

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 26, 2009

Item 1, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

1 **PROCLAMATION REQUEST -
SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION MONTH**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That May 2009 be proclaimed as "Sexual Assault Prevention Month"; and
- 2) That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City's website under "Events – Proclamations". Publishing proclamations on the City Page depends on space availability.

Purpose

To respond to the request received from the Women's Support Network of York Region, dated March 16, 2009.

Background - Analysis and Options

The Women's Support Network of York Region made a deputation at the Committee of the Whole meeting of March 16, 2009, and at the Council meeting of April 14, 2009, Council directed the City Clerk to provide a report with respect to proclaiming May 2009 as "Sexual Assault Prevention Month" in the City of Vaughan (Attachment #1).

The proclamation request meets the City's Proclamation Policy, as follows:

"That upon request, the City of Vaughan issue Proclamations for events, campaigns or other similar matters:

- (i) which are promoted by any organization that is a registered charity pursuant to Section 248 of the Income Tax Act"

The Women's Support Network of York Region is the only sexual assault crisis centre serving all of York Region. The WSN offers expert free crisis counseling services by professionally trained staff as well as a core group of over 65 trained volunteers. Programs and services include Public Education and Outreach Program, Balanced Beginnings Program and a 24-hour toll-free anonymous and confidential crisis line.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Regional Implications

This proclamation will bring awareness, as the WSN is the only crisis centre serving all of York Region.

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that May 2009 be proclaimed as “Sexual Assault Prevention Month” and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Attachments

Attachment #1 Correspondence received from the Women’s Support Network of York Region, dated March 16, 2009.

Report prepared by:

Connie Bonsignore, Admin Assistant

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST –
PRIDE WEEK JUNE 7TH – 14TH 2009**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That the week of June 7th – 14th, 2009 be proclaimed “Pride Week”;
- 2) That the “Rainbow” flag be raised at the City of Vaughan Civic Centre during “Pride Week” for a period no longer than one week in accordance with the Flag Raising/Half Masting Policy; and
- 3) That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City’s website under “Events – Proclamations”. Publishing proclamations on the City Page depends on space availability.

Purpose

To respond to the request received from the Executive Director, Addiction Services for York Region and the Coordinator, York Region LGBT Community Outreach Project on behalf of the York Pride Fest Committee, dated March 26, 2009.

Background - Analysis and Options

A request has been received from the Executive Director, Addiction Services for York Region, and the Coordinator, York Region LGBT Community Outreach Project on behalf of the York Pride Fest Committee, to proclaim June 7th - June 14th, 2009, as “Pride Week” (Attachment #1). In addition, this year, to increase awareness, it is one of their goals to organize the flying of the Rainbow flag across York Region during “Pride Week”.

The proclamation request meets the City’s Proclamation Policy, as follows:

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Addiction Services for York Region is a Registered Charity. The City of Vaughan has issued this proclamation in the past.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Regional Implications

This proclamation will bring awareness of differences and protection of equality within the Region.

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that June 7th – 14th, 2009 be proclaimed as “Pride Week”, that the Rainbow flag be raised at the City of Vaughan Civic Centre during “Pride Week” for a period no longer than one week in accordance with the Flag Raising/Half Masting Policy; and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Attachments

Attachment #1 – Correspondence from the Executive Director, Addiction Services for York Region and the Coordinator, York Region LGBT Community Outreach Project on behalf of the York Pride Fest Committee, dated March 26, 2009

Report prepared by:

Connie Bonsignore, Admin Assistant

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST
SENIORS' MONTH**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That June 2009 be proclaimed as "Seniors' Month"; and
- 2) That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City's website under "Events – Proclamations". Publishing proclamations on the City Page depends on space availability.

Purpose

To respond to the request received from the Minister Responsible for Seniors.

Background - Analysis and Options

The correspondence received from the Minister Responsible for Seniors, dated April 24, 2009 is attached (Attachment # 1).

The proclamation request meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy as the matter related to matters over which the City has jurisdiction. The City has proclaimed this proclamation in the past.

The Minister Responsible for Seniors has requested the City publicize this proclamation which will provide an opportunity to put the spotlight on the local services and programs available in our community to help seniors live with dignity, and as independently as possible. This year's theme is "creating age-friendly communities." The theme celebrates seniors and recognizes the tremendous contributions they make to the community and province. For information on hosting and attending events to honour local seniors, please visit the Ontario Seniors' Secretariat website at www.ontarioseniors.ca.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

N/A

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that the month of June 2009 be proclaimed as “Seniors’ Month” and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Attachments

Attachment #1 Correspondence from the Minister Responsible for Seniors, dated April 24, 2009.

Report prepared by:

Connie Bonsignore, Admin Assistant

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST-
EARTH RANGERS DAY - SEPTEMBER 14, 2009**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The City Clerks recommends:

- 1) That September 14, 2009 be proclaimed "Earth Rangers Day" in the City of Vaughan; and
- 2) That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City's website under "Events – Proclamations". Publishing proclamations on the City Page depends on space availability.

Purpose

To respond to the correspondence received from the Associate Director, Government Relations, Earth Rangers, dated April 14, 2009.

Background - Analysis and Options

A request has been received from the Associate Director, Government Relations, Earth Rangers to proclaim September 14, 2009 "Earth Rangers Day" in the City of Vaughan. (Attachment #1)

The proclamation request meets the City's Proclamation Policy, as follows:

"That upon request, the City of Vaughan issue Proclamations for events, campaigns or other similar matters:

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Earth Rangers, located on the grounds of the Kortright Conservation Centre was established in 1999. Earth Rangers is an innovative charity serving children across Ontario, whose mandate is to inspire children with a passion to build a better future by providing them with the tools and resources required to foster changes in behaviour and encourage sustainable practices. Their programs are offered in schools across Ontario, hence proclaiming "Earth Day" in the City of Vaughan, in the month of September would be ideal to kick off the school year and their annual open house.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Staff is recommending that September 14, 2009 be proclaimed as “Earth Rangers Day” in the City of Vaughan and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Attachments

Attachment #1 – Correspondence from the Associate Director, Government Relations, Earth Rangers, dated April 14, 2009

Report prepared by:

Connie Bonsignore, Admin Assistant

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST
RICK HANSEN WHEELS IN MOTION DAY**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That June 14, 2009 be proclaimed as “Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Day”;
- 2) That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page space permitting; and
- 3) That the Recreation & Culture Department, Client Services Division, work with the Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Day Event Committee to provide services-in-kind to support the event, on the terms and rates provided for under current City policy.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City’s website under “Events – Proclamations”. Publishing proclamations on the City Page depends on space availability.

Purpose

To respond to the request received from the Event Committee, Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Vaughan, dated April 20, 2009. (Attachment #1)

Background - Analysis and Options

A request has been received from the Event Committee of the Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Vaughan, dated April 20, 2009 to proclaim June 14, 2009 as “Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Day”. The organizers are in the planning stages of the Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion event, to be held at the Vellore Village Community Centre, 1 Villa Royale Avenue, Woodbridge. The event features a wheelchair challenge where teams race through an obstacle course designed to foster a better understanding of what it is like to live life in a wheelchair. More than 41,000 Canadians are affected with spinal cord injury (SCI) and the funds raised by this event will help improve the quality of life and also raise awareness of spinal cord injury.

The proclamation request meets the City’s Proclamation Policy, as follows:

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The group requested information on the support available through the City regarding permits and services in kind. Facility rentals and services-in-kind (e.g. picnic tables, generators and sound system) are available to this group at rates provided for under current City policy.

Recognizing that the Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion group is a Community Service Organization (CSO) the associated fees would be at the subsidized CSO rate.

Staff will work with the group to mitigate expenses consistent with practices applied to similar groups and within the Council approved policy.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Staff is recommending that June 14, 2009 be proclaimed "Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Day", that the proclamation be posted on the City's website and published on the City Page, space permitting and that the Recreation & Culture Department, Client Services Division, work with the organization to pursue their rental options for the event.

Attachments

Attachment #1 Correspondence from the Event Committee, Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion Vaughan, dated April 20, 2009.

Report prepared by:

Connie Bonsignore, Administrative Assistant, Clerk's Department
Terri Cosentino, Client Services Supervisor, Recreation and Culture

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST -
JUNE AS RECREATION AND PARKS MONTH**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Community Services, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

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

1. That Council proclaim the month of June as "Recreation and Parks Month"; and,
2. That the Schedule of Activities for Recreation and Parks Month – June 2009 (*Attachment 1*), outlining the activities and events scheduled to be held throughout the City of Vaughan in June, be received.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact related to this report. Funding for the activities and events indicated in this report has been incorporated into the 2009 Recreation and Culture base operating budget.

Communications Plan

The proclamation of June as Recreation and Parks Month, including the "Recreation and Parks Month" activity schedule will be posted on the City website, in community centres, and at Vaughan Public Libraries. It will also be distributed to elementary and secondary schools in Vaughan. Outreach to community groups, cultural organizations and businesses will take place via poster distribution and a news release.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to request that Council proclaim the month of June as "Recreation and Parks Month" and to present an overview of the activities and events to be held in June across Vaughan that will provide citizens with opportunities to be physically active.

Background - Analysis and Options

The City of Vaughan in its strategic plan, Vaughan Vision 20/20 is committed to Service Excellence through enhancing and ensuring community safety, health and wellness. The Active Together Physical Activity Strategy and initiatives, such as June being declared Recreation and Parks Month, will help promote and achieve the objective of community health and wellness.

The month of June as Recreation and Parks Month (JRPM) was first proclaimed in 2005 by Parks and Recreation Ontario, the Ontario Parks Association, and the Ontario Recreation Facilities Association. JRPM was created to draw attention to the value of recreation and to encourage people to get out there and *live it everyday!*

The Ministry of Health Promotion first declared "June as Recreation and Parks Month" for Ontario on June 6, 2006 in the Ontario Legislature.

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Research shows that the development of a more physically active community enhances the quality of life of its residents. Physical activity levels are a critical economic, environmental, health and social issue for the community and participation in physical activity is a key requirement for individual physical and mental health and well-being.

Strategies involving physical activity and recreation appear particularly promising in minimizing or removing risk factors faced by many children and youth. Participation in recreation activities can provide positive benefits related to psychological health, physical health, familial interaction, peer influence, academic performance, community development and other lifestyle behaviours.

In 2009, the Recreation and Culture Department will celebrate June as Recreation and Parks Month from June 1 – June 30, 2009. Many activities are scheduled throughout the community, and provided on the attached Schedule of Activities for Recreation and Parks Month – June 2009. Highlights are as follows:

- 5km Conservation Walk through Boyd Park & Surrounding Area
- Adult Recreational Badminton & Ball Hockey
- Beach Volleyball Tournament
- Cross Canada Swim Challenge
- Family Boot Camp
- Family Tennis
- Fun Run
- Opening Celebration for Thornhill Outdoor Pool
- Power Walk
- Salsa Aquafit
- Senior Fitness Walk & Talk
- Sportykids
- Swim Across Lake Ontario Challenge
- Tai-chi in the Park
- Toddler Run & Fun
- Water Games and Challenges
- Youth Basketball & Youth Room Games

Recreation and parks opportunities are essential for strengthening and maintaining a healthy community. Positive impacts are evident throughout the community. Recreation brings neighbours together, encourages safer, cleaner neighbourhoods and creates a livelier community atmosphere.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

- STRATEGIC GOAL
Service Excellence – Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery; and Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness – To deliver high quality services and promote health and wellness through design and program.

