

Meeting Agenda

City of Guelph

Downtown Advisory Committee (DAC)

February 20, 2020

City Hall, Meeting Room B

From 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Meeting Chair:

Agenda Items

Item 1 – Guelph Games – Presentation by Helen Stoumbos.

Item 2 – Trinity Centres Foundation. Presentation by Graham Singh.

Item 3 – DGBA Perception of Safety survey, please review for discussion.

Item 4 – New Chair to be voted in

Next Meeting:

March 19, 2020



Downtown Guelph Business Association Community Survey

Welcome to the Downtown Guelph Business Association community survey. We are finding out what people think about living, working and enjoying life here in Guelph, and your opinions matter to us.

The DGBA would very much appreciate your input on these important neighbourhood questions. The following survey should take no more than 5-10 minutes to complete and can be done anonymously.

When responding to the questionnaire, please think about your experiences in the Downtown Guelph area only, unless otherwise specified.

You will be asked about your experiences and opinions about living, working and visiting here.

Your responses are confidential, and if you wish you can be entered into a draw to win one of three \$100 Downtown Dollar Gift Certificates

1. What is your gender?

Male

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- Gender Fluid
- Prefer not to answer

2. Do you consider yourself to be a visible minority?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

3. What is your age?

- 18 to 24
- 25 to 34
- 35 to 44
- 45 to 54
- 55 to 64
- 65 to 74
- 75 or older

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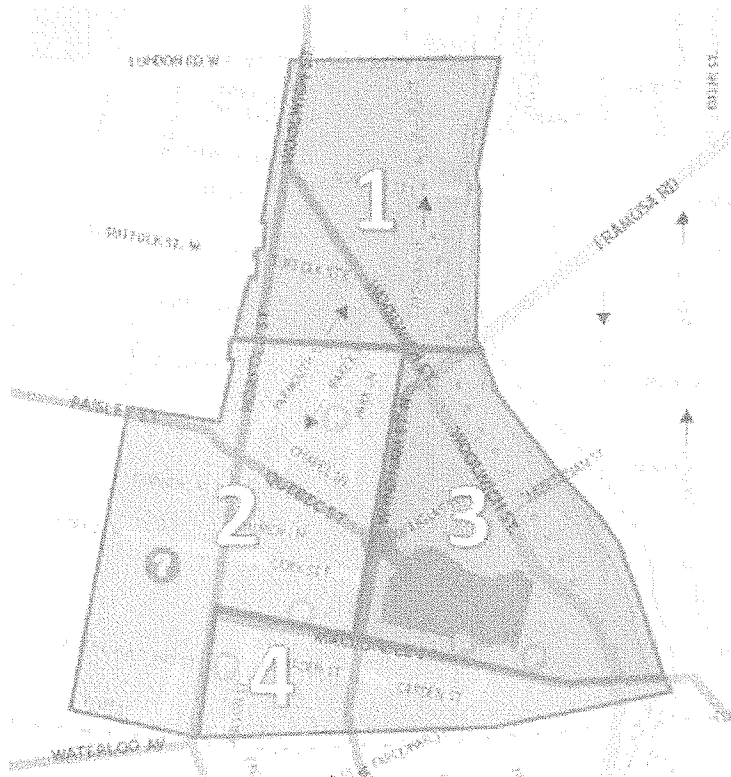
4. What is your Occupation?

5. Which category best describes you?

- Business owner in the Downtown
- Resident in the Downtown
- Property owner in the Downtown
- Student in the Downtown
- Employee in the Downtown
- Shopper / visitor in the Downtown
- Other (please specify)

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6. Please look at the map, which area do you live?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- I live outside Downtown Guelph

7. Please look at the map, which area do you work?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- I work outside Downtown Guelph

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8. Is your business / where you work

- Retail
- Food Service (cafe / restaurant / etc)
- Commercial
- Other (please specify)
- Health care and/or social service provider
- Municipal government
- Bar / Club

9. In general, how welcome do you feel when spending time in downtown Guelph?

- Extremely
- Very
- Moderately
- A little
- Not at all
- I do not spend time in downtown Guelph

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10. In general, how satisfied are you with your personal safety from crime when you spend time in Downtown Guelph?

- Very satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Satisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

11. Do you think in the past year, crime in Downtown Guelph has

- Increased
- Decreased
- Stayed the same

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- Strongly agree
- Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree

13. I feel safe walking alone in Downtown Guelph between 7 pm and 11 pm

- Strongly agree
- Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree

14. I feel safe walking alone in Downtown Guelph between 11 pm and 7 am

- Strongly agree
- Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree

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- Strongly agree
- Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree

16. Why do you feel safe walking in Downtown Guelph?

17. Why do you feel unsafe walking in Downtown Guelph?

18. Have you been a victim of crime in Downtown Guelph the in the past year? (If answered no, skip ahead to Q22)

- No
- Yes

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19. What type of crime occurred?

	Occurred on the street / public space	Occurred in a mall	Occurred in a store	Occurred in a bar	Occurred in the home
Threatening behaviour	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assault	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other violent acts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Theft of personal items	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shoplifting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vandalism	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please specify what occurred and where)

20. Did you report any of these crimes to the police?

Yes

No

If you answered "NO" - why not?

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Yes

No

If "NO" - why not?

22. Have you seen any of the following crimes occurring in Downtown Guelph in the past year?

Assault

Theft

Threatening behaviour

Property damage

Vandalism

Drug use

Other (please specify)

23. In the past 6 months have you seen police patrolling on foot or bicycle in Downtown Guelph?

Yes

No

24. In the past 6 months have you had to call for

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Downtown Guelph?

Yes

No

25. What did you think of their response?

They were able to help with the issue

They were not able to help with the issue

They did not respond to the issue

No action was required

Other (please specify)

26. In the past 6 months have you had to call for private security assistance because of an incident in Downtown Guelph?

Yes

No

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27. What did you think of their response?

- They were able to help with the issue
- They were not able to help with the issue
- They did not respond to the issue
- No action was required
- Other (please specify)

28. Have you heard of the Welcoming Streets Program?

- Yes
- No

29. In the past 6 months have you had to call on Welcoming Streets for assistance?

- Yes
- No

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30. What did you think of their response?

- They were able to help with the issue
- They were not able to help with the issue
- They did not respond to the issue
- No action was required
- Other (please specify)

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31. Please rank the following methods that would improve safety in Downtown Guelph. 1= most effective, 7 = least effective

- More police
- More private security
- More outreach workers
- Reduce the number of panhandlers / homeless
- Better lighting
- Reduce vehicle traffic
- More green space
- Other

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32. What other methods would be effective?

33. How much of a problem are the following
Downtown Guelph?

	A very significant problem	A problem	A minor problem	Not a problem
Aggressive or erratic behaviour	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Panhandling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Drunken behaviour	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Drug dealing / drug use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People loitering in the street / public spaces	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People loitering in malls / stores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People sleeping in the street / public areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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	A very significant problem	A problem	A minor problem	Not a problem
Vandalism, graffiti and other deliberate damage to property or vehicles	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

34. What are the biggest problems facing Downtown Guelph?

- Cost of living
- Poverty
- Crime
- Vandalism
- Drug use
- Traffic
- Homelessness
- Other (please specify)

35. Would you encourage your friends to come to Downtown Guelph to

	Yes	No
Shop / dine	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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	Yes	No
Shop / dine during the evening	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Live	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walk around during the day	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walk around at night	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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