on the attached drawings.

Background - Analysis and Options

6.5 (d) No ground sign shall exceed a maximum height of 7.5m from finished grade level at the base of the supporting structure of the said sign.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Regional Implications

Region of York Engineering approval is required for the proposed sign.

Conclusion

The applicant is proposing to install a pylon sign with a height of 7.97 m on the east side of the subject property as shown on the attached drawings.

Sign Variance Committee Members are of the opinion the application is minor in nature and have no objections to the application as submitted.

If Council finds merit in the application, a Sign Permit issued by the Building Standards Department is required.

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Attachments

1. Site Plan
2. Sketch of Sign

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Item 19, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

**19 CARRVILLE DISTRICT CENTRE URBAN DESIGN STREETScape
MASTER PLAN STUDY
FILE 14.60**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT the Terms of Reference, shown on Attachment #1, for the Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study, BE APPROVED; and
2. THAT the Development Planning Department initiate the process to retain the required consulting services to undertake the required work.

Economic Impact

A total budget of \$113,500.00 is required to complete the study and has been included and approved in the Development Planning Department's 2007 Capital Budget (Project DP-9006-07). Ten percent (10%) of the study cost will be funded through taxation, with the balance recoverable through future development charges.

Communications Plan

Upon Council approval of the Study Terms of Reference and consultant selection, the study will be initiated with an Open House to which all landowner stakeholders in the Carrville District Centre Study Area will be encouraged to attend. A Steering Committee will be established to provide input from key City departments and public agencies and to facilitate coordination with the respective landowner groups.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council direction to proceed with the "Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study" on the basis of the Terms of Reference appended to this report as Attachment #1.

Background – Analysis and Options

The Carrville District Centre is generally located at the four corners of Rutherford Road and Dufferin Street, including lands in Blocks 10, 11, 12 and 18, in Carrville-Urban Village 2, shown on Attachment #2.

On May 23, 2006, Council approved The Carrville District Plan OPA 651, with a general intent that the plan becomes the focus for higher order land uses within the Carrville community. The District Centre has been planned to evolve into an urban centre, with a physical form that is compact, human in scale, and designed to be 'pedestrian-friendly' and transit supportive. The District Centre should provide opportunities for community scale commercial facilities, along with more intense residential forms of development, and encourage mixed-use development.

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Development throughout the Carrville District Centre will be characterized by high quality urban design. The visual attractiveness and image of the District Centre is of prime importance, and the Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study will create a comprehensive public realm for this planned City core area that will provide an attractive urban framework to promote private sector investment.

Urban Design - Detailed Streetscape Master Plan

The Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan will prescribe the layout and detailed design of the public and private streetscape spaces, pedestrian and bicycle connections, public amenities and open spaces, as well as, provide criteria for building locations, forms, heights and massing in relation to the public realm. The plan will prescribe detailed information that will specifically address the following objectives:

- a) Promote high quality design within the area including streetscapes, open spaces, public parks, and private buildings and amenities, in order to create a comfortable, sustainable and memorable District Centre;
- b) Create a strong community image by enhancing the character of the built environment including building design and massing, signage, planting and streetscapes;
- c) Provide a sensitive transition between the concentration, mix and massing of uses and buildings within the District Centre and the low density community adjacent to the District Centre;
- d) Ensure that neighbouring developments within the District Centre and adjoining it are physically compatible and complementary;
- e) Create a pedestrian-friendly environment through the layout of streets, configuration of lots, and siting of buildings and entrances;
- f) Ensure that the retail commercial development is planned to support a street-related, pedestrian-oriented and transit-supportive development;
- g) Develop attractive streetscapes through attention to the design of the public realm, built form, and the relationship between buildings, streetscapes and other public spaces based on the following principles:
 - i. Development adjacent to the District Centre 'Main Street' should be designed to establish a comfortable, human-scale environment for pedestrians;
 - ii. Encourage pedestrian travel throughout the Carrville District Centre community by establishing a grid network of streets, creation of a comfortable, safe and attractive walking environment, and connectivity to parks, open space areas, public buildings and commercial uses;
 - iii. Provide a consistent level of streetscape design, lighting, planting, signage, street furniture and other amenities;
 - iv. Ensure that all public and private spaces are designed in a manner which is safe, secure, and subject to informal surveillance, including walkways, building entries and parking areas;
 - v. Establish a strong relationship between buildings and the street by minimizing setbacks and orienting main entrances to public sidewalks and on-street parking;

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- vi. Design service and parking facilities to complement the pedestrian system network and enhance the attractiveness of the public realm.
Funding

The Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study is a growth related management study and therefore, is to be funded from 10% taxation and 90% from City Wide Development Charges. Development Planning Department Staff has included the Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study in the approved 2007 Capital Budget with a budget of \$113,500.00.