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

Regional Implications

There are no regional implications associated with this report.

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Conclusion

The City of Vaughan is taking a proactive approach to improve the health and active lifestyles of its citizens by proclaiming the month of June as Recreation and Parks Month and by providing a month of physical activity opportunities throughout Vaughan. As an initiative of the Physical Activity Strategy of the “Active Together” Master Plan for Parks, Recreation, Culture and Libraries, Recreation and Parks Month will help achieve the objective of improving community health and wellness.

Attachments

1. Schedule of Activities for Recreation and Parks Month – June 2009

Report Prepared By

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As a result of these discussions, and further to the Committee of the Whole meetings on March 1, 2004 and May 16, 2005 respectively, staff proceeded to have Tax Arrears Certificates registered against the properties and all necessary notices have been sent to all parties that have an interest in the lands. There is a one-year period following the registration of the Tax Arrears Certificate when the owner may pay the taxes and costs in full, or enter into an extension agreement with the City. The one-year period has now passed and the taxes have not been paid. No one has expressed an interest in making payment arrangements. Where this is the case, the *Municipal Act, 2001*, states that the property shall then be offered for public sale. It is staff's intention to proceed with a tax sale by public tender, with a tender amount sufficient to cover all outstanding taxes, penalty, interest and costs.

Should there be successful purchaser the City will be covered for all outstanding monies, and clear title will be available to the purchaser. If there are no successful bids received for the tender amount, the municipality has the authority to write-off the outstanding taxes as uncollectible and vest the ownership of the property to the City. Should this be the case, staff will prepare a further report to Council and request direction in that regard.

A "Request for Comments" notice has been sent to all applicable City Departments in order to bring this course of action to the attention of City Staff.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth by Council in Vaughan Vision 2020 and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Conclusion

Finance staff will proceed with the property tax sale on three pieces of vacant land as per Council's direction on March 1, 2004 and May 16, 2005.

Attachments

Attachment 1 Location Maps of Three Properties

Report prepared by:

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Manager, Property Tax & Assessment
Ext. 8268

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The City received a request from the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto and its parent corporation, UJA Federation of Greater Toronto, asking that the City of Vaughan Council pass a resolution in support of a private bill to the Provincial Legislature that would enable the Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus to become exempt from paying municipal property taxes. Council approved this resolution and it was forwarded to the Province in May 2008.

Further, Region of York Council, at its meeting of June 19, 2008, approved and endorsed the City's resolution regarding site specific property tax exemption for the land owned by the Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus.

Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus Act, 2008

The need for a private bill from the Provincial Legislature is due to the *Assessment Act* requirement of site-specific ownership. The *Assessment Act* states that a charitable organization needs to own and occupy a property under certain conditions in order to qualify for municipal property tax exemption. With respect to the subject lands, the Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus has advised that it will maintain ownership, however, it will provide land leases to various occupants who, in turn will build and occupy their own buildings, and provide charitable, non-profit services. Therefore, MPAC confirmed that under the described proposed arrangements for the subject property, the municipal property tax exemption requirements under the *Assessment Act* would not be met completely. The issue being that the non-profit organization would not own and occupy the property, but rather one non-profit organization would lease to another non-profit organization.

As a result, it was necessary for a private bill to be enacted that would give the City authority to enact a by-law that would exempt the Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus lands from municipal property taxes, other than local improvement rates. The private bill was enacted as the *Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus Act, 2008* and given Royal Assent on December 10, 2008. A copy is attached to this report. At this point in time, it is appropriate to exempt the portion of the lands being developed as Phase I and Phase II of the site development plan and designated as Parts 4, 6, and 7 on Reference Plan 65R-28984. An exemption for the remainder of the development designated as Phase III on the site development plan cannot be determined at this point and is not included in this by-law.

The Exempted Lands will still be assessed by MPAC but will be put into an exempt property tax class. As part of the annual review conducted by the City finance staff and through the authority and processes contained within the *Assessment Act*, the Exempted Lands will become assessable in the applicable taxable class should there be changes in the status and/or ownership. This approach will provide the City with the ability to manage the Exempted Lands in terms of property taxes, thereby providing fairness in the process.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth by Council within Vaughan Vision 2020 and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Regional Implications

The annual estimated property taxes for the Region portion only on the Exempted Lands is \$419,000. The above amount is an estimate only based on information provided by the Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus.

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Conclusion

The United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto and its parent corporation, UJA Federation of Greater Toronto, requested that the City of Vaughan Council pass a resolution in support that the Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus, a charitable/non-profit corporation, be exempted from property taxes through a private bill. This resolution was approved by Council in May 2008 and Region of York Council in June 2008. The Province has enacted the *Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus Act, 2008* that provides the authority for the City of Vaughan to exempt the Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus lands from property taxes. The lands covered by the proposed by-law are those being developed under Phase I and Phase II of the site development plan and designated as Parts 4, 6, and 7 on Reference Plan 65R-28984. An exemption for the remainder of the development designated as Phase III on the site development plan cannot be determined at this point and is not included in this by-law.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – *Joseph and Wolf Lebovic Jewish Community Campus Act, 2008*

Report prepared by:

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9 2009 NATIONAL ACCESS AWARENESS WEEK (MAY 31 – JUNE 6, 2009)

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Community Services, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Director of Recreation and Culture and the Area Recreation Managers, recommends approval of the following Vaughan Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC) recommendation:

1. That the 2009 National Access Awareness Week - Activities Schedule (*Attachment 1*), outlining the inclusive activities and events scheduled to be held during National Access Awareness Week (May 31 – June 6, 2009) across the City of Vaughan, be received.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact related to this report. Funding for the accessibility initiatives indicated in this report has been incorporated into the 2009 Recreation and Culture base operating budget

Communications Plan

In cooperation with the Vaughan Accessibility Advisory Committee, the Recreation and Culture Department will continue to communicate and inform the community as it relates to its programs, initiatives, and the celebration of both the National Access Awareness Week and the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. This will be done through the City website, media, advertising, distribution of flyers to community centres, and Vaughan Public Libraries and the Council Calendar

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information on the observance of National Access Awareness Week and to present an overview of the accessibility based activities and events scheduled to be held at community centres across the city.

Background – Analysis and Options

The concept of National Access Awareness Week (NAAW) was originally developed by Rick Hansen after his Man-In-Motion World Tour. The focus is to bring together in a spirit of partnership voluntary organizations of persons with disabilities, business, labour and governments to affect meaningful changes in the daily living of persons with disabilities.

“Access” means more than just removing physical barriers; it means changes in attitudes and support that allows all people with visible or invisible disabilities to be part of community life. People with learning, developmental, and psychiatric disabilities or other invisible impairments should not be forgotten when we strive for equal access. NAAW promotes access for all people with disabilities, including people with mobility, sensory, non-visible, and intellectual disabilities.

Since 2006 the Recreation and Culture Department, in collaboration with the Vaughan Accessibility Advisory Committee, has participated in NAAW to further promote the services that are offered throughout the City of Vaughan to reduce barriers for persons with disabilities.

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In 2009, the Recreation and Culture Department will celebrate National Access Awareness Week from May 31 – June 6, 2009 with a variety activities including:

- Workshops at our community centres provided by community service partners;
- Sport activities and games demonstrations, in partnership with Parasport Ontario, the Ontario Wheelchair Sports Association, the Ontario Blind Sports Association, York Region Soccer Association, Vaughan Special Olympics Ontario, York Region Board of Education;
- Ability Story and Expressing Friendship art projects, in partnership with VITA Mens Sana Day Programme, St Jean de Brebeuf and Vellore Woods Public School;
- A photography display of Sophie Oulette, a Woodbridge artist afflicted with cerebral palsy; and
- An exhibit of photographs of Natalie Schonfeld Howard titled “Legally Deafblind” at the City Playhouse Theatre created to raise awareness of the reality of having dual sensory disability.

A complete list of activities can be found on the attached 2009 National Access Awareness Week - Activities Schedule.

All of the events are focused on engaging people with disabilities and raising awareness for accessible services. Note: Additional activities/displays will also be hosted by Vaughan Public Libraries.

Through collaboration with individuals with disabilities, community service provider agencies, schools and seniors groups the City of Vaughan is able to increase the number of venues and opportunities to achieve a greater degree of success. National Access Awareness Week will highlight the City of Vaughan as a city committed to accessibility that will continue, with community partners, to provide opportunities that support people with disabilities in the Vaughan community.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

Reference specific initiative report relates to:

- STRATEGIC GOAL
Service Excellence – Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery; and Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness – To deliver high quality services and promote health and wellness through design and program.

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

Regional Implications

There are no regional implications.

Conclusion

Vaughan Vision 2020 commits to an inclusive community. In 2009, both the annual Accessibility Plan (revised 2009), and the Accessibility Standards for Customer Service Policy were received by Council. It is appropriate to highlight the City’s commitment publicly in ways that capture the public’s imagination and engage citizens in understanding disabilities and the importance of accessibility in municipal government.

National Access Awareness Week will help to increase the community’s awareness to the range, impact and nature of disabilities and how the City is responding to persons with those disabilities.

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Attachments

1. 2009 National Access Awareness Week - Activities Schedule

Report Prepared By

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Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

To be submitted in the additional information after the Tender has closed.

Attachments

1. Location Map

Report prepared by:

Mark Ranstoller, Senior Traffic Technologist, ext. 3141
Mike Dokman, C.E.T. Supervisor, Traffic Engineering ext 3118

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Item 11, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009, as follows:

By receiving the memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated May 26, 2009, advising that a report will be submitted for the Council meeting of June 15, 2009.

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**AWARD OF TENDER T09-040
TRAFFIC CALMING – VARIOUS LOCATIONS
WARDS 2 AND 3**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Director of Purchasing Services recommends:

That Tender T09-040 for Traffic Calming – Various Locations be brought forward to Council.

Economic Impact

The actual cost of the project will be established following receipt of bids, however, the estimated total cost has been included in the approved 2009 Capital Budget.

Communications Plan

Once the project is awarded, staff will advise the Ward Sub-Committee and will send out a notice of construction letter to the affected residents.

Purpose

Council approval to award Tender T09-040.

Background - Analysis and Options

The work covered by this Tender requires the supply of materials and services for traffic calming measures to be installed on Vaughan Mills Road, Vellore Woods Boulevard, Hawkview Boulevard, Ashberry Boulevard and Vellore Woods Boulevard/Comdell Boulevard intersection.

The tender closed on April 28, 2009. Staff will prepare an additional information report for this item after the bids have been evaluated for Council's consideration at the May 26, 2009 meeting. Construction is scheduled to commence in early June and is expected to be substantially completed by early September 2009.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This project is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly "Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health & Wellness."

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

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

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Conclusion

To be submitted in the additional information after the Tender has closed.

