

Committee of the Whole Report

DATE: Tuesday, April 02, 2019

WARD(S): ALL

**TITLE: PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST
FILIPINO DAY**

FROM:

Nick Spensieri, Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services

ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To seek Council approval for the date of June 8, 2019 to be proclaimed as Filipino Day, that the Philippine flag be raised at Vaughan City Hall on June 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. for the balance of the day, and that the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

Report Highlights

- Respond to the proclamation and flag raising request received from the President of the Filipino Canadian Association of Vaughan.
- Proclamation and flag raising event requested for June 8, 2019 at Vaughan City Hall.

Recommendations

1. That June 8, 2019 be proclaimed as Filipino Day in the City of Vaughan;
2. That the Philippine flag be raised on June 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Vaughan City Hall for the balance of the day, and;
3. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

Background

Correspondence was received from the President of the Filipino Canadian Association of Vaughan, on February 28, 2019.

This request has previously been granted by Vaughan Council.

Previous Reports/Authority

[Committee of the Whole – Item 20, Report No. 18](#)

Analysis and Options

The proclamation meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation 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 jurisdiction or the City directly sponsors the event, campaign or other matter”; and

“In recognition of the ethnic diversity of the residents of the municipality the City of Vaughan will fly at the Civic Centre the flag of any nation, country or ethnic group on the national day or on the anniversary of a special occasion, upon a written request to the City Clerk submitted one month in advance by that nation, or ethnic group or its representatives”.

This proclamation and flag raising would commemorate the 121st Anniversary of Philippine Independence. This is a national day of the Philippines to remember and honour those who sacrificed their lives for sovereignty.

Financial Impact

The requestor has advised they will pay any overages incurred for the event.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

Not applicable.

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that June 8, 2019 be proclaimed as Filipino Day, that the City of Vaughan raise the Philippine flag at 10:00 a.m. at Vaughan City Hall for the balance of the day, and that the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

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

Attachment

1. Correspondence from the President of the Filipino Canadian Association of Vaughan, February 27, 2019

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