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DATE: **March 5, 2018**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **March 1, 2018**

FROM: **Assistant Commissioner
Officer in Charge – OIC, Surrey RCMP
Director, Public Safety**

FILE: **7450-30**

SUBJECT: **Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention**

RECOMMENDATION

The Surrey RCMP and the City Manager's office recommend that the Public Safety Committee receive this report for information.

INTENT

The purpose of this report is to provide the Public Safety Committee with an update on implementation of the Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention.

BACKGROUND

In August 2017, Mayor Hepner announced the Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention (the "Plan"). The Plan is driven by the concern that gang related violence, namely in the form of random, periodic incidents of gun shots fired, is plaguing our region. Low level gang members from Vancouver to the Eastern Fraser Valley engage in this activity as a method of seeking revenge, controlling "turf" or intimidating rivals. The goal of this multi-prong action Plan is to ensure that all possible actions are taken in our community, region and Province on the prevention of gang violence. The Plan is being advanced as a strategic initiative of the Public Safety Strategy and this report will provide an update on two of its key elements:

1. Mayor's Task Force on Gang Violence Prevention; and
2. Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility.

DISCUSSION

This report provides an update on implementation of two key elements of the Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention.

Mayor's Task Force on Gang Violence Prevention

The Mayor's Task Force on Gang Violence Prevention (the "Task Force") was established to review existing gang violence prevention programs and services, to identify gaps, challenges and issues

with existing programs and services. A final report outlining actionable recommendations for combatting gang violence will be developed as the key deliverable from the work of the Task Force. The goal is to finalize this report and recommendations, and forward it to Provincial and Federal funders as part of the Provincial and Federal Gangs and Guns Strategies.

The first meeting of the Task Force was held on October 26, 2017 at which time the membership was confirmed (Appendix "I"). The Terms of Reference for the Task Force was reviewed and finalized (Appendix "II"). The timeline was received and approved (Appendix "III").

The second meeting held on December 13, 2017 was focused on a review of existing Surrey-based programs as presented by Task Force members. Presentations included:

1. Office of Crime Reduction and Gang Outreach, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General: The Provincial Picture;
2. City of Surrey, Parks Recreation & Culture Department, Public Safety Division, Surrey RCMP, and School District 36: The City Picture;
3. CFSEU: Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit; and
4. PICS, Options Community Services, and PCRS: The Agency Picture.

The third meeting held on January 29, 2018 consisted of five academic presentations featuring the following topics:

1. Dr. Evan McCuish and Dr. Martin Bouchard: Characteristics of Adolescent Gang Members in BC;
2. Dr. Gira Bhatt and Dr. Roger Tweed: What Do We Know About Links Between Research and Practice?;
3. Dr. Irwin Cohen: Community and School Based Gang Prevention, Intervention, and Suppression Programs;
4. Dr. Nathalie Gagnon: Evaluations of Crime Prevention Programs: Lessons Learned; and
5. Marion Cook, National Crime Prevention Centre: What Has Been Learned About What Works in Preventing Gang Involvement?

The fourth meeting held on February 26, 2018 was designed as a workshop which focused on knowledge and consensus building exercises designed to lead the Task Force through the analytical review of programs, a gap analysis and the drafting of recommendations for the final Mayor's Task Force on Gang Violence Prevention Report (the "Report").

A draft of the final Report will be presented to the Task Force on April 12, 2018 for review and approval. Upon final approval of the Report at the May 4, 2018 Task Force meeting, the Report will then be brought forward to the May 14, 2018 Public Safety Committee meeting.

Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility

The City of Surrey Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility (the "Award") recognizes those who work to foster civic responsibility in Surrey youth, up to and including 19 years of age. The Award recognizes an agency, school or program that has made a positive impact to the community and our youth. This Award will be awarded annually to an agency, a school or a program that has made a significant and impactful contribution to the Surrey community.

