Minutes – Council – January 25, 2024

Minute No. 111
Executive Policy Committee – Notice of Motion

Item No. 2 Placement of Religious Holiday Symbols at City Hall

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

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Councillors Schreyer and Wyatt were absent from the vote on the above motion.

COUNCIL DECISION:

On December 14, 2023, the following Notice of Motion was filed with the Clerk, in accordance with section 17(1) of the Procedure By-law No. 50/2007.

Moved by Councillor Wyatt,
Seconded by Councillor Chambers,

WHEREAS the Menorah is an important symbol for a significant religious holiday;

AND WHEREAS the Menorah's location at City Hall, in front of the building on Main Street, ensures its significance;

AND WHEREAS the Menorah is directly related to an Old Testament story;

AND WHEREAS Christmas is a season that has a reason, namely the birth of our Lord, the Christ, Jesus;

AND WHEREAS the Manger scene is directly related to a story from the New Testament;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council establish it as policy that the Menorah shall always be installed, at its season, at the front of City Hall, outside, facing Main Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Christmas Manger scene shall be installed outside at City Hall, at its season, and that this shall be Council policy.