

MINUTES of the <u>Economic Resiliency Task Force</u> Meeting held on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. via video conference.

PRESENT:

Voting Members: R. Chisholm \*

Mayor Dingwall

C. Hamm

Councillor Meachen (Chair)

M. Roberts, CAO

P. Robinson M. Salonga B. Wingrove

Staff: C. Baldridge, Manager of Communications

K. Barchard, Manager of Administrative Services D. Chamberlain, Director of Parks, Recreation,

Arts & Culture

Regrets: Councillor MacDonald

E. MollemaT. PigottC. SawantJ. Sidhu

Secretary: T. McCaw, Committee Clerk II

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3: 33 p.m.

### 2. LATE ITEMS

None.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** THAT the agenda for the July 23, 2020 Economic Resiliency Task Force Meeting be approved.

CARRIED.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** THAT the Minutes of the Economic Resiliency Task Force Meeting held on July 09, 2020 be adopted.

CARRIED.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

## (1) <u>Update on Action Items</u>

Task Force members provided a brief update on all Action Items. Highlights included:

• D. Chamberlain provided an update on the Take Out Wednesday and the <u>CanadaTakeOut.com</u> initiative, which forms a part of the original minutes as **Attachment 1**.

\* C. Chisholm joined the meeting 3:36 p.m.

### (2) <u>COVID-19 & Fall 2020</u>

Task Force discussed initiatives for implementation in the fall and how to support local businesses should there be a second wave of COVID-19. Highlights included:

- The development of the ERTF was to provide and assist in temporary relief and assistance to local businesses;
- City believes it is time to move forward with another platform to support businesses in Pitt Meadows;
- Last meeting for ERTF will be in September with the date to be determined:
- A new committee will be launched in the fall with a focus on economic development and tourism - ERTF members were encouraged to apply;
- Acknowledgement was made for the amount of work the ERTF has produced in the last 5 months as well as the amount of ideas, information and support has been provided to the community; and
- ERTF members to continue connecting with local businesses throughout August providing updates on Shop Local Campaign.

# (3) <u>Highlighting Local Businesses/Other Local Initiatives</u>

Task Force members discussed businesses for consideration of support and promotion by the City and the ERTF. Highlights included:

- WorkSafe BC acknowledged Pitt Meadows Wellness Centre was following proper COVID-19 regulations for patrons visiting the clinic;
- R .Chisholm to connect with Pitt Meadows Wellness and provide an update to ERTF;
- Communications set to promote both local businesses as well as local restaurants; and
- B. Wingrove, R. Chisholm and M. Salonga to provide C. Baldridge with information for social media posts each week.

#### (4) Good News Stories

The Task Force shared positive events and/or activities in the community. Highlights included:

• The Fire Hall Bistro has expanded their patio space.

### 6. ROUND TABLE

The Task Force did not participate in a roundtable discussions.

#### 7. SUMMARY OF TODAY'S ACTION ITEMS

- D. Chamberlain to provide T. McCaw details on Take Out Wednesday campaign for inclusion in the minutes.
- 2. T. Pigott, B. Wingrove, and M. Salonga to incorporate 'Take Out Wednesday' into their conversations when visiting local businesses.
- 3. Staff to add a link from the ERTF webpage to Take Out Canada website
- 4. Staff to highlight Pitt Meadows Wellness Clinic and the Firehall Bistro through Shop Local Campaign.
- 5. Confirm date/time of next meeting.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

The next meeting for the Economic Resiliency Task Force is to be determined.