# **CITY OF VAUGHAN**

### **REPORT NO. 4 OF THE**

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (WORKING SESSION)

For consideration by the Council of the City of Vaughan on January 28, 2014

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) met at 9:37 a.m., on January 21, 2014.

Regional Councillor Deb Schulte, Chair Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor (9:47 a.m.) Regional Councillor Gino Rosati Regional Councillor Michael Di Biase Councillor Tony Carella Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca Councillor Marilyn lafrate

The following items were dealt with:

Present:

### 1 VAUGHAN ANIMAL SERVICES BY-LAW REVIEW & COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and Director of By-law and Compliance, dated January 21, 2014, be approved;
- 2) That Communication C4, presentation material entitled, "Animal Control By-law #53-2002 Proposed Amendments", be received;
- 3) That the following deputations and communications be received:
  - 1. Ms. Laureen D'Alessandro, Woodbridge;
  - 2. Mr. Paul Oliver, Urban Nature Store, East Mall, Toronto and Communication C2, dated January 20, 2014; and
  - 3. Ms. Liz White, Animal Alliance of Canada, Broadview Avenue, Toronto and Communication C3, dated January 21, 2014; and
- 4) That Communication C1 from Mr. Louis McCann, President and CEO, PIJAC Canada, Polytek Street, Ottawa, dated January 20, 2014, be received.

#### **Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and Director of By-law and Compliance recommend:

- 1. That Animal Control By-law 53-2002, as amended, be further amended in accordance with the recommendations contained within this Report, to include:
- a. restrictions to better address aggressive or menacing dog behaviours in order to minimize the potential of a bite or future incident;
- b. restrictions that prohibit dogs from being left unattended or tethered in places that may create a possible risk to humans, themselves or other animals;
- c. restrictions on the feeding of wildlife or use of wildlife attractants in order to prevent the intentional or unintentional luring of animals in residential areas;
- d. restrictions on the sale of dogs and cats in pet stores and retail establishments, unless sourced from a shelter, humane society or rescue organization;
- e. adoption of an improved schedule of prohibited species;
- f. delegation of authority to the City's Hearings Officer to preside over appeal hearings regarding the By-law; and
- 2. That Fees and Charges By-law 396-2002, as amended, be further amended to reflect the introduction of an appeal process fee of \$125.

### 2 ELECTION SIGN BY-LAW REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE STRATEGY

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) That staff be requested to give notice, in accordance with the City's Notice By-law, of consideration of a committee report to incorporate the following election sign modifications to the Sign By-law:
  - 1. That the maximum sign size be 1.49 square meters;
  - 2. That the amount of time prior to the election in which election signs can be erected be 6 weeks;
  - 3. That the time of removal of the signs following the election be 72 hours;
  - 4. That one sign, per candidate, be permitted on each private property;
- 2) That the report of the Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and the Director of By-law & Compliance, dated January 21, 2014, be received;
- 3) That Communication C5, presentation material entitled, *"Election Signs Sign By-law #203-92, as amended",* be received; and
- 4) That the following deputations be received:
  - 1. Mr. David Schenck, Mira Vista Place, Woodbridge;
  - 2. Mr. Styles Q. Weinberg, Pinecone Circle, Concord; and
  - 3. Mr. Ian Fraser, King Vaughan Road, Vaughan.

### **Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Legal & Administrative Services/City Solicitor and the Director of By-law & Compliance recommend:

- 1. That this Report be received for information; and
- 2. That Council direct staff if any changes to the existing election sign regulations are desirable based on the information provided in this Report.

The meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Regional Councillor Deb Schulte, Chair