

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2016

Item 29, Report No. 21, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 17, 2016.

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**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 3, 2016:

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

1. That June 11 – 19, 2016 be proclaimed as “Pride Week”;
2. That the Pride flag be raised at Vaughan City Hall on June 13, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. for a period no longer than one week in accordance with the Flag Raising/Half Masting Policy; and
3. That the proclamation be posted on the City’s website and published on the City Page online.

Contribution to Sustainability

None.

Economic Impact

None.

Communications Plan

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

Purpose

To respond to the request received from the President and Vice President of PFLAG Canada - York Region.

Background - Analysis and Options

Correspondence was received from the President and Vice President of PFLAG Canada - York Region on April 14, 2016.

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”.

PFLAG Canada - York Region is a volunteer-led charitable organization that provides support, resources and education for the Region of York’s LGTBQ community. The York Pride Fest Committee is also requesting that the Pride flag is raised in celebration of Pride Week. City of Vaughan Council has granted this request in past years.

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Relationship to Term of Council Service Excellence Strategy Map (2014-2018)

This report supports the Term of Council priorities, as outlined in the Service Excellence Strategy Map:

- Continue to ensure the safety and well-being of citizens

Regional Implications

None.

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that June 11 – 19, 2016 be proclaimed as “Pride Week”, that the Pride flag be raised on June 13, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. for a period 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 the City Page Online.

Attachment

1. Correspondence from President and Vice President of PFLAG Canada – York Region

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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.)