

Legislation Text

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PRESENTATION REGARDING ZACH MAKES TRACKS.

Dr. Stew Garner of Royal Victoria Hospital commented that he was approached last year by Zach who expressed in interested in raising awareness and funds towards children's mental health programs. He stated that Zach has an unbelievable attitude towards removing the stigma associated with mental health.

Zach Hofer thanked Councillor Shipley for inviting him to present to City Council. Zach advised that he was running from Barrie to Ottawa to raise funds towards children's mental health programs from August 13, 2017 to September 10, 2017. He indicated that he has raised approximately \$7700 to date, and his personal fundraising goal is \$10,000. Zach played a video that provided details about his upcoming run, why the journey is important to him and the people who he considers heroes in his life.

Members of City Council expressed best wishes to Zach on his journey.

Members of City Council asked several questions of Zach and his family as well as Dr. Garner, and received responses.