

## **CITY OF VAUGHAN**

### **EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 30, 2012**

Item 27, Report No. 39, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on October 30, 2012.

#### **27 ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REQUEST WITH RESPECT TO INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES EVENT**

**The Committee of the Whole recommends:**

- 1) That the Accessibility Advisory Committee recommendation from its meeting of September 24, 2012, be approved; and**
- 2) That the report of City Clerk, dated October 16, 2012, be received.**

#### **Recommendation**

The City Clerk, on behalf of the Accessibility Advisory Committee, forwards the following recommendations from its meeting of September 24, 2012:

- 1) That Council direct staff to organize an event to commemorate "International Day of Persons with Disabilities" (IDPD) in Vaughan on or about December 3, 2012, in partnership with the AAC;
- 2) That The Honourable David C. Onley, O.Ont., Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, be invited to be the keynote speaker at the event and be given a tour of City Hall, highlighting its accessibility features;
- 3) That official invitations be sent to other levels of government and appropriate private, public organizations and the community;
- 4) That City staff, including but not limited to, Corporate Communications, Community Services, Economic Development, Enforcement Services and the City Clerk's Office, be directed to assist in planning and organizing the event; and
- 5) That the necessary funding for the event be authorized from the approved 2012 VAAC operating budget.

#### **Contribution to Sustainability**

The Accessibility Advisory Committee provides advice to Council to support the City's work in identifying and removing barriers to lay the foundation for a barrier-free, inclusive community.

#### **Economic Impact**

Any costs associated with the promotion and delivery of this event will have to be covered by the 2012 Accessibility Advisory Committee's approved operating budget.

#### **Communications Plan**

The City of Vaughan, in partnership with the Accessibility Advisory Committee will communicate the City of Vaughan's International Day of Persons with Disabilities celebration through the City's website.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to bring forward for Council's consideration the above request made by the Accessibility Advisory Committee at its meeting of September 24, 2012.

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#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

At its meeting of September 24, 2012, the Accessibility Advisory Committee considered an event to commemorate International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD), and recommended that Council direct staff to organize and plan such event including sending official invitations.

On September 25, 2012, Council considered and approved the following recommendation contained in a Member's Resolution submitted by Councillor Racco (refer to Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2012 – Attachment 1):

1. The City Clerk be requested to issue an invitation to the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, the Honourable David C. Onley, O.Ont., to attend the City of Vaughan's celebration of International Day of Persons with Disabilities tentatively scheduled for December 3, 2012; and
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to local MPs and MPPs.

On September 28, 2012, the City Clerk sent a letter extending an invitation to the Lieutenant Governor to attend the City of Vaughan's celebration of International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

#### **Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan**

This report is consistent with the strategic priorities set out in Vaughan Vision 2020, in particular:

SERVICE EXCELLENCE: Promote Community Safety, Health & Wellness.

#### **Regional Implications**

Not applicable.

#### **Conclusion**

The Accessibility Advisory Committee's recommendation with respect to an event to commemorate International Day of Persons with Disabilities, is being forwarded for Council's consideration.

#### **Attachments**

1. Extract from Council Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2012

#### **Report prepared by:**

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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.)