CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

Item 21, Report No. 32, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 28, 2022.

21. NATIONAL FOREST WEEK PROCLAMATION

The Committee of the Whole recommends that the recommendation contained in the confidential resolution of Mayor Bevilacqua, dated September 13, 2022, be approved.

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua

Whereas, governments across the country are protectors of Canada's natural landscape, as Canadian forests account for nine per cent of the world's forests; and,

Whereas, Canada's forests play a crucial role in maintaining healthy ecosystems, clean air and water, and wildlife habitat while being an essential aspect of climate change mitigation efforts; and,

Whereas, it is the goal of the City of Vaughan to foster a sustainable future, acting as a steward for the preservation of the natural environment and including principles of environmental protection into its social and economic initiatives; and

Whereas, the proposed "National Forest Week" proclamation is an annual one-week campaign with the theme of "Canada's Forests: Solutions for a Changing Climate" and will be celebrated across the community by individuals and organizations.

It is therefore recommended:

- 1. THAT the City of Vaughan proclaims the week of Sunday, Sept. 18 to Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022, "National Forest Week;" and,
- 2. THAT the proclamation be posted on the City of Vaughan's website; and,
- THAT the Corporate and Strategic Communications department be directed to promote the proclamation on corporate communications channels; and,
- 4. That Council ratify these recommendations at the Council meeting of September 28, 2022.