

COMMITTEE AGENDA

Consolidated as of May 3, 2013



TO **Operations, Transit & Emergency Services Committee**

DATE May 6, 2013

LOCATION Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden Street

TIME 3:00 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – March 18, 2013 Open and Closed Meeting Minutes

PRESENTATIONS (Items with no accompanying report)

a)

CONSENT AGENDA

The following resolutions have been prepared to facilitate the Committee's consideration of the various matters and are suggested for consideration. If the Committee wishes to address a specific report in isolation of the Consent Agenda, please identify the item. The item will be extracted and dealt with separately. The balance of the Operations, Transit & Emergency Services Committee Consent Agenda will be approved in one resolution.

ITEM	CITY PRESENTATION	DELEGATIONS	TO BE EXTRACTED
OTES-2013.5 Fireworks Bylaw Amendment		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Chander Kumar SharmaRakesh RajagopalShiva KumarManman PurohitDelfino CallegariAzad KaushikRavi Rai <p><u>Correspondence:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Tanweer UsmaniAzad KaushikJatinda Verma	
OTES-2013.6 Tow Truck Update			

OTES-2013.7 Exotic Animals By-law			
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Resolution to adopt the balance of the Operations, Transit & Emergency Services Committee Consent Agenda.

ITEMS EXTRACTED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

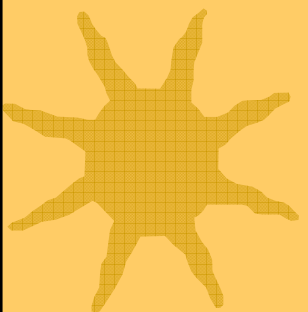
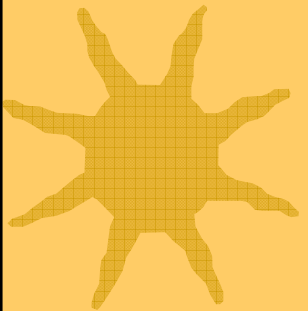
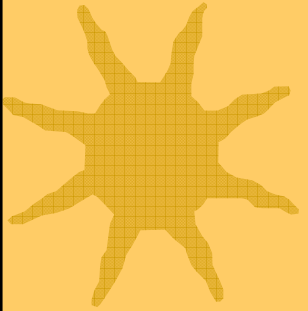
Once extracted items are identified, they will be dealt with in the following order:

- 1) delegations (may include presentations)
- 2) staff presentations only
- 3) all others.

REVIEW OF DRAFT MEETING FLOW GUIDE

ADJOURNMENT

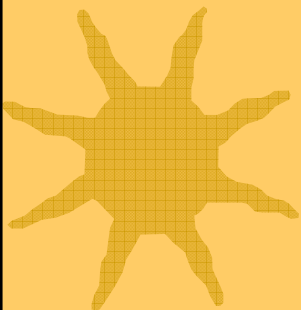
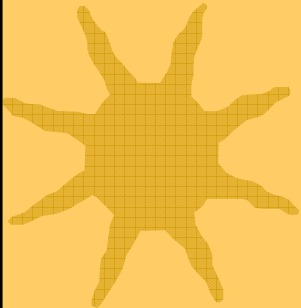
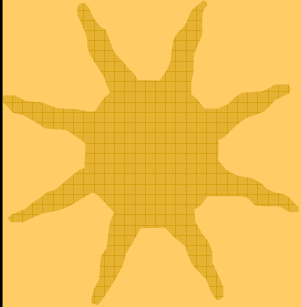
NEXT MEETING – June 3, 2013



