City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting AGENDA



Monday, December 5, 2016 9:00 am Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A) City Hall, 1435 Water Street

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| 1. | Call to | Order | | | |
| 2. | Confirmation of Minutes | | | 3 - 4 | |
| | Regular AM Meeting - November 28, 2016 | | | | |
| 3. | Reports | | | | |
| | 3.1 | Reserve Workshop | 30 m | 5 - 29 | |
| | | The purpose of the Reserve Workshop is to inform Council of the City's financial strategy pertaining to general and statutory reserve funds and surplus. | | | |
| | 3.2 | Housing and Homeless-Serving Systems Framework Update | 90 m | 30 - 57 | |
| | | To provide Council an overview of current initiatives related to housing | | | |

strategies, and in addition, an overview of best practice research, key local findings, and a proposed framework for the development of a strategy to

4. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public

address homelessness.

THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90 (1) (e) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Acquisition, Disposition or Expropriation of Land or Improvements
- 5. Adjourn to Closed Session
- 6. Reconvene to Open Session
- 7. Issues Arising from Correspondence & Community Concerns
 - 7.1 Mayor Basran, re: Issues Arising from Correspondence 30 m

8. Termination



City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date:

Monday, November 28, 2016

Location:

Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)

City Hall, 1435 Water Street

Members Present

Mayor Colin Basran, Councillors Maxine DeHart, Ryan Donn, Gail Given,

Tracy Gray, Charlie Hodge, Brad Sieben, Mohini Singh and Luke Stack

Staff Present

City Manager, Ron Mattiussi; City Clerk, Stephen Fleming

(* Denotes partial attendance)

Call to Order

Mayor Basran called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved By Councillor Singh/Seconded By Councillor Given

R893/16/11/28 THAT the Minutes of the Regular AM Meeting of November 21, 2016 be confirmed as circulated

Carried

3. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public

Moved By Councillor Gray/Seconded By Councillor Stack

R894/16/11/28 THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1) (e) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

Acquisition, Disposition or Expropriation of Land or Improvements

Carried

4. Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 10:09 a.m.

5. Reconvene to Open Session

The meeting reconvened to an open session at 10:45 a.m.

6. Issues Arising from Correspondence & Community Concerns

6.1 Councillor Singh, re: Starbright Children Development Centre

Councillor Singh:

- Brought to Council's attention her role in assisting with fundraising to cover a \$70,000 shortfall due to reduction in BC Lottery funding.
- Assisted along with a City firefighter on their own time with raising the \$70,000.

- Starbright will be issuing a media release.

6.2 Councillor Stack, re: Transit Strike

Councillor Stack:

- Provided comment on positive actions of Mayor and Divisional Director, Human Resources and Corporate Performance in resolving the Transit strike.
- Congratulated the Mayor and Mr. Leatherdale for their respective efforts.

Moved By Councillor Gray/Seconded By Councillor Stack

R895/16/11/28 THAT Council adjourn to a closed session.

Carried

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 10:51 a.m.

7. Termination

The meeting reconvened to an open meeting and was declared terminated at 11:41 a.m.

Mayor

/acm

City Clerk

Report to Council



Date: December 5, 2016

File: 0220-02

To: City Manager

From: Genelle Davidson, Financial Services Director

Subject: Reserve Workshop

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report from the Financial Services Director dated December 5, 2016 with respect to the City's reserves.

Purpose:

The purpose of the Reserve Workshop is to inform Council of the City's financial strategy pertaining to general and statutory reserve funds and surplus.

Background:

The attached presentation provides an overview and understanding of the City's reserves and surplus:

- Reserves a financial best practice
- Principles & Strategies for Financial Strength & Stability
 - Objective and Strategies
- Types and use of reserves
- Administration and control of reserves

Legal/Statutory Authority: Community Charter, Division 4

Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements:

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

Existing Policy:

Personnel Implications:

External Agency/Public Comments:

Communications Comments:

Alternate Recommendation:

| Approved for inclusion: | Rob Mayne, Director, Corporate & Protective Services |
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Reserves & Surplus Funds

December 2016

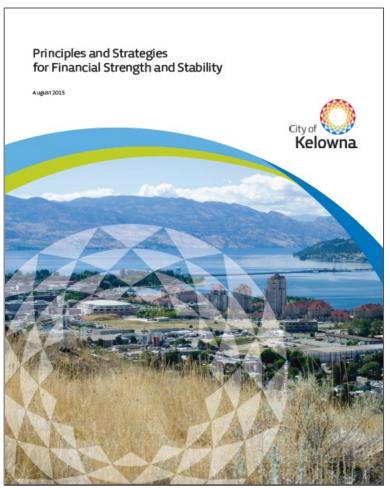


Establishing Reserve Accounts & Funds A Financial Best Practice



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2015 Principles & Strategies for Financial Strength & Stability