Attachments

1. Location Map

Report prepared by:

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Item 12, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009, as follows:

By approving the following in accordance with the memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated May 19, 2009:

- 1. That Tender T09-042 for Traffic Signals – Vaughan Valley Boulevard and Zenway Boulevard be awarded to Guild Electric Ltd. in the amount of \$88,610.99, plus G.S.T.;***
- 2. That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$8,900.00, plus G.S.T. be approved within which the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works or his designate is authorized to approve amendments to the Contract; and***
- 3. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the appropriate documents.***

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**AWARD OF TENDER T09-042
TRAFFIC SIGNALS – VAUGHAN VALLEY BOULEVARD
AND ZENWAY BOULEVARD
WARD 2**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Director of Purchasing Services recommends:

That Tender T09-042 for Traffic Signals – Vaughan Valley Boulevard and Zenway Boulevard be brought forward to Council.

Economic Impact

The actual cost of the project will be established following receipt of bids, however, the estimated total cost has been included in the approved 2009 Capital Budget.

Communications Plan

Once the project is awarded, staff will advise the Ward Sub-Committee and will send out a notice of construction letter to the affected area.

Purpose

Council approval to award Tender T09-042.

Background - Analysis and Options

The work covered by this Tender requires the supply of materials and services for a traffic signal at the intersection of Vaughan Valley Boulevard and Zenway Boulevard.

The tender closed on April 28, 2009. Staff will prepare an additional information report for this item after the bids have been evaluated for Council's consideration at the May 26, 2009 meeting. Construction is scheduled to commence in early June and is expected to be substantially completed by early September 2009.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This project is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly “Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health & Wellness.”

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

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

To be submitted in the additional information after the Tender has closed.

Attachments

1. Location Map

Report prepared by:

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Mike Dokman, C.E.T., Supervisor, Traffic Engineering, ext 3118

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Item 13, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009, as follows:

By approving the following in accordance with the memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated May 21, 2009:

- 1. That Tender T09-078, James Street, William Street and Dorwood Court Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement be awarded to Il Duca Contracting Inc. in the amount of \$627,532.70; plus G.S.T.;***
- 2. That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$63,0000.00, plus G.S.T. be approved within which the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works or his designate is authorized to approve amendments to the Contract;***
- 3. That the City retain SRM Associates to provide contract administration and construction inspection services, including geotechnical and material testing and disbursements at estimated cost of \$68,500.00, plus G.S.T., funded from Capital Budget Project EN-1712-08;***
- 4. That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$7,000.00, plus G.S.T. be approved for contract administration and inspection within which the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works or his designate is authorized to approve additional engineering services; and***
- 5. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the appropriate documents.***

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**AWARD OF TENDER T09-078
JAMES STREET, WILLIAM STREET AND DORWOOD COURT
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT
WARD 2**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Director of Purchasing Services and the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

That Tender T09-078 for James Street, William Street and Dorwood Court Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement be brought forward to Council for authorization to award.

Economic Impact

The actual cost of the project will be established following receipt of bids, however, the estimated total cost has been included in the approved 2009 Capital Budget.

Communications Plan

Once the project is awarded, staff will advise the Ward Sub-Committee and will send out a notice of construction letter to the affected residents.

Purpose

Council approval to award Tender T09-078, for James Street, William Street and Dorwood Court Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement.

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Background - Analysis and Options

The work covered by this tender includes the reconstruction of James Street, William Street and Dorwood Court (Capital Budget Project EN-1775-09) and the Watermain Replacement (Capital Budget Project EN-1768-09). (See Attachment No. 1 for project location).

The tender has been advertised with a closing date of May 11, 2009. Staff will prepare an additional information report for the item after the bids are received and have been evaluated for Council's consideration at the May 26, 2009 meeting. Construction is scheduled to commence in early June and is expected to be substantially completed by early September 2009.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This project is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly "Maintain Assets & Infrastructure".

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

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

To be submitted in the additional information after the Tender has closed.

Attachments

1. Location Map

Report prepared by:

Pat Marcantonio, C.E.T., Senior Engineering Assistant, ext. 3111
Tom Ungar, P. Eng., Design Engineer, ext. 3110

PM:mc

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Item 14, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

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**MAPLE TURNING PROHIBITIONS
WARD 1**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends that:

1. The existing through and turning prohibitions on Keele Street and Rutherford Road in Maple remain as currently posted; and
2. That the Region of York be so advised.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact resulting from the recommendations of this report.

Communications Plan

The Clerk's Department Ratepayer Association list does not identify an Association representing the area identified in Council's direction. An e-mail message has been sent to those persons who put their e-mail addresses on the sign in sheet for the public meeting to advise them that this report is on the agenda for consideration by Committee of the Whole. Following Council's consideration of the matter, a follow-up e-mail will be sent to advise of Council's decision on the matter.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise of the results of a public meeting on the matter.

Background - Analysis and Options

At its meeting of June 11, 2008, Council directed:

"1. That staff schedule a public meeting at the end of September 2008 regarding the trial through and turning prohibitions located at Keele Street/Barhill Road, Keele Street/Fieldgate Drive, and Rutherford Road/Barhill Road, to garner public input and to provide infiltration details of the test prohibitions;

2. That staff request participation and assistance with presentation materials at the public meeting by the Regional Municipality of York Transportation & Works Department;

3. That staff conduct a comprehensive traffic study prior to the public meeting, but not during the months of July and August;

4. That a Notice of Public Meeting be distributed in the first week of September to all civic addresses bounded by Keele Street to the west, Major Mackenzie to the north, the CN Rail line to the east and Rutherford Road to the south; and

5. That staff report back to the Committee of the Whole following the public meeting."

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As a result of scheduling conflicts, a public meeting in September 2008 was not possible. The meeting was held on December 3, 2008 at Our Lady of Peace Catholic School in Maple. The sign-in sheets for the meeting were signed by 63 people. Also present at the meeting were members of the Ward 1 Sub-Committee, staff from the Regional Municipality of York, the City of Vaughan, GO Transit and the Region's Consultant, the IBI Group.

There had been long standing concerns from residents in the area located in the northeast quadrant of Keele Street and Rutherford Road regarding vehicular infiltration in their neighbourhood. Infiltrating traffic was primarily attributed to drivers wishing to avoid the intersection of Keele Street and Rutherford Road and those vehicles leaving the GO Station parking lot on the south side of Rutherford Road.

In 2006 Vaughan Council approved turn and through movement prohibitions on a trial basis at intersections of the local roads with Keele Street and Rutherford Road. The Region of York was requested to implement the prohibitions and in October 2006, Regional Council approved their implementation. In early 2008, Regional Council considered an update on the traffic prohibitions and made minor amendments to the end time of the morning prohibitions on Keele Street to those that are currently in place as illustrated on Attachment No. 1.

The meeting in December, 2008 was intended to provide area residents with an opportunity to hear from staff about the trial prohibitions and to express their views. The Region's Consultant, the IBI Group gave a brief presentation on the Region's review of traffic operations along Keele Street and Rutherford Road. The study examined traffic operations to and from the Rutherford Road GO Transit Station and included a review of station access. The primary issues identified from the Regional perspective were; congestion on the arterial roads and long queues/delays at the intersection of Keele Street and Rutherford Road. The study identified a number of options, including their advantages and disadvantages, which ranged from signal timing changes and signage to longer term road reconstruction projects.

City of Vaughan staff reported that from traffic data collected in September, 2008 the morning peak hour traffic infiltration from Keele Street was 26 vehicles or 11% while the afternoon peak hour infiltration from Rutherford Road at Barhill Road was 125 vehicles or 32%. These numbers were compared to those of the previous infiltration study which was conducted in April 2007. At that time, the morning peak hour traffic infiltration from Keele Street was 39 vehicles or 19% while the afternoon peak hour infiltration from Rutherford Road and Barhill Road was 95 vehicles or 23%. Based on the comparison of the two studies, currently, the morning peak period is relatively consistent while for the afternoon peak period, both the number of vehicles and the percentage are lower. This may be due to the revised signal timings implemented by the Region at the intersection of Rutherford Road and Keele Street and the operation of the GO station on Rutherford Road.

Following the presentation, the meeting was opened to the public to comment. Many attendees took the opportunity to express their views for and against the turning prohibitions. Concerns surrounding the inadequate parking at the GO Station and the congestion occurring in the evening peak hour resulting in the rush of vehicles exiting the station to Westburne and Rutherford Road.

The general consensus of those present at the meeting was that while the existing turning prohibitions did create some inconvenience, they should remain in place.

To address pm peak period capacity issues in the area of the GO Station the following was recommended:

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1. Install signage indicating an alternative route to Keele Street from the parking lot to relieve the demand on Westburne/Rutherford intersection. Vaughan staff have initiated the posting of this alternative route as identified in Attachment No. 2. The signs are expected to be installed shortly.
2. It had been observed that the railway gates across Rutherford Road would remain in the closed position while the train was stopped at the station. This prevented traffic movement eastbound on Rutherford Road resulting in a traffic queue extending back through Rutherford/ Westburne intersection which in turn prevented traffic movement from the parking lot to Westburne due to general congestion.

The operation of the railway gates has been adjusted so that the arms lift while the train is stopped at the station. This allows traffic to move on Rutherford Road for the short period and allows some of the queue to clear at Rutherford/Westburne.

As noted above, the Region of York addressed the morning peak hour issue by adjusting the southbound Keele Street left turn signal timing at Rutherford Road. The signal is now set to provide the maximum available left turn time. Additionally, the Region has implemented traffic control changes at Rutherford and Westburne to address afternoon peak period capacity issues.

It is noted that GO Transit is planning the construction of a new parking lot at the Maple GO Station. This facility will provide for 900 cars and is expected that the demand for parking and the associated traffic congestion at the Rutherford GO Station will be reduced.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

This project is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2020 particularly “Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness.”

This report is consistent with the priorities set by Council.

Regional Implications

Should the turning prohibitions remain as posted on Keele Street and Rutherford Road there will be no action required by the Region.

Conclusion

Should Council concur that the existing turning prohibitions are to remain in place as posted, the Region should be so advised.

Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Alternate Access to Keele Street

Report prepared by:

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Mike Dokman, Supervisor, Traffic Engineering, Ext 3118

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Item 15, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009, as follows:

By approving the following in accordance with the memorandum from the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Director of Engineering Services, dated May 21, 2009:

- 1. That Tender T09-077, Monsheen Drive, Tayok Drive and Wigwoss Drive Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement be awarded to Fernview Construction Limited in the amount of \$1,276,603.48; plus G.S.T.;***
- 2. That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$130,000.00, plus G.S.T. be approved within which the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works or his designate is authorized to approve amendments to the Contract;***
- 3. That a geotechnical and material testing amount of \$15,000.00, plus G.S.T. be approved to ensure compliance with all applicable standards; and***
- 4. That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the appropriate documents.***

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**AWARD OF TENDER T09-077
MONSHEEN DRIVE, TAYOK DRIVE AND WIGWOSS DRIVE
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT
WARD 2**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Director of Purchasing Services and the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

That Tender T09-077 for Monsheen Drive, Tayok Drive and Wigwoss Drive Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement be brought forward to Council for authorization to award.

