

MEMBER MOTION

Section 5.4.4 (b) of Procedure By-law

Meeting: Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: September 6, 2023

Subject/Title: Time Capsule in Commemoration of Richmond Hill 150th

Anniversary

Submitted by: Deputy Mayor/Regional and Local Councillor Godwin CHAN

WHEREAS Richmond Hill celebrates 150th anniversary in the year 2023, and the City has launched initiatives such as murals, photo contest as part of the celebration throughout the year;

WHEREAS it has been a customary practice to preserve a collection of informational materials such as news articles, and memorabilia at significant milestone in time capsules;

WHEREAS Richmond Hill Heritage Centre has been distributing free time capsule kit to residents of Richmond Hill;

WHEREAS there will be an opportunity to prepare the collection items to be sealed in a City Time Capsule at the Merry Market, a City event scheduled for November 2023 for the holiday season;

WHEREAS there has been examples in Canadian municipalities such as Thunder Bay, Ontario created a time capsule in 1995 to mark the occasion of 25th anniversary as a city after amalgamation to be opened in another 25 years in 2020; and

WHEREAS it is desirable to engage Richmond Hill Public Library and Heritage Centre regarding archival value in collecting the present informational materials for the future;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council direct staff to review the feasibility of preparing a City Time Capsule and identifying the appropriate collections in consultation with the Richmond Hill Public Library and Heritage Centre as an official initiative to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Richmond Hill; and to report back by November 2023.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor/Regional and Local Councillor Godwin CHAN