

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2019

Item 15, Report No. 24, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on October 2, 2019.

15. PROCLAMATION REQUEST PKD AWARENESS DAY

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor, dated September 17, 2019:

Recommendations

1. That September 4, 2019 be proclaimed as "PKD Awareness Day";
and,
2. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

Committee of the Whole (1) Report

DATE: Tuesday, September 17, 2019

WARD(S): ALL

**TITLE: PROCLAMATION REQUEST
PKD AWARENESS DAY**

FROM:

Wendy Law, Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor

ACTION: DECISION

Purpose

To seek Council approval to proclaim September 4, 2019 as Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD) Awareness Day, and that the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

Report Highlights

- Respond to the proclamation request received from the Foundation Coordinator of the PKD Foundation of Canada.
- Proclamation requested for September 4, 2019.

Recommendations

1. That September 4, 2019 be proclaimed as "PKD Awareness Day"; and,
2. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website.

Background

Correspondence was received from the Foundation Coordinator of the PKD Foundation of Canada.

The proclamation request did not meet the timeline requirements for Council consideration before the date of, however the foundation was agreeable to having the proclamation made after the fact.

PKD is a chronic, genetic disease that causes uncontrolled growth of fluid-filled cysts in the kidneys, often leading to kidney failure. It currently affects about 66,000 Canadians and millions of people worldwide. Since 2014, Health Canada has recognized September 4 as National PKD Awareness Day.

Previous Reports/Authority

Not applicable.

Analysis and Options

The proclamation meets the requirements of the City's Proclamation Policy, as follows:

"That upon request, the City of Vaughan issue Proclamations for events, campaigns, or other similar matters:

- (i) which are promoted by any organization that is a registered charity pursuant to Section 248 of the Income Tax Act."

Financial Impact

Not applicable.

Broader Regional Impacts/Considerations

Not applicable.

Conclusion

Staff is recommending that September 4, 2019 be proclaimed as PKD Awareness Day, and that the proclamation be posted after the fact.

For more information, please contact: Todd Coles, City Clerk, x8281

Attachment

1. Correspondence from the Foundation Coordinator, PKD Foundation of Canada, received on July 26, 2019

Prepared by

Julia Bartolomeo, Supervisor, City Clerk's Administrative Services, x8280

Bartolomeo, Julia

Subject: FW: September 4th PKD Awareness Day Proclamation

From: Suita Beck <sbeck@endpkd.ca>

Sent: Friday, July 19, 2019 10:47 AM

To: Mayor <Mayor@vaughan.ca>

Subject: September 4th PKD Awareness Day Proclamation

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CLERK'S DEPT.

Good morning Sir or Madam,

I am writing on behalf of the PKD Foundation of Canada. Could we request the Mayor's Proclamation for the September 4th as a PKD (polycystic kidney disease) Awareness Day? Thank you in advance for information and have a great day.

Since 2014, Health Canada has recognized September 4 as National Polycystic Kidney Disease (PKD) Awareness Day – a special day devoted to raising awareness of this life-threatening, genetic disease.

Today, the PKD Foundation of Canada is the only national organization solely dedicated to fighting PKD through research, education, advocacy, support and awareness.

Polycystic kidney disease (PKD) is a chronic, genetic disease causing uncontrolled growth of fluid-filled cysts in the kidneys, often leading to kidney failure. With 66,000 Canadians and millions worldwide living with PKD today, chances are high that you know someone with the disease.

Best regards,

Suita Beck
Foundation Coordinator
PKD Foundation of Canada
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The more who know about PKD, the more resources we can dedicate to finding treatments and a cure. PKD Awareness Day is our opportunity to step up our efforts and gives us a platform to widely spread the word, share stories and encourage others to learn more. On PKD Awareness Day, let's come together as a united front to spread the word about this disease further than we ever have before!

Since its creation in 1993, the PKD Foundation of Canada has raised more than \$1 million towards research, support and help for families living with polycystic kidney disease (PKD). From the first research grant awarded in 1999, the PKD Foundation of Canada has set up chapters and support groups across the country, built an expansive and passionate volunteer network, and connected with PKD groups around the world to support our most notable fundraising event – the Walk to END PKD.

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NATIONAL POLYCYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE AWARENESS DAY

September 4, 2019

WHEREAS, Polycystic kidney disease (PKD) causes abnormal cysts to develop and grow in the kidneys and the enlargement of cysts causes kidney function to decline. It equally affects men, women and children – regardless of geography or ethnic origin; and

WHEREAS, the PKD Foundation of Canada is the only national charitable organization dedicated to fighting PKD, a progressive, life-threatening genetic disease, through programs of research, advocacy, education, support and awareness in order to discover vital treatments and a cure for PKD and improve the lives of all it affects; and

WHEREAS, in September, walks will take place in several locations to honour friends, family and supporters impacted by PKD to help raise funds for research and improve the quality of life for those afflicted with PKD, including many (Town/City) residents; and

THEREFORE, I, (Name of Mayor), Mayor of the Town / City of (Town/City Name), do hereby proclaim **September 4, 2019 National Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Day** in (Town/City Name).