Economic Impact

The actual cost of the project will be established following receipt of bids, however, the estimated total cost has been included in the approved 2009 Capital Budget.

Communications Plan

Once the project is awarded, staff will advise the Ward Sub-Committee and will send out a notice of construction letter to the affected residents.

Purpose

Council approval to award Tender T09-077, for Monsheen Drive, Tayok Drive and Wigwoss Drive Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement.

Background - Analysis and Options

The work covered by this tender includes the reconstruction of Monsheen Drive, Tayok Drive and Wigwoss Drive and Watermain Replacement (Capital Budget Project EN-1749-09). (See Attachment No. 1 for project location).

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The tender has been advertised with a closing date of May 13, 2009. Staff will prepare an additional information report for the item after the bids are received and have been evaluated for Council's consideration at the May 26, 2009 meeting. Construction is scheduled to commence in early June and is expected to be substantially completed by the end of September 2009.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This project is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly "Maintain Assets & Infrastructure".

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

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

To be submitted in the additional information after the Tender has closed.

Attachments

1. Location Map

Report prepared by:

Pat Marcantonio, C.E.T., Senior Engineering Assistant, ext. 3111
Tom Ungar, P. Eng., Design Engineer, ext. 3110

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Item 16, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

**16 HAWKVIEW BOULEVARD PROPOSED SPEED CUSHION
WARD 3**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That a speed cushion be installed on Hawkview Boulevard between properties #212 and #214; and
2. That funding for this traffic calming measure be drawn from the approved 2009 Traffic Calming Budget (EN-1760-09) in the amount of \$4,000.00.

Economic Impact

The cost of approximately \$4,000 to install the speed cushion, pavement markings and signs can be incorporated in the approved 2009 Capital Budget. The on-going costs to maintain the pavement markings and warning signs would be incorporated in future Operating Budgets.

Communications Plan

Staff will advise the members of the Traffic Calming Committee of Council's direction. Staff will follow with construction notices at the time of construction. The Traffic Calming Committee members desire a speed hump however, staff believe a speed cushion is more appropriate.

Purpose

To review the feasibility of installing a speed hump or cushion on Hawkview Boulevard between properties #212 and #214, in response to a request received through the Traffic Calming Committee.

Background - Analysis and Options

A request was received through the Traffic Calming Committee to determine the feasibility of installing a speed hump on Hawkview Boulevard near #226. The initial complaint was received from the home owner at #226 who had expressed concerns regarding the vehicle speeds and pedestrian safety as there are no sidewalks on Hawkview Boulevard.

Hawkview Boulevard is a local roadway with a 17.5 metre right-of-way and an 8.0 metre pavement width. The existing speed limit is a statutory 50 km/h. Hawkview Boulevard is not considered to be an emergency response route. There is an existing speed hump located between #376 and #380 Hawkview Boulevard which was installed in December 2008. The area is shown on Attachment No. 1.

Traffic Engineering Services staff reviewed this area of Hawkview Boulevard and determined that the location between #212 and #214 is the most appropriate location for the installation of a vertical traffic calming measure. The Traffic Committee is in agreement with the location as it will assist to slow down drivers before they reach the curve on Hawkview Boulevard. The available distance of 8.0 metres between the driveways of properties #212 and #214 Hawkview Boulevard is sufficient for installation of the proposed measure.

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Engineering Services staff sent out a survey to eight homes on Hawkview Boulevard between properties #206 to #228 for their feedback of the requested speed hump. Staff received a total of five responses and all five supported the proposed speed hump location between properties #212 and #214.

Fire & Rescue Services/Transit Routes

Hawkview Boulevard is not considered a primary response route. However, the Vaughan Fire & Rescue Service is opposed to the installation of an additional speed hump on Hawkview Boulevard. Speed humps have a negative impact on emergency response and the cumulative delays resulting from installation of speed humps has an adverse impact on services.

Hawkview Boulevard is not a transit route.

Through discussions with the Fire Chief, this location was identified as a good location to install a speed cushion as an appropriate traffic calming measure. Speed cushions are traffic calming devices designed as a series of small speed humps installed across the width of the road with spaces between them. The design of the speed cushions force vehicles to slow down as they travel with one or both wheels on the small humps. However, the wider axle spacing of an emergency vehicle and buses allows them to pass through the speed cushion without slowing down. For fire vehicles, this means that response time is not increased, damage to fire vehicles and injury to fire fighters riding in the trucks are not incurred. Attachment No. 2 illustrates a fire truck traversing a speed cushion. Although the measure shown is Attachment No. 2 is a temporary, rubber speed cushion, the measure proposed for Hawkview would be constructed from asphalt.

Staff note that the Town of Aurora installed a speed cushion in 2008 and have now experienced a winter season with the measure in place. Aurora staff have not received any negative feedback on the installation and are satisfied with its performance.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This project is consistent with Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly “Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness.”

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

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

Based on this review, it is recommended that the proposed speed cushion be installed on Hawkview Boulevard between properties of #212 and #214. The estimated cost to build the measure is \$4,000 and is proposed to be drawn from the approved 2009 Traffic Calming Budget (EN-1760-09).

Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Speed Cushion

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Report prepared by:

Peter Trinh, Traffic Analyst, ext. 3120

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Purpose

This report proposes changes to the City of Vaughan Sign By-law, as it applies to mobile signs, as well as modification to the sign permit process and more proactive enforcement. This report also provides additional information as requested by Council.

Background - Analysis and Options

Council, at its meeting of April 14, 2009, approved the following recommendation:

“...2. That staff review and take into consideration Members of Council’s comments and the comments and additional information provided by the deputants, and bring forward a report to a future Committee of the Whole meeting...”

Staff presented the information to the Committee of the Whole meeting on April 6, 2009. The table below outlines previous industry comments and the related recommendation from staff.

<i>Sign Industry Comment/Suggestion</i>	<i>Staff’s Recommendation</i>
Hold the store owners accountable for illegally placed signs	Agree with proposal
Change the permit times to 14 and 21 days	Agree, all permits to be 21 days in duration
More opportunity for not for profit signs	Do not agree, status quo, or tighter restrictions should apply
Allow multiple colour signs;	Do not agree, status quo should be maintained
Enable application for permits by fax or mail	Do not agree, current resources do not allow this process at this time
Allow permits to be processed well in advance of the effective date of a permit	Agree, permits could be made available up to 7 days before the erection date
Allow more than one sign per lot	Agree, with limitations
Remove moratorium – 30 days on, 30 days off;	Do not agree, however, moratorium to be modified to match 21 day permits.
More consistent enforcement of the By-law	Agree with proposal, new processes have been implemented

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The current City of Vaughan Sign By-law restricts the use of Mobile Signs in the city of Vaughan to:

- one sign per lot at any given time;
- maximum 30 days on followed by 30 days off;
- Single coloured letters;
- Must be located entirely on private property ;
- Not in a parking space;
- Not in or within 8 metres of a driveway;
- Must display a valid permit issued by the Building Standards Department, that must be applied for in person at the Civic Centre no sooner than 24 hours prior to the effective date of the permit.

Staff have also reviewed other area by-laws. A synopsis of other by-laws is included as Attachment #1.

At the meeting of April 6, 2009, the sign industry and a representative from the Chamber of Commerce made deputations. Members of Council also made some comments. As a result, staff was directed to report back.

Discussions included:

- Allow a maximum of six portable sign permits per business at any given address, per calendar year.
- In addition to the portable sign permitted on a single property, an additional sign may be erected along each street line of a property, provided that each portable sign is located a minimum of 50m from any other portable sign located on the same street line and on the same property.
- Sign should be one meter behind the sidewalk.
- A by-law where the number of permits reflects the size of the property and the number of tenants.

Clarifications

“Second mobile sign...provided no sign to face residential property”: Clarification will note that this does not apply where a road intervenes.

“Moratorium”: Clarification to note that this applies to the lot.

Staff recommend adoption of the proposed amendments presented to the Committee of the Whole on April 6, 2009, as adequate to address many of the concerns.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is in keeping with the Vaughan Vision in respect to the pursuit of service excellence and providing a safe environment.

Regional Implications

This By-law would be enforced on Region Road allowed by City staff. As such the Region will be supplied with a copy of the amended By-law and advised of the enforcement action by City staff.

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Conclusion

Staff are recommending amendments to the By-law, which brings Vaughan's sign regulation more in line with comparable and neighbouring municipalities.

Attachments

1. Extract from Committee of the Whole (Working Session) April 6, 2009, Item 2, Report No. 21

Report prepared by:

Tony Thompson, Director of Enforcement Services

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Item 18, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

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PARKS USE BY-LAW 134-95 - AMENDMENTS

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Director of Enforcement Services, and the Director of Parks Operations and Forestry, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Director of Enforcement Services, and the Director of Parks Operations and Forestry, in consultation with the Director of Parks Development, recommend:

1. That the Parks By-law, 134-95, be amended by:
 - i) amending the definition of Motorized Recreational Vehicle to include such things as "pocket bikes";
 - ii) including hours of operations of City Parks;
 - iii) adding the prohibition of using equipment and property for other than its intended use;
 - iv) adding the restriction of possessing breakable glass products in playground areas;
 - v) amending the provisions around alcohol possession and consumption;
 - vi) updating the barbeque prohibitions to include propane barbeques;
 - vii) creating an exemption to allow animals to be leash free while in the leash free park;
 - viii) creating the requirement for those individuals found in contravention of the bylaw to identify themselves.

Economic Impact

Not applicable.

Purpose

This report is to provide information related to various amendments to the Parks By-law.

Background - Analysis and Options

The current Parks By-law was enacted in 1995. Parks and open spaces are being enjoyed by more and more individuals and families. There is also an element of the community that do not respect the property, land, or its intended uses. It is these individuals that cause damage to the park equipment, create hazardous conditions, and damage the environment.

Enforcement Services staff have been patrolling the parks and open spaces for many years. These patrols are augmented by the York Regional Police and the Park Ambassadors. Staff have identified several areas of the By-law that require updating to allow them to more efficiently perform their duties and safeguard the property and environment. There is also an amendment to the By-law to recognize the leash free park.

The proposed amendments to the By-law are outlined below.

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1. Motorized Recreational Vehicle – Definition Amendment

The definition of Motorized Recreational Vehicle is being expanded to include the prohibition of electric, pneumatic, or hydraulic motors. These types of motors are now being seen on scooters, skateboards, and bicycles. Unfortunately, these “vehicles” are not always driven in a safe and responsible manner, and as a result can endanger the public.

Council, at its meeting of June 25, 2007, Item 67, Report 34, approved four recommendations related to “Mini Pocket Bikes”. This amendment will address two of the recommendations:

“THAT staff prepare a report and corresponding bylaw outlining the strategies to be used and penalties available for the improper use of these vehicles on a non-certified competition site”

“THAT staff ensure York Regional Police are provided with sufficient authority to act should individuals be found operating Motorized Mini Pocket Bikes on or at municipally controlled properties”

2. Restricted Areas and Times

The By-law currently states that no person can enter areas that are posted to prohibit or restrict admission. Staff have encountered difficulty in dealing with individuals in parks and open space areas in the late evening and night time hours. Some parks have posted times of operation while some do not.

