

**CITY OF VAUGHAN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (1)  
ADDENDUM AGENDA**

**(NOTE: ADDENDUMS WILL REQUIRE A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE MEMBERS  
PRESENT TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA)**

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speak to an item listed on the Agenda, please pre-register by contacting Access  
Vaughan at 905-832-2281 or [clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca) by noon on the last business day  
before the meeting.**

**Tuesday, January 19, 2021  
1:00 p.m.  
Council Chamber  
2nd Floor, Vaughan City Hall  
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive  
Vaughan, Ontario**

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**6. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION  
INCLUDING MEMBERS RESOLUTION(S)**

Addendum Listing

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| 12. | <i>MARKING THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF NIAGARA UNIVERSITY<br/>IN ONTARIO IN VAUGHAN</i> | 3 |
|     | Resolution of Mayor Bevilacqua with respect to the above.                             |   |

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| 13. | <i>REOPENING OF PUBLIC SKATING RINKS</i>                    | 5 |
|     | Resolution of Councillor Shefman with respect to the above. |   |





## MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

<b>Meeting/Date</b>	<b>Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021 – Committee of the Whole (1)</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Marking the Second Anniversary of Niagara University in Ontario in Vaughan</b>
<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua</b>
<p><b>Whereas</b>, on Jan. 21, 2019, Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua and Niagara University President Rev. James J. Maher, C.M. first announced the arrival of Niagara University in Ontario to Vaughan. Founded in 1856, Niagara University, with its main campus located in Lewiston, N.Y., chose Vaughan for the school's new bi-national site; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, Niagara University is an important investment and presence in the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre (VMC) – the city's emerging downtown core. The school's 12,000-square-foot site includes classrooms, faculty and administration offices and student lounge areas. The site is also walking distance from the VMC subway station and further connected by vivaNext bus rapid transit service; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, on Feb. 13, 2019, Mayor Bevilacqua presented Father Maher with the Key to the City, to recognize and pay tribute to the important relationship between Vaughan and Niagara University; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, in Nov. 2019, Niagara University took part in the joint City of Vaughan — Vaughan Chamber of Commerce business mission to Israel. The delegation met researchers at Tel Aviv University, Israel's largest post-secondary institution, to discuss the future of Smart City technology and its role in developing autonomous vehicles to improve urban transportation; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, in Feb. 2020, Niagara University took part in the City's annual Vaughan Business Expo organized and led by the City's Economic and Cultural Development department; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, in May 2020, Niagara University collaborated with the City's Economic and Cultural Development department to launch a new online speaker series to educate, engage and enrich the public from the comfort of their homes during the global COVID-19 pandemic. The speaker series featured members of the university's faculty and alumni, as well as community leaders who explored a series of different topics, including career counselling, working from home and financial security; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, students studying in Vaughan can enrol in either the school's bachelor of professional studies in education or the master of science in education programs. Niagara University has further announced the addition of three new programs — Master of Business Administration, Master of Science in Finance, and Master of Science in Information Security and Digital Forensics; and</p>	

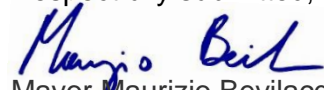
**Whereas**, in Oct. 2020, Niagara University – Vaughan’s first university – hosted a virtual convocation for its first graduating class from the Vaughan location; and

**Whereas**, institutions like Niagara University help make Vaughan a Talent City with an educated, hard-working, entrepreneurial and dedicated workforce that is the basis of economic resilience. Opportunities for learning and development being available to Vaughan’s citizens is an integral part of supporting a resilient economy.

*It is therefore recommended that:*

- 1. The City of Vaughan formally recognize the second anniversary of the expansion of Niagara University in Ontario to the City of Vaughan;*
- 2. City staff continue to collaborate with Niagara University to advance shared priorities that help to enrich the Vaughan community through education, economic and talent development, public information and city-building initiatives.*

Respectfully submitted,

  
Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua



## MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

<b>Meeting/Date</b>	<b>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (1) / JANUARY 19, 2021</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>REOPENING OF PUBLIC SKATING RINKS</b>
<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Ward 5 City Alan Shefman</b>

### Preamble:

*It is my belief that we need to do whatever we can to not only protect the residents of the City of Vaughan from COVID-19. At the same time, we need to assist them in dealing with the stress of responding to the pandemic. I am especially concerned for young children and their parents. By providing for some outdoor physical activity such as skating I firmly believe we contribute to people's mental health.*

Whereas the City of Vaughan's five community ice rinks were closed in response to the latest provincial orders intensifying the lock down in the province, and

Whereas the Provincial orders did not specifically require that skating must be closed, and

Whereas there have been a variety of issues in the operation of the City's rinks relating to demand, failure to distance and behaviours that may not meet the current distancing and mask wearing rules, and

Whereas many municipalities have decided to keep their skating facilities open at this time by using a variety of strategies to address safety concerns, and

Whereas there are a wide variety of systems and procedures in place in other municipalities being used to maximize safety for users of the skating rinks, and

Whereas it is of utmost importance for the City of Vaughan to do everything possible to protect its residents from the spread of COVID-19, and

Whereas there is increasing recognition of the mental stress on residents and especially families with young children of the extended restrictions due to the pandemic, and

Whereas it is necessary for the City to be creative in assisting its residents in any way possible during this difficult time, and

Whereas the staff of the City has shown their extraordinary abilities to develop and implement plans throughout the period of the pandemic.

It is therefore recommended:

That a comprehensive management plan focused on ensuring the maximum safety possible for all users and staff be developed immediately with the goal of reopening City skating rinks no later than January 23 be prepared and put in place, and

That a report on the re-opening of the rinks be provided to Members of Council via memo no later than 10 days after the re-opening.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Shefman,  
Ward 5 City Councillor