Study Time Schedule

The Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study will commence with Council's approval of the Study Terms of Reference, shown on Attachment #1, and it is expected to require approximately 15 months to complete, with an anticipated completion date of January 2009.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This staff report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2007, particularly 'A5', "Plan and Manage Growth".

Regional Implications

The Region of York will be requested to participate in the Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study.

Conclusion

The Terms of Reference for the Carrville District Centre Urban Design Streetscape Master Plan Study provides the basis for carrying out the development of urban design guidelines, and the preparation of a detailed streetscape master plan based on the urban design objectives of the Carrville District Centre Plan OPA 651. The guidelines and detailed master plan should be considered as the final piece that will guide future development in the Carrville District Centre Plan, and encourage its evolution into a strong community image by enhancing the character of the built environment including building design and massing, streetscapes and pedestrian realm.

Should Council concur with the Terms of Reference, the recommendation should be approved to enable staff to proceed with the consultant selection prior to Fall 2007.

Attachments

- 1. Terms of Reference
- 2. Location Map

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**DRAFT PLAN OF CONDOMINIUM FILE 19CDM-07V03
ALTERRA CUSTOM BUILDERS**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT Draft Plan of Condominium File 19CDM-07V03 (Alterra Custom Builders Inc.) BE APPROVED, subject to the conditions of approval set out in Attachment #1 and the following:
 - a) that prior to the registration of the final condominium plan, variances for a reduction in the length of 50 required parking spaces shall be obtained from the Committee of Adjustment, and shall be final and binding.

Economic Impact

There are no requirements for new funding associated with this report.

Communications Plan

N/A

Purpose

The Owner has submitted an application on the subject lands shown on Attachment #2, for approval of a Draft Plan of Condominium for Phase 1 of an overall two phase development. The first phase comprises an 8-storey, 182 unit, high-rise residential condominium building with 272 parking spaces as shown on Attachments #3, #4 and #5.

Background - Analysis and Options

The subject lands shown on Attachment #2 are located at the northeast corner of Maison Parc Court and Dufferin Street, known municipally as 2 Maison Parc Court, City of Vaughan. The 14,806m² subject lands is currently developed with the 8-storey, high-rise apartment building. The surrounding land uses are:

- North - valley (OS1 Open Space Conservation Zone)
- South - Maison Parc Court; residential (RA3 Apartment Residential Zone) and park (OS2 Open Space Park Zone)
- East - valley (OS1 Open Space Conservation Zone)
- West - approved apartment residential (Phase 2 - RA3 Apartment Residential Zone); Dufferin Street

Official Plan/Zoning

The subject lands are designated "Mixed Commercial/Residential Area" by OPA #210 (Thornhill-Vaughan Community Plan) as amended by OPA #471 and OPA #678, and zoned RA3 Apartment Residential Zone by By-law 1-88, subject to site-specific Exception 9(1216). The draft plan of .../2

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condominium conforms to the Official Plan, and complies with the requirements of the site-specific Zoning By-law, with the exception of the length of 50 required parking spaces, which have been constructed with a deficient size.

Approval of a Minor Variance application will be required to be obtained from the Committee of Adjustment to address the as-constructed length of the combined tandem and standard parking spaces. By-law 1-88 requires the length of a standard space to be 6.0m, and the length of a tandem space to be 6.0m for a combined length of 12.0m. A total of 4 of the combination spaces on both the first and second levels range from 10.93m to 11.96m. Similarly, 46 of the standard parking spaces range between 5.77m to 5.92m.

Site Development

The 14,806m² site has frontage on Maison Parc Court and flankage along Dufferin Street. The site is served by a full-movement access on Maison Parc Court. The irregular-shaped building is located at the northeast end of the property and will be connected to Phase 2 of development (to be located directly to the west) through a single storey common entrance foyer. The proposed draft plan of condominium for Phase 1 is comprised of 182 residential units within an 8-storey high-rise building, which has completed construction. A total of 272 parking spaces have been provided for Phase 1 of development, of which 37 are on-grade visitor parking spaces. There are 235 underground resident parking spaces divided between 2 levels, the first having 113 spaces and the lower level having 122 spaces. Landscaping has been provided for around the perimeter of the site.