Recipients of this Award which includes a monetary prize (\$10,000), will have demonstrated their commitment to fostering community values in Surrey's youth. The monetary award must be allocated back into the initiative or program in order to support ongoing development and project sustainability. The Award is a message of encouragement for those who are making a positive contribution to our youth, emphasizes what is great about Surrey and our citizens, while holding up an ideal for others to follow, and will also reflect pride within the community. The primary objective of the initiative is to encourage Surrey's youth and youth serving institutions and agencies to go above and beyond by encouraging civic responsibility in youth and to inspire others to act the same way.

The Award criteria, nomination form and overall processes were finalized, (Appendix "IV") resulting in the following planned process:

- The Award was announced in a press release in February 2018.
- Nominations will be received by the Clerks department up to and including April 20, 2018. A report will be prepared for Council to review and select a winner in May 2018.
- Once selected by Council, the successful nominee will be contacted personally by the Mayor followed by a formal announcement to take place at an event designed to provide an update on the Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention, including the release of the final Report and recommendations of the Mayor's Task Force on Gang Violence Prevention.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

The Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention supports the Health and Wellness theme in the Sustainability Charter 2.0, specifically the following Wellness and Recreation Desired Outcomes and Strategic Directions:

- DO8: Residents feel a sense of belonging and connectedness, and have opportunities for social interaction in their neighbourhood and community.
- SD7: Actively support capacity-building in neighbourhoods and communities to encourage social connections

CONCLUSION

The City of Surrey has proven itself to be an innovative leader, demonstrating the ability to respond effectively to complex issues such as gang violence. The Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention further complements efforts to enhance public safety in Surrey, with a strong focus on collaborative partnerships. Effectively delivering on the initiatives outlined in the Mayor's Action Plan on Gang Violence Prevention is key to ensuring the City continues to strive

to meet our vision of a community where everyone is safe and engaged. This work also directly supports the City's mission as we work together across sectors to create measurable results and further support our efforts as leaders in public safety within the region, the Province, and across Canada.



Dwayne McDonald
Assistant Commissioner
Officer In Charge (OIC) Surrey, RCMP

Terry Waterhouse
Director, Public Safety

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Appendix "I" - Task Force Members List

Appendix "II" - Terms of Reference

Appendix "III" - Project and Meeting Timeline

Appendix "IV" - Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility Poster, Nomination Form with Judging Criteria

**Mayor’s Task Force on Gang Violence
Members List**

a. Elected Officials (4)

Role	Name/ Position
Mayor	Mayor Linda Hepner - Chair
Councillors (2)	Councillor Gill, Deputy Chair and Councillor Starchuk
Surrey Member of Parliament (1)	Hon. Randeep Sarai, MP (Surrey Centre)

b. Provincial Government Representative (1)

Role	Name/ Position
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General	Jamie Lipp, Director, Office of Crime Reduction & Gang Outreach, Policing and Security Branch Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

c. Selected Local Social Service Agencies (3)

Role	Name/ Position
Progressive Intercultural Services (PICS)	Satbir Singh Cheema, CEO Progressive Intercultural Community Services (PICS) Society
Pacific Community Resources Society (PCRS)	Michelle Shaw, Director of Operations, Fraser Region Pacific Community Resources Society
Options Community Services Society (Options BC)	Christine Mohr, Executive Director Options Community Services Society

d. Surrey School District 36 (1)

Role	Name/ Position
School District #36	Rob Rai, Director, School and Community Connections - Surrey School District

e. Law Enforcement Agencies (2)

Role	Name/ Position
Surrey RCMP (1)	Asst. Comm. Dwayne McDonald, Officer in Charge Surrey Detachment
Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit (1)	Asst. Comm. Kevin Hackett Chief Officer Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit - BC

f. Media (1)

Role	Name/ Position
Regional Media Representative	Dwayne Weidendorf Group Publisher/General Manager - Black Press

g. Citizen Representatives (5)

Role	Name/ Position
Citizen Representative	Keiron McConnell
Citizen Representative	Balwant Sanghera
Citizen Representative	Ary Azez
Citizen Representative	Jordan Buna
Citizen Representative	Paul Sahota

h. Business Community (3)

