

THE CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF WHITE ROCK
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POLICY TITLE: PROCLAMATIONS

POLICY NUMBER: COUNCIL - 109

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<i>Originating Department:</i> Administration	<i>Date last reviewed by the Governance and Legislation Committee:</i> October 7, 2019

Policy:

1. The City does not make official proclamations. Requests for proclamations will be listed under the Correspondence section of the Council agenda indicating the event or cause with a note stating it's an item for public information. This will be done in an effort to make the community aware of events and special occasions.
2. The requester will be sent a letter to notify of the City's policy that the City does not make proclamations and note the date that the information was placed on the Council Agenda for public information.

Rationale:

Given potential controversy and litigation, making official proclamations should be avoided. Many types of requests could come in and if the City's practice is to make proclamations it is difficult to turn any away without it being viewed as being discriminatory. Proclamations or the organizations are not reviewed or investigated by City staff and therefore, opens the City to possible embarrassment if the proclamation was not genuine.