

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

Item 16, Report No. 40, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 29, 2020.

16. CITY OF VAUGHAN-COMMUNITY & HOME ASSISTANCE TO SENIORS (CHATS) SNOW REMOVAL SERVICE PILOT PROJECT EXTENSION

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the presentation by Gaynor McCredie, Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist and Program Manager, Home Adaptation & Maintenance Program and Tenancy Risk Program, CHATS – Community & Home Assistance To Seniors, be received;
- 2) That staff bring forward a report exploring the possibility of finding a funding source of approximately \$20,000 to assist CHATS with the Snow Removal Pilot Project for the 2020-2021 winter season; and
- 3) That the recommendations contained in the resolution of Deputy Mayor, Local and Regional Councillor Ferri dated September 22, 2020, be approved.

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Deputy Mayor, Local and Regional Councillor Ferri

Whereas, during a meeting of the Committee of the Whole (2) on Oct. 2, 2019, Council approved a member's resolution for the City to enter into a Snow Removal Pilot Project with CHATS – a not-for-profit organization that has been providing home and community supports to older adults across York Region and South Simcoe since 1980;

Whereas, the Snow Removal Pilot Project was a paid service that ran between Nov–Dec 2019 with City staff assisting in public information efforts;

Whereas, the Snow Removal Pilot Project was funded through a contribution of \$5,000 made by Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua's Spirit of Generosity fund;

Whereas, all resident inquiries were handled by CHATS representatives, who connected individuals with the organization's pre-approved service providers with quotes for winter snow clearance services;

Whereas, the services were available to Vaughan residents aged 55 and older or with age-related illness;

Whereas, in general, services consisted of driveway snow removal, walkway clearing to the front/main door, and salting on walkways to the front/main door;

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Whereas, the health and well-being of the older adult community continues to be of vital importance to the City of Vaughan, and especially during the winter season where mobility challenges can arise;

Whereas, CHATS has secured additional funds to continue the Snow Removal Pilot Program.

Whereas, At the end of 2021, a report is to be provided by CHATS to Committee of the Whole with results and any further recommendations.

It is therefore recommended that:

1. The City of Vaughan extends its participation in the Snow Removal Pilot Program with CHATS for the 2020-2021 winter season; and
2. That the Corporate and Strategic Communications department and Access Vaughan help provide public information promotional support to raise awareness about the Snow Removal Pilot Program extension.

MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Meeting/Date	Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2020 – Committee of the Whole (2)
Title:	City of Vaughan—Community & Home Assistance to Seniors (CHATS) Snow Removal Service Pilot Project Extension
Submitted by:	Deputy Mayor, Local and Regional Councillor Mario Ferri
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Respectfully submitted,

Mario Ferri,
Deputy Mayor, Local and Regional Councillor