



## COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

### Transit Tickets and No Fixed Address

#### *Recommendation of the Committee*

1. That Administration prepare amendments to the Conduct of Transit Passengers Bylaw 8353 provisions regarding loitering, including recommendations for exempting helping agencies and organizations, their corresponding social workers and anyone accessing these services in transit stations as part of a whole systems approach to community safety and transit.
2. That Administration work with community partners including but not limited to Boyle Street, REACH, Edmonton Mennonite Centre for Newcomers, Bissell Centre, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Mosaic Centre, iHuman, Native Counselling Services of Alberta and YESS to increase referrals to 24/7 Crisis Diversion, and return to Committee with program and/or delivery proposal(s) for agencies to provide access to supports and services within transit stations.

**Due Date: First Quarter 2022**

#### *History*

- At the March 24, 2021, Community and Public Services Committee meeting, the March 24, 2021, Citizen Services report CR\_8129, City Operations report CR\_7813 and Citizen Services report CR\_8484 were considered together.
- The Committee heard from J. Vargas, Free Transit Edmonton.

#### *Related motion passed at the March 24, 2021, Community and Public Services Committee meeting*

### Transit Fare Fines

1. That Administration prepare amendments to the Conduct of Transit Passengers Bylaw 8353 to reduce the current fine amount for fare evasion from \$250 to \$150, to be in line with other jurisdictions as outlined in Attachment 3 of the March 24, 2021, City Operations report CR\_7813.
2. That Administration work with social agency partners to co-create equitable fine repayment options, including options to allow for proof of purchase of a monthly transit pass within a two week period, and conduct an anti-racism review of current low income fare programs to remove barriers and support equitable participation from those who need support, and provide a report back.

**Due Date: First Quarter 2022**

#### *Attachment*

March 24, 2021, Citizen Services report CR\_8129