

COMMITTEE REPORT TO COUNCIL

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DATE: July 6, 2021

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

NAME AND TITLE:

Community

Mayor Lyn Hall, Chair, Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to the Terms of Reference for the Select Committee on a

Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community

ATTACHMENT(S): 1. Draft Terms of Reference for the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and

Inclusive Community

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That Council APPROVES amending the Terms of Reference for the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community to extend the length of term and membership appointments until December 31, 2021 so that meetings and decisions are valid within the term of the Committee and with an active membership.

PURPOSE:

The Committee requests Council's authorization to extend the Terms of Reference for the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean and Inclusive Community until December 31, 2021. The Committee Terms of Reference stipulates (under 3.2 Length of Term) that the committee will deliver its recommendations to Council by June 30, 2021. The report and recommendations were delivered at a regular meeting of Council on January 11, 2021

BACKGROUND:

On December 2, 2019, Prince George City Council hosted a public consultation to allow representatives of the business community and members of the public to share their concerns and suggestions on a variety of community social issues. The meeting concluded with a motion, unanimously supported by Council, to establish a Select Committee on a Safe, Clean and Inclusive Community.

The Committee was formed to advise Council and City staff on priorities and strategies related to key issues and work required to be done to address social issues throughout Prince George, with a focus on the downtown core.

The Committee met in person three times before engaging Urban Matters to assist the Committee in fulfilling its mandate. Through an interview process which culminated in a workshop on September 15, 2020, three consistent themes were identified:

- 1) need for advocacy;
- 2) need for service coordination and integration; and

3) improved communication.

These themes were further explored during the September 2020 workshop to identify proposed recommendations and actions. A follow-up workshop was held virtually on December 8, 2020 to review the proposed strategy that was developed based on the work completed in September. Amendments were made to the proposed strategy based on feedback gathered during the December workshop and the strategy was approved during a formal meeting of the committee on January 5, 2021. The approved strategy was then presented at a regular meeting of Council on January 11, 2021.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Mayor Lyn Hall, Chair, Select Committee on a Safe, Clean and Inclusive Community

Meeting Date: [Enter 2021/07/12]