

**Mayor's Task Force on Community Safety, Security & Well-Being
March 26, 2021 - Meeting Minutes**

Subject:	Mayor's Task Force on Community Safety, Security & Well-Being
Attendees:	Mayor Dan Carter, Chair Bob Chapman, Cindy Malachowski, Matt Bowles, Noel Coppins, Audrey Andrews, Dave Saliba, Stephanie Skopyk, Sandra Black, Fred Eismont, Steve Conaby
Staff:	Paul Ralph, Tracy Adams, Brenda Jeffs, Kevin Alexander, Haik Beglarov, Shannon McFadyen
Regrets:	Dr. Peter Stoett, Kelly Brown
Meeting location:	Cisco Webex Meeting
Date & time:	March 26, 2021, 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Agenda Item	Discussions/Actions
1. Welcome	Chair Bob Chapman welcomed and thanked all Task Force members for joining.
2. Review of the Minutes	The minutes from February 26, 2021 were reviewed and no changes were made.
3. Review Communications	<p>Communication Items</p> <p>Shannon McFadyen, Manager, Corporate Communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared updates on the City's Communication Plan for the city-wide "if you see it, report it" campaign. <p>Sandra Black, OSCC55+</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oshawa Public Libraries and the RMG will help distribute the items. <p>Fred Eismont, Resident</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered to provide posters to local retailers for posting on their community bulletin boards. <p>Steve Conaby, Oshawa Chamber of Commerce</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chamber can share the digital share kit with their e-newsletter.

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Review Communications (Cont'd)	<p>Draft Survey</p> <p>Shannon McFadyen, Manager, Corporate Communications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advised that a community safety feedback form was being developed for Connect Oshawa, the City's engagement platform. • Advised that the community engagement would run for approx. 4 weeks and was planned to launch in May. <p>Audrey Andrews, Durham Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Region is a member of the Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention which sends out a survey and tracks the data over time. Audrey Andrews will forward an example to Shannon McFadyen.
4. Discuss Public Art Initiative	<p>Chair Bob Chapman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A group, including the artist whose work is at Simcoe and King, is interested in installing a mural in our downtown. • An application will be forwarded to the Development Services Committee for review. If approved by Committee and Council, the mural can then be painted.
5. Discuss Welcome Back Package/ Downtown Business Package	<p>Chair Bob Chapman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee recommended that Council consider updating the Community Improvement Grant for the Downtown Area to include such things as security gates and lights. The item will be on the Monday, March 29 Council Agenda. • Durham Region is doing a lot with funds provided by the Federal Government, including long range planning and the purchase of shelter facilities and transitional housing. • 18 unsheltered people were moved into housing in the month of February. • There is a lack of public knowledge about what the Region provides for the unsheltered. <p>Mayor Carter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraged people and community groups to work with the different agencies who provide services to the unsheltered to enable co-ordination of services. <p>Audrey Andrews, Durham Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chalmers App was created for the unsheltered, it is easy for them to use and offers valuable resources to users.

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<p>Discuss Welcome Back Package/ Downtown Business Package (Cont'd)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraged Task Force members to utilize the App as it is a valuable tool. <p>Cindy Malachowski, Lord Simcoe Place</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested a “placemat” strategy that highlights initiatives that are being done for easy reference. <p>Stephanie Skopyk, Mission United/CMHA Durham</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stressed the importance of having a visual depiction of successes and expressed the desire to explore opportunities to put something in the Downtown core that is visual, updated regularly and seen on a daily basis so that the community can see that improvements being made as a lot of great work is getting done. • There is a definite need to continue work on shelter reform and revision. <p>Brenda Jeffs, Brenda Jeffs, Director, MLELS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested the City share good news stories through social media posts similar to City of Toronto’s Instagram, where the public can see faces and successes of people.
<p>6. Other Business</p>	<p>Noel Coppins, Remax Jazz</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excited to receive all promotional materials and have Agents distribute to clients. The Task Force is moving together in the right direction and this is an incredible team. <p>Stephanie Skopyk, Mission United/CMHA Durham</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pleased to be involved with this Task Force, it’s very engaging and feeling positive about what’s coming.
<p>7. Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next meeting will be held April 30, 2021.</p>