Role	Name/ Position
Surrey Board of Trade	Anita Huberman, CEO Surrey Board of Trade
South Asian Business Association of BC	Victor Lall President South Asian Business Association of BC
Fraser Valley Real Estate Board	Gopal Sahota, President-Elect Fraser Valley Real Estate Board

i. City of Surrey staff (3)

Role	Name/ Position
City Manager	Vincent Lalonde
GM, Parks Recreation and Culture	Laurie Cavan
Director, Public Safety	Terry Waterhouse

j. City of Surrey support staff and contractor (3)

Public Safety team support	Colleen Kerr Public Safety, Manager - Stakeholder Engagement
Project Consultant	Beth Garner Principle Ference and Co
Administrative Assistant	Lauren Blake Corporate Services

CITY OF SURREY

MAYOR'S TASK FORCE ON GANG VIOLENCE PREVENTION

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. MANDATE

To (1) review existing gang violence prevention programs and services, (2) identify gaps, challenges and issues with existing programs and services, and (3) prepare a report outlining actionable recommendations for combatting gang violence.

2. FUNCTIONS

The Task Force on Gang Violence Prevention is established to:

- (a) Review and optimize the Task Force's terms of reference;
- (b) Develop a work plan and a timeline to guide Task Force work;
- (c) Liaise with members' respective agencies for assistance in identifying current regional programs and services for review and evaluation;
- (d) Identify and approach subject matter experts whose work and/or testimony would be beneficial to the work of the Task Force;
- (e) Determine the need for further information and research on gang violence prevention;
- (f) Prepare a final report outlining actionable recommendations for combatting gang violence;
- (g) Support the implementation of the Task Force's final report recommendations through the actions of the members' respective agencies; and
- (h) Receive and review input and presentations from agencies and academics.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- (a) The Task Force shall consist of:
 - (1) Elected Officials:
 - i. Three (3) members of City Council;
 - ii. One (1) Member of Parliament from the Surrey area;
 - (2) Local Social Service Agencies:
 - i. One (1) representative from Progressive Intercultural Services (PICS)
 - ii. One (1) representative from Pacific Community Resources Society (PCRS)
 - iii. One (1) representative from Options Community Services Society (Options BC)
 - (3) Surrey School District 36:
 - i. One (1) senior staff representative

- (4) Law Enforcement Agencies:
 - i. One (1) senior officer representative from the Surrey RCMP
 - ii. One (1) senior officer representative from the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit
 - (5) Media:
 - i. One (1) Regional Media Representative
 - (6) Citizen Representatives:
 - i. Five (5) representatives
 - (7) Business Community:
 - i. One (1) representative from the Surrey Board of Trade
 - ii. One (1) representative from the South Asian Business Association of BC
 - iii. One (1) representative from the Fraser Valley Real Estate Board
 - (8) City of Surrey Staff:
 - i. City Manager
 - ii. General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture
 - iii. Director, Public Safety
- (b) Mayor Hepner and Councillors Gill and Starchuk are appointed to the committee.
- (c) The Mayor is the Chair of the Task Force.
- (d) Councillor Gill is the Deputy Chair of the Task Force.
- (e) Senior Provincial Government Representative: One (1) representative from the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General will act as a liaison to the Task Force and will participate in each Task Force meeting.

4. MEETINGS

- (a) Meetings will be held based on an agreed upon schedule, and/or at the call of the Chair.
- (b) The Committee shall meet a minimum of six (6) times prior to the production of a final report to be presented in June 2018.
- (c) A quorum for a meeting of the Committee shall be ten (10) members of the Committee, of which one must be either the Chair or Deputy Chair.
- (d) The agenda for Task Force meetings shall be prepared by City of Surrey staff in consultation with the Chair, the City Manager, and the Director of Public Safety.
- (e) Task Force meetings will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order unless declared informal by the chair.
- (f) Task Force meetings will be conducted in public unless the meeting may or must be closed to the public, pursuant to *Community Charter* requirements.
- (g) Minutes of the meetings of the Task Force shall be recorded by the Legislative Services Department. Minutes of meetings shall be forwarded by the City Clerk to the Public Safety Committee of Council as information and, where

- (h) recommendations are included in the minutes, such recommendations shall be high-lighted for the Committee's consideration.
- (i) Staff assistance will be provided to the Task Force, as required, by the City of Surrey.

