

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

Item 1, Report No. 33, of the Committee of the Whole (Closed Session), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 26, 2017, and the confidential resolution and recommendations made public.

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CIVIC HERO AWARD – WARD 3

The Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following resolution of Councillor DeFrancesca, dated September 20, 2017:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor DeFrancesca:

Whereas, City of Vaughan Council established the Civic Hero Award as a way to honour residents who have taken extraordinary action to create a better community and who act as inspirations for civic engagement; and

Whereas, the Civic Hero Award has been established such that each Ward Councillor has the authority to nominate one resident in their respective ward per year; and

Whereas, Council by its adoption of Item 35, Report No. 31, of the Committee of the Whole at its meeting of September 15, 2016 authorized:

- That the request to rename Velmar Downs Park to Jordana Fiorini Rainbow Park be approved;
- That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Fiorini family to guide the design, construction, operations and maintenance of proposed park and playground redevelopment works in a form acceptable to the Deputy City Manager of Planning and Growth Management and the Deputy City Manager of development, construction and operations; and
- That the Fiorini family be authorized to host an unveiling of the proposed park and playground development project at a special ceremony to be held at the park date yet to be determined; and

Whereas, the Fiorini family, long-time residents of Ward 3 Woodbridge/Vellore in the City of Vaughan, are to be commended for their dedication and determination, who started an initiative dubbed “Jordana’s Rainbows” to raise awareness about Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG), the childhood disease that took their daughter Jordana at the tender age of 10; who created the Jordana’s Rainbow foundation and are active UHN Supporters and support DIPG research at The Hospital for Sick Children, but most particularly have taken the tragedy and decided to turn it around into a celebration in honour of Jordana, and have personally and generously contributed to the revitalization of the Jordana Fiorini Rainbow Park, a beautiful tribute to her and to be enjoyed by the entire community for years to come;

It is therefore recommended:

- 1. That Luciano, Alison, Lucas and Laurence Fiorini be named the 2017 Civic Heroes for Ward 3/Woodbridge East; and**
- 2. That the award be presented at a future Committee of the Whole, Committee of the Whole (Public Hearing), or Council meeting, at a date to be arranged by appropriate staff in consultation with the honourees.**