Deepawali

A Celebration of Spirituality and Universal Values



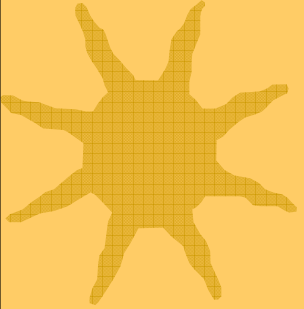


Hindu Heritage of Universal Values: CIVILIZATION

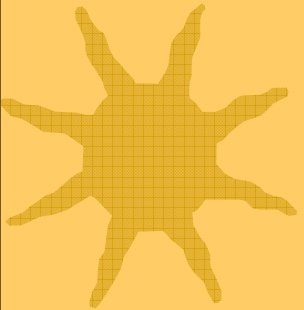
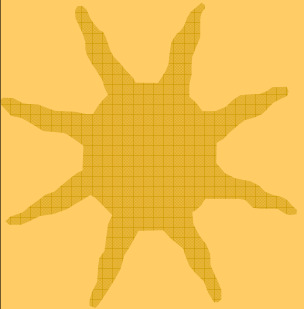
- ❑ The unthinkable leap forward (*Kenneth Clarke, 1969*)
 - Sudden appearance of civilizations in 3000 B.C. (Egypt, Mesopotamia, Indus Valley)
 - Miracle of Ionia and Greece in late 6 B.C. (Philosophy, Science, Art, Poetry)
 - **Spiritual Enlightenment in India unparalleled in the history of mankind**
 - Outpouring of energy in Western Europe (12th Century)



When is Deepawali celebrated?

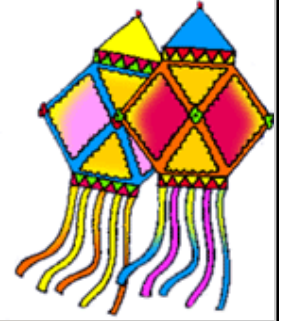


- ★ **The Indian calendar is based on the lunar cycle and the movement of the moon, unlike the conventional Gregorian/English calendar.**
- ★ **The result is that Indian festivals move sideways the English calendar from year to year.**
- ★ **Deepawali, for example falls on the date of the no moon In the month of Kartika (Hindi Calendar), usually it falls in October or November.**





What is Deepavali?



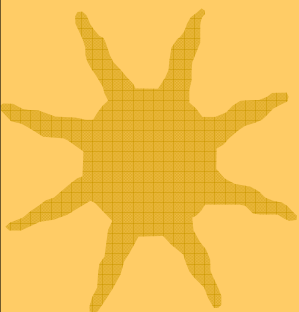
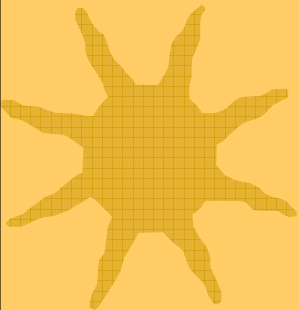
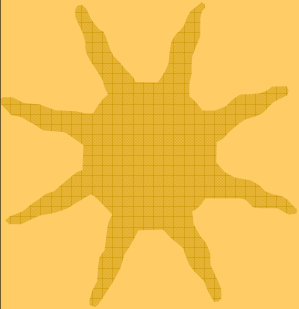
★ **Diwali derived from the Sanskrit word Deepavali**

Deepavali = Deep + Avali

Deep = light

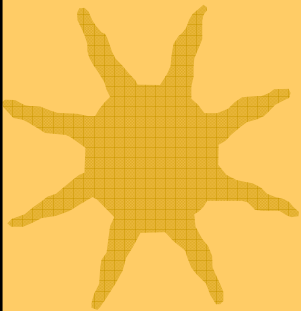
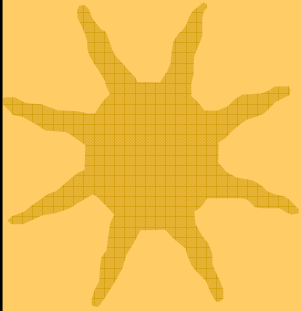
Avali = a row

Diwali = Deepavali = A Row of Light





DEEPAWALI

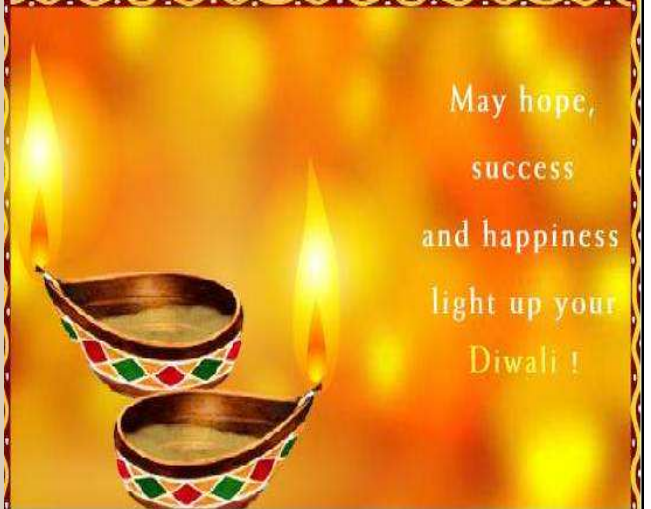


- ★ Most common festival of Hindus, Sikhs, Jains
- ★ Remove darkness and ignorance
- ★ Bring in light and knowledge
- ★ Stories Behind the Celebration
- ★ Five Day Celebration
- ★ Rongoli
- ★ Fireworks

Happy Diwali !

