



CITY OF VAUGHAN
REPORT NO. 34 OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

*For consideration by the Council
of the City of Vaughan
on July 15, 2020*

The Committee of the Whole met at 2:01 p.m., on July 13, 2020.

Council Member	In-Person	Electronic Participation
Councillor Tony Carella, Chair	X	
Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua		X
Regional Councillor Mario Ferri		X
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati		X
Regional Councillor Linda D. Jackson		X
Councillor Marilyn Iafrate	X	
Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca		X
Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco	X	
Councillor Alan Shefman		X

The following items were dealt with:

1. BLOCK 18 PROPERTIES INC. DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION FILE 19T-19V003 VICINITY OF GRAND TRUNK AVENUE AND MURET CRESCENT

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the following report of the Acting Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated July 13, 2020, be approved; and**
- 2) That the following deputations be received:**
 - 1. Mr. Bill Tam, KLM Planning Partners Inc., Jardin Drive, Concord, on behalf of the applicant; and**
 - 2. Mr. Douglas McGill, McGill Development Services Ltd., Byron Street North, Whitby, on behalf of the Block 18 Landowners Group and the applicant.**

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Recommendations

1. THAT Draft Plan of Subdivision File 19T-19V003 (Block 18 Properties Inc.) BE APPROVED, to facilitate a residential plan of subdivision comprised of 40 lots for detached dwelling units, a new public road and a block to be used as a buffer, as shown on Attachment 3, subject to the Conditions of Approval in Attachment 1.
2. THAT Vaughan Council adopt the following resolution for the allocation of water and sewage servicing capacity:

“IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Draft Plan of Subdivision File 19T-19V003 (Block 18 Properties Inc.) be allocated servicing capacity from the York Sewage Servicing/Water Supply System for a total of 40 residential dwelling units (143 persons equivalent). The allocation of said capacity may be revoked by Council resolution and/or in accordance with the City's current Servicing Capacity Distribution Protocol in the event that (at the discretion of the City) the development does not proceed with a building construction program within a reasonable timeframe.”

2. DISERA DRIVE - TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Public Works dated July 13, 2020 be approved; and
- 2) That Communication C1, Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Public Works dated July 10, 2020 be received.

Recommendations

1. That upon agreement of all stakeholders, the necessary by-law be enacted authorizing the temporary road closure of Disera Drive between Centre Street to the Smart Centres access from August 1, 2020 to October 31, 2020 during set times on the weekend, and
2. That the City Clerk forward a copy of this report to the York Regional Police and the Region of York.

3. CIVIC ENGAGEMENT DURING COVID-19

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 July 13, 2020:

Recommendation

1. That this report be received for information.

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4. PROCLAMATION REQUEST WORLD ALZHEIMER'S DAY

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following report of the Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services and City Solicitor dated July 13, 2020:

Recommendations

1. That September 21, 2020 be proclaimed as "World Alzheimer's Day"; and,
2. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and the Corporate and Strategic Communications department be directed to promote this proclamation through the corporate channels.

5. NELSON MANDELA INTERNATIONAL DAY IN VAUGHAN

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following resolution of Mayor Bevilacqua dated July 13, 2020:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Mayor Bevilacqua

Whereas, in November 2009, the UN General Assembly declared July 18 "Nelson Mandela International Day" in recognition of the former South African President's contribution to the culture of peace and freedom;

Whereas, this declaration recognizes Nelson Mandela's values and his dedication to the service of humanity in: conflict resolution; race relations; promotion and protection of human rights; reconciliation; gender equality and the rights of children and other vulnerable groups; the fight against poverty; the promotion of social justice, as well as acknowledging his contribution to the struggle for democracy internationally and the promotion of a culture of peace around the world;

Whereas, upon his passing in 2013, the City of Vaughan established a tribute to Nelson Mandela and his life's work which included lowering City flags and establishing a book of condolences that was located in the atrium of Vaughan City Hall for staff and visitors to leave a message;

Whereas, the years 2015 to 2024 have been designated by the United Nations as the International Decade for People of African Descent and in 2018, Vaughan Council endorsed this with a City proclamation;

Whereas, the International Decade for People of African Descent provides a unique opportunity to highlight the important contributions that people of African descent have made to Canadian society, and also provides a platform for engaging in the fight against anti-Black racism, discrimination and the inequalities that Canadians of African descent continue to face;

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Whereas, each February, the City of Vaughan celebrates Black History Month and honours the men and women who have made lasting contributions to city-building and nation-building;

Whereas, to support the goal of creating an inclusive community, in March 2019, the City of Vaughan became the first municipality in Canada to endorse the Leadership Accord on Gender Diversity to promote the values of diversity, equality and inclusion;

