

## **CITY OF VAUGHAN**

### **EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 23, 2018**

Item 21, Report No. 18, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 23, 2018.

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#### **21     PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST - FRANCO-ONTARIAN DAY 2018**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 8, 2018:**

##### **Recommendations**

1.     That September 25, 2018 be proclaimed as Franco-Ontarian Day in the City of Vaughan;
2.     That the Franco-Ontarian flag be raised at Vaughan City Hall on September 25, 2018 for the balance of the day; and
3.     That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and the City Page Online.

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

Item:



## Committee of the Whole Report

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**DATE:** Tuesday, May 08, 2018

**WARD(S):** ALL

### **TITLE: PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST FRANCO-ONTARIAN DAY**

**FROM:**

Todd Coles, City Clerk

**ACTION:** DECISION

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### **Purpose**

Staff is recommending that September 25, 2018 be proclaimed as “Franco-Ontarian Day”, that the City raise the Franco-Ontarian flag on September 25, 2018 for the balance of the day, and that the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and the City Page Online.

### **Report Highlights**

- Respond to the proclamation and flag-raising request received from the Coordinator of L’Association des francophones de la region de York Inc. (l’AFRY)
- Proclamation and flag raising event requested for September 25, 2018

### **Recommendations**

1. That September 25, 2018 be proclaimed as Franco-Ontarian Day in the City of Vaughan;
2. That the Franco-Ontarian flag be raised at Vaughan City Hall on September 25, 2018 for the balance of the day; and
3. That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and the City Page Online.

## **Background**

Correspondence was received from the Coordinator of L'Association des francophones de la region de York Inc. (l'AFRY) on March 6, 2018.

This request was previously granted by Council.

## **Previous Reports/Authority**

[Item 2, Report No. 26 of the Committee of the Whole - Proclamation and Flag Raising Request Franco-Ontarian Day](#)

## **Analysis and Options**

The proclamation meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy and Flag Raising/Half Mast Policy, as follows:

"That upon request, the City of Vaughan issue Proclamations for events, campaigns, or other similar matters: If the event, campaign or declaration is directly related to matters over which the City has jurisdictions or the City directly sponsors the event, campaign or other matter"; and

"In recognition of the ethnic diversity of the residents of the municipality the City of Vaughan will fly at the Civic Centre the flag of any nation, country or ethnic group on the national day or on the anniversary of a special occasion, upon a written request to the City Clerk submitted one month in advance by that nation, or ethnic group or its representatives."

The historical celebration of the Franco-Ontarian flag is an important event for Francophones. It is a special way to commemorate the anniversary of the arrival of Etienne Brule, as well as recognize the contributions of Ontario's Francophone community.

## **Financial Impact**

Not applicable.

## **Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations**

L'AFRY focuses a spotlight on the Francophone community in the Regional Municipality of York.

## **Conclusion**

Staff is recommending that September 25, 2018 be proclaimed as Franco-Ontarian Day, that the City of Vaughan raise the Franco-Ontarian flag on September 25, 2018 for

the balance of the day, and that the proclamation by posted on the City Page Online.

**For more information**, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk

**Attachments**

1. Correspondence from the Coordinator of I'AFRY, dated February 23, 2018

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