

Present:

Chairperson – Mayor McCallum
Councillor Annis
Councillor Elford
Councillor Guerra
Councillor Hundial
Councillor Locke
Councillor Nagra
Councillor Patton
Councillor Pettigrew

Absent:**Staff Present:**

City Manager
City Clerk
General Manager, Corporate Services
Acting General Manager, Engineering
General Manager, Finance
General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture
General Manager, Planning & Development
City Solicitor

A. DELEGATIONS

- 1. Chris Buchner, Director, Population and Public Health, Kristelle Heinrichs, Director, Mental Health and Substance Use, and Dr. Shovita Padhi, Medical Health Officer
Fraser Health Authority
File: 0250-20**

The delegation provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Surrey overdose response and highlighted the following information:

- It is anticipated that there will be a 40% reduction in overdose deaths in 2019 compared to 2018; however, there is only a small decrease in overdose related visits to the emergency room and overdose related ambulance calls have increased by 16%. North Surrey and Newton are experiencing the highest levels of overdose related deaths in Surrey.
- There are a variety of treatment services available in Surrey, including Opioid Agonist Treatment, detox and daytox centres, clinical counselling and outreach. There are also specialized services for youth and the South Asian community. For overdose prevention, there are two supervised consumption sites and overdose prevention sites imbedded within three modular housing sites and the King George Boulevard shelter.
- In 2018 and 2019, the Hospital to Shelter Project discharged 65 homeless patients from the hospital into shelters, with 14% of these patients eventually moving into permanent housing.
- The Surrey Community Action Team is currently focused on three projects based on the needs of the community and informed by the Opioid Summit report: encouraging dialogue with the South Asian community and sharing culturally specific information, resources and knowledge to reduce stigma around substance use and addiction; hosting social learning events for people with lived experience to build skills and capacity and develop a peer

network within the city; and delivering a workshop series around the effects of substance use on users and their family members, including support, harm reduction, treatment and recovery.

2. **Bobbi-Rhea Mackie, Executive Director, and Sylvia Shury, Director of Events Mackie's Place**

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The delegation provided an overview on Mackie's Place work with vulnerable youth and the youth crises in Surrey and highlighted the following information:

- Mackie's Place was developed as a place to equip, encourage and engage at-risk youth, as well as to equip the community to integrate at-risk youth in order to help break subcultural divides.
- Mackie's Place was initiated in 2016 with an after-school youth hub offering free coffee and snacks. Since then, Mackie's Place has developed four job skills programs for baristas, cooking, cleaning and business. The programs have been designed to provide opportunities for kids at all skill levels.
- The community is invited to participate in anyway they can at Mackie's Place to help build natural relationships with the youth and provide additional support.

B. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by Councillor Guerra

Seconded by Councillor Patton

That the Council-in-Committee meeting be

adjourned.

Carried

The Council-in-Committee adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk

Mayor Doug McCallum, Chairperson