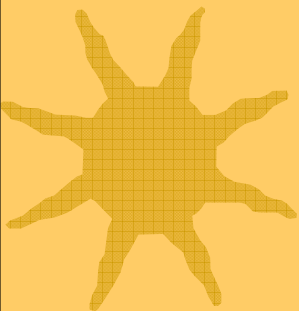
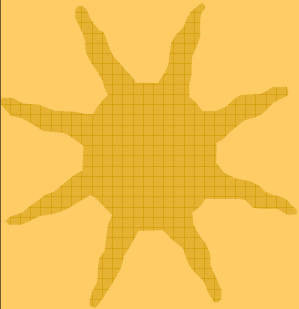
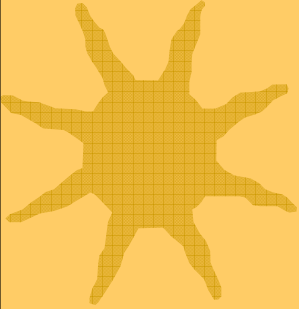


दीपावली
की अनेक
शुभकामनाएँ।



May hope,
success
and happiness
light up your
Diwali !





Story of King Rama

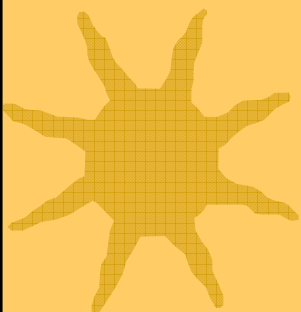
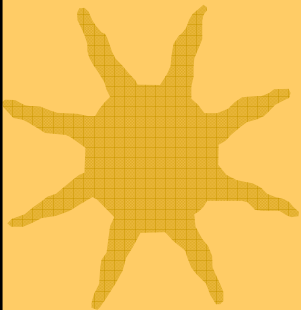
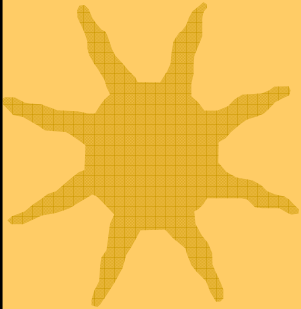
- ★ After fourteen years of exile in the forest, the Prince of Ayodhya, Rama, and his brother Laksman, returned to their hometown.
- ★ Before that, they defeated Ravana in a fierce war. Ravana had kidnapped Rama's wife, Sita.
- ★ Upon Rama's return to Ayodhya the people of the town lit lamps to welcome the Prince back and to celebrate the victory over demon Ravana.
- ★ Overjoyed at Queen Sita's rescue and the safe return of King Rama, the people danced and celebrated and fired fireworks to show how happy they were. These festivities continue every year at Diwali and are still celebrated today.



Celebrations...

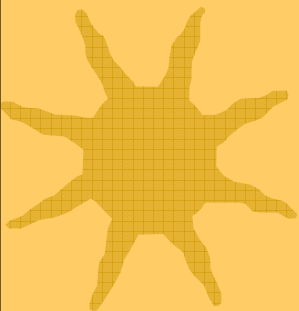
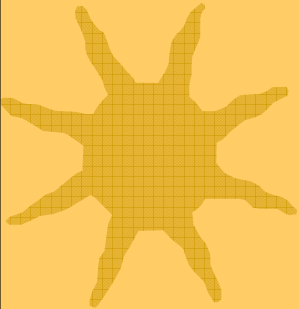
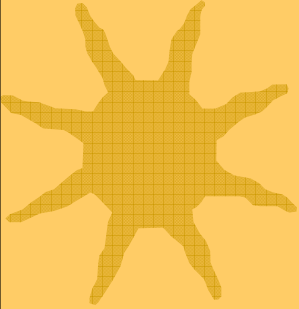


Beautiful and colorful designs are
put in front of their houses called
“Rangoli”





How is Deepawali celebrated?



