

January 26, 2021

Social Services Committee Report #2021-01-06

REPORT TO: Mayor and Members
City Council

Your Social Services Committee submits the following recommendations from its meeting held on January 6, 2021:

12.1.1 Funding Opportunities for Community Housing Capital Repairs and Replacements [Financial Impact – None], 2021-68

THAT the following BE REFERRED to staff to create and implement a public engagement campaign to determine appetite for funding accessory units in residential neighborhoods:

- A. THAT the report on Funding Opportunities for Community Housing Capital Repairs and Replacements BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI) Ontario Renovates funding BE USED for accessory dwellings, as permitted under the Ontario Renovates program guidelines; and
- C. THAT the Director, Housing and Homelessness BE AUTHORIZED to develop Ontario Renovates accessory dwelling program guidelines and processes

12.1.2 Final Report: Mayors' Housing Partnerships Task Force Affordable Housing Action Plan [Financial Impact - None], 2021-42

- A. THAT Staff Report 2021-42 regarding the Mayors' Housing Partnerships Task Force Affordable Housing Action Plan BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the Programs and/or Initiatives outlined in the Affordable Housing Action Plan (Appendix A) BE ADOPTED and IMPLEMENTED; and
- C. THAT City staff BE DIRECTED to include the additional units proposed in the Affordable Housing Action Plan in the updated multi-year Capital Plan with funding from, but not limited to, the following sources:
 - i. Grants
 - ii. Development Charges
 - iii. Affordable Housing Reserve, including the reinvestment of a portion of savings from housing provider mortgage subsidies at maturity
 - iv. Contribution from the County of Brant; and
- D. THAT the County of Brant BE REQUESTED to fund its proportional share of the net municipal cost of the deliverables in the Affordable Housing Action Plan on the basis of population; and

- E. THAT staff BE DIRECTED to offer to present the Mayors' Housing Partnerships Task Force Affordable Housing Action Plan to County of Brant Council; and
- F. THAT staff REPORT BACK on the progress of the Affordable Housing Action Plan in conjunction with the annual Housing Master Plan update report by December 2021; and
- G. THAT the Mayors' Housing Partnerships Task Force BE DISBANDED, having completed its mandate.

12.1.3 Trillium Way Development Update [Financial Impact - None], 2021-3

- A. THAT Report 2021-3 Trillium Way Development Update BE RECEIVED; and
- B. THAT the General Manager, Community Services and Social Development, City of Brantford, or designate, BE AUTHORIZED to sign any agreements necessary to obtain the Rapid Housing Initiative (RHI) funding; and
- C. THAT the City Solicitor, or designate, BE AUTHORIZED to sign, on behalf of the City of Brantford all electronic registration documents, where available, and all documents standard or necessarily incidental to the proposed transactions; and
- D. THAT staff BE DIRECTED to report back to Council with an update on the outcome of the RHI funding application.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Weaver, Chair