City Council

Motion without Notice

MM22.37	ACTION			Ward:All
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Request for Monthly Maintenance of Canadian Flags on Municipal Facilities - by Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Gary Crawford

- * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.
- * This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.

Recommendations

Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Councillor Gary Crawford, recommends that:

- 1. City Council request all concerned City Divisions, Agencies and Corporations to create a monthly maintenance schedule to ensure flags are maintained; and City Council direct all appropriate City staff as part of their monthly inspection to ensure that all Canadian flags maintain their visual integrity and are presentable.
- 2. City Council request City staff to inspect all flags immediately in every ward prior to the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, Remembrance Day, November 11, 2016.

Summary

The Canadian flag was proclaimed as the national flag of our nation on February 15, 1965. Many City facilities fly it proudly. The Canadian flag signifies enormous pride in our country, and is a universal symbol of our nation. Veterans fought to protect the integrity of what our flag represents. The Canadian flag should be treated with respect and reasonably maintained where it is displayed.

I have received complaints from many residents regarding the condition of several Canadian flags flying outside of municipal buildings, facilities and in parks. There are several flags flying on City properties that are visibly weathered and deteriorated.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM22.37