

Subject Matter: Lloydminster Community Safety Strategy

Department: Community Development Services

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Council Meeting Date: July 17, 2023

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Lloydminster Community Safety Strategy and direct Administration to incorporate it into business plans.

Issue: The Lloydminster Community Safety Strategy has been completed.

Background:

The City of Lloydminster received grant funding, in the amount of \$43,000 from the Government of Saskatchewan Ministry of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety to create a community safety and well-being plan. The primary objective of this project is to identify non-traditional strategies to reduce negative interactions between authorities and marginalized groups. Administration formed an ad hoc committee and during consultation, seven (7) focus groups were identified. It includes people with economic disadvantages or those facing homelessness/housing insecurity, people with mental health issues and addictions, people with disabilities, newcomers and refugees, Indigenous Peoples, 2LGBTQ+IA, and youth.

A Request for Quotes (RFQ) was issued on September 21, 2022. A total of five (5) proposals were received with the contract being awarded to bassa: Social Innovations for the added value they bring, having previously worked with the City to develop the Social Policy Framework.

This project involved discussions with service providers and their clients to get an understanding of the participant's perception of safety, lived experiences, and interactions with authorities. Scott Cameron and Avery Acheson of bassa: Social Innovations facilitated in-person interviews from February 5 to 7, 2023. General findings indicate that there are positive relationships between the interviewed stakeholders and authorities.

The findings of this report were compiled from literature review, local RCMP data, Statistics Canada data, Social Needs Assessment data, and the results from the stakeholder interviews.

A draft version of the Strategy was presented to Council June 12, 2023. The following changes were made:

- correction of typos;
- adjustment to include "person first" language"; and
- adjustment to risk factors on pg.20.



If Council adopts this Strategy, Administration will work to incorporate the Strategy into business plans and use the report in funding applications to the Provincial and Federal Governments.

Options:

- 1. That Council approve the adoption of the Lloydminster Community Safety Strategy and direct Administration to incorporate it into business plans.
- 2. That Council not approve the adoption of the Lloydminster Community Safety Strategy. That Council request further information and that the item be brought forward to a future Regular Council Meeting for decision.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item is in alignment with the following strategic area: Providing a Safe Community. The Lloydminster Community Safety Strategy will support the City of Lloydminster in implementing feedback from residents and organizations to build safety, connection, and effective use of resources.

Legal Review: N/A

Governance Implications: N/A

Budget/Financial Implications: N/A

Environmental Implications: N/A

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