

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2015

Item 17, Report No. 7, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on February 17, 2015, as follows:

By approving the Terms of Reference for the Pierre Berton Discovery Centre Advisory Task Force, as set out in Communication C12 from the City Clerk, dated February 12, 2015, subject to the following:

1. ***That the name of the Task Force be changed to the Pierre Berton Tribute Task Force; and***
2. ***That the first paragraph of the Mandate / Objectives be amended to read as:***
 1. ***Recommend an exhibit program at the United Church site, in Kleinburg, which may consist of donated artifacts, public art and historical information on the life and contributions of Pierre Berton to Canada and Vaughan.***

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PIERRE BERTON DISCOVERY CENTRE

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the following be approved:
 1. That Council re-establish a future Advisory Task Force this term of Council to look at ways and means to honour Pierre Berton within the existing church property; and
 2. That the current members of the 2010-2014 Task Force be invited to apply for this 2014-2018 term of the Task Force in addition to other members of the community to be invited to apply to the Pierre Berton Advisory Task Force, in order to continue its' work;
- 2) That the following resolution submitted by Regional Councillor Di Biase, dated February 3, 2015, be received; and
- 3) That the deputation of Mr. Scott Somerville, Donhill Crescent, Kleinburg, be received.

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Regional Councillor Michael Di Biase

WHEREAS, "Preserving and honouring the creative and artistic contributions that have enriched our City's social and cultural landscape is an integral part of city building;

WHEREAS, Pierre Berton was a national icon and an active member of the Kleinburg community for 55 years and his life's work continues to provide all Canadians with a greater appreciation of the spirit of our great country;

WHEREAS The Pierre Berton Discovery Centre would bring Canadian history and culture to life as it would house both temporary and permanent interactive exhibits of artifacts and memorabilia relating to Pierre Berton's writings and television shows while highlighting his passion for the richness of Canada's past;

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WHEREAS the centre will be a tourist attraction and will further establish the Kleinburg community as a tourist destination, and create a place where school children and visitors can become acquainted with the contributions of one of Vaughan's most prominent citizens;

WHEREAS, Item 3, PIERRE BERTON DISCOVERY CENTRE FUNDRAISING TASK FORCE FINDINGS REPORT on Report No. 30, of the Committee of the Whole, was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 24, 2014;

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED:

1. That Council re-establishing a future Fundraising Task Force this term of Council to continue the work that the last term Task Force had started in order to maintain the momentum and interest in the project; and,
2. That the current members of the 2010-2014 Task Force be invited to apply for this 2014-2018 term of the Task Force in addition to other members of the community to be invited to apply to the Pierre Berton Discovery Centre Taskforce, in order to continue its' work; and,
3. That City staff continue to identify funding sources/opportunities for the project; and,
4. That the Task Force establish a phased-in approach for the use of the church site as the Phase 1 Discovery Centre and ensure that Phase 1 renovations to the building will accommodate public/community uses to be determined and, will allow for future expansion of the building in a second phase; and,
5. That Council direct staff to add funding to the 2015 Budget for a study and proposed architectural drawings for the renovations and upgrades to the current church building to allow for Phase 1 of the Discovery Centre to proceed and,
6. That the Task Force establish a smaller program at the site utilizing the same vision and mandate of the Discovery Centre, in addition to other public uses for the building; and,
7. That the goal of this smaller program at the site be to advance the interest and support for the centre, until such time that significant funding is available to fully develop the Discovery Centre in Kleinburg; and,
8. That the reserve monies for this project, estimated to be approximately \$654,000, be used to develop the smaller "Discovery Centre" program for the building

Attachments

Item 3, PIERRE BERTON DISCOVERY CENTRE FUNDRAISING TASK FORCE FINDINGS REPORT on Report No. 30, of the Committee of the Whole, was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 24, 2014;

(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)