It would be helpful for staff and police to have a specified time that parks and open spaces are off limits to the public. The time proposed is 11:00pm. This amendment would not affect those parks that close earlier than that.

3. Conduct

It is common place in the summer to find teenagers and young adults congregating on playground equipment that is intended for use by small children. Damage ranging from structure breaks to cigarette burns are often found on these types of equipment. Broken glass has also been found in and on the equipment. This damage creates additional maintenance costs and dangers for the intended users.

The By-law currently does not provide an authority to deal with this type of situation.

Staff are proposing an additional sub-section to Section 3 that would prohibit the use of any structure, facility, or equipment, for any use other than its intended use.

This would also be applicable to the City’s tennis courts that are used for ball hockey. This use damages the surface and is costly to repair.

4. Restriction of Glass in Playground Areas

Council at its meeting of February 3, 2009 directed staff to develop a strategy related to the reduction of broken glass in playground areas.

In order to facilitate a reduction, a ban on having glass products in playground areas should result in less broken glass in these areas. Staff will be able to have individuals move from these areas if they are in possession of any glass products in the vicinity of a playground.

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5. Alcohol Possession and Consumption

Staff repeatedly find broken glass in playground areas which is a hazard to anyone using the area. Further, Enforcement Services and the Police receive numerous complaints about noise and youth drinking in the parks.

The By-law currently has a provision for alcohol consumption, but not for possession. Therefore, Enforcement personnel have limited ability to deal with alcohol in parks, unless they actually observe an individual consuming liquor.

This addition to Section 3 would allow staff and police to have a potential problem diffused by not permitting liquor in the park. People found in possession could be directed to leave the park, and/or be charged with a violation.

6. Barbecue Use

The current By-law restricts the use of charcoal and solid fuel barbecues without a permit. Staff are finding that a growing number of portable propane barbecues are being used in the parks, and their use has not been regulated.

This amendment is intended to include propane barbecues in the restrictions of barbecues and campfires.

These restrictions were initially put in place for safety and also to prevent the smoke and smells of cooking from annoying other park patrons.

7. Leash Free Parks

This amendment is to provide for Leash Free Areas in the Parks By-law. Currently, the By-law states that dogs must be kept on a leash and kept under control. This addition to Section 35 provides for an exemption to this requirement in designated leash free areas.

8. Enforcement

This amendment is intended to provide an increased level of deterrence to those who choose to misuse City property. Staff report that the majority of time those individuals caught violating the provisions of this By-law simply refuse to identify themselves in order to avoid prosecution or responsibility. This creates the potential that the only way to deal with these violators is to use the provisions of the Trespass to Property Act which could lead to a confrontation until the members of the York Regional Police arrive.

Staff are recommending that a provision be added to Section 45 that provides the authority of an enforcement official to demand that violators identify themselves.

Violators have a vested interest in remaining anonymous, this provision should provide for an increase level of deterrence. At the least it provides both the police and enforcement staff with another tool in their duties.

These amendments will improve the enjoyment for those using and living near City parks and also potentially reduce the amount of damage incurred by a minority of vandals using the facilities.

These amendments are being introduced now, to enable them to be enacted prior to the summer parks season.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision

This report is in keeping with the Vaughan Vision with Service Excellence, and Community Safety.

Conclusion

The amendments to the Parks By-law will provide for a more enjoyable and safe experience for park patrons, while providing additional tools for Enforcement staff to deal with problems.

Attachments

None

Report prepared by:

Tony Thompson
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The issues on the property have ranged from erecting structures on the property contrary to the Zoning By-law, the overall condition of the property, including derelict vehicles filled with debris on the driveway, garbage and construction debris covering both the front and rear yards; and the placement of materials on City property at the front of the property.

This residence is part of a semi-detached structure and impacts neighbours on all sides of the property.

There has been a previous conviction for a property standards matter in 2003. There is currently an outstanding Property Standards Order on the property that expired on May 7, 2009. The photographs attached to the report depict the condition of the property. There is no compliance with the property Standards Order.

There is continual resistance by the property owner to comply with City of Vaughan by-laws. The property is a blight on the community and surrounding residents are suffering because of the condition of the property. Although this action represents a significant escalation in efforts to obtain compliance, this property stands out as one of the worst in the City.

This property meets two of the three established guidelines for bringing this escalation strategy to Council. The criteria is short one conviction, however, the severe impact on the community should be factored in to the decision on whether or not to order the work.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the Vaughan Vision in that it:

1. Enhances and ensures community safety, health and wellness;
2. Pursues excellence in service delivery.

Regional Implications

Not applicable.

Conclusion

This property owner has chronically violated City of Vaughan By-laws and is creating a negative impact to the surrounding residents. An escalation of enforcement tactics is warranted in this case.

Attachments

1. Photographs

Report prepared by:

Tony Thompson

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Item 20, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

20 AMENDMENTS TO PROCEDURE BY-LAW NUMBER 400-2002, AS AMENDED

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That Procedure By-law Number 400-2002, as amended, be further amended by adding the Economic Development Committee as a Special Purpose Committee as follows:

6.4. "There shall be an Economic Development Committee comprised of Members of Council as determined by Council from time to time, for the purpose of acting as an agent of change and a champion for the development of municipal economic development policies, plans and initiatives that reflect a community committed to attracting and retaining business investment";
- 2) That the Economic Development Committee approve a meeting schedule at its first meeting; and
- 3) That that the following enumerated administrative amendments to the Procedure By-law be made at this time:
 - i) adding the phrase "at least", immediately after the word "being" in subparagraph 3.3(3)(i) of Section 3.3., "Presentations and Deputations";
 - ii) adding the phrase "being at least", immediately after the word "Thursday", in paragraph (1)(a) of Section 5.4, "Preparation of Agenda";
 - iii) inserting "Environment Committee" as "6.5".

Economic Impact

The Economic Development Committee will be supported by existing resources within the City Clerk's Office and the Department of Economic Development.

Communications Plan

Pursuant to By-law 394-2002, notice to the public of a proposed amendment to a procedure by-law is given by listing it on the printed public agenda at least ten (10) days prior to consideration of the proposed by-law and/or posting it on the City's website. The agenda is available in the Clerk's Office ten (10) days prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting and posted on the City's website by 4:30 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the meeting.

Following adoption of the By-law to amend Procedure By-law Number 400-2002, as amended, the Consolidated Procedure By-law incorporating the proposed amendments will be posted on the City's website.

Purpose

To amend the Procedural By-law following Council approval of the establishment of the Economic Development Committee as a Special Purpose Committee, and to make certain amendments to the by-law.

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Background - Analysis and Options

Economic Development Committee

The Economic Development Steering Committee was established in February 2008 with a mandate to develop recommendations to Council on the Economic Development Committee's mandate, terms of reference, membership and the resources required to support the Committee's work. At the Council meeting of April 14, 2009, Council adopted the following recommendations of the Economic Development Steering Committee (Item No. 39, Report No. 18, of the Committee of the Whole):

1. That the "Economic Development Committee" be established as a Special Purpose Committee of Council and that the procedural By-law be amended accordingly;
2. That the Terms of Reference for the Economic Development Committee, as set out in this report, be approved to govern its mandate, goals, objectives, membership and operations;
3. That the Economic Development Steering Committee will cease operations, following the formation of the Economic Development Committee and;
4. That the following Council members be appointed to the Economic Development Committee:

Councillor Carella
Councillor Meffe
Councillor Yeung Racco
Regional Councillor Rosati
Mayor Jackson (ex-officio)

Administrative Amendments

The following minor administrative amendments to the Procedure By-law are also being recommended for adoption at this time (Attachment 1):

1. Presentations and Deputations: With the modifications made to the Council and Committee Calendar for 2009, Committee of the Whole and Council meetings do not universally meet on the same day of the week each cycle. By adding the phrase "at least", immediately after the words "being" in subparagraph 3.3(3)(i) of Section 3.3., the deadline for receipt of deputation requests to Committee of the Whole will be clarified to be essentially two weeks prior to the meeting (the Tuesday prior to the meeting which is "at least" 13 days prior to the meeting). A previous amendment to the by-law, (Section 1. (a) of By-law No. 305-2008, adopted by Council on December 8, 2008) incorrectly noted the applicable subparagraph to be 3.3(5)(iii). Accordingly, Section 1(a) of By-law No. 305-2008 should be repealed as well.
2. Preparation of Agenda: Section 1(d) of By-law 305-2008 incorrectly referred to "*Presentations and Deputations*" and the entirety of Section 5.4 when adding the phrase "being at least", immediately after the word "Thursday" where it appeared in that section. The administrative amendment being recommended at this time is to add the phrase "being at least" immediately after the word "Thursday" in only paragraph (1)(a) of Section 5.4, "Preparation of Agenda" of the Procedure By-law. Accordingly, Section 1(d) of By-law No. 305-2008 should be repealed as well.
3. Environment Committee - inserting Environment Committee as "6.5". Renumbering is to accommodate the new committee.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council, particularly “demonstrate leadership and promote effective governance”.

Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

The proposed amendments to the Procedural By-law relate to Council’s approval of establishing the “Economic Development Committee” as a Special Purpose Committee of Council and minor administrative amendment as outlined in this report.

Attachments

Attachment 1: Draft By-law to amend Procedure By-law 400-2002, as amended.

Report prepared by:

Jeffrey A. Abrams, City Clerk

Sybil Fernandes, Deputy City Clerk

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Item 21, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

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**SIGN VARIANCE APPLICATION
FILE NO: SV.09-004
OWNER: CAMALETTO INVESTMENTS LTD
LOCATION: 7077 KEELE STREET
LOT 1, CONCESSION 3
WARD 4**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Sign Variance Committee, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Sign Variance Committee recommends:

That Sign Variance Application SV.09-004, Camaletto Investments Ltd., be APPROVED, subject to no other signs being permitted above the first floor of the building.

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 that a Sign Variance be approved authorizing the installation of two wall signs on the north and south elevations of the mechanical penthouse of a four storey high office building, as shown on the attached drawings.

Background - Analysis and Options

Bylaw Requirements (203-92, as amended):

- 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.

Noting the above, where the property is regulated by a site plan agreement approved by the City, only those wall signs and pylon signs approved under the site plan agreement are deemed to be permitted by the City's Sign By-law.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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.

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Conclusion

The applicant is proposing to install two (2) wall signs on the north and south elevations of the mechanical penthouse of a four storey high office building, as shown on the attached drawings.

Members of the Sign Variance Committee have no objections to the application as submitted, provided that there are no other signs permitted above the first floor of the building.

Committee members are of the opinion that the intent and purpose of the City's Sign By-Law is being maintained.

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 Signs (North and South Elevations)
3. Sign Details

Report prepared by:

John Studdy, Manager of Customer & Administrative Services Ext 8232

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**SIGN VARIANCE APPLICATION
FILE NO: SV.09-006
OWNER: JANE RUTHERFORD CENTRE INC.
LOCATION: 9100 JANE STREET, BUILDING 'L', YCC 1086
WARD 4**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Sign Variance Committee, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Sign Variance Committee recommends:

That Sign Variance Application SV.09-006, Jane Rutherford Centre Inc., be APPROVED, subject to the following conditions:

- i) that the wall signs for the north and south elevations be in accordance with the approved site plan agreement;
- ii) that the wall signs for the east and west elevations be reduced to be contained within the lighter stucco area per the approved site plan agreement; and
- iii) that the telephone number be removed.

