



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: **Terms of Reference Amendment – Economic
Development Task Group**

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Date: October 21, 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT City Council approve the amended Terms of Reference for the Economic Development Task Group.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for the amended Terms of Reference for the Economic Development Task Group.

POLICY:

City Council approval is required for the Terms of Reference for each task group.

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

With the anticipated adoption of the updated Official Community Plan and various districts plans by City Council in the Fall of 2021 as well as the anticipated adoption of the updated Zoning Bylaw in early 2022, the Economic Development Task Force (EDTG) wants to align its mandate to focus on strategic and targeted initiatives that will contribute, support and drive the City's effort with a number of key initiatives from these plans to advance economic development, partnership and prosperity in the City. To this end, the mandate of the EDTG has been amended to:

- Work with KPU to develop strategies and initiatives that will support KPU 2050 Master Plan.
- Develop strategies and partnership with KPU, businesses, entrepreneurs and others to realize the vision for the Innovation Boulevard on Glover Road that encourages student housing, tech and research businesses, media and film industries, start-ups, and maker spaces.
- Develop strategies and partnership with land owners and developers to encourage the development industry to invest in building Transit Oriented Development with high density residential and mixed uses around the 196 Street and 203 Street SkyTrain stations and streets immediately along and adjacent the guideway alignment such as Industrial Avenue, Fraser Highway and 203 Street.
- Develop strategies and partnership with government agencies, community groups and entrepreneurs to secure capital funding for an iconic destination arts and cultural facility.

Additionally, the membership of the EDTG has been revised that will better align with the new mandate by including one member from the Architectural Institute of British Columbia (AIBC) accredited or the British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects (BCSLA) accredited, one member from a First Nation within the unceded territories that Langley City resides on, and two members from the community at-large.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Not applicable.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. That Council decline to approve the amended Terms of Reference for Economic Development Task Group.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Attachment: Terms of Reference, Economic Development Task Group