

## Council Member Motion For the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 21 2021

To: Committee of the Whole Date: October 15 2021

From: Mayor Helps and Councillor Dubow

**Subject:** Welcoming City Implementation Advisory Committee

## **BACKGROUND**

In November 2020, the Welcoming City Task Force began work to develop a Welcoming City Strategy and Action Plan as per Council's direction and the City's Strategic Plan. The Task Force members have given very generously of their time, experience and expertise and have helped shape the Strategy and Action Plan that is being presented to Council for adoption.

One of the recommendations in the Action Plan is to create an Implementation Advisory Committee to help implement the elements of the plan that will require strong community partnerships. The Implementation Advisory Committee will also hold the City accountable for delivering on the important actions outlined in the Action Plan in order to make the City more welcoming and inclusive, to address systemic racism, and to create a City where newcomers are warmly welcomed and well supported.

The recommendations below are based on the recommendations in the Strategy and Action Plan and are here for Council's consideration.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council:

- 1. Adopt the Welcoming City Implementation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference.
- 2. Invite all existing task force members to continue as members of the Implementation Advisory Committee and direct staff to begin a selection process to fill any gaps remaining.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Helps

Councillor Dubow