

The Corporation of the City of Cornwall Regular Meeting of Council Report

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Meeting Date: October 12, 2021

Subject: Mayor's Task Force on Housing Update

Purpose

To provide Council with an update on the Mayor's Task Force on Housing.

Recommendation

That Council receive Report 2021-22-CAO.

Strategic Priority Implications

The Mayor's Task Force on Housing is an initiative that derives from Pillar 3 of the Strategic Priorities 2019-2022:

"Growing quality of housing stock, including affordable housing"

The Mayor's Task Force on Housing will not only provide recommendations to support increased quality housing efforts in the City of Cornwall but will also have a significant impact on achieving goals address in other priorities of the Strategic Plan, such as encouraging private sector residential development, welcoming newcomers, affordable housing, and remote worker efforts.

Background / Discussion

On February 22, 2021, Staff brought the Terms of Reference for the Mayor's Task Force on Housing to Council. The Task Force meets monthly, and consists of the following members:



Mayor Glen Grant
MP Eric Duncan
MPP Jim McDonell
Councillor Floing MacD

Councillor Elaine MacDonald

Mellissa Morgan, Administrator, Social & Housing Services Department Mark Boileau, General Manager of Planning, Development and Recreation Glenn Vollebregt, President and CEO, St. Lawrence College

Luc Marion, Grant Marion Construction

Marianne Leger, Remax Marquis

Martha Woods, Eastern Ontario Training Board

Brigitte Duguay, Réseau de soutien à l'immigration francophone de l'est de l'Ontario (RSIFEO)

Christine Penney, Cornwall Community Hospital Sterling Osmond, Lived Experience Member

Staff representative: Katherine Wells

To date, the Mayor's Task Force on Housing has had six meetings with discussions and presentations ranging on a variety of housing related topics. This will help the Task Force to develop their recommendations at the end of their mandate. At this point, no recommendations have been formulated.

Topics and presentations to date include:

- Secondary Units
- Housing Revitalization Strategy
- Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) Programs
- Renaissance Program & Heart of the City Community Improvement Plan
- Ontario Renovates Program
- Co-Operative Housing Federation of Canada
- Social Development Council of Cornwall & Area: Homelessness
- Cornwall Community Hospital: Housing and Mental Health
- Seniors Housing

The Task Force will continue to receive information in the months of October, November, and December with topics including tiny homes, tax increment grants and residential rental licensing. A presentation from the City of Kingston will also be given, as they are in the phase of executing the recommendations from their successful Mayor's Task Force on Housing.



Beginning January 2022, the Task Force will begin deliberations and formulating their recommendations for Council. Once finalized, a presentation will be brought forth to Council.



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