

## CITY OF VAUGHAN

### EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 25, 2024

Item 36, Report No. 25 of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on June 25, 2024.

#### 36. SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS THROUGH THE SPIRIT OF GENEROSITY INITIATIVE

**The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following resolution of Mayor Steven Del Duca, dated June 18, 2024:**

##### Member's Resolution

Submitted by Mayor Steven Del Duca

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**Whereas**, the Mayor's Gala and Mayor's Annual Charity Golf Classic are the signature Spirit of Generosity fundraisers that raise contributions from committed donors to help support more than 200 non-profit and community organizations, including children and youth groups, healthcare initiatives, seniors' organizations, and special needs programs; and

**Whereas**, ongoing public reporting takes place to Vaughan City Council with details of the distribution of Spirit of Generosity funds to recipients and the funding amount allocated to recipients; and

**Whereas**, the recipient organizations have been identified based on recommendations from Members of Council, community leaders and organization/community requests; and

**Whereas**, many of these same recipients Spirit of Generosity financial support, such as the volunteers and staff of local community organizations, greatly rely on having predictable funding support to plan and assist in the vital work the groups undertake to safeguard and elevate the quality of life for residents; and

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**Whereas**, the Ontario government in the past changed the municipal election calendar such that the opening of candidate nominations begins on May 1 (rather than the first business day in January as had been the case prior to these changes).

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## **MEMBER'S RESOLUTION**

### **Committee of the Whole Report (2)**

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**DATE:** Tuesday, June 18, 2024

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**FROM:**

Mayor Steven Del Duca

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**Financial and Staff Resource Impact:**

This Member's Resolution has no financial impacts.

**Attachments:**

1. [Municipal Elections Act, 1996, S.O. 1996, c. 32, Sched.](#)
2. [City of Vaughan's corporate policy \(03.C.03\) Use of Corporate Resources for Election Purposes](#)
3. [EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 31, 2012 \(Page 107\)](#)
4. City of Vaughan Mayor's Gala and Mayor Steven Del Duca Charity Golf Classic Recipient Organizations from November 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024.

**Attachment 4**

<b>Organizations from November 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024</b>	<b>Amount (\$)</b>
360 Kids Support Service	10,000.00
A Cure in the Future	5,000.00
Beth Chabad Israeli Community Centre	10,000.00
Blue Veil for Sara Elizabeth Centre	5,000.00
Canadian Perinatal Mental Health Collaborative (Flora's Walk Team Vaughan)	2,500.00
Christmas in the Village	2,500.00
City of Vaughan Hockey Association	10,000.00
Clarico Place of York Region	5,000.00
Concord West Seniors Club	5,000.00
CP24 CHUM Christmas Wish	2,850.00
Creating Alternatives	2,500.00
Earth Hour	5,000.00
East Woodbridge Seniors Club	5,000.00
Filipino Seniors Club	5,000.00
First Chinese Senior Association of Vaughan	5,000.00
Flex for Access	5,000.00
Historic Wallace House	2,500.00
Hospice Vaughan	20,000.00
Humanity First	10,000.00
Kids Help Phone	5,000.00
Mackenzie Health Foundation	5,000.00
Make-A-Wish-Canada	2,500.00
Maple Italo Canadian Club	5,000.00
Maple Pioneer Italian Seniors Club	5,000.00
Mapleglen Seniors Club	2,500.00
Martingrove Older Adults Club	5,000.00
Motion Ball Sports Association	10,000.00
Muscular Dystrophy Canada	5,000.00
My MS Family	2,500.00
Nankind	5,000.00
North Thornhill Pleasant Ridge Senior Club	5,000.00
Pine York Seniors Club	5,000.00
Pinecrest Seniors Club	5,000.00
Purse Project York Region	2,500.00
Ride for SickKids	5,000.00
Senior Creative Hands	1,500.00
Seniors' Association of Vaughan Initiative	10,000.00
Shining Through Centre for Children with Autism	10,000.00

Sonoma Heights Creative Hands	1,500.00
Sonoma Heights Seniors Club	5,000.00
South Asian Seniors Club	5,000.00
Spelling Bee of Canada	1,500.00
The Abraham Global Peace Initiative	25,000.00
The Giuseppe Garibaldi Seniors Club	5,000.00
The Olive Branch for Children	10,000.00
Thornhill African Caribbean Canadian Seniors Club	5,000.00
Thornhill Senior Citizens Club	5,000.00
United Way Greater Toronto	5,740.58
Vaughan Food Bank	5,000.00
Vaughan International Film Festival	25,000.00
Vellore Village Seniors Club	5,000.00
VFRS Camp Molly	2,500.00
West Woodbridge Seniors Club	5,000.00
Woodbridge Macedonian Seniors Club	5,000.00