CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 23, 2018

Item 27, 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.

27 PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST PRIDE WEEK

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

- 1. That the week of June 8 17, 2018 be proclaimed as Pride Week in the City of Vaughan;
- 2. That the Rainbow flag be raised at 12:00 p.m. on June 12, 2018 at City Hall for a period up to and no longer than one week; 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

DATE: Tuesday, May 08, 2018 **WARD(S):** ALL

TITLE: PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST PRIDE WEEK

FROM:

Todd Coles, City Clerk

ACTION: DECISION

<u>Purpose</u>

To seek Council approval to proclaim June 8 – 17, 2018 as "Pride Week" in the City of Vaughan, raise the Rainbow flag at City Hall on June 12, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. for a period up to and no longer than one week in accordance with the Flag Raising/Half Masting Policy, and to post the proclamation on the City's website and on City Page Online.

Report Highlights

- Respond to the request received from York Pride Fest.
- Proclamation and flag raising event requested during the week of June 8 17, 2018.

Recommendations

- 1. That the week of June 8 17, 2018 be proclaimed as Pride Week in the City of Vaughan;
- 2. That the Rainbow flag be raised at 12:00 p.m. on June 12, 2018 at City Hall for a period up to and no longer than one week; and
- 3. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and the City Page Online.

Background

Correspondence was received from York Pride Fest on May 2, 2018 in the Office of the City Clerk making the request.

This request has been previously granted by Council.

Previous Reports/Authority

<u>Item 5, Report No. 21 of the Committee of the Whole - Proclamation and Flag Raising Request Pride Week</u>

Analysis and Options

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

"That upon request, the City of Vaughan issues 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 if the City directly sponsors the event, campaign or other matter."

York Pride Fest is a registered not-for-profit, community-based organization. The organization's mission is to illuminate and celebrate human diversity and inspire inclusivity. They are committed to promoting a safe, inclusive and discrimination-free region for all citizens.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact with respect to this report.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

York Pride Fest is active across the Regional Municipality of York.

Conclusion

Staff Is recommending that June 8-17, 2018 be proclaimed as Pride Week in the City of Vaughan, that the Rainbow flag be raised on June 12, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. for a period up to and no longer than one week in accordance with the Flag Raising/Half Masting Policy, and that the proclamation be posted on the City's website and on City Page Online.

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

Attachment

1. Correspondence from York Pride Fest, dated April 30, 2018

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