

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 6, 2014

Item 1, Report No. 18, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 6, 2014.

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**PROCLAMATION REQUEST
WORLD LUPUS DAY AND LUPUS AWARENESS MONTH**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated April 29, 2014:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

1. That May 10, 2014 be proclaimed as “World Lupus Day” and October 2014 as “Lupus Awareness Month”; and
2. That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page Online.

Contribution to Sustainability

N/A

Economic Impact

N/A

Communications Plan

The Corporate Communications Department posts proclamations issued by the City on the City’s website under “Council – Proclamations” and on the City Page Online.

Purpose

To respond to the request received from Lupus Foundation of Ontario.

Background - Analysis and Options

The correspondence received from Lupus Foundation of Ontario, dated February 19, 2014 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”

Lupus Foundation of Ontario has been assisting citizens affected by this serious autoimmune disease that can cause severe damage to the tissue and organs in the body, for the past 40 years. The purpose of their request is to raise public awareness, advocacy, educate citizens and raise funds to support much-needed and valued medical research to find a cure for this disease.

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Subsequent to the request from Lupus Foundation of Ontario a similar proclamation request from the president of Lupus Ontario, dated March 11, 2014 was received. (Attachment 2). Lupus Ontario is also a registered charitable organization whose mandate is to improve the lives of people living with lupus.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report supports the strategic priorities established by Vaughan Vision 2020 plan:

Service Excellence

- Promote Community Safety, Health & Wellness

Regional Implications

N/A

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that May 10, 2014 be proclaimed as “World Lupus Day” and October 2014 as “Lupus Awareness Month”; and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page Online.

Attachments

Attachment 1 Correspondence received from Lupus Foundation of Ontario, dated February 19, 2014

Attachment 2 Correspondence received from Lupus Ontario, dated March 11, 2014

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(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.)