

Public Safety Committee Minutes

1E - Committee Room B City Hall 13450 - 104 Avenue Surrey, B.C. MONDAY, JULY 15, 2019

Time: 1:05 p.m. File: 0540-20

<u>Present:</u> <u>Absent:</u> <u>Staff Present:</u>

Chair: Mayor McCallum Councillor Annis Councillor Elford Councillor Guerra Councillor Hundial Councillor Locke Councillor Nagra Councillor Patton Councillor Pettigrew City Manager City Clerk Deputy City Solicitor GM, Policing Transition

Fire Chief

A. ADOPTIONS

1. Adoption of the Agenda

It was Moved by Councillor Guerra

Seconded by Councillor Patton

That the agenda of the Public Safety

Committee meeting on July 15, 2019, be amended by adding Item D.1: Dissolution of Public Safety Committee and Establishment of the Interim Police Transition Advisory Committee and that the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

2. Adoption of Minutes

a. Public Safety Committee - May 6, 2019

It was Moved by Councillor Guerra

Seconded by Councillor Patton

That the minutes of the Public Safety

Committee meeting held on May 6, 2019, be adopted.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

1. Dr. Shovita Padhi, Fraser Health Authority

File No. 2640.01

Dr. Shovita Padhi, Medical Health Officer, Chris Buckner, Director, Population and Public Health, Fraser MacKay, Creekside Withdrawal Management Centre Manager, Fraser Health Authority, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Surrey overdose response and highlighted the following information:

• In keeping with trends across the region, overdose deaths are declining in Surrey. Whalley, North Surrey and Newton have the highest number of overdose deaths in Surrey. Despite the number of overdose deaths

occurring, the number of overdose-related ambulance and emergency room visits remain the same. This indicates that the region still has a contaminated drug supply.

- It is estimated that over 35,000 overdose deaths have been averted due to harm reduction service, such as take-home naloxone kits, sterile drug-use sites and referring individuals to services. Fraser Health Authority will continue to provide evidence-based services in Surrey and utilize feedback and data to improve services offered.
- A 2016 Ministerial Order under the Emergency Health Services Act directed all regional health authorities to immediately provide enhanced overdose prevention services and monitoring of individuals at risk of overdose. Surrey has two supervised consumption service locations at Safepoint and Quibble Creek, as well as numerous overdose prevention sites. The prevention site imbedded within the North Surrey modular housing site is particularly significant since over 80% of overdose deaths occur when an individual is alone.
- Surrey has a wide range of treatment services, from a detox and daytox clinic, specialized services for individuals from various ethnic backgrounds, intensive case management and youth services.
- The Surrey Community Action Team was mandated by the Ministry of Health in 2017 and is co-chaired by Fraser Health Authority and Surrey Fire Services. The team has diverse representation from service providers and individuals with life experience. There are numerous collaboration projects to address the root causes of overdoses, such as a second responders project with Fire Services that would include an intervention team accompanying overdose calls, collaboration with the trades industry to catch addiction issues early, and working with the School District on new prevention and school-based team initiatives.

2. Kim Marosevich, Bylaw Services Manager, City of Surrey File No. 3900-01

Kim Marosevich, Bylaw Services Manager, provided an update regarding the Bylaw Summer Programs and highlighted the following information:

- Bylaw Services regular season operations runs from September 2 to April 30 with hours from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., seven days a week, year-round, except for Christmas Day.
- Bylaw service requests generally increase in the summer due to residents spending more time outdoors and having their windows open. To address the additional service requests, Bylaw summer operations runs from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 6:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. on weekends and statutory holidays. Bylaw summer operation season is from May 1 September 30 and includes an additional six Community Patrol Officers.

- Customers can contact Bylaw Services by phone, email or through the City's MySurrey app. After hour phone calls to Bylaw Services are directed to the Fire Dispatch Centre.
- Despite additional calls being received by Bylaws during the summer months, there is not generally an increase in the number of files being generated, as not all calls are related to City issues. The response of Community Patrol Officers is compliance-related; providing information and education to individuals using public spaces.

C. COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committee Report, under date of July 15, 2019, was considered and dealt with as follows:

Poo8 Surrey Anti-Gang Family Empowerment Update File No. 7430-00

The General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Culture submitted a report to provide an update on the Surrey Anti-Gang Family Empowerment ("SAFE") Program. The report outlines work completed to date by the City of Surrey and its partners to deliver new services to support children, youth and families and divert young people from pathways to gang involvement.

Brian Aasebo, Community Safety Manager, provided a PowerPoint overview and the following information was highlighted:

- The SAFE Program Leadership Group is a steering committee that provides governance for the SAFE program. All SAFE partners have senior representation on the Leadership Group. The Group meets quarterly.
- A Memorandum of Understand (MOU) with all SAFE partners is now in place to govern delivery of the program. The first-year report was compiled for 2018-2019, indicating that SAFE had 71 clients served during the first year.
- The SAFE Centre is located on level 9 of the Kwantlen Polytechnic University space in Civic Hotel and is fully operational. The space includes informal seating and a collaboration space that can host workshops and focus groups. There have been 25 functions including 280 internal and external partners. The City's Marketing team is currently working on branding for the SAFE Centre to make the space more visually enhanced.
- The Children and Youth At-Risk Table (CHART) supports children, youth and their families by bringing in various agencies to provide a coordinated approach to service delivery. Additional training was provided in May 2019 to implement program enhancements. CHART had 37 cases raised across its first 11 meetings. The average age of CHART clients is 15 and seven out of ten referrals are male.

- A communications package, including promotional material, eNewsletter, website
 and social media, has been developed to raise awareness, encourage participation
 and increase referrals. In addition, members of the SAFE Team are present at
 numerous city events, increasing SAFE's presence in the community.
- Altering Pathways Research is a series of three workshops combining two research streams that was led by the City in partnership with Simon Fraser University.
 While the project is not part of SAFE it runs simultaneously, and the research can be applied to both SAFE and CHART. The report is currently being peer-reviewed and will be distributed once approved.
- While SAFE was originally established through funds from the intervention stream
 of Public Safety Canada's Youth Gang Fund, the program is seeking to be more
 proactive and preventative, as research indicates that upstream thinking is key.
 The Prevention Prospectus is a lobbying tool for funds to support the expansion of
 the SAFE model by seeking another prevention site.

It was Moved by Councillor Guerra

Seconded by Councillor Patton

That Committee Report Poo8 be received for

information.

Carried

D. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Dissolution of Public Safety Committee and Establishment of the Interim Police Transition Advisory Committee

File: 0540-01

Mayor McCallum advised that the Public Safety Committee has been dissolved and the Interim Police Transition Advisory Committee (IPTAC) has been established for an anticipated period of three to six months. The IPTAC will support the policing transition process leading up to the establishment of the Police Board. Items that were previously brought forward to the Public Safety Committee that fall outside the mandate of the IPTAC will be distributed to Council through Corporate Reports, inter-office memos and presentations to Council-in-Committee. Appointments to the IPTAC will be announced at the July 22, 2019 Regular Council – Public Hearing meeting.

E.

ADJOURNMENT	
It was	Moved by Councillor Guerra Seconded by Councillor Patton
be adjourned.	That the Public Safety Committee meeting <u>Carried</u>
The Public Safety Committee adjourned	d at 1:52 p.m.
Jennifer Ficocelli, City Clerk	Mayor Doug McCallum, Chair

The July 15, 2019, Public Safety Committee minutes were not adopted by the Committee as the Public Safety Committee was dissolved on July 15, 2019.