

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

Item 44, Report No. 33, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 25, 2012.

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OPEN TO YOU(TH): A PROPOSED PILOT PROJECT

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following resolution submitted by Councillor Shefman and Councillor Carella, dated September 4, 2012:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Alan Shefman and Councillor Tony Carella

Whereas, a variety of concerns have been expressed by Vaughan residents regarding young people "hanging out" in parks in the evening, especially during the summer months, and

Whereas, the City is committed through *Active Together*, its recreational master plan, to provide a range of recreational opportunities for young people, and

Whereas, studies have shown that young people---generally between the ages of 15 to 25, are looking for opportunities to organize and take part in informal recreational activities of their own choosing, such as pick-up basketball, ball hockey, etc., and

Whereas, there are limited opportunities and fewer places for young people to engage in such activities on late summer evenings in the City of Vaughan, and

Whereas, as a result of recent incidents in the GTA, it is recognized that youth engagement is an important component in assisting young people in finding a productive lifestyle,

Therefore, be it resolved:

That staff undertake a pilot project to address this issue, making use of appropriate space at the Dufferin Clark Community Centre, during the 2013 calendar year, between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and midnight.

That the cost for this pilot project be added as an ARR to be considered during the 2013 budget deliberations, and

That a detailed evaluation and assessment mechanism be included in the implementation plan, and

That staff report back to Council on the outcome of the pilot project at such a time as to permit consideration of the outcome of the project and, if appropriate, its extension to other centres during the 2014 calendar year, should such extension be approved as part of the 2014 budgetary process.