

# Background and Previous Council Direction

## Context

The Community-Based Public Safety Task Force (Task Force) was created with direction from Council to report back with best advice and recommendations addressing community concerns around gun and gang violence. The Task Force has since become part of a landscape including the Anti-Racism Committee, the Community Action on Mental Health, and the Community Safety Investment Framework. The recommendations developed by the Task Force were informed by extensive community engagement from a broad base of community stakeholders. The Task Force work has concluded, and the next phase of the work is about to commence pending Council approval of the approach Administration is required to take that will inform the funding contribution agreement with Public Safety Canada to access the Building Safer Communities Fund.

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