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Good afternoon Mayor and Council,

As a wrap-up for the past week, I am writing to share an update on our continued efforts to remove structures on East Hastings Street, which remain focused on voluntary compliance from individuals sheltering outdoors.

Eighteen staff members from Engineering Services we're working on Hastings St yesterday and succeeded in clearing a number of structures and removing 2500 kilos of material. Staff also distributed 20 meal tickets and water. Fifteen staff will be continuing with this work on Saturday and Sunday.

Our Outreach Team has also been out daily this week developing a better sense as to whom on East Hastings Street may require housing. Approximately 115 people have been identified as sleeping on East Hasting regularly. In addition, between 10 and 12 new people have been observed to be sheltering outdoors in parks each day this week, the majority of these individuals are coming to Crab Park.

The new automated public toilet at Pigeon Park is installed and operational as of this afternoon, with member of the Overdose Prevention Society attending to provide overdose prevention, peer support, and peer monitoring of the space. The toilet will operate from 9am to 9pm daily. Staff also are working to have a peer supported washroom trailer up and running in the area in early September.

Meetings will continue next week with our partners at the Provincial Framework planning table on near and long-term planning.

Staff will continue to provide any significant updates as they become available.

Best,
Paul