

To: Members of the General Committee

From: John Kennedy, City Clerk

Meeting Date: October 28, 2024

Report: Presentation By Chief Betts, Report LSCLK24-012

Subject

A report to introduce a presentation by Chief Betts regarding the Community-Focused Investigation Response Support Team (F.I.R.S.T.) program.

Recommendation

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report LSCLK24-012, dated October 28, 2024, of the City Clerk as follows:

That the presentation from Chief Betts respecting the F.I.R.S.T. program be received for information.

Executive Summary

Chief Betts will provide an update on the F.I.R.S.T. pilot program

Background

At the November 2023 budget meetings Chief Betts was invited to attend City Council and provide quarterly updates on both the Safer Public Spaces and Community F.I.R.S.T. programs.

The Safer Public Spaces program is a no-tolerance approach to open air illicit drug use. The Community F.I.R.S.T. program is a year long pilot program to investigate property crimes in the police service areas.

Strategic Plan

Strategic Pillar: Community & Well-being

Strategic priorities under this pillar include to "Enhance and protect the health, safety and wellbeing of all".

The updates Chief Betts will be providing, relate directly to the safety of the community.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budget and financial implications as a result of the adoption of the recommendation of this report.

Submitted by,

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