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City Councillor - Ward 17 • Davenport

RE: West Toronto Task Force

Recommendations:

That the Etobicoke York Community Council:

- 1. Endorse a West Toronto Crime Initiative for Councillors, staff and agencies to coordinate work and leverage resources to:
 - a. identify locations where crime is known or is suspected to be taking place;
 - b. address related issues in a more comprehensive, cohesive and coordinated way; and
 - c. improve community safety.
- 2. Endorse the initiative led by the Ward Councillors for Ward 17, Davenport, Ward 13, Parkdale-High Fark, Ward 12, York South-Weston, Ward 11, York South-Weston, Ward 7, York West, and Ward 6, Etobicoke-Lakeshore.
- 3. Endorse the group scheduling meetings on a regular basis.
- 4. Request that the initiative include representatives from relevant City regulatory, licensing and enforcement Divisions, Agencies, Boards and Commissions, Provincial agencies, community groups, BIAs and Police Community Partnerships, to participate in the Working Group's discussions.
- 5. Request the City Manager to direct appropriate staff to assist the initiative.
- 6. Request the Chief of Police and the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario to direct staff to assist the initiative.

Background:

At its September meeting, Etobicoke York Community Council resolved to consider the formation of a West-Toronto Crime Task Force, consisting of the Councillors for Wards 17, 13, 12, 11, and 7, and now 6, and asked that the Councillors determine the Terms of Reference in accordance with Chapter 27-130 B. of the Procedural By-law. As required by Section 27-130, a Clerk's Impact statement was also requested.

After consultation with my fellow Councillors and appropriate staff we have determined that a co-ordinated Councillor-staff drive modelled on previous efforts is the aim. This is the most effective and expedient way to address crime and safety issues in West Toronto.

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