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Community Services Briefing to Combined Meeting of Council 2020 March 16

Community-Based Public Safety Task Force Terms of Reference

PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

On 2020 February 3, Council approved Notice of Motion PFC2020-0120 directing Administration to prepare terms of reference for the Community-Based Public Safety Task Force, including membership drawn from a broad base of community stakeholders. This briefing responds to Council's direction to report back by 2020 March 16.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The Community-Based Public Safety Task Force (the Task Force) Terms of Reference (Attachment 1) drafted in consultation with Calgary Police Commission, Calgary Police Service and interested members of Council. The key purpose of the Task Force is to provide a foundation for a community-driven and community-owned collaborative approach to community concerns around gang and gun violence.

The Task Force will bring together a diverse group of citizens that will report back to Council with its best advice and recommendations related to identifying and addressing community concerns around violence and will be informed by engagement with community groups. The mandate of the Task Force is to:

- Review existing prevention programs and services locally and in other relevant jurisdictions;
- Listen to the community and identify positive actions underway, gaps, challenges and issues with existing programs and services; and
- Report back to Council in 2021 Q1 with a summary of what was heard from the community and actionable recommendations with a focus on prevention related to community concerns around violence, including gang and gun violence.

The Task Force will be composed of a variety of stakeholders, including elected officials from The City of Calgary, a Appointed Member/Representative of the Federal Government, a Member of Legislative Assembly, Calgary Police Commission, Calgary Police Service, local service agencies and community leaders. The membership establishes a diverse coalition required to confront complex issues related to community concerns around violence and will meet four times to seek the best advice possible from the community through a cross-sector collaborative approach.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Community-Based Public Safety Task Force Terms of Reference