Safer for All: At the cost of the few

Or an analysis of the Workplan for Community Safety and Well-being and a microcosm of Canada in general

Make no mistake

- The issues surrounding Canada Day Fireworks, mourning lost children and the substance of this report are all part of the same issue
- The report states as much, the feelings and experiences of the few, are erased and eroded by the majority of Edmontonians
- The Foreword of the report is detached from reality, and is written as if George Floyd never died and BLM did not push for systemic change
- In our report, we asked that City Council and those in power Believe Us... this report shows that they still do not.

Irrelevant or Skewed Data

- The report relies heavily on data from 2018 and 2019, a full 2 years before the call for systemic change and the questioning of the Role of Police.
- We must all agree, that the crimes committed by Derek Chauvin changed the conversation, and data before this moment should be viewed with great scrutiny.
- The only data point that matters and is relevant is that 37% of Edmonton is BIPOC. **These are not a few people.**

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The number of times, in the 52 pages, and thousands of words, the Community Safety and Well-Being Task Force is referenced.

So what is this report for?

That Administration work with the **Edmonton Police Commission to** review Safer for All recommendations (April 6, 2021, Community Safety and Well-Being Task Force report CR_8453) and develop a joint strategy to enhance community safety and well-being informed by the report, and report back

Did administration carry out the task as prescribed by Council? Is a report that references the Task Force 5 times an informed report?

No

Why didn't Administration do as asked?

- They invited EPS, including Chief McFee, to sit at the table, and carry out a task given to the EPC. Verifying the findings of the Task Force report regarding the role and mandate of the EPC.
- There is a perception that administration can pick and choose which actions to carry forward, this was <u>not</u> what the Task Force advised.
- Council and the community was expecting a work plan on the 14 recommendations, but it is hard to do a work plan for work you do not intend on carrying out.

If not a Work Plan, what is it then?

- This report is very much an EPS, Administration and EPC annual report.
- It speaks of the activities to date, with little substance around what recommendations from the Task Force will be carried out.
- It reads as if written in a vacuum, in which the world and ongoing actions of police have little impact.
- On June 11, EPS killed an unarmed person, this is evidence that we are not moving in the right direction.

CSWBTF Recommendations

References in Report

- 1) Referenced, but missing key point of independence
- 2) None
- 3) Referenced
- 4) Points made around excessive, missing point on unnecessary use of force
- 5) Emphasis on inclusivity, but you can be inclusive and still racist
- 6) None
- 7) None
- 3) None, "additional work is not within the scope of this plan"
- 9) None
- 10) References work to lobby Alberta, but some authority rests with Council, Emphasis on ASIRT
- 11) None
- 12) None
- 13) Maybe... Housing efforts referenced
- 14) Coming later this year.

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Number of recommendations from the CSWBTF report that are not referenced, or administration missed the point entirely. This is being generous, and in any event it is still a failing grade for administration.

Individual people are about more than race....

This denounces systemic racism and very much is akin to All Lives Matter.

1553 unmarked graves... many more to come.