5. AMENDMENT, MODIFICATION OR VARIATION OF THESE TERMS OF REFERENCE

- (a) Any request for amendment, modification or variation to these Terms of Reference (TOR) can be enacted at the specific direction of the Mayor.
- (b) In the event that the Mayor endorses the requested change, the relevant resolution number and date of amendment will be recorded on the master TOR document.

6. GENERAL TERMS & CODE OF CONDUCT

(a) Decorum and Debate

Task Force members are expected to prepare for meetings by reading through their agenda materials ahead of time, arriving to the meeting on time and being respectful of others' thoughts and opinions.

(b) Recommendations and Decision-making

Task Force decisions will be made by consensus. It is desirable that recommendations are acceptable to all Task Force members; therefore the process should be continued until a consensus is achieved.

(c) Attendance and Participation

Members must devote the necessary time and effort to prepare for meetings and provide feedback in keeping with the Task Force mandate.

(d) Authority and Reporting

The Task Force and its members will not represent themselves as having any authority beyond that delegated in the TOR approved by the Mayor.

(e) Professionalism

Task Force members who engage in activities regarding City of Surrey or Task Force initiatives / projects and promotions are expected to maintain a respectful, constructive, professional tone.

(f) Confidentiality

All new Committee members are required to sign a copy of the "Volunteer Services Confidentiality Agreement" in order to serve on the Task Force.

As Task Force membership may expose representatives to closed meetings and other sources of confidential information it is of the utmost importance confidences are maintained according to the Volunteer Services Confidentiality Agreement.

It is the policy of the City of Surrey to encourage clear and effective communication with all Task Force members, stakeholders and members of the public. Any use of social media must, as with all other forms of communication meet tests of credibility, privacy, authority and accountability.

(g) Resident of Surrey

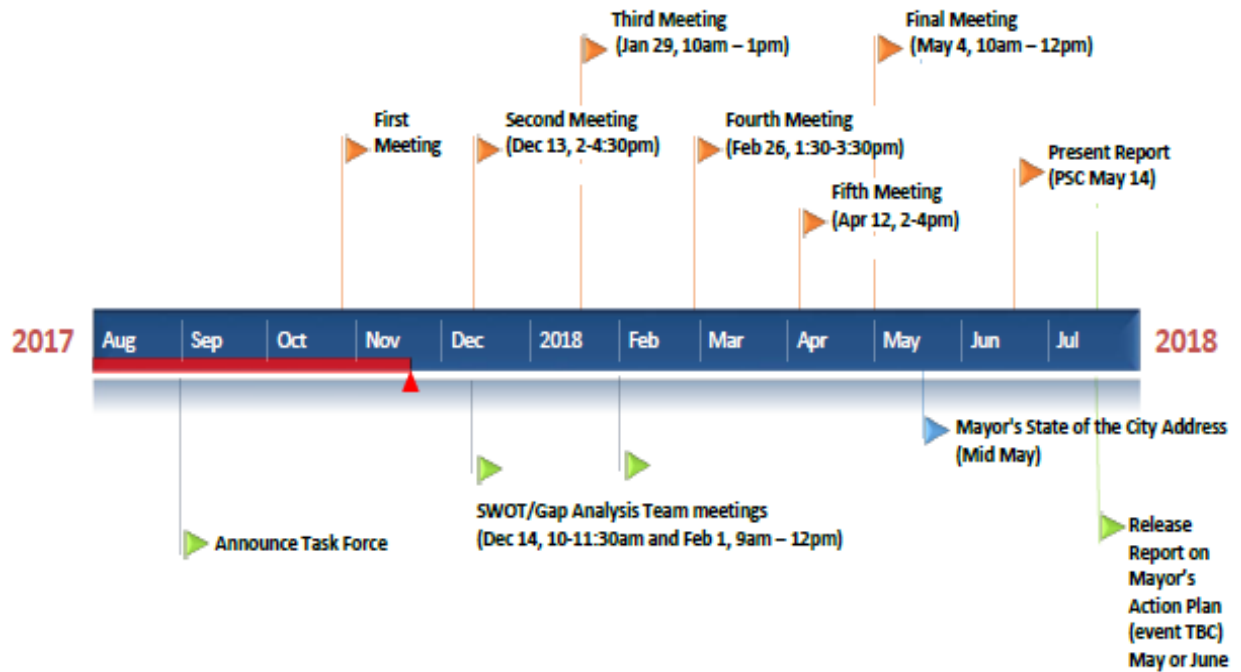
As Task Force members are required to possess specialized knowledge, Task Force membership is not limited to Surrey residents.