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 that a Sign Variance be approved authorizing the installation of wall signs on the east and west elevations of the subject building, as shown on the attached drawings.

Background - Analysis and Options

Bylaw Requirements (203-92, as amended):

- 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.

Noting the above, where the property is regulated by a site plan agreement approved by the City, only those wall signs and pylon signs approved under the site plan agreement are deemed to be permitted by the City's Sign By-law.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

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

Conclusion

The applicant is proposing to install two (2) additional wall signs on the east and west building elevations. The walls for the north and south elevations have been approved by under the site plan process and therefore comply with the Sign By-Law.

Members of the Sign Variance committee generally had no objections to the application subject to the sign areas being reduced to be more reflective of the subject building's mass and not to interfere with the architectural features of the building. Committee members are further of the opinion that the phone number should be removed to reduce the overall clutter and improve the legibility of the sign.

Noting the above, Members of the Sign Committee are recommending the following conditions of approval:

That Sign Variance Application SV.09-006, Jane Rutherford Centre Inc., be APPROVED, subject to the following conditions:

- i) that the wall signs for the north and south elevations be in accordance with the approved site plan agreement;
- ii) that the wall signs for the east and west elevations be reduced to be contained within the lighter stucco area per the approved site plan agreement; and
- iii) that the telephone number be removed.

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

Attachments

- 1. Site Plan
- 2. Building Elevations - North, South, East, West
- 3. Sign Details (Signs for the East and West Elevations)

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Item 23, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

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**CONCORD WEST STREETScape
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FILE 14.63
WARD 4**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT the Terms of Reference (Attachment #1) for the non-statutory Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee, BE APPROVED; and,
2. THAT all future City of Vaughan and Regional Municipality of York capital projects within the boundary of the Keele Street and Regional Road 7 corridor (Attachment #2) be presented to the Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee for input.

Economic Impact

There is no immediate economic impact associated with this report. However, the long range financial implications will include future capital funding requests for streetscape improvements, and the maintenance costs associated with this type of infrastructure, including long term replacement, which is not quantified at this time.

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department will issue a media release, to inform the public of the creation of the Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council direction to proceed with the establishment of the Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee on the basis of the proposed Terms of Reference (Attachment #1), and request that all future City of Vaughan and Regional Municipality of York capital projects within the boundary of the Keele Street and Regional Road 7 corridor (Attachment #2) be presented to the Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee for input.

Background - Analysis and Options

Item 6, Report No. 23, of the Committee of the Whole of April 20, 2009, which was adopted without amendment recommended:

“THAT a Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee be established, and the Commissioner of Planning be directed to prepare a Terms of Reference for this non-statutory streetscape advisory committee and report to the April 20, 2009 Committee of the Whole with a proposed Terms of Reference.”

The above-noted Terms of Reference have been prepared by the Development Planning Department for consideration by the Committee of the Whole on May 12, 2009.

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On January 10, 2003, the President of the Concord West Ratepayers Association made a formal request to the City of Vaughan through the local Ward 4 Councillor, to establish a Streetscape Advisory Committee to improve the appearance, upkeep and maintenance of the Keele Street and Regional Road 7 area (Attachment #3).

In response to the request from the Concord West Ratepayers Association, the Development Planning Department conducted an analysis on the feasibility of establishing a streetscape committee for the Concord West Community. Following a presentation to the local Ward 4 Councillor, it was determined that the forming of a streetscape committee would be premature due to the Keele Street and Regional Road 7 area having been previously identified for possible extensive road improvements by the Region of York.

It was determined at the time that the creation of a streetscape committee should be delayed until the Region of York has completed a formal EA (Environmental Assessment) for improvements to the Keele Street and Regional Road 7 intersection and surrounding area. York Region is currently undertaking the EA for the Keele Street and Regional Road 7 area with a Construction Program on the intersection improvements estimated for 2014. However, the Region's Construction Program is reviewed yearly and may be adjusted accordingly.

On November 6, 2008, the President of the Concord West Ratepayers Association contacted Regional Councillor Mario F. Ferri through an e-mail (Attachment #4), requesting his assistance in championing the establishment of a Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee, given his experience with the establishment of the Maple Streetscape Committee, and the fact that he currently sits on both Vaughan's and Region of York's Council.

The Concord West Ratepayers Association has requested that the City establish a Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee at this time, as opposed to delaying it until the Region has completed the EA, thereby providing a forum for the community to provide their organized and collaborative comments and input to the Region of York and City of Vaughan on streetscape beatification improvements and related funding initiatives.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly "Plan & Manage Growth & Economic Vitality".

Regional Implications

The Regional Road 7 and Keele Street corridor area is under the jurisdiction of the Regional Municipality of York. The inclusion of a Regional Councillor in the membership of the committee will ensure any issues concerning the Region of York's interest with respect to streetscape improvements and funding can be effectively communicated to the Region.

Conclusion

The establishment of a Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee populated by representatives of the City of Vaughan, Region of York and local residents will provide a forum for community input on matters related to streetscape improvement projects in the public realm.

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Attachments

1. Terms of Reference – Concord West Streetscape Community Advisory Committee, May 2009
2. Location Map
3. President of Concord West Ratepayers Association's formal request to the then Ward 4 Councillor, Mario G. Racco
4. President of Concord West Ratepayers Association November 6, 2008 E-mail to Regional Councillor Mario F. Ferri.

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**24 PUBLIC MEETING NOTIFICATION FOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS
(MINIMUM NOTIFICATION AREA FOR APPLICATIONS AND
TEMPORARY SALES OFFICE REQUIREMENTS)
CITY OF VAUGHAN
FILE 12.29
WARDS 1 - 5**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT Public Meeting Notification for Planning Applications Report for File 12.29 (City of Vaughan) BE APPROVED, to:
 - a) amend OPA #248 as amended by OPA #478, specifically to increase the minimum public notification area for planning applications requiring a public meeting from 120 m to 150 m; and,
 - b) to amend Zoning By-law 1-88, specifically to permit a temporary sales office for the sale of or the taking of reservations for the purchase of residential units in a residential apartment condominium building, only when the zoning is in place, by adding the following wording to the end of Section 3.25 "TEMPORARY SALES OFFICE" in Zoning By-law 1-88:

"In addition to the above, Temporary Sales Offices shall not be permitted in any freestanding or multi-unit building or structure, which is intended for the purpose of selling or the taking of reservations for the purchase of residential units in a residential apartment condominium building, unless the Zoning for the development, within which the units to be sold are located, is in full force and effect."
2. THAT the implementing amendments to the Official Plan and Zoning By-law proceed to the May 26, 2009 Council meeting for adoption and enactment, respectively.

Economic Impact

The economic impact regarding the proposed amendment to the Official Plan to increase the public notification for planning applications requiring a public meeting from 120 m to 150 m was outlined in a Development Planning Reports to the Committee of the Whole (Working Session) dated May 13, 2008 and January 12, 2009. The economic impact associated with the 30 m increased notification area over and above what is prescribed in the *Planning Act* will require additional notices, paper, postage, staff time and resources to administer the increased notification area. The exact dollar amount cannot be determined as it will vary depending on the number of applications and the location of the properties with respect to the number of surrounding land owners.

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Communications Plan

On March 6, 2009, a Notice of a Public Meeting was advertised in the Vaughan Today, which satisfies the public notification requirements of the *Planning Act*. An additional notice was placed in the Vaughan Citizen on March 12, 2009. There were no concerns expressed by the public at the Public Meeting on March 31, 2009, and as of April 23, 2009, the Development Planning Department has received no written comments. One phone call with respect to the proposed amendments was received, which is summarized as follows:

- no objections in principle to the proposed amendments, however, a concern was raised respecting the location of a temporary sales office in an existing building/unit within a Zone category that would permit a business and professional office use (i.e. a real estate office) and how this would be controlled/enforced.

This is discussed further in this staff report.

The recommendation of the Committee of the Whole to receive the public meeting report of March 31, 2009, and to forward a technical report to a future Committee of the Whole Meeting was ratified by Council on April 14, 2009.

Purpose

On February 3, 2009, Vaughan Council adopted the following recommendation (in part) of the Commissioner of Planning with respect to proposed changes to the public meeting notification for planning applications and policy studies:

“1. THAT a Public Meeting be held to:

- i) amend the public notification procedures outlined in OPA #478, specifically to increase the minimum public notification area for planning applications requiring a public meeting from 120 m to 150 m; and,
- ii) amend Zoning By-law 1-88, specifically to permit a temporary sales office for the sale of or the taking of reservations for the purchase of residential units in a residential apartment condominium building only when the Zoning is in place, whereas By-law 1-88 currently permits a temporary sales office when the Official Plan is in effect.”

This report provides the technical analysis to address the above matters.

Background - Analysis and Options

On May 13, 2008, the Committee of the Whole (Working Session) considered a report from the Commissioner of Planning regarding several issues respecting the public meeting notification for planning applications and policy studies, in response to Council's desire to further engage the residents in the land use planning process. The report analyzed the existing notification policies and procedures currently utilized within the City of Vaughan, examined the notification policies and procedures of other municipalities, and established options and recommendations to improve the notification process for planning applications and policy studies requiring a public meeting.

On January 12, 2009, the Committee of the Whole (Working Session) considered a supplementary report from the Commissioner of Planning in response to the initial discussions and input received at the May 13, 2008 Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting. The recommendations of the Commissioner of Planning in the report dated January 12, 2009, were ratified by Council on February 3, 2009, and specifically included two recommendations with

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respect to scheduling a Public Meeting to consider the proposed changes to the minimum public notification area for planning applications requiring a public meeting, and an amendment to Zoning By-law 1-88 regarding the timing of when a temporary sales office for a residential condominium building may be erected.

A Public Meeting was held on March 31, 2009, to consider the amendments to Official Plan Amendment #248 as amended by OPA #478 and Zoning By-law 1-88. There was no one in attendance at the Public Meeting and one phone call was received in general support as identified earlier.

Planning Considerations

i) Increased Notification from 120 m to 150m

The intent of increasing the minimum notification area for all planning applications and policy studies requiring a public meeting from 120 m, as prescribed by the *Ontario Planning Act*, to 150m is to allow the City to provide an increased opportunity for public participation in the planning process. This Amendment is being proposed in conjunction with additional changes recommended and approved by Council including signage improvements, website enhancements and the hand delivery of notices in new communities, which intend to further engage public participation in planning applications and policy studies. An amendment to OPA #248 as amended by OPA #478 is required to increase the minimum notification area from 120 m to 150m.

ii) Temporary Sales Office

Section 3.25, Temporary Sales Office, of Zoning By-law 1-88 currently permits temporary sales offices for the sale of residential units in all zones only when the official plan is in full force and effect, as follows:

“Temporary offices for the sale of residential units may be permitted in all zones but only on the lands subject to the development or in the immediate vicinity provided it shall not be located further away from the lands to be developed than 100 metres, and subject to an agreement with the City as to location, servicing and duration, provided a temporary office shall not be permitted unless the Official Plan permits the development within which the units to be sold are located.

