



MINUTES of the Economic Resiliency Task Force Meeting held on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. via video conference.

**PRESENT:**

Voting Members: R. Chisholm  
Councillor MacDonald (Chair)  
Councillor Meachen  
E. Mollema  
T. Pigott  
M. Roberts, CAO  
C. Sawant  
J. Sidhu  
B. Wingrove

Staff: K. Barchard, Manager of Administrative Services  
A. Berry, Director of Planning and Development  
J. Lemire, Marketing Coordinator

Regrets Mayor Dingwall  
C. Hamm  
P. Robinson  
M. Salonga

Secretary: T. McCaw, Committee Clerk II

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m.

**2. LATE ITEMS**

None.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** THAT the agenda for the July 9, 2020 Economic Resiliency Task Force Meeting be approved.

**CARRIED.**

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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It was **MOVED** and **SECONDED** THAT the Minutes of the Economic Resiliency Task Force Meeting held on June 25, 2020 be adopted.

**CARRIED.**

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS

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(1) Update on Action Items

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

- Communications strategy on the newly approved Temporary Patio & Outdoor retail Space Expansion;
- Potential to highlight all businesses who have been approved for the temporary expansion; and
- Brainstormed ideas around how to reach out to businesses who have yet to hear about this new opportunity.

(2) Launch of Canadian Federation of Independent Business #SmallBusinessEveryDay Campaign

The Chair gave an overview of the response letter that Mayor Dingwall sent to Canadian Federation of Independent Business, dated June 30, 2020, regarding partnership and support of CFIB's launch of the #SmallBusinessEveryDay campaign.

(3) Highlighting Local Businesses/Other Local Initiatives

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

- WorkSafe BC has recognized Pitt Meadows Wellness as doing an exceptional job implementing new reopening protocols.

(4) Good News Stories

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

- City to continue to support the Shop Local campaign through Social Media; and
- Any businesses that are looking for employees are asked to reach out to [ertf@pittmeadows.ca](mailto:ertf@pittmeadows.ca) who will post on the ERTF webpage.

#### 6. ROUND TABLE

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The Task Force participated in a roundtable of discussions. Highlights included:

- Thanks was given from J. Lemire to the ERTF as this was his last meeting noting he has enjoyed his time on the TF and has learned a lot from all of its members.
- Thanks was given to J. Lemire for the great work produced while sitting on the ERTF.

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

1. Communications through Social Media to showcase businesses who have applied and been granted the opportunity to expand their patios.
2. T. Pigott, B. Wingrove, R. Chisholm and C. Sawant to discuss strategy for spreading the word about the expanded patio and retail space program.
3. J. Lemire to pass along details regarding active projects to C. Baldrige as she takes over communication support for ERTF.
4. Get C. Baldrige access to the ertf@pittmeadows.ca inbox; use this address for any future correspondence or requests for information to be submitted.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

*The next meeting for the Economic Resiliency Task Force is set for July 23, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. via video conferencing.*