Application Review

As a condition of approval, the Owner will be required to submit an “as built” survey to the satisfaction of the Building Standards Department, prior to the registration of the final condominium plan.

The CN Rail line is located approximately 200m north of the subject lands. A condition of approval will require the inclusion of a warning clause in the condominium agreement, condominium declaration, and all agreements of purchase and sale or lease, acknowledging the railway and future expansion of its operations.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2007, particularly ‘A-5’, “Plan and Manage Growth”.

Conclusion

The Development Planning Department has reviewed the proposed application for draft plan of condominium, in accordance with the approved site plan, building permit, and the provisions of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law. The Development Planning Department is satisfied with the draft condominium plan, with the exception of the parking space lengths, of which 50 spaces do not meet the minimum by-law standard and are deficient in size (as constructed), and will require approval of a minor variance application by the Committee of Adjustment, prior to registration of the final condominium plan. The Development Planning Department has no objections to the required variances and to the approval of the draft plan of condominium, subject to the conditions provided for in Attachment #1.

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Attachments

1. Conditions of Approval
2. Location Map
3. Condo Plan – Level 1 at Grade
4. Condo Plan – Levels 2 - 8
5. Condo Plan – Below Grade Storage and Parking

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21 **SITE DEVELOPMENT FILE DA.07.060**
DELLA SHORE INVESTMENTS LTD.

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated September 4, 2007, be approved; and**
- 2) That the coloured elevation drawings submitted by the applicant, be received.**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT Site Development File DA.07.060 (Della Shore Investments Ltd.) BE APPROVED, subject to the following conditions:
 - a) That prior to the execution of the site plan agreement:
 - i) the final site plan, landscape plan, and building elevations, shall be approved by the Development Planning Department;
 - ii) the final site servicing and grading plan, stormwater management report, traffic impact study, parking, access and on-site vehicular circulation shall be approved by the Engineering Department;
 - iii) all requirements of the Ministry of Transportation shall be satisfied; and,
 - iv) all requirements of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority shall be satisfied.
 - b) That the site plan agreement contain the following provision:
 - i) If required, the Owner shall pay to the City of Vaughan by way of certified cheque, cash-in-lieu of the dedication of parkland equivalent to 2% of the value of the subject lands in accordance with Section 42 of the Planning Act and City of Vaughan policy. The Owner shall submit an appraisal of the subject lands prepared by an accredited appraiser for approval by the Vaughan Legal Department, Real Estate Division, and the approved appraisal shall form the basis of the cash-in-lieu payment. The cash-in-lieu payment, in accordance with Section 42 of the Planning Act, will not be required as long as the Council Policy waiving such payment remains in effect for industrial land. The cash-in-lieu of the dedication of parkland shall be credited by the amount paid for under Section 51.

Economic Impact

There are no requirements for new funding associated with this report.

Communications Plan

N/A

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Purpose

The Owner has submitted a Site Development Application to permit the development of the subject lands shown on Attachment #1 with a 5-storey office building (8,824.74 m² gross floor area) on a 1.8ha site that is currently vacant, as shown on Attachment #2.

Background - Analysis and Options

The 1.8ha site shown on Attachment #1 is located on the west side of Applewood Crescent, south of Langstaff Road, and east of Highway #400, being Block 55 on Registered Plan 65M-2611 (400 Applewood Crescent), City of Vaughan.

The subject lands are designated “Prestige Area” by OPA #450 (Employment Area Plan), and zoned EM1 Prestige Employment Area Zone by By-law 1-88. The surrounding land uses are:

- North - existing employment uses (EM1 Prestige Employment Area Zone)
- South - existing employment uses (EM1 Prestige Employment Area Zone)
- East - Applewood Crescent; existing employment uses (EM1 Prestige Employment Area Zone)
- West - drainage ditch (OS1 Open Space Conservation Zone), Highway #400

Official Plan

The subject lands are designated “Prestige Area” by OPA #450, which permits an office use. The development of the site with the proposed office building conforms to the Official Plan.

Zoning

The subject lands are zoned EM1 Prestige Employment Area Zone by By-law 1-88, which permits the proposed office use.

Site Design

The site plan (Attachment #2) shows the proposed five-storey office building located in the west end of the property, opposite Highway #400. Two full-movement accesses are proposed on Applewood Crescent. Landscaping is also proposed around the perimeter of the site and within the parking area. A total of 422 parking spaces will be provided using above grade and below grade parking spaces. In the future, another building may be constructed in the east portion of the site as a subsequent phase of development.

