

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Public Safety Advisory Committee is to advise City Council on current and emerging public safety issues. The Public Safety Advisory Committee will provide a forum where ideas and proposed solutions to combat crime and enhancing public safety and security can be discussed with other agencies, committees and interest groups.

2. AUTHORITY

Community Charter, Abbotsford City Council.

3. MANDATE

The mandate of the Public Safety Advisory Committee is to make recommendations on current and emerging public safety issues, more specifically:

- a) review and provide recommendations to Council regarding bylaws directed to:
 - i) residential and commercial business safety,
 - ii) public nuisance matters,
 - iii) graffiti and vandalism,
 - iv) vehicular crime,
 - v) traffic safety, and
 - vi) enhancing public safety and security generally;
- b) review and provide recommendations to Council regarding fire regulations and safety issues, and
- c) understanding and showcasing the work various groups and agencies, including the Abbotsford Police Department, Abbotsford Fire Rescue Service, and City of Abbotsford Bylaw Services are undertaking to enhance public safety and security.

4. MEMBERSHIP

- 1. Appointments, and removal, of members to the Public Safety Advisory Committee will be made in accordance with the City's Committee Protocol Policy.
- 2. Terms of appointments will be in accordance with the City's Committee Protocol Policy.



PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

3. The Public Safety Advisory Committee will be comprised of up to nine (9) voting members appointed by Council:
 - a) one (1) member of Council, and an alternate;
 - b) up to eight (8) members at large;
4. The Chair of the Public Safety Advisory Committee will be the appointed Council representative.
5. The staff liaisons to the Public Safety Advisory Committee be appointed by the City Manager.
6. The Abbotsford Police Board will be invited to designate one or more liaisons on behalf of the Abbotsford Police Department to the Public Safety Advisory Committee.
7. From time to time, other City staff members may be required to attend to provide technical advice and assistance.
5. RELATED PROCEDURES, GUIDELINES AND PUBLICATIONS
 1. The Public Safety Advisory Committee will operate in accordance with the *Community Charter*, the City's Council Procedure Bylaw, the City's Committee Protocol Policy, and any other applicable enactments, bylaws or policies, as amended or replaced from time to time.
 2. Meetings will normally be held quarterly, or at the call of the Chair.
 3. Quorum will be determined in accordance with the City's Committee Protocol Policy. Vacancies (but not absences) are excluded when counting the voting members in order to establish the quorum.
 4. Committee members must avoid conflicts of interest, in accordance with the *Community Charter* and the City's Committee Protocol Policy.
 5. The Committee will report to Council, in accordance with the City's Committee Protocol Policy.