Notwithstanding the above, Temporary Sales Offices shall not be permitted within the ORM Oak Ridges Moraine, or the OS5 Open Space Environmental Protection Zones.”

The proposed amendment to Zoning By-law 1-88 is to specifically permit a temporary sales office for the sale of or the taking of reservations for the purchase of residential units in residential apartment condominium buildings only when the zoning is in place. The purpose of this amendment is to ensure that the appropriate zoning is in place for a proposed residential condominium building, prior to the advertising or sales of a new development, and to provide greater certainty with respect to the development status of the project for the public when considering potential purchases in the development.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the following paragraph be added to Section 3.25, Temporary Sales Office:

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“In addition to the above, Temporary Sales Offices shall not be permitted in any freestanding or multi-unit building or structure, which is intended for the purpose of selling or the taking of reservations for the purchase of residential units in a residential apartment condominium building, unless the Zoning for the development, within which the units to be sold are located, is in full force and effect.”

A recommendation has been included in this respect.

With respect to the concern that was raised earlier by the public, the proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law would prevent a Temporary Sales Office for the sale of residential units within a residential condominium in either a freestanding or in a unit within a multi-unit building or structure.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly “Plan & Manage Growth & Economic Vitality”.

Regional Implications

The Region of York Planning Department has confirmed that the proposed amendment to the Official Plan is of local significance, and is exempt from Regional approval.

Conclusion

The above-noted changes to OPA #248, as amended by OPA #478, and Zoning By-law 1-88 will improve the City's ability to further involve and engage the public in the land use planning process. The increased public notification area from 120 m to 150 m will improve the availability and access to information for the general public. The proposed zoning amendment to restrict temporary sales offices for residential condominium buildings prior to the implementing zoning being in place will provide more certainty for the public with respect to the status of proposed residential condominium buildings within the City. The Development Planning Department recommends approval of the above-noted amendments to Official Plan Amendment #248 as amended by #478 and Zoning By-law 1-88, to improve the public notification process, as directed by Council on February 3, 2009. Should the Committee concur, the implementing amendments to the Official Plan and Zoning By-law will proceed to the May 26, 2009 Council meeting for adoption and enactment, respectively.

Attachments

N/A

Report prepared by:

Ryan Mino, Planner, ext. 8213
Mauro Peverini, Manager of Development Planning, ext. 8407

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**DRAFT PLAN OF CONDOMINIUM FILE 19CDM-08V11
ALTERRA CUSTOM BUILDERS INC.
WARD 4**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT Draft Plan of Condominium File 19CDM-08V11 (Alterra Custom Builders Inc.) BE APPROVED, subject to the conditions of approval set out in Attachment #1.

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 2 of an overall two phase development. Phase 2 is comprised of an 8-storey, 180 unit, residential condominium building with a total of 230 parking spaces (198 residential and 32 visitor parking spaces) as shown on Attachment #4.

Background - Analysis and Options

Phase 1 of the development is comprised of an 8-storey, 182 unit, residential condominium building with 272 parking spaces and was the subject of Condominium File 19CDM-07V03, which was approved by Council on September 11, 2007.

Location

The subject lands shown on Attachment #2 are located at the northeast corner of Maison Parc Court and Dufferin Street, known municipally as 8 Maison Parc Court, in Part of Lot 1, Concession 2, City of Vaughan. The surrounding land uses are shown on Attachment #2.

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 further amended by OPA #678, and zoned RA3 Apartment Residential Zone by By-law 1-88, subject to site-specific Exception 9(1216). The draft plan of condominium conforms to the Official Plan and complies with the requirements of the site-specific Zoning By-law.

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Site Development

The 14,806m² site consisting of two phases of development has frontage on Maison Parc Court and flankage along Dufferin Street. The site is serviced by a full-movement access on Maison Parc Court. The irregular-shaped building for the subject Phase 2 is located in the westerly portion of the property (Attachment #4) and will be connected to Phase 1 of the development (located directly to the southeast) through a single storey common entrance foyer.

The draft plan of condominium for Phase 2 is comprised of 180 residential units within an 8-storey building, which has completed construction. A total of 198 residential and 32 visitor parking spaces have been provided for Phase 2. Landscaping has been provided for around the perimeter of the site. Snow removal, garbage and recycling pick-up will be privately administered and the responsibility of the Condominium Corporation.

Application Review

The Draft Plan of Condominium is in accordance with the approved Site Plan (File DA.03.076), as shown on Attachment #3. 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.

A 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 operation.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly “Plan & Manage Growth & Economic Vitality”.

Regional Implications

The subject lands abut Dufferin Street, which is a Regional Road. All Regional conditions relating to the approved Site Plan (File DA.03.076) must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of the Region of York, prior to the registration of the final condominium plan.

Conclusion

The Development Planning Department has reviewed the proposed application for the 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 has no objections to the approval of the draft plan of condominium, subject to the conditions in Attachment #1.

Attachments

1. Conditions of Approval
2. Location Map
3. Approved Site Plan
4. Draft Plan of Condominium – Level 1 at Grade (Phase 2)

Report prepared by:

Arminé Hasskourians, Planner, ext. 8368
Mauro Peverini, Manager of Development Planning, ext. 8407

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**SITE DEVELOPMENT FILE DA.09.015
ELDERSTON MANOR ESTATES INC.
WARD 1**

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated May 12, 2009, be approved; and
- 2) That the coloured elevation drawing submitted by the applicant, be received.

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT Site Development File DA.09.015 (Elderston Manor Estates Inc.) BE APPROVED, subject to the following conditions:
 - a) that prior to the execution of the Letter of Undertaking:
 - i) the final site plan, building elevations and landscaping plan shall be approved by the Vaughan Development Planning Department; and,
 - ii) the final site grading, servicing, and storm water management plans shall be approved by the Vaughan Engineering Department.

Economic Impact

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

Communications Plan

N/A

Purpose

To permit the development of the subject lands shown on Attachment #1 with 32 two-storey townhouse dwelling units within 6 townhouse blocks (Blocks 24 - 29 inclusive on Plan 65M-4101), as shown on Attachment #2.

Background - Analysis and Options

Location

The property is located south of Teston Road and west of Cityview Boulevard, specifically on Keystar Court, in Part of Lot 25, Concession 5, City of Vaughan. The surrounding land uses are shown on Attachment #1.

Official Plan and Zoning

The subject lands are designated "Low Density Residential" by OPA #600. The proposed residential street townhouse development conforms to the Official Plan.

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The property is currently zoned RT1 Residential Townhouse Zone by By-law 1-88, subject to Exception 9(1222). The proposed residential street townhouse development complies with By-law 1-88.

Site History

On June 28, 2004, Council approved Draft Plan of Subdivision File 19T-00V07 (Keystar Developments Inc.) to permit the development of 162 residential units consisting of 69 single detached dwelling units, 42 semi-detached dwelling units and 51 street townhouse units. The Plan of Subdivision was subsequently registered as Plans 65M-3903, 65M-4101 and 65M-4111 (Keystar Developments Inc.).

Site Plan Review

The Vaughan Development Planning Department is generally satisfied with the proposed site plan, landscaping plan and building elevations as shown on Attachments #2 to #5 inclusive, and will continue to work with the applicant to finalize the details. A typical site plan layout, building elevations and landscape plan is provided for Block 24 as shown on Attachments #3, #4, and #5 respectively.

Servicing

The applicant has submitted site servicing, grading and storm water management plans for review and approval by the Vaughan Engineering Department. The final plans must be to their satisfaction.

Sustainability

The applicant has advised the City that the following sustainable features will be provided within the building design:

- i) high efficiency appliances, furnace and hot water tank; and,
- ii) fully sodded front and rear yards.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities set forth in Vaughan Vision 2020, particularly "Plan & Manage Growth & Economic Vitality".

Regional Implications

The subject lands are located internal to the subdivision, and therefore, there are no Regional implications.

Conclusion

Site Development File DA.09.015 has been reviewed by the Development Planning Department in accordance with the applicable policies of OPA #600, By-law 1-88, the comments from City Departments, and the area context. The Development Planning Department is generally satisfied that the proposed development for 32 street townhouse dwelling units is appropriate and compatible with the existing and permitted uses in the surrounding area, and the lotting in the approved Plan of Subdivision. Accordingly, the Development Planning Department can support the approval of the Site Development Application.

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Attachments

1. Location Map
2. Overall Site Plan
3. Site Plan - Block 24
4. Elevations - Block 24
5. Landscape Plan - Block 24

Report prepared by:

Morgan Jones, Planner 1, ext. 8216
Mauro Peverini, Manager of Development Planning, ext. 8407

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**27 ALL-WAY STOP AT LA ROCCA AVE. AND VELLORE AVE.
& LA ROCCA AVE. AND INTERMEZZO DRIVE**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Di Vona, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

Councillor Bernie DiVona recommends:

1. That Traffic Engineering staff review the feasibility of installing an all-way stop at the intersection of La Rocca Avenue and Vellore Avenue and La Rocca Avenue and Intermezzo Drive as a result of the petition received.
2. That the recommendation be brought forward to a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

Economic Impact

None

Communications Plan

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

Purpose

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

Background - Analysis and Options

The residents of the area have concerns with respect to this intersection being dangerous and are requesting that Council approve an all-way stop sign.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness – To advocate for, protect and enhance community safety, health and wellness through education, design and enforcement.

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

In response to concerns by area residents, as expressed in the attached petition, it is recommended that staff review the feasibility of installing an all-way stop at the intersection of La Rocca Avenue and Vellore Avenue and La Rocca Avenue and Intermezzo Drive.

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Attachments

1. Petition
2. Location Map

Report prepared by:

Councillor Bernie DiVona

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST
SPINA BIFIDA AND HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

- 1) That June 2009 be proclaimed as “Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Awareness Month”; and
- 2) That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City’s website under “Events – Proclamations”. Publishing proclamations on the City Page depends on space availability.

Purpose

To respond to the request received from the Executive Director of the Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario.

Background - Analysis and Options

The correspondence received from the Executive Director of the Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario, dated May 1, 2009, is attached. (Attachment #1)

The proclamation request meets the City’s Proclamation Policy, as follows:

“That upon request, the City of Vaughan issue Proclamations for events, campaigns or other similar matters:

- (i) which are promoted by any organization that is a registered charity pursuant to Section 248 of the Income Tax Act”

For over 35 years, the Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario has made a positive difference in the lives of individuals affected by Spina Bifida and/or Hydrocephalus. Their programs and services respond to the unique needs and many challenges brought on by these serious and disabling conditions. This proclamation request will assist Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario raise awareness of these life long, complex conditions.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Staff is recommending that June 2009 be proclaimed as “Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Awareness Month”, and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page, space permitting.

