



## Journey Home Task Force

### Minutes

Date:	Tuesday, April 10, 2018
Location:	Westbank First Nation 1900 Quail Lane, Upper Floor West Kelowna, BC
Committee Members Present:	Co-Chair, Martin Bell, Co-Chair, Dr. Kyleen Myrah, Ann Howard (BC Housing), Cheryl Miller (Central Okanagan Foundation), Superintendent Brent Mundle (RCMP), Theresa Arsenault, QC, Gaelene Askeland, Tom Dyas, Diane Entwistle, Carrie McDonald, Pam Moore, Brenda Plitt, Kelly Taverner, Shane Worman, Lisa McHaffie, Tina Larouche (Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society) and Diane Roy (Westbank First Nations)
Committee Members Absent:	John Yarshenko (Interior Health Authority), Harleen Price (Ministry of Social Development & Poverty Reduction), Jennifer Houde (Okanagan Nation Alliance), Mike Gawliuk, David Krysko and Scott Lanigan
Staff Present:	Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture, Jim Gabriel; Social Development Manager, Sue Wheeler; Neighbourhood Development Coordinator, Glenda Cooper; Communications Coordinator, Lisa Ruether; PT Recreation Technician, Melina Moran; and FOI-Legislative Coordinator, Sandi Horning
Guests:	Consultant, Alina Turner (Turner Strategies); Gerard Joyal* (Lived Experience Coordinator); Belinda Jackson* (A Way Home Kelowna); Councillor Tom Konek (Westbank First Nation); and General Manager of Development Services, Nancy Henderson* (City of West Kelowna)

(\* denotes partial attendance)

#### 1. Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions (Co-Chairs)

The Co-Chair, Martin Bell, called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. and thanked Westbank First Nation for hosting the Committee meeting.

## 2. Confirmation of Minutes

**Moved by Tom Dyas/Seconded by Theresa Arsenault**

THAT the Minutes of April 3, 2018 Meeting of the Journey Home Task Force be confirmed as circulated.

**Carried**

Co-Chair, Martin Bell:

- Reviewed the Agenda for the meeting.

## 3. Update on Council Presentation of April 9th (Co-Chairs)

Co-Chair, Martin Bell:

- Provided an update on the Task Force's presentation to Council on April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Commented that Council was very engaged during the presentation.

Co-Chair, Dr. Kyleen Myrah:

- Provided additional comment regarding the Council presentation.

## 4. Lived Experience Circle Update (Gerard Joyal, Lived Experience Coordinator)

Gerard Joyal, Lived Experience Coordinator:

- Displayed Graphics by Bob Mack and provided an update with respect to the Lived Experience Circle.
- Advised that 179 people have participated in the lived experience sessions to date and provided commentary on each graphic and the meaning/intent behind the graphic.

Co-Chair, Martin Bell:

- Provided comment regarding the lived experience community and suggested ways to include the community moving forward.

## 5. Communications Update (Staff)

Staff:

- Provided an update regarding communication to the Task Force.
- Provided comment regarding the concept of a blog series and advised that the City is looking for Task Force Members to share topics from their own perspective.
- More details will be sent out during the next weekly update.

Co-Chair, Dr. Kyleen Myrah:

- Suggested a need to communicate that the Journey Home strategy is not the only initiative being supported by the City.

## **6. Plan Resources and Implementation Update (Alina Turner, Turner Strategies)**

### **6.1 Update - What We Heard: Strategic Directions & Input Session**

Alina Turner, Turner Strategies:

- Displayed a PowerPoint presentation summarizing "What We Heard: Strategic Directions & Input Sessions".
- Responded to questions from the Task Force Members.

### **6.2 Review BC Housing annual funding allocation (Capital and Service Delivery Funding) in Kelowna**

Alina Turner, Turner Strategies:

- Reviewed BC Housing's annual funding allocation.
- Responded to questions from the Task Force Members.

## **7. Backbone Organization Mandate Discussion (Co-Chairs)**

Alina Turner, Turner Strategies:

- Displayed a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the Design Labs Input on the Backbone Organization.
- Spoke to the potential establishment of a backbone organization and how it could be structured.

Co-Chair, Martin Bell:

- Provided comment regarding the progression of the backbone organization.

Co-Chair, Dr. Kyleen Myrah:

- Requested that the Task Force Members break into small groups to consider the question: What role should the backbone organization have in implementing the Journey Home strategy?

The Task Force members broke into small groups and after a brief discussion, a spokesperson for each group provided their comments.

Task Force Members provided individual comment regarding:

- the role of the backbone organization;
- educating the public on the 'wins' already achieved (i.e. BC Housing projects etc.); and
- how to engage the public.

The Task Force Members had a discussion regarding staffing for the transitional period.

The Task Force Members had a further discussion regarding how to deal with the loss of businesses in the downtown, particularly on Leon Avenue.

**8. The Funding "Ask" (Alina Turner, Turner Strategies)**

Alina Turner, Turner Strategies:

- Displayed a PowerPoint presentation outlining the funding 'ask' to implement the strategy (\$47M over 5yrs).

**9. Confirming Our Strategic Focus (Co-Chairs)**

Co-Chair, Dr. Kyleen Myrah:

- Displayed a PowerPoint presentation with respect to the strategic focus.

**Moved by Tom Dyas/Seconded by Diane Entwistle**

THAT the Journey Home Task Force's strategically focus on Option 2 as outlined in the presentation dated April 10, 2018 regarding the establishment of a Transition Committee.

**Carried**

**10. Proposed Next Meeting Date**

Co-Chair, Martin Bell:

- Made reference to the upcoming dates with respect to the Task Force Meetings as well as the scheduled presentations to Kelowna City Council.
- Advised that the next meeting date of the Task Force is proposed for May 23, 2018.

**11. Termination**

The meeting was declared terminated at 7:59 p.m.

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Martin Bell, Co-Chair

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Dr. Kyleen Myrah, Co-Chair

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