CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 19, 2018

Item 26, Report No. 21, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 19, 2018.

26 PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST RAIL SAFETY WEEK

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated June 5, 2018:

Recommendations

- 1. That September 23 29, 2018 be proclaimed as Rail Safety Week;
- 2. That the City of Vaughan participate in a flag raising event on September 26, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. for the balance of Rail Safety Week.; and
- 3. That the proclamation be posted on the City Page Online.

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Committee of the Whole Report

DATE: Tuesday, June 05, 2018 **WARD(S):** ALL

TITLE: PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST RAIL SAFETY WEEK

FROM:

Todd Coles, City Clerk

ACTION: DECISION

<u>Purpose</u>

To seek Council approval to proclaim September 23 - 29, 2018 as Rail Safety Week, that the CN flag is raised at City Hall on September 26, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. for the balance of Rail Safety Week, and that the proclamation be posted on the City's website and the City Page Online.

Report Highlights

- Respond to the request from the Manager, Public Affairs Ontario of CN Railway, received on April 25, 2018
- Proclamation and flag raising event requested during the week of September 23 – 29, 2018

Recommendations

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Background

Correspondence was received from the Manager, Public Affairs Ontario of CN Railway on April 25, 2018 in the Office of the City Clerk, requesting a proclamation and flag raising.

The proclamation request was previously granted by Council. The flag raising ceremony is a new, added request from the organization.

Previous Reports/Authority

<u>Item 20, Report No. 18 of the Committee of the Whole - Proclamation Request Public - Rail Safety Week</u>

Analysis and Options

The proclamation request meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy and Flag Raising/Half Masting Policy, as follows:

"That upon request, the City of Vaughan issue Proclamations for events, campaigns, or other similar matters: If the event, campaign or declaration is directly related to matters over which the City has jurisdictions or the City directly sponsors the event, campaign or other matter".

Rail Safety Week is an important week during which messages about crossing safety and trespass prevention are communicated to millions across North America.

Financial Impact

Not applicable.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

The City of Vaughan is home to CN's MacMillan Yard, North America's largest "hump yard", where trains are built to transport goods.

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that September 23 - 29, 2018 be proclaimed as Rail Safety Week, that the CN flag is raised at City Hall on September 26, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. for the balance of Rail Safety Week, and that the proclamation be posted on the City's website and the City Page Online.

For more information, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk.

Attachment

1. Correspondence from the Manager, Public Affairs Ontario of CN Railway, dated April 24, 2018

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