

**EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION
PUBLIC MEETING**

MINUTES

**Thursday, July 19, 2018
River Valley Room, Main Floor, City Hall, Edmonton, Alberta
12:00 P.M. to 1:20 P.M.**

PRESENT

Chair Tim O'Brien
Vice-Chair Micki Ruth
Commissioner Laurie Hawn
Commissioner Karen MacKenzie
Commissioner Aneela Hussainaly
Commissioner Erick Ambtman
Councillor Sarah Hamilton, Commissioner

EPC STAFF

Justin Krikler, Executive Director/PCD/Legal Counsel
Bonnie Riddell, Strategic Policy & Research Analyst
Vivianna Botticelli, Chief Internal Auditor
Zeeshan Mughal, Audit Coordinator
Chris Skaggs, Secretary to the Commission
Natalie Couture, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT

Commissioner Janet-Sue Hamilton
Commissioner John McDougall
Councillor Scott McKeen, Commissioner

GUESTS

Deputy Chief Kevin Brezinski, Edmonton Police Service
Deputy Chief Brian Simpson, Edmonton Police Service
CAO Linda Revell, Edmonton Police Service
A/Deputy Chief Deb Jolly, Edmonton Police Service
Superintendent Chad Tawfik, Edmonton Police Service
Inspector Derek McIntyre, Edmonton Police Service
Staff Sergeant Kelly Rosnau, Edmonton Police Service
Executive Director Jodie Graham, Edmonton Police Service
Executive Director Brock Kahanyshyn, Edmonton Police Service
A/Executive Director Donna Munro, Edmonton Police Service
Strategic Analyst Andrew Lejeune, Edmonton Police Service
Strategic Analyst Cal Schafer, Edmonton Police Service
Research Analyst Katherine Pascoe, Edmonton Police Service

Members of the Public (2)
Members of the Media (5)

	Agenda Item	Action By
1.	<p><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></p> <p>Chair O'Brien called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.</p>	
2.	<p><u>PROTOCOL ITEM</u></p>	
	<p>2.1 <u>Acknowledgement of Treaty Six Territory</u></p> <p>Commissioner Hawn opened the meeting with the following acknowledgement:</p> <p><i>“We begin by acknowledging the traditional land on which we are gathered today which is Treaty 6 Territory and the traditional homeland of the Metis people. We would like to acknowledge and thank the diverse Indigenous people whose ancestors footsteps have marked this territory for centuries such as: Cree, Dene, Sauleaux, Blackfoot, Nakota Sioux, as well as Metis and Inuit. It is a welcoming place for all people who come from around the world to share Edmonton as a home. Together we call upon all of our collective honoured traditions and spirits to work in building a great city for today and future generations.”</i></p>	
	<p>2.2 <u>Policing in a Networked World Articles</u></p> <p>Chair O'Brien advised that the Commission would like to highlight Chief Knecht's contributions to two publications recently released: "Policing In A Networked World – Canadian Insights" and "Global Policing". The Global report included an analysis from several countries, including Canada, and highlights the key challenges that police services must pursue to meet the challenges associated with changes in crime, technology and societal demographics. Chief Knecht's insights and participation on these two publications place him on the world stage as a recognized global leader in policing.</p>	
3.	<p><u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u></p>	
	<p>MOVED Commissioner MacKenzie – Vice-Chair Ruth That the agenda for the Commission's July 19, 2018 Public Meeting be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Absent for the Motion: Commissioner McDougall, Commissioner J-S Hamilton, Councillor McKeen</p>	

	Agenda Item	Action By
4.	<p><u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