The final site plan shall be approved to the satisfaction of the Development Planning Department.

Parking

The required parking for the site in accordance with By-law 1-88 standards is calculated as follows:

Office:	3.5 spaces/100m ² GFA	
	x Building at 8,824.74m ² GFA	= 309 spaces
Total Parking Required:		= 309 spaces
Parking provided above ground		= 371 spaces
<u>Parking provided below ground</u>		= <u>51 spaces</u>
Total Parking Provided:		= 422 spaces

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The proposed parking for the site meets the minimum requirement with a surplus of 113 parking spaces.

Services

The Owner has submitted a site grading and servicing plan and a stormwater management report, which must be approved to the satisfaction of the Vaughan Engineering Department, and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

All hydro requirements will be addressed by the Owner, to the satisfaction of PowerStream Inc.

Landscaping

The proposed landscape plan (Attachment #4) consists of a mix of deciduous and coniferous trees, shrubs, and sodded area along the Highway #400 façade, Applewood Crescent, and abutting the east elevation which is the principal elevation of the building. Deciduous trees will also be located within the parking lot. The applicant is required to work with Development Planning Staff to enhance the landscape plan. The final landscape plan will be approved to the satisfaction of the Development Planning Department.

Building Design

The proposed five storey office building (Attachment #3) is rectangularly-shaped with recessed features at the corners. The main height of the building measured to the top of the fifth floor parapet is 21.5m, with the height measured to the top of the mechanical penthouse parapet wall being 24.0m. The primary façade of the building is the Applewood Crescent (east) elevation which includes the principal entrance to the building. However, the Highway #400 façade (west elevation) maintain a primary façade-like feature. All four elevations incorporate buff coloured pre-cast concrete with rows of green spandrel glazing and reflective double glazing.

A loading door and drive-through door are located at the northeast section of the building, and the entrance door to the underground garage is tucked away at the northwest corner of the building.

The applicant will be required to address any requirements of the Ministry of Transportation, including obtaining any Ministry Permits, given the proximity of the site and building to Highway #400.

The final building elevations shall be approved to the satisfaction of the Development Planning Department.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2007, particularly 'A-5', "Plan and Manage Growth".

Regional Implications

The Region of York has received the subject application, and has no objections to the development proposal, as the subject lands do not abut a Regional arterial road.

Conclusion

The Development Planning Department has reviewed the proposed Site Plan Application in accordance with the policies of the Official Plan, the requirements of the Zoning By-law, and the area employment use context, and is satisfied that the proposed five-storey office building will

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facilitate an appropriate development of the site, subject to the conditions of approval identified in this report. On this basis, the Development Planning Department recommends approval of the Site Plan Application.

Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Site Plan
3. Building Elevations
4. Landscape Plan

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Item 22, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was considered by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007, was dealt with by approving:

That this matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole meeting of November 5, 2007.

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BLUWOOD – A NEW TREATMENT PRODUCT FOR WOOD

The Committee of the Whole recommends that this matter be referred to the Council meeting of September 10, 2007.

Recommendation

The Commissioners of Planning, Community Services, and Engineering & Public Works, recommend:

THAT the following be received for information only.

Economic Impact

None.

Communications Plan

Not applicable.

Purpose

To review the opportunity to use Bluwood in City of Vaughan applications.

Background - Analysis and Options

At its January 29, 2007 meeting, Council adopted the following:

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the Commissioners of Community Services, Engineering & Public Works, Planning and Economic/Technology Development & Communications review and report back on the feasibility of implementing this product in the City of Vaughan; and
- 2) That this matter also be referred to the Environmental Task Force.

As per Council adoption the various Commissioners have looked into the opportunity to utilize the Bluwood product in day to day operations. As the Bluwood application has a limited warranty of six months for product that is left open to the elements, its use for fences, decks, benches, gazebos or other outdoor applications, is not practical. In addition as most of the City buildings are for public use they are primarily constructed as non-combustible buildings where wood based applications are minimal at best.

Projects that would be within the jurisdiction of engineering and public works are not only mainly contracted out but would have little if any applications where Bluwood would provide benefits. The main focus of projects deal with water, sewers and road infrastructure where this application would not be used in any manner. Where buildings may be constructed as part of these applications such as pump houses or service buildings the application of non-combustible building products is deemed to be more beneficial from both a life safety aspect and that of long term maintenance. As noted earlier, the Bluwood product is not suitable for use where it is exposed to the elements for longer than six months.

