## CITY OF VAUGHAN

# **EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 21, 2020**

Item 7, Report No. 44, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on October 21, 2020.

# 7. ISLAMIC HERITAGE MONTH

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the resolution of Councillor lafrate, dated October 6, 2020, be approved; and
- 2) That the comments by Mr. Nadeem Mahmood, Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat, Jane Street, Maple and Communication C3, dated September 30, 2020, be received.

Whereas, multiculturalism thrives in Canada and in the City of Vaughan.

**Whereas**, residents and business leaders have come from around the world to make this community their home.

**Whereas**, faith communities continue to make important and enduring city-building contributions to the health, education and wellbeing of our residents.

**Whereas**, Islamic Heritage Month encourages all people to reflect, celebrate and learn about the rich and long-standing Islamic history and the contributions of Muslim people in communities across Ontario.

#### It is therefore recommended:

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### MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Meeting/Date	Committee of the Whole (1) – October 6, 2020
Title:	Islamic Heritage Month
Submitted by:	Ward 1 Councillor Marilyn Iafrate

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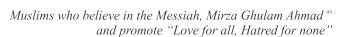
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Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Marilyn Iafrate, Ward 1





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Clerk's Office

City of Vaughan

<u>C3</u> Communication CW (1) – October 6, 2020 Item # 7

September 30, 2020

Mr Coles,

Islam is a religion with around 1.8 billion followers globally. It has a diverse and rich heritage. To celebrate the vibrant Islamic Heritage, the government of Ontario has declared October to be the Islamic Heritage Month.

By the grace and blessings of the Almighty, we were able to organize our first Islamic heritage expo on Oct 27, 2018 at the Vaughan City Hall and since then it has become an annual tradition. The event provided an opportunity for the public to reflect, celebrate and learn about the rich and longstanding Islamic history and the diverse roles and contributions of Muslims in their community.

In light of the current COVID pandemic, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at (Vaughan) wants to request that the city would help us promote our virtual event being held on October 17<sup>th</sup> to mark Islamic Heritage Celebration. With a focus on Islamic Architecture, this year we bring to the citizens of Vaughan a 360° virtual tour of Bait ul Islam mosque, a dramatized children's tableau, short documentary compilations and much more! For more information on the topic and to find out how to register, please visit us at www.islamicheritagemonth.org

Most importantly, we would want to request access to the city's electronic message boards to advertise the event so that the public can join us in our celebration.

On behalf of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at, Vaughan, I will look forward to your help and support in this regard.

Yours truly,

Nadeem Mahmood

416-616-7925



In The Name of Allah, The Gracious, Ever Merciful





Registration Link www.lslamicHeritageMonth.org



October 17, 2020 @ 11:00 AM LIVE Streamed on YouTube

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