Mayor Hepner will appoint new members should vacancies arise.

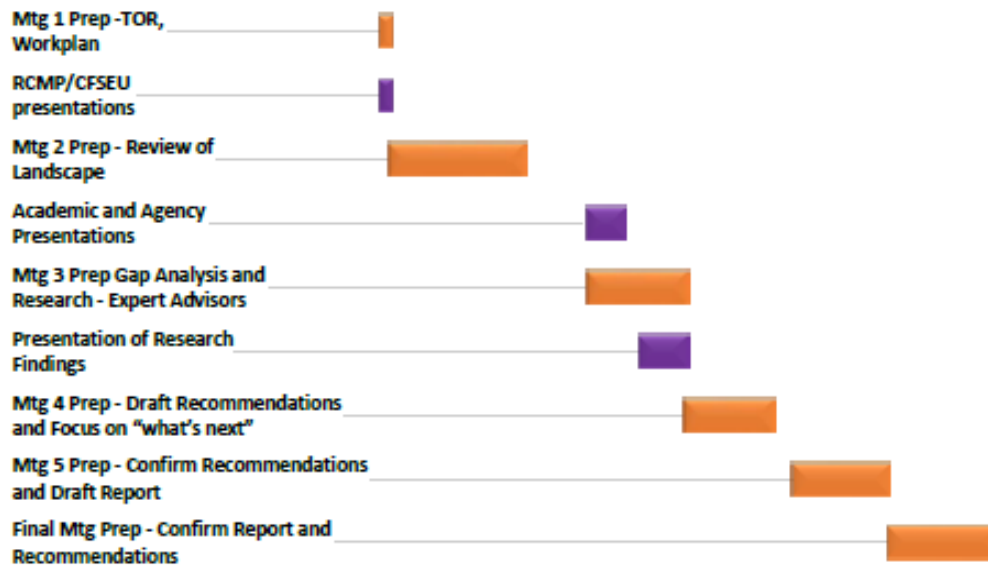
8. FINAL REPORT

The Task Force is expected to produce a report outlining actionable recommendations for combatting gang violence, and to support the implementation of the Task Force's final report recommendations through the actions of the Task Force members' respective agencies.

Mayor's Task Force on Gang Violence Prevention –Timeline



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MAYOR'S AWARD *for* FOSTERING CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

\$10,000 AWARD

The **Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility** recognizes an agency, school, or program that is making a significant and positive impact in our community by fostering civic responsibility in Surrey's children and youth.

Nomination forms, award information, and eligibility can be found at:

surrey.ca/awards

For more information contact:

publicsafety@surrey.ca

Nomination submission deadline:

Friday April 20, 2018



City of Surrey

2018 Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility Nomination Form

Nominator: (may be an individual, school, service group, business or agency)

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Nominee: (may be an agency, school or program)

Program or Initiative Name: _____
Contact Name: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

The City of Surrey Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility is awarded annually to an agency, a school or a program that has gone above and beyond in making a significant and impactful contribution to the Surrey community by fostering civic responsibility in children and youth, up to and including 19 years of age.