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As previously noted, the vast majority of buildings falling under the jurisdiction of Community Services are City buildings designed for public and assembly uses where under the Building Code are required to be constructed of non-combustible materials. This requirement generally prohibits or severely limits the use of all wood based products. We will continue to look at opportunities where we could utilize this product.

Neither the Planning Department nor the Economic Development and Communications Department can foresee where applications involving the Bluwood product might come into place as neither department has involvement in construction projects where the viability of the Bluwood product would be considered.

Notwithstanding the above the Bluwood product is seeing limited use even in the housing construction sector where it was thought to provide the greatest benefit.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

Regional Implications

None.

Conclusion

The Bluwood product has a limited warranty and is not suitable for outdoor use. While it may be appropriate for large indoor projects, it is not really efficient or effective as a product where small repairs or renovations are required.

Where use opportunities indicate that the Bluwood product may be of a long-term benefit staff may consider the cost benefit as part of a design application.

Attachments

None.

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Item 23, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

23 SONOMA HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Carella, dated September 4, 2007:

Recommendation

Councillor Tony Carella recommends that appropriate staff be directed by the City Manager to conduct a feasibility study respecting the development of a metered parking lot on public and other lands in the vicinity of Islington Avenue and Sonoma Boulevard; and that such study be completed no later than ninety days following Council approval of this recommendation.

Economic Impact

Nil

Communications Plan

Assuming the study indicates that the project is feasible, and providing that the necessary funds are advanced as appropriate, the local councillor will issue a media release, as well as inform by mail those residents of nearby properties of the nature of the project.

Purpose

To determine the feasibility of developing a revenue-generating solution to the shortage of off-street daytime and overnight parking spaces in the vicinity of Islington Avenue and Sonoma Boulevard.

Background - Analysis and Options

As indicated in the attached plan, the northwest corner of the intersection of Islington Avenue and Sonoma Boulevard (immediately east of private and the present terminus of Clarence Street at Sonoma Boulevard) features undeveloped private and City-owned property which once formed part of the Clarence Street road allowance, when that street terminated at Islington Avenue. Other lands in the immediated vicinity are owned by the Region of York.

The immediate neighbourhood includes a high percentage of townhouses with double garages fronting onto rear laneways. As is the case with growing families, as the children of these residents mature and become motorists, and more importantly automobile owners, parking---especially overnight parking---becomes problematic. While some residents have sought to rent unused garage space from their neighbours, they have met with little success. The only othe parking in the area is at the small plaza bounded by Clarence Street, Sonoma Boulevard, and Islington Avenue, where overnight parking is prohibited.

Given that there is vacant private, City and Region-owned lands at this location, there is merit in considering whether some or all of these lands might be converted to metered parking spaces that would represent a source of funds which would ultimately cover the costs relating to the development of these spaces, as well as constituting an on-going revenue stream.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

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

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Regional Implications

Nil

Conclusion

There is merit in considering a proposal that might solve a local parking shortage while creating an on-going revenue stream for the municipality.

Attachments

Map showing public lands at the intersection of Islington Avenue and Sonoma Boulevard.

Report prepared by:

Councillor Tony Carella

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Item 24, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

24 COUNTERFEIT PRODUCTS CREATE SAFETY CONCERNS

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That Clause 1 of the recommendation contained in the following report of Regional Councillor Rosati, dated September 4, 2007, be approved, subject to replacing “Canadian Safety Association” with “Canadian Standards Association”;**
- 2) That Clause 2 of the recommendation contained in the following report of Regional Councillor Rosati, dated September 4, 2007, be approved, subject to replacing “September 10, 2007 Council meeting” with “Committee of the Whole meeting of October 1, 2007”;**
- 3) That Council approve that staff review opportunities to develop a pilot project designed to increase community and business awareness with respect to the dangers and costs associated with product counterfeiting; and**
- 4) That the presentation material submitted by Mr. Doug Geralde, Chair, CACN & Director of Audits & Investigations – CSA Group, 178 Rexdale Boulevard, Toronto, M9W 1R3, be received.**

Recommendation

Regional Councillor Gino Rosati recommends:

1. That the presentation by the Canadian Safety Association (CSA) be received;
2. That staff be requested to review the request and provide comments to the September 10, 2007 Council meeting; and
3. That Council approve the pilot project designed to increase community and business awareness with respect to the dangers and costs associated with product counterfeiting, subject to any comments received from staff.

Economic Impact

There is no cost to the City. The CSA and the Canadian Anti-Counterfeiting Network (CACN) will fund the cost of production and other direct costs associated with pilot project.