- ★ People light their houses with lots of lamps
- ★ Worship at home and temples
- ★ Fireworks symbolize celebration of the ‘Triumph of Good over Evil’
- ★ Family Get Together
- ★ Distributing Sweets





Significance of Lamp

- ★ Light symbolizes knowledge
- ★ Light is Lord Himself
- ★ Light removes darkness that symbolizes ignorance





Community Celebration



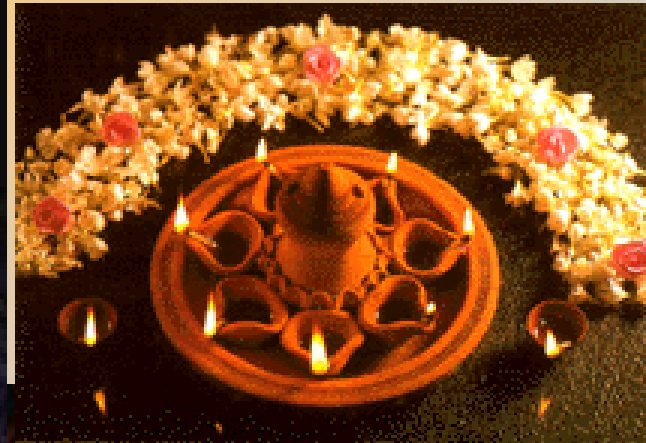
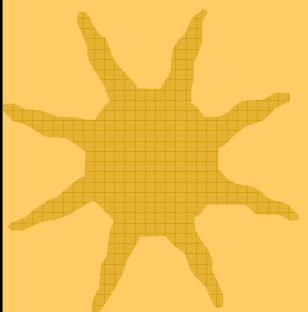
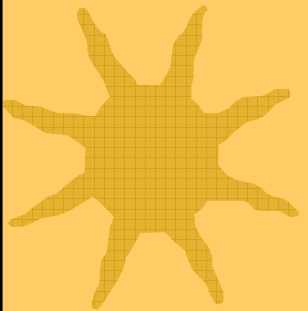
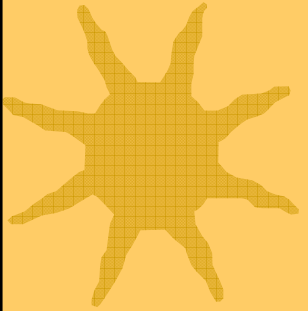
Deepavali is a **people oriented festival** when families and friends meet to enjoy and establish a world of closeness. As the light from within shines through, the ignorance that blinds us fades away!



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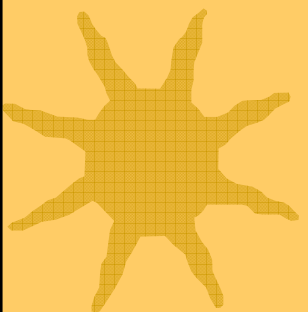
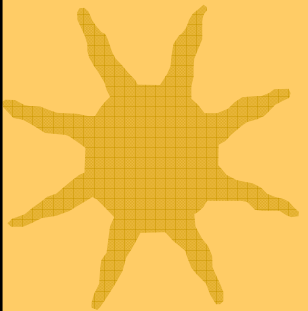
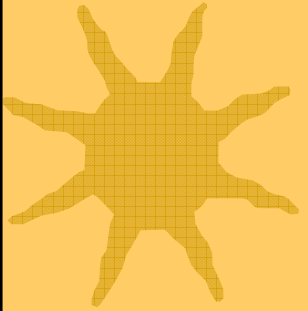


After sunset, Fireworks are seen everywhere...





Lights-Lamps and Fireworks



From: jatinder verma

Sent: April 27, 2013 11:22 AM

To: Clerks

Subject: Request to Register in Support of By Law Change for Fireworks -Diwali

Dear Sir / Madam,

As a resident and member of Guelph Hindu community I support the above by-law change being taken up by the Operations, Transit and Emergency Services committee on May 6 at 3 pm in Council Chambers.

Could you please register me as a supporting member of Hindu community and willing to attending meeting?

Please acknowledge and confirm receipt of this request.

Thanks

Jatinder Verma

Member, Guelph Hindu community