Surrey's Commitment to Fostering Civic Responsibility and Award Criteria

The Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility recognizes an agency, school, or program that is making a significant and positive impact in our community by fostering civic responsibility in Surrey's children and youth. The award is a message of encouragement for those who are making a positive contribution to our young citizens.

The award process will allow for the wide variety of options given that contributions to foster civic responsibility can be demonstrated in a number of ways.

Award Criteria

Recipients of this monetary prize (\$10,000) have demonstrated their commitment to fostering community values in Surrey's children and youth by meeting the following criteria:

- The recipient emphasizes what is great about Surrey and our citizens, while holding up an ideal for others to follow.
- The recipient demonstrates innovation in programming or service that serves as a promising or proven approach for others to follow.
- This award will reflect pride within community.
- The primary objective of the successful recipient is to encourage Surrey agencies to go above and beyond by encouraging civic responsibility in children and youth and to inspire others to act the same way.
- The initiative or activity goes beyond the recipient's traditional mandate and is not part of their core purpose.
- The initiative or activity has made an impact beyond the program itself such as the ripple effect of inspiring others to act.

Award Use

- The monetary award must be allocated back into the initiative or program in order to support ongoing development and project sustainability.

NOMINATION FORM

(Each response should be no more than 250 words and must be legible – separate typed submissions included with this nomination form will be accepted).

1. Describe the nominee's role in the City of Surrey community (EXAMPLE: if it is an agency or school describe their mandate, overview of their work, target group, etc.)

2. Describe in detail the project or initiative made by the nominee, that has inspired you to write this nomination.

3. How did the nominee's contribution(s) foster civic responsibility in Surrey's youth? Please provide specific examples or stories that highlight innovation, pride, impacts beyond the initiative/program itself and how it went above and beyond.

4. What impact did this contribution(s) have on the broader community? (ripple effect for inspiring others, etc.)

Please check if supporting material is attached:

- Letter(s) of support
- Newspaper clipping(s)
- Special recognition or award(s) received
- Other: _____

Return completed form to:
Legislative Services, City of Surrey, 13450 - 104 Avenue, Surrey, BC, V3T 1V8
or fax to: 604-501-7578, or clerks@surrey.ca

Friday April 20, 2018 (by 11:59 p.m.)

Disclosure Statement

Personal Information is collected by the City of Surrey in administration of the 2018 Mayor's Award for Fostering Civic Responsibility. The City of Surrey is collecting this information under s.26 (c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. For questions regarding the collection of personal information, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (604) 591-4132.

Additional Terms and Conditions:

- Decisions of the City of Surrey as to the administration of the Award, interpretation of the terms and conditions, and the selection of a winner will be final.
- The Nominator, upon submission for the Award, irrevocably grants to the City of Surrey, the non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, no-cost license and right to use the entry submitted. The City of Surrey will have the right to use the entries submitted in any merchandising, advertising, marketing, or promotion. All entries that are posted on the City of Surrey's website and related social media may be available to be viewed by anyone with access to the Internet.
- Programs, activities and initiatives run by the City of Surrey are not eligible for an Award. However, programs, activities and initiatives led by third parties with some involvement by the City of Surrey are eligible.
- By submitting a nomination, the Nominator agrees, and by accepting the Award, the winner agrees, to:
 - a) abide by the terms and conditions and the decisions of the City of Surrey, which shall be final in all respects;
 - b) release, discharge and hold harmless the City of Surrey from all liability, claims or damages, arising out of their participation in the Award nomination process and the acceptance, use or misuse of the award.

The City of Surrey reserves the right to cancel or suspend this Award, and cancel or refuse any entry or any individual, agency, school or program winning the Award.