Whereas, to further the City of Vaughan's commitment to advancing a culture of co-operation, earlier this year, Council endorsed and adopted the Vaughan Inclusion Charter in support of the Inclusion Charter for York Region, which is a community initiative to create a fair and equal environment for all. To ensure this is achieved, Council appointed a Diversity and Citizen Engagement Task Force. Additionally, Council took another important step forward by requesting that staff immediately develop a plan that will create a new senior employment position to provide leadership in fostering diversity, inclusion and accessibility at the City;

Whereas, the City of Vaughan is committed to honouring individuals and organizations who have and continue to make meaningful, significant and enduring contributions to our city, our nation and the world;

It is therefore recommended that:

1. The Mayor proclaim July 18 as Nelson Mandela International Day in Vaughan;
2. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and the Corporate and Strategic Communications department be directed to promote the proclamation on corporate communications channels.

6. **RACISM DIRECTED TOWARDS ASIAN-CANADIAN COMMUNITY**

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following resolution of Councillor Yeung Racco dated July 13, 2020:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Racco

Whereas, since the emergence of the global COVID-19 pandemic, media outlets have reported a disturbing rise in racist behaviour toward Asian communities; and

Whereas, the City of Vaughan unequivocally denounces all forms of racism, bigotry and discrimination; and

Whereas, Vaughan is home to an active, engaged and thriving Asian-Canadian community made up of successful professionals, concerned citizens, dedicated city-builders and compassionate family members; and

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Whereas, the City's Cultural Heritage Events program is an opportunity to further enrich, engage and educate all people about the contributions made by individuals of Asian heritage; and

Whereas, each year, Council hosts Lunar New Year festivities that include a traditional lion dance, eye-dotting ceremony and other celebrated cultural performances; and

Whereas, the Vaughan Mayor's Lunar Gala, inspired by the Chinese Moon Festival, is a celebration of Asian culture with entertainment, activities and traditional foods, that bring people together to raise funds for community causes, including the new Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital; and

Whereas, in 1995, the City established a Friendship City partnership with Yangzhou, China, and in 1997, entered into a Twin City arrangement with Baguio, Philippines; and

Whereas, in March of 2019, the City was formally invited to take part in the annual Smart City Summit and Expo in Taipei, Taiwan. This international conference brings together thought leaders from local governments, along with recognized professionals from public-and private-sector organizations. Vaughan's participation in the global conference presented opportunities to share existing best practices, learn about emerging and innovative trends in city-building and actively engage economic development leads; and

Whereas, to further the City's commitment to advancing a culture of co-operation and inclusion, earlier this year, Mayor Bevilacqua formally signed the Vaughan Inclusion Charter in support of the Inclusion Charter for York Region, which is a community initiative to create a fair and equal environment for all; and

Whereas, to help advance a mandate of diversity and inclusion, Council unanimously voted to create a Diversity and Citizen Engagement Task Force and endorsed Mayor Bevilacqua's Member's Resolution to establish a new employment opportunity in the form of a full-time permanent employment (FTE) opportunity – Diversity & Inclusion Officer.

It is therefore recommended:

- 1) That City Council unanimously and vigorously denounce acts of hatred, discrimination, and violence directed against people of various Asian origins; and
- 2) That, once meetings formally begin, this Member's Resolution is forwarded to members of the City's new Diversity and Citizen Engagement Task Force to inform their work; and
- 3) That this Member's Resolution be forwarded to York Region, all York Region area municipalities, Vaughan's Members of Provincial Parliament and Members of Parliament.

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7. OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE

1. CONSIDERATION OF AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

That the following Ad-Hoc Committee report be received:

1. Older Adult Task Force Meeting of June 22, 2020 (Report No. 2).

2. STAFF COMMUNICATION

The Committee of the Whole received Staff Communication SC1, Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services, City Treasurer and CFO and the Acting Chief Human Resources Officer dated July 13, 2020.

8. NEW BUSINESS – LETTER FROM THE HON. JEAN AUGUSTINE

Mayor Bevilacqua read a letter he received from the Hon. Jean Augustine expressing her deep gratitude and appreciation for the honour bestowed on her with the Key to the City of Vaughan, and the naming of the Jean Augustine Complex and the Jean Augustine District Park.

The foregoing matter was brought to the attention of the Committee by Mayor Bevilacqua.

9. NEW BUSINESS – APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR OF THE DIVERSITY AND CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT TASK FORCE

Councillor Carella expressed his interest in being considered for appointment as Vice-Chair of the Diversity and Citizen Engagement Task Force.

The foregoing matter was brought to the attention of the Committee by Councillor Carella.

10. SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION) RESOLUTION JULY 13, 2020.

The following resolution was passed to enable Special Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) to resolve into closed session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. HUMAN RESOURCES MATTER REGARDING SENIOR STAFF
(personal matters about an identifiable individual)
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The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Tony Carella, Chair