Principles & Strategies for Financial Strength & Stability
August 2015



PRINCIPLES



PRAGMATIC. Financial decisions take measured risks while ensuring appropriate service levels are protected



FLEXIBLE. Financial policies allow for opportunities and changing circumstances



SUFFICIENT. Revenues and expenses support the City's service levels and long-term goals



TRANSPARENT. Financial strategies, plans and processes are accessible and visible



BALANCED. Service levels are affordable and appropriate

STRATEGIES

User Fees & Charges

Everyone will pay a fair amount for the services they receive

Services will be reasonably accessible by all citizens

User fees will be transparent and easy to understand

Reserves & Surplus Funds

The purpose of each reserve will be documented and reviewed regularly

Ongoing operating requests will not be funded from reserves

Accumulated surplus will only be used as an emergency funding source

Assets - Renew

The City will invest in existing infrastructure renewal in accordance with the long-term capital plan

Funding for asset renewal will be balanced against service levels and risk tolerance

Life cycle costs should be managed through preventative maintenance and renewal strategies





Objective: To maintain sufficient reserves so the City has the flexibility to respond to opportunities, and maintain or improve levels of service.





Strategies

- 9.1 The purpose of each reserve will be documented and reviewed regularly
- 9.2 Ongoing operating requests will not be funded from reserves
- ▶ 9.3 Accumulated surplus will only be used as an emergency funding source



- ► Accumulated Surplus
- ► Reserves Accounts (General Reserves)
- ► Statutory Reserves (Reserve Funds)



- ► Accumulated Surplus
 - ► Annual surplus
 - ► Each fund has one
 - ▶ Utility funds surplus to reserves, accumulated surplus
 - ► Airport & General fund surplus to reserves, accumulated surplus
 - Emergency funding



► Accumulated Surplus projected 2016 balances

General Fund \$2,251,000

Airport Fund \$596,279

Water Fund \$12,131,623

Wastewater Fund \$25,060,054

Natural Gas Fund \$4,293,141

► Library Fund \$165,878



- ► Reserves accounts (General Reserves)
 - future identified purpose
 - accessed
 - repurposed



General reserves

▶ 5 Airport Fund reserves

▶ 6 Water Fund reserves

▶ 6 Wastewater Fund reserves

\$44,528,647

(\$7,862,593)

\$14,409,202

\$7,397,511

General Reserves

| Reserve and Surplus Summary | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|---|----------|--|
| Reserve | Reserve | | Funding | Minimum \$ | Optimum \$ | Dec 2015 | Level / |
| Category | Name | Purpose | Source | Level | Level | Balance | Conditions |
| General Oper | rating Res | serves | | - | | | |
| Planning Initiatives | | | | | | | |
| Maintaining Assets | | | | | | | |
| Expenditure Equalization | | | | | | | |
| | R034 Snow Removal | To provide for emergency snow removal services | Annual unspent budget | 50% of snow removal budget - \$790,000 | Annual snow removal budget - \$1,580,000 | | Provides for 2 years at 50% over annual budget |
| Revenue Equalization Investments | | | | | | | |



Minimum and optimum \$ levels

- 1. Review long-term financial requirements
- 2. Analyze potential financial risks
- 3. Quantify the risks
- 4. Establish target reserve balance level



- ► Statutory Reserves (Reserve Funds)
 - established through bylaw
 - specific purpose
 - must revise the bylaw to repurpose funds



Community Charter

- ▶ Development cost charges
- ▶ Parkland sales
- ► Highway property
- ▶ Off-street parking
- ► Land sales and land improvements



Statutory Reserves

- > 32 Capital Works, Machinery and Equipment (CWME) Reserves
- ▶ 13 Development Cost Charge (DCC) Reserves
- > 3 Land Sales Reserves (including a Parkland Sales Reserve)
- ▶ 3 Parking Reserves



Statutory Reserves

- Capital Works, Machinery and Equipment (CWME) Reserves
 - **\$40,656,901**
- ► Land Sales Reserves
 - **\$6,561,484**
- ► Parking Reserves
 - **(\$1,514,826)**
- ▶ Development Cost Charge (DCC) Reserves
 - **\$9,760,073**

