

Minutes of the Abbotsford Homelessness Task Force meeting held Thursday August 21, 2014, at 4:01pm at the Legacy Building at Exhibition Park

Task Force Members Present: Councillor Ross – Co-Chair, Councillor Smith – Co-Chair, J. Burkinshaw, K. Hughes, S. Kuperis (part), K. Matty (part), J. McElhoes, R. Seimens, and R. van Wyk and M. Welte

Council Present: Councillor Braun (part) and Councillor Gill

Staff Present: G. Murray – City Manager, J. Rudolph – Deputy Manager, B. Rich - Chief Constable, M. Pryce - Senior Planner, Community Developer – S. Federspiel, Administrative Assistant – E. Taylor and L. Ganske – Recording Secretary

Facilitator: C. Enns – Social Planning Consultant

Public Present: 29 +/-

1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Councillor Smith, called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by J. Burkinshaw, seconded by Councillor Ross, that the minutes of the August 6, 2014, Homelessness Task Force meeting be adopted.

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CARRIED.

3. DELEGATION

- .1 Hillary Russel and Dave Denault – Fraser Valley Regional Library
- .2 Greg Glaim – Harvest Discovery Homes
- .3 Cecilia Dirksen – Community Engagement
- .4 Ruben Timmerman, UFV, BA Candidate (Criminal Justice) - research survey of some of the homeless in Abbotsford

Moved by M. Welte, seconded by K. Hughes, that the delegations of Hillary Russel and Dave Denault regarding Fraser Valley Regional Library; Greg Glaim regarding Harvest Discovery Homes; Cecilia Dirksen regarding Community Engagement; and, Ruben Timmerman, UFV, BA Candidate (Criminal Justice) regarding research survey of some of the homeless in Abbotsford, be received.

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CARRIED.

4. BUSINESS OUT OF MINUTES

.1 Inventory of Services/Housing Final Report - Ron Van Wyk

R. van Wyk spoke to a Power Point Presentation regarding an Inventory of Services/Housing Final Report. Discussion ensued and R. van Wyk and A. Stewart responded to questions regarding the report.

Moved by J. Burkinshaw, seconded by J. McElhoes, that the Power Point presentation by R. van Wyk regarding the Inventory of Services/Housing Final Report, be received.

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CARRIED.

5. REPORTS

.1 Verbal Report from the Homelessness Task Force Facilitator, regarding a Proposed Governance Model

Moved by J. Burkinshaw, seconded by Chief Constable Rich, that the Verbal Report, dated August 18, 2014, and Background Information, from Homelessness Task Force Facilitator regarding a Proposed Governance Model, be received for information; and that the City adopt the Lethbridge Governance Model, incorporating* Task Force comments into a report for the August 27, 2014, meeting.

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CARRIED.

- .2 Verbal Report from the Facilitator regarding the Jubilee Park Dinner with notes/attachment

Moved by Councillor Ross, seconded by M. Welte, that the Verbal Report from the Facilitator regarding the Jubilee Park Dinner with notes/attachments, be received.

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CARRIED.

- .3 Verbal Report from the Facilitator regarding the Housing Continuum or Spectrum regarding a Dignity Village Concept

Moved by Chief Constable Rich, seconded by Councillor Ross, that the Verbal Report, dated August 11, 2014, and Background Information, from Homelessness Task Force Facilitator, regarding the Housing Spectrum Continuum, including a Proposed "Dignity Village" Concept be received for information; and that the City makes permanent, low barrier, supportive housing projects a priority.

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CARRIED.

6. MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

- .1 Housing Continuum Working Group Meeting Minutes
- .2 Abbotsford News August 5, 2014 – Abbotsford man dies after taking fentanyl
- .3 Homeless benches in Vancouver draw international attention – CBC News July 2, 2014

Moved by Councillor Ross, seconded by K. Matty, that the Minutes and Correspondence be received.

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CARRIED.

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. ADJOURNMENT

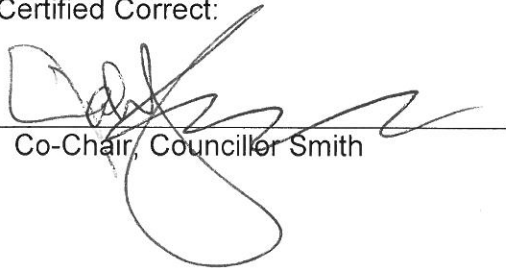
Moved by R. van Wyk that the August 21, 2014,
Homelessness Task Force meeting be adjourned (6:47
p.m.)

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CARRIED.

The next meeting of the Homelessness Task Force is scheduled for Wednesday, August
27, 2014 in the Legacy Building at 4:00pm

Certified Correct:



Co-Chair, Councillor Smith

Recording Secretary, L. Ganske