Communications Plan

There will be an announcement that the City is undertaking the pilot project with the CSA. The objective of the pilot project itself is to create a communication “tool kit” that can be used to communicate the issues associated with counterfeit products.

Purpose

The purpose of the report is to obtain Council approval for a pilot project designed to increase community and business awareness with respect to the dangers and costs associated with product counterfeiting. Municipalities have considerable experience, methods at their disposal and opportunities for communicating with the community. The objective of the pilot project is to take advantage of and leverage Vaughan’s experiences by creating an “information tool kit” that CSA can then take to other communities.

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Background - Analysis and Options

Initially most counterfeit products were limited to clothing and novelty items. Today the issue of counterfeit products is becoming an increasing concern as the counterfeiting compromises safety. As recent as August 20th there was a Toronto Star article where Health Minister Tony Clement stated that the Canadian government is putting together a plan to deal with counterfeit and dangerous imported products.

The Canadian Anti-Counterfeiting Network (CACN) was formed in the fall of 2004, with CSA as one of its founding members. CSA is proposing a Community and Business Awareness pilot project on product counterfeiting. The purpose of the pilot project is to inform, educate, and create a greater community and business awareness of the dangers and costs associated with counterfeit products.

Examples of opportunities for the City of Vaughan to provide assistance could include:

1. Defining the municipal involvement in relation to this issue;
2. Discussions on how best to involve other local partners such as public libraries, the Chamber of Commerce, School Boards and the local electrical distribution company;
3. Drafting a resolution that can be forwarded to municipal Councils and others for endorsement;
4. Identifying appropriate methods for communicating such as the City's WEB site, fire prevention material, the use of posters, publications such as the Business Link and the distribution of educational material; and
5. Providing general comments from a municipal perspective.

City staff would be an information resource that CSA can access. CSA would take the lead in coordinating the pilot project including preparing material for comment, arranging meetings and capturing input. Staff representation on the committee could be from, Corporate Communications, Fire & Rescue Services (Fire Prevention section), Community Services, Economic Development and Building Standards. Other staff on an as required basis.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

Serve Our Citizens A2 Promote Community Safety, Health and Wellness

Regional Implications

No implications of the pilot project.

Conclusion

Creating awareness is a first step in addressing safety concerns regarding counterfeit goods. A pilot project with a municipality and the CSA will assist in getting the message out at the community level.

Attachments

Attachment 1 - Request from CSA

(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.)

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Council approval in the Fall. In grandfathering plans at this stage of progress, Council would be showing respect for the work that these Committees have completed to date and would prevent them from having to start their work again.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

A-1 Pursue Excellence in the Delivery of Core Services

A-2 Promote Community Safety, Health & Wellness

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

Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

It is recommended that Traffic Calming Committee plans that are close to completion be grandfathered and be exempt from the approved moratorium on vertical traffic calming measures.

Attachments

1. Council Meeting Minutes from June 25, 2007

Report prepared by:

Julia Salerno, Assistant to Council Executive Assistant

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Item 26, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

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**DEPUTATION – MS. CINDY ANTHONY WITH RESPECT TO
CAMP QUALITY INC. EVENTS IN THE CITY OF VAUGHAN**

The Committee of the Whole recommends that the deputation of Ms. Cindy Anthony, National Executive Director, Camp Quality Inc., 1444 Queen Street East, Suite 206, Toronto, M4L 1E1, and written submission dated June 27, 2007, and presentation material and posters, be received.

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Item 27, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

**27 DEPUTATION – MR. SAVINO QUATELA WITH RESPECT TO
COUNCIL PARTICIPATION AT QUEENS PARK FOR THE ELIMINATION OF THE
EDUCATION LEVY ON PROPERTY TAXES FOR SENIORS**

The Committee of the Whole recommends that the deputation of Mr. Savino Quatela, 134 Grand Valley Boulevard, Maple, L6A 3K6, be received.

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Item 28, Report No. 36, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 10, 2007.

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**DEPUTATION – MR. PAWEL GRZELAK WITH RESPECT TO
AMENDING THE LICENSING BY-LAW FOR SEDANS AS LIMOUSINES**

The Committee of the Whole recommends that the deputation of Mr. Pawel Grzelak, White Eagle Limousine Service, 93 Sonoma Boulevard, Woodbridge, L4H 1N8, and submission on behalf of Mr. Terrance Ponniah, General Manager of The Hilton Garden Inn Vaughan, be received.

