



Staff Report

Report To: Council Meeting

From: Jana Nethercott, Clerk

Date: 2021-10-28

Subject: Delegation Request – Dutton Dunwich/West Elgin Housing Stability Task Force

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from J. Nethercott, Clerk re: Delegation Request from Dutton Dunwich/West Elgin Housing Stability Task Force for information purposes.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Council on a request from the Dutton Dunwich/West Elgin Housing Stability Task Force to have a second delegation this year regarding a temporary homelessness shelter in West Lorne and to receive Council's direction on this group presenting again.

Background:

At the August 19, 2021 Council meeting Mr. Kelsey McConnell presented information to West Elgin Council about a proposed temporary shelter in West Lorne for area homeless persons. West Elgin Council requested information from this group that was not able to be provided at the meeting and no formal resolution was made with regards to this group.

The Clerk received a request from Mr. McConnell to return to Council as a delegation in September and stated that the group would need to provide the requested information to Council prior to returning and suggestions on what else to provide to Council, the information requested was:

- “Short and Long-Term Funding Plan and Business Plan
- Public education and local stakeholder consultations need to take place prior to coming back to Council
- Proof that any trailer meets or a plan on how to ensure it meets Building Code and Fire Code
- Information on location zoning and if rezoning can actually take place – this would come from the group having a pre-consult meeting with the planner prior to filing an actual rezoning application
- Plans for what the bed users would do during the hours that the trailer is not available and define what short term means and a plan on what happens to the residents when they reach that threshold

I am going to suggest that you produce a full plan which includes the funding information, mockup of the trailer, operational plan, and an opening plan and timeline and I do believe Council will want to see this in writing so that they have something tangible to look at and read through prior to the meeting.”

The attached document is what has been provided, along with a request to for another delegation.

The West Elgin Procedural By-law, does permit a second delegation on the same subject matter under Section 6.10:

6.10. Any person/organization shall be limited to two (2) delegations in a calendar year on the same subject matter.

Council however also has the right to refuse a delegation under Section 6.9:

6.9. Council may refuse to hear delegations when, in the opinion of Council, the subject of the presentation is beyond the jurisdiction of the Municipality.

Financial Implications:

N/A

Policies/Legislation:

West Elgin Procedural By-law 2018-43, as amended.