Attachments

Attachment #1 - Correspondence from The Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus Association of Ontario, dated May 1, 2009

Report prepared by:

Connie Bonsignore, Administrative Assistant to the City Clerk

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29 **COMPLIANCE AUDIT – LINDA D. JACKSON**
ACCOUNT OF MUNICIPAL EXPENSES

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services and City Solicitor, dated May 12, 2009, be approved; and
- 2) That the following deputations and written submission be received:
 - a) Mr. Richard Lorello, 235 Treelawn Blvd., P.O. Box 927, Kleinburg, L0J 1C0;
 - b) Reverend Jim Keenan, New Hope United Church, 9225 Jane Street, Suite 1416, Maple, L6A 0J7, and written submission;
 - c) Ms. Carrie Liddy, 36 Humberview Drive, Woodbridge, L4H 1B1;
 - d) Mr. Savino Quatela, 134 Grand Valley Blvd., Maple, L6A 3K6; and
 - e) Mr. Paul De Buono, Vaughan Watch Inc., 14-3650 Langstaff Road, Suite 391, Vaughan, L4L 9A8.

Further, the Committee of the Whole recommends:

That staff provide a comprehensive report on all legal costs by category from the beginning of this term of Council to present, including how such costs originated plus anticipated cost of unsettled cases based on best estimates.

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services and City Solicitor recommends that this item be received for information.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact as a result of this report.

Communications Plan

N/A

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to respond to the direction of the Committee of the Whole of April 20, 2009, approved by Council on May 5, 2009.

Background - Analysis and Options

On May 5, Council resolved as follows:

- l) THAT staff be directed to provide to the Committee of the Whole at its next meeting a summary of all costs incurred by the Corporation of the City of Vaughan commencing with the order by the court of a compliance audit of the 2006 campaign of Linda D. Jackson; and

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- II) THAT said summary identify all applicants and respondents in each step including and proceeding from the original request, and any decision taken or made, and by whom, in each instance of the process.

Applications for Compliance Audits are public documents and are dealt with at public meetings, and accordingly applicant(s) names appear in public reports to Council.

All costs noted below are based on invoices received as of **March 31, 2009**.

Compliance Audit-Linda D. Jackson

Application for Audit for Financial Statement and Auditor's Report covering April 6, 2006 - December 31, 2006.

Applicants: Quintino Mastrogiuseppe and Gino Ruffolo

Council decision May 22, 2007 deferring decision until final statements filed.

Appeal of Council Decision of May 22, 2007

Appellants: Quintino Mastrogiuseppe and Gino Ruffolo

Respondents: The Corporation of the City of Vaughan

Intervener: Mayor Linda Jackson

Judgment of Justice L. Favret granting appeal and ordering audit, February 19, 2008, with costs award to the Appellants.

Cunningham, Gillespie-costs of Appeal of Council Decision	\$ 50,000.00
Weir, Foulds - legal fees for Appeal of Council Decision	\$55,456.84

Application for Audit for Financial Statement and Auditor's Report filed February 29, 2008.

Applicants: Quintino Mastrogiuseppe and Gino Ruffolo

Council decision March 31, 2008 to order audit and combine with earlier audit.

Application to quash confirming bylaws appointing auditor and independent prosecutor

Applicant: Linda D. Jackson

Respondents: The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, LECG Canada Ltd.,
Ken Froese and Timothy Wilkin

Judgment of Justice Lauwers dismissing application, March 11, 2009 with costs awarded to the Respondents. No decision regarding the amount of costs has been given by the Court as of the date of this report.

Weir, Foulds - legal fees for application, (City and Timothy Wilkin) Argued October 2, 2008, and January 12, 2009.	\$ 134,862.31
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Reuter Scargall Bennett (solicitors for LECG Canada Ltd and Ken Froese)-legal fees for application	\$ 52,977.69
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Appeal of Judgment of Justice Lauwers filed April 14, 2009

Appellant: Linda D. Jackson

Respondents: The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, LECG Canada Ltd,
Ken Froese and Timothy Wilkin

No date for the hearing of the appeal has been set as of the date of this report.

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Cunningham, Swan, Carty, Little & Bonham (Timothy Wilkin)
Legal fees for legal advice regarding Compliance Audit and
Work carried out pursuant to Council direction of June 24, 2008. \$ 51,189.30

LECG Canada and
Glen Davison - costs to conduct compliance audit as of March 31, 2009 \$ 102,084.78

Total \$ 446,570.92

Compliance Audit-Joyce Frustaglio

Application for Audit for Financial Statements and Auditors Reports filed April 2, 2007, September 4, 2007, and February 26, 2008.

Applicants: Raymond Plouffe and Carlo DeFrancesca
Council decision May 20, 2008 to order audit.

Cunningham Swan, Carty, Little & Bonham
legal advice regarding the Application for Audit: \$ 4,220.27

LECG Canada Ltd
and Glen Davison-costs to conduct compliance audit: \$ 48,196.71

Total \$ 52,416.98

Compliance Audit-Michael DiBiase

Application for Audit for Financial Statements and Auditors Reports filed April 2, 2007, September 4, 2007, and February 29, 2008.

Applicant: Raymond Plouffe
Council decision April 23, 2008 to order audit.

Cunningham, Swan, Carty, Little & Bonham
legal advice regarding the Application for Audit: \$ 9,039.14

LECG Canada Ltd
and Glen Davison-costs to conduct compliance audit as of March 31, 2009 \$ 96,345.91

Total \$ 105,385.05

Compliance Audit-Bernie DiVona

Application for Audit for the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report filed March 27, 2007.

Applicants: Carlo DeFrancesca, Richard Lorello, Robert Zuccarini, and Paul De Buono
Council Decision June 25, 2007 refusing application for audit.

Appeal of Council's Decision
Appellants: Carlo DeFrancesca, Richard Lorello, Robert Zuccarini
Respondents: City of Vaughan
Intervener: Bernie DiVona

Judgment of Justice H.I. Chisvin granting appeal and ordering audit, October 7, 2008, no costs award.

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Weir, Foulds - legal fees for appeal	\$ 90,991.73
LECG Canada and Glen Davison-costs to conduct compliance audit as of March 31, 2009	<u>\$ 48,568.81</u>
Total	\$ 139,560.54

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

This report is provided pursuant to Council direction. Municipalities are required to deal with applications for compliance audits pursuant to the *Municipal Elections Act*. If ordered, municipalities are required to retain and pay auditors to perform those audits. The total invoiced cost as of March 31, 2009 for the four audits is \$743,933.49.

Attachments

None

Report prepared by:

Heather Wilson
Director of Legal Services

Mayor Jackson declared an interest with respect to the foregoing matter as the matter deals with her election campaign audit, and did not take part in the discussion or vote on this matter.

Councillor Bernie Di Vona declared an interest with respect to the foregoing matter as he has been the subject of an audit which has similar implications, and did not take part in the discussion or vote on this matter.

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**CULTURAL SPACES CANADA GRANT APPLICATION
FOR PROPOSED PIERRE BERTON DISCOVERY CENTRE**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Meffe, dated May 12, 2009:

Recommendation

Councillor Peter Meffe, in consultation with the Chair of the Preservation of the Berton Artifacts and Memorabilia Steering Committee, the Commissioner of Community Services and the Director of Recreation and Culture, recommends:

1. That a Cultural Spaces Canada grant be applied for the maximum allowable funding under the terms and conditions of the grant program for the Pierre Berton Discovery Centre project to meet the May 27, 2009 application review date.

Economic Impact

There are capital and operating costs associated with the Pierre Berton Discovery Centre project. Council approved 1.5 million dollars towards the capital construction costs for the Centre in 2006. There are no additional immediate financial implications associated with the submission of a grant application.

Communications Plan

No communication plan at this time with regard to the purpose of this report.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to receive Council approval to submit a grant application for the Pierre Berton Discovery Centre project under the Cultural Spaces Canada grant program in order to meet a May 27, 2009 application review date.

Background - Analysis and Options

The Pierre Berton Discovery Centre project was initiated in January 2006 when Council approved the appointment of the Steering Committee to examine the opportunities for preserving artifacts from the life of the late Mr. Pierre Berton at a location in Kleinburg. The Preservation of the Berton Artifacts and Memorabilia Steering Committee was given goals and objectives that include determining an appropriate location, facility, operational & governance model and funding sources of a future Centre.

In June 2006, Council approved securing 1.5 million dollars towards the capital construction of any future Centre. Additionally, in September 2006, Council allocated funds to undertake a study of the various sites and options for the proposed Centre. The study's scope included the development of a master plan, including options for site layout and design of the Centre.

The Steering Committee held a public information meeting on April 24, 2008 at the Kleinburg Public School that was attended by approximately 100 people. At the meeting a video presentation on the project and the proposal to develop a Pierre Berton Discovery Centre was presented that included the vision, programming and possible locations for the Centre.

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As a result of this public meeting, the Steering Committee identified the need for more public consultation on the project and in November 2008 held a number of focus groups and information sessions with residents of the Treelawn area subdivision to listen to their concerns. In October 2008, Council also received a status report with regard to the project.

The final recommendations report on the Discovery Centre is being finalized at this time and is scheduled to be submitted for Council's review and consideration at its June 23, 2009 Committee of the Whole meeting.

The Chair of the Steering Committee would like to apply for a Cultural Spaces Canada grant to meet a May 27, 2009 application review date by the Department of Canadian Heritage. Under this grant program, new grant funding will support up to 50% of eligible construction and equipment costs (previously only 33%) for projects such as the proposed Pierre Berton Discovery Centre. Under the application requirements, Council approval of the grant application must be given in order to proceed.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to Vaughan Vision 2020, the report will provide:

- STRATEGIC GOAL:
Service Excellence - Providing service excellence to citizens.
- STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:
Preserve our heritage and support diversity, arts and culture.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council, however, the necessary resources to undertake the entire scope of this initiative has not been allocated and approved.

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

In order to meet a May 27, 2009 Cultural Spaces Canada grant application review date by the Department of Canadian Heritage, Council is being requested to consider approving the submission of a grant application by the City of Vaughan. The approval is being requested for the grant submission only and a final review and consideration of the project will be submitted to Council at its June 23, 2009 meeting. New federal grant funding (60 million) has been provided to the program that will support up to now 50% of eligible construction and equipment costs (previously only 33%) for projects such as the proposed Pierre Berton Discovery Centre. Council's approval of the grant application must be given in order to proceed with a grant submission from the City.

Attachments

None.

Report Prepared By

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Item 31, Report No. 27, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 26, 2009.

31 ADDENDUM TO COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT - BERNIE DI VONA

The Committee of the Whole recommendation was dealt with and adopted at the Special Council Meeting of May 12, 2009 under Minute No. 94.

Mayor Jackson declared an interest with respect to the foregoing matter as she has been the subject of an audit which has similar implications, and did not take part in the discussion or vote on this matter.

Councillor Bernie Di Vona declared an interest with respect to the foregoing matter as the matter deals with his election campaign audit, and did not take part in the discussion or vote on this matter.

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**CEREMONIAL PRESENTATION – LAUNCH OF THE
ACTIVE TOGETHER” PHYSICAL ACTIVITY STRATEGY**

Mayor Jackson introduced Ms. Julie Anderson, York Region District School Board, Ms. Rena De Donato, Girls on the Run, and Mr. Kevin Black, Vaughan Community Health Centre; and City of Vaughan Recreation and Culture Department staff led a 60-second workout routine to recognize and launch the “Active Together” Physical Activity Strategy.