Statutory Reserves

| Reserve and Surplus Summary | | | | | |
|--|--|---|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Reserve Category | Purpose | Funding Source | Minimum \$ Level | Optimum \$ Level | |
| Capital Works, Machinery & Equipment | Various purposes depending on the reserve | Annual or excess revenues received | Reserve specific | Reserve specific | |
| Land Reserves | To acquire land for park, special needs housing or general purposes | Sale of existing City properties, property tax or donations | Reserve specific | Reserve specific | |
| Parking Reserves | To provide for construction and upgrades to parking facilities and equipment | Net revenues after expenses from the parking area and contribution to the general fund | Reserve specific | Reserve specific | |
| Development Cost Charges | To provide for the DCC projects as per the 20 Year Servicing Plan. | Charge assessed against new development. | Reserve specific | Reserve specific | |

Capital Program

| Capital Program | Description |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Real Estate | Land acquisition |
| Building | Facilities & improvements |
| Parks | Park land/trail/area development |
| Transportation | Roadways/pathways/traffic signals |
| Solid Waste | Landfill and biosolids improvements |
| Storm Drainage | Drainage systems |
| Information Services | Communication hardware/software |
| Vehicle & Mobile Equipment | Vehicles & equipment |
| Fire Capital | Fire vehicles & equipment |

Capital Program

| Capital Program | Reserves Available |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Real Estate | Land Sales, Parking |
| Building | General, CWME |
| Parks | General, Land Sales, DCC |
| Transportation | General, CWME, DCC |
| Solid Waste | CWME |
| Storm Drainage | General, CWME |
| Information Services | General |
| Vehicle & Mobile Equipment | CWME |
| Fire | General, CWME |



Annual surplus allocation

- ► City Manager with consultation from the Finance Director recommend allocation
- Recommendation is made to the Audit Committee for final decision





Reserve Administration

- ► Interest allocation quarterly
 - ► General prime rate less 2%
 - Statutory quarterly average investment rate
- Contributions to and appropriations from reserves are funded quarterly
- ► Projections for budget planning
- ► Balance reporting
 - Council outlook
 - Budget documents
 - Annual report



Controls

- Maintain reserve projections
- ► Participate in planning exercises
- Review reserve purpose
- ► Enforce reserve strategies



Questions?

Report to Council



Date: December 5, 2016

File: 0610-50

To: City Manager

From: Active Living & Culture and Community Planning & Real Estate Divisions

Subject: Housing and Homeless-Serving Systems Framework Update

Prepared by: Sue Wheeler, Social Development Manager

Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report from the Active Living & Culture and Community Planning & Real Estate Divisions, dated November 30, 2016, regarding an update on current initiatives underway to address the housing and homeless-serving system needs of the community;

AND THAT Council direct staff to continue collaboration with stakeholders in the development of a long term strategy to address homelessness as outlined in the report dated November 30, 2016.

Purpose:

To provide Council an overview of current initiatives related to housing strategies, and in addition, an overview of best practice research, key local findings, and a proposed framework for the development of a long term strategy to address homelessness.

Background:

Kelowna is currently facing the same challenges that cities across the nation are experiencing related to homelessness and a lack of non-market and affordable housing to meet community needs. Cities are often the first line of response to ensure locally appropriate and effective action-focused strategies are in place to address the complex social issues that impact the safety, health, and wellbeing of our community.

Drawing from best practices that are demonstrating positive results in addressing homelessness, municipalities are recognizing the importance of local leadership in building and strengthening the capacity of the services and systems that serve the homeless in the community. Focusing on collaboration and coordination of services designed to address the root causes of vulnerability is at the foundation of building a safe, healthy, and sustainable community.

As a result, many municipalities are recognizing that it is critical to develop partnerships with all levels of government, non-profit and profit sectors, and faith communities to work together to develop and implement local plans that focus on prevention and support services for vulnerable populations. These plans are proving to be important tools to:

- identify local housing and service needs;
- define community priorities and objectives;
- develop integrated support systems that are coordinated and simple to navigate;
- target public investment towards the goal of reducing homelessness.

This report provides an overview of housing initiatives and initiatives focused on the development of a long term community strategy to address homelessness.

Housing Update:

It is fully recognized that appropriate housing for all citizens in our community, at all levels of the housing continuum, is a complex and multi-faceted issue. Some of the solutions will be long-term in nature and involve policy change, Federal and Provincial commitment and significant funding, while others can occur more immediately through municipal action and which will have a noticeable, short-term positive impact on our community. The notable current and short-term actions are noted below:

Partnership Housing

The City of Kelowna has been extremely successful partnering with BC Housing over the past number of years, securing significant affordable housing investment and corresponding housing units in our community. On six previous occasions the City has contributed land in exchange for construction and operational arrangements for housing throughout Kelowna. Just recently, two additional City owned properties have been awarded funding for BC Housing projects in our community. Advancement of these projects will begin in earnest in 2017.

In addition to direct partnerships with BC Housing, City staff continue to work with BC Housing staff to identify property/building options that will address emerging needs in Kelowna (i.e. emergency shelters, single room occupancy buildings, etc.).

Housing Incentives

The City of Kelowna continues to provide incentives for purpose built rental housing, in the form of grants as well as tax relief. Council recently increased the amount of grant funding available under this program, for the next two years, as well weighting the incentive more heavily towards family friendly housing.

With a significant amount of rental housing currently in the development stream (3 \times the annual projected goal in the OCP), staff will continue to monitor the need for incentives going forward; both by housing type and by location.

Housing Supply

An important policy role of the City of Kelowna is to ensure a reasonable supply of appropriate zoned land is available for the development of various forms of housing. The City continually monitors and reports on the development trends in our community and the availability of land relative to the projected supply acknowledged in the Official Community

Plan (Community Trends Report, OCP Indicators Report). An OCP update is anticipated to take place in 2017-2018.

Healthy City Strategy

Council recently endorsed the 2017 theme area for the Healthy City Strategy, 'Healthy Housing' which is envisioned to be a joint initiative with Interior Health focused on improving health outcomes through improved housing policies and practices. An update to the Housing Strategy will be one of the outcomes of the Healthy Housing project.

Strategic Acquisitions

Working with BC Housing and other partners the City plays an important support role in identifying opportunities for acquiring land or buildings for future affordable housing and we will continue to do so in order to attract both investment and needed housing units to our community.

<u>Homeless-Serving Systems Strategy Update:</u>

Best Practices Findings - The Need for a New Approach

The current focus on developing a comprehensive and well-integrated national plan is encouraging. However, in the absence of a national strategy, plans to address homelessness and housing insecurity have become a common feature of municipal policy-makers and community-based planning. These plans have contributed to a body of best practices research of which Kelowna can draw from.

There is a focus on Housing First which is based on coordinating program level services to rapidly rehouse individuals and support them to maintain housing stability. However, the complex and silo-oriented nature of homeless-response service delivery is creating challenges for the transition to this model of delivery. The disjointed nature of policy and program mandates and priorities, creates even greater challenges for vulnerable populations.

A more fundamental move towards systems planning is necessary to achieve the integration of policies and practice required to support a Housing First approach. Systems planning focuses on redesigning the local homeless-serving system to support overall coordination, alignment, and integration of planning, funding, and services.

Systems planning is based on a community-wide, formalized, and coordinated approach to integrating service delivery with the goal to:

- design coordinated responses based on a clear understanding of who is becoming homeless and why, their needs, and the pathways that have led them to homelessness;
- use a "no wrong door" approach, meaning that no matter where a person enters the system, that person can access any service they need and want at any given time;
- develop effective early intervention strategies aimed at reducing the time anyone experiences homelessness, and the negative consequences that result from that experience;
- achieve shared commitment partnerships to design policies, strategies, and investments that enhance housing stability, and access to crisis intervention and support when individuals and families need it;

• promote system integration by aligning services to avoid duplication, improve information sharing, and increase efficiency and performance based on client-centered and outcome-focused approaches.

Summary of Key Local Findings

Kelowna benefits from a multitude of strengths within the homeless serving sector. There are a number of quality resources and services that are responding to new and emerging needs. Like other communities, the services and resources that have been developed to address housing support needs are embedded in a complex and multi-layered system with a multitude of agencies and organizations involved in different pieces of the housing process.

In order to effectively prevent homelessness and to support individuals when homelessness does occur, the local agencies are working together. While they are currently faced with a lack of formalized structures, mechanisms, and partnership agreements to support community-wide collaborative planning and promote integrated services, there is a foundation of local strengths to build on:

- responding to emerging trends and issues by coordinating front-line support services;
- addressing individual needs and matching clients with services and housing;
- a growing willingness to support existing and develop new collaborations.

While there have been recent initiatives that have focused on reducing the challenges related to accessing and transitioning between services, there is currently no comprehensive map of services, resources, and supports. Nor is there a local structure for community-wide prioritization and planning that promotes coordination, alignment, and integration of resources, services, and efforts.

Several key themes have emerged through discussions with multiple stakeholders expressing a growing recognition that there is a need to:

- gain a deeper understanding of the individual needs and system-related challenges through consultation with those with lived experience;
- work differently and more collaboratively to address the increase in homelessness, the increase in complexity of needs, and the challenges presented by the lack of appropriate housing:
- combine local sources to obtain reliable data related to social housing stock supply and demand, together with the development of mechanisms to collect and report this information over time;
- monitor the impact of policies, programs and services on specific segments of the homeless population to identify gaps or shortcomings of systems and services, and to revise or develop new approaches, systems, and services to meet the unique needs of these groups;
- implement a local planning approach to address the systemic disjointedness, fragmentation, and access/navigation challenges being faced by those accessing services;
- strengthen the shift in focus away from managing homelessness to housing people;
- build the capacity of the homeless-serving system to work within a system-wide framework that is action-oriented, targeted, and measurable;
- identify local leadership to convene stakeholders and promote participation and accountability.

Moving Forward - Framework for Strategy Development

As best practice research shows, community planning activities by other Canadian municipalities have become more robust, strategic and forward-thinking. For a made-in-Kelowna plan, the following objectives need to be kept at the forefront:

- innovative approaches to improve collaboration in the development of new policies, programs, and partnerships geared towards preventing homelessness and ensuring that when it does occur it is rare, short-lived, and non-reoccurring;
- designing meaning and purposeful opportunities for people with lived experience to inform and shape all levels of systems planning solutions and strategies;
- better coordination to improve access and transition between services, especially for people with complex needs who need to access multiple services simultaneously;
- increased knowledge and information sharing designed to establish clear timelines with specific benchmarks and targets to increase housing access and reduce homelessness;
- rigorous approaches to monitor, evaluate, and report progress at different stages of
 plan implementation to track performance against targets and to provide flexibility to
 adjust goals, objectives and investment strategies in response to new emerging
 information over the life of the plan.

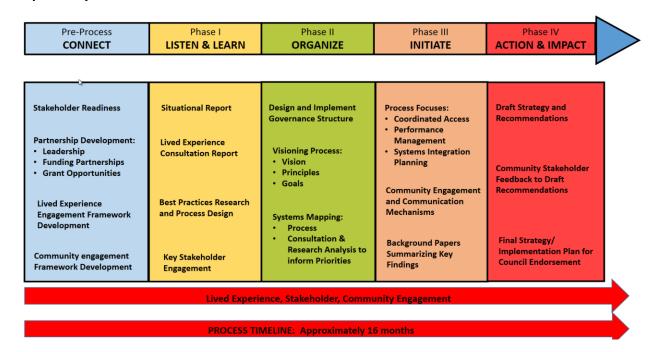
Staff propose to work with partners to develop a Homeless-Serving Systems Strategy based on the application of a Systems Planning Framework that will provide direction on several key elements that are critical in reducing the incidence of homelessness, and when it does occur, reducing the duration. The proposed strategy framework focuses on:

- Best Practice translation to local context;
- Capacity building to transition to a Systems Planning Framework approach;
- Leadership capacity building and Sustainability planning;
- Systems Planning focused on the development of:
 - o Integrated Systems, Coordinated Service and Prevention Delivery;
 - Client-Centered Informed System and Delivery;
 - o Performance driven, Outcome-Focused Services System.

The development of a Homeless-Serving Systems Strategy will help to shape the transformation of Kelowna's housing and homelessness services into an integrated, client-centered, outcome-focused service system that will enable residents to achieve housing stability and improve their well-being, and the overall safety, health, and sustainability of the community. Local leadership, inclusive engagement, local knowledge garnered through indepth consultation with stakeholders, community, and those with lived experience will all be critical to the development of an effective local systems strategy.

The framework has been developed to reflect the stakeholder input to date, and it is expected that it will continue to evolve as partnerships and stakeholder commitments expand. Applying a Systems Planning Framework to the local context will be best achieved through a phased approach focused on developing a coordinated homeless-serving system.

Proposed Systems Framework:



While the framework above provides a guideline in the development of a longer term strategy, it is important to note that the phases of the framework overlap, with some activities occurring concurrently. Additional detail of components of each phase is provided in Appendix A.

Ongoing Initiatives

While the planning process is expected to take up to 16 months, it is important to note that additional initiatives will continue to be identified and pursued:

- Continuing to develop a community-wide understanding the strengths, challenges, barriers, and opportunities within the homeless-serving sector;
- Continuing to strengthen existing, and build new, partnership-focused relationships with other levels of government, local stakeholders, and agencies;
- Continue to explore and support opportunities to strengthen connections, leadership capacity, and promote data-informed outcome-focused approaches to understanding and addressing the needs of the homeless population;
- Build on the successes of initiatives such as the Transitional Storage program, and the cross-sectoral relationships that are developing as a result of this initiative.

It is expected that as local background research and consultation are underway, the design process and partnership contribution commitments for the development of a local strategy will continue to evolve. It's worth noting that he final plan recommendations will also provide City decision-makers with an outline of the City's potential role in the plan implementation.

Next Steps

With Council's endorsement for continued collaboration in the development of a long term strategy to address homelessness, the next steps will be:

- Budget consideration;
- Partnership Engagement and Development;
- Framework Refinement and Timelines;
- Design of Consultation Processes and Engagement Mechanisms;
- Planning for Research, Consultation, and Readiness Process.

Internal Circulation:

- J. Gabriel, Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture
- D. Gilchrist, Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate
- R. Mayne, Divisional Director, Corporate and Protective Services
- C. Weaden, Divisional Director, Communications & Information Services
- J. Foster, Communications Supervisor

Financial/Budgetary Considerations:

To support the development of a long term strategy, a budget request for \$200,000, that includes \$125,000 from taxation, has been submitted for Council's consideration as part of the 2017 preliminary budget. The budget submission reflects the City's commitment to advancing this initiative and is key to leveraging additional funding partnerships and grant opportunities. The budget submission includes a conservative estimate of potential partnership opportunities. The ultimate scale of the initiative will be need to be adjusted based on the funding commitments achieved.

For instance, there was a recent grant opportunity under the Federal Homelessness Partnership Strategy where a call was issued for the Innovative Solutions to Homelessness Contribution funding stream. Even with a very tight deadline, sixteen partnership commitments were obtained. A City proposal, based on best practices principles, was submitted. The submission indicates that City financial commitment is pending Council approval.

Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority
Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements
Existing Policy
Personnel Implications
External Agency/Public Comments
Communications Comments
Alternate Recommendation

Submitted by:

S. Wheeler, Social Development Manager, Active Living & Culture

Approved for inclusion: Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture

Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate

Attachments: Appendix A - Proposed System Framework

PowerPoint Presentation

cc: Divisional Director, Active Living & Culture
Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate
Divisional Director, Corporate & Protective Services
Divisional Director, Communications & Information Services

Appendix A

Proposed Systems Framework - Outline of Phases:

Preparation Process Phase: "Connect"

In order to prepare to undertake a community systems planning initiative, it is imperative that the readiness of stakeholders to undertake a systems approach be addressed and the commitment to participation be developed to lay the foundation for this work:

- Stakeholder Readiness: Engagement of stakeholders to ensure readiness, capacity building, and buy-in for participation in a homeless serving systems planning process;
- Partnership Development: A collective of partners and contributions to a community systems planning initiative will be critical to strengthen commitment and accountability to this process. A partnership contribution exploration with other levels of government, stakeholders, community foundations, and private donors will be conducted.
- Lived Experience Engagement Framework: The design of an engagement framework that recognizes that people with lived experience must have meaningful and purposeful opportunities to inform and shape all levels of the Systems Strategy planning and implementation.
- Community Engagement Framework: The design of an engagement framework that recognizes engaging the broad public in a system of care development leads to better solutions and a deeper public understanding and ownership of the community's future.

Phase I: "Listen and Learn"

- Situational Report: Research to combine multiple stakeholder data and information to provide a comprehensive inventory and overview of non-market housing stock supply and demand to inform targets;
- Lived Experience Consultation Report: Gathering needs assessment data along with consultation with persons and their families with lived experience to gain a deeper understanding of unique needs and systemic challenges at the sub-population level to better inform a community systems planning approach. Garnering lived experience expertise will be instrumental in informing and strengthening local solutions to homelessness and poverty.
- Best Practices Research and Process Design Application: Garnering local expertise and knowledge will be foundational to the application of relevant best practices. Designed to ensure a community-wide impact approach, the process will include the application of:
 - Housing First Principles;
 - Beyond Housing First: Essential Elements of System Planning;
 - Nothing About Us Without Us: Seven Principles for Leadership and Inclusion of People with Lived Experience of Homelessness;
 - Developmental Evaluation (to be applied across all processes).
- Key Stakeholder Engagement: Engaging the Homeless-Serving Sector at-Large will help to
 inform the overall Framework implementation. A communication mechanism designed in
 the Organize Phase will assist in keeping the entire sector engaged and informed regarding
 the process as it unfolds.

Phase II: "Organize"

 Design and Implementation of Governance Structure: The design of a governance structure, based on a best practices approach, is critical to ensure that an effective organizational infrastructure is in place to support the development of a Systems Strategy based on common goals.

- Systems Mapping: A process will be undertaken to create a "living" services map designed to gain an understanding of:
 - current programs and services, and their role and capacity to meet the needs of the local homeless and at-risk populations identified through the consultation with individuals with lived experience;
 - o points of intersection between programs and systems

The map created will help to identify gaps, overlaps, barriers, and opportunities which will ultimately inform decisions during the Systems Planning process.

Phase III: "Initiate"

- *Process Groups*: The structure of will be designed based on the outcomes of the System Mapping process and will be organized to align with the three focus areas of work:
 - o coordinated access and services delivery,
 - o integrated information and performance management,
 - o and systems integration;
- *Community Engagement*: Communications mechanisms will be designed to keep the community engaged and informed of the progress. The information gathered from these processes will help to inform the work of the Process Groups.

Phase IV: "Action and Impact"

The work of the Process Groups, together with the stakeholder engagement processes, will inform the recommendations which will be outlined in a Draft Strategy, and based on direction of the Task Group, will be vetted by all stakeholders. The development of the final Strategy will include an Implementation Plan that will include recommendations regarding:

- o leadership and structure to support the strategy implementation,
- performance indicators;
- o and annual funding amounts required to achieve the strategy recommendations.







- ► Homelessness and lack of appropriate housing;
- ► First line of response;
- Contributing to community safety, health, wellbeing;
- Collaboration and coordination are key to address root causes of vulnerability;
- Multi-sector partnerships are critical to targeting public investment with goal of reducing homelessness.



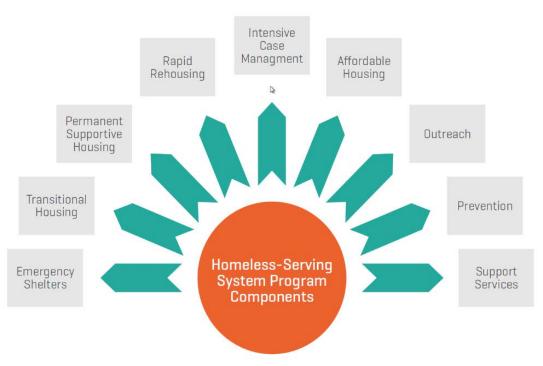
Housing Update

- ► Partnership Housing
- ▶ Housing Incentives
- ► Housing Supply
- ► Healthy City Strategy
- ▶ Strategic Acquisitions



Homeless-Serving System





Outline of common program components that play a particular role in successful homeless-serving systems.

- Defining basic components
- Understand how relate to one another as a part of the whole
- Common goal;
- All components play a role in applying Housing First principles;
- Local needs, resources, and priorities determine relationships at the systemlevel.



Integrating Across Systems



- Once homeless-serving system defined, points of intersection with other systems become clearer.
- Ability to integrate with key public systems and services through partnerships and shared protocols and policies.



The Need for a New Approach

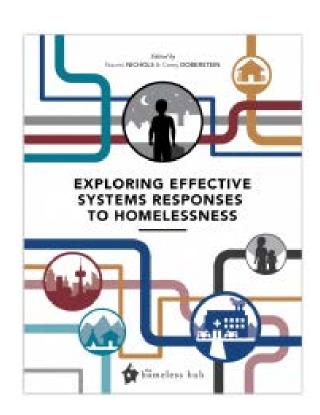
- Municipal Plans becoming a common occurrence;
- Housing First based on program level coordination and rapidly rehousing / maintaining housing stability;
- Application of Housing First principles challenged by complex and disjointed nature of policy, mandates, and priorities.







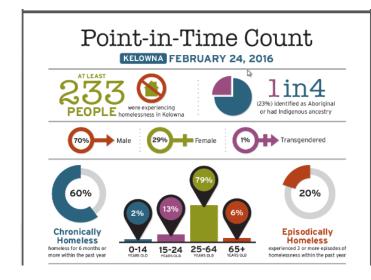
- ▶ Homeless-Serving System redesign;
- Clear understanding of who, why, and pathways;
- ▶ No wrong door approach;
- Reduced time and consequences of homelessness experience;
- Coordination, alignment, integration; performance/effectiveness;
- Multi-sector shared commitment partnerships.





Key Local Strengths

- Working together to respond to emerging trends;
- Coordination of front-line support services;
- Quality and responsive resources and services;
- Addressing individual needs and matching clients with services and housing;
- Growing willingness to work together; to support existing and develop new collaborations.





Key Local Challenges

- Collective data to inform community level targets;
- Clear understanding of individual and systemic challenges and pathways to homelessness;
- Comprehensive map of services, resources, and supports;
- ➤ Structure to support communitywide planning and prioritization.





Stakeholder Key Themes

- Deeper understanding of individual needs and systemrelated challenges;
- Work differently/more collaboratively to address increasing needs and complexity;
- ► Combine local sources for:
 - Reliable data on supply and demand;
 - Mechanisms to collect, report, track data over time.
- Monitor policies, programs and services impact on specific populations to:
 - identify gaps;
 - new approaches to meet unique needs.



Stakeholder Key Themes

- Strengthen shift from managing homelessness to housing people;
- Local planning approach to address systemic access and navigation challenges;
- Build capacity of homeless-serving system to work in Systems Framework:
 - action-oriented,
 - ▶ targeted,
 - and measurable;
- Identify local leadership to promote participation and accountability

Moving Forward Made-in-Kelowna Strated



- Made-in-Kelowna Strategy Framework
- ► Innovative approaches to prevent/ensure homelessness is rare, short-lived, and non-reoccurring;
- Informed by those with lived experience;
- Better coordination for accessing and transitioning between services, especially for those with complex needs;
- Information sharing to inform specific benchmarks, targets, and clear timelines to increase housing access and reduce homelessness;
- Mechanisms to monitor, evaluate, report, and adjust over the life of the strategy.





- ➤ Systems Planning Framework will focus on:
 - Best Practice translation to local context;
 - Building capacity to apply Systems Planning approach;
 - Leadership capacity building /Sustainability planning;
 - Systems Planning focused on developing:
 - Integrated Systems;
 - Client-Centered Delivery;
 - Outcome-Focused Services.

Proposed Framework Phased Approach



- ➤ Transforming the system to improve the overall community safety, health, and well-being.
- ► Critical to the process:
 - ▶ Local Leadership;
 - Inclusive engagement;
 - ▶ Garnering local knowledge;
 - ▶ Partnership commitments.



Proposed Systems Framework



| Pre-Process | Phase I | Phase II | Phase III | Phase IV | |
|-------------|----------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|--|
| CONNECT | LISTEN & LEARN | ORGANIZE | INITIATE | ACTION & IMPACT | |
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| Stakeholder Readiness | Situational Report | Design and Implement Governance Structure | Process Focuses: Coordinated Access Performance | Draft Strategy and Recommendations |
|--|---|--|---|---|
| Partnership Development: LeadershipFunding PartnershipsGrant Opportunities | Lived Experience Consultation Report | Visioning Process: Vision Principles Goals | Management Systems Integration Planning Community Engagement | Community Stakeholder Feedback to Draft Recommendations |
| Lived Experience Engagement Framework Development | ment Framework and Process Design | Systems Mapping: • Process • Consultation & Research Analysis to inform Priorities | and Communication Mechanisms | |
| Community engagement Framework Development | Key Stakeholder Engagement | | Background Papers Summarizing Key Findings | Final Strategy/ Implementation Plan for Council Endorsement |

Lived Experience, Stakeholder, Community Engagement

PROCESS TIMELINE: Approximately 16 months



Ongoing Initiatives

- ▶ Local system's strengths, challenges, barriers, opportunities;
- ► Partnership-focused relationships;
- ► Leadership capacity;
- Data-informed outcome-focused approaches;
- Build on successes of initiatives such as Transitional Storage program to develop cross-sectoral connections.





Next Steps

Following endorsement of continued collaboration in the development of a long term strategy to address homelessness:

- ▶ Budget Consideration;
- Partnership Engagement;
- ► Framework Refinement and Timelines;
- Design of Consultation/Engagement Processes;
- ► Planning for Research, Consultation, and Readiness Process.

Questions?