

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2015

Item 35, Report No. 17, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on April 21, 2015, as follows:

By approving the recommendation in Communication C21 from the Commissioner of Public Works, dated April 21, 2015, as follows:

That the Parks Extended Hours Pilot Project be approved at the following three parks; Tudor District Park, LeParc Park and Concord Thornhill Regional Park from 11:00 pm until 12:00 am on every Thursday, Friday and Sunday of the calendar year.

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MEETING RECREATION FACILITY DEMAND

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following resolution submitted by Councillor Carella, dated April 14, 2015:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Tony Carella.

Whereas, accommodating the needs of community groups looking to use municipal recreational facilities is a perennial issue, given the growth in Vaughan's population and, concurrently, in the demand for such facilities; and

Whereas, answers to this problem range from the expensive---building more such facilities, to the non-responsive---doing nothing while the demand continues to grow; and

Whereas, increasing the operating hours of such facilities may provide a solution that is both efficient and cost-effective;

It is therefore recommended:

That appropriate staff be directed to prepare and recommend for consideration by Council at its meeting of April 21, 2015, a plan for a pilot test to run during the current calendar year, said test respecting the extension of the operating hours of selected outdoor fields identified as suitable by staff, with the intent of determining the impact of the extension of such hours on the demand and operating implications for such facilities.

That staff have regard to the following considerations as they proceed:

1. The proximity of such outdoor facilities to existing or future residential areas.
2. The general age-range of user groups likely to use such facilities, if available at other than current operational hours; and
3. Any permits issued to the community groups using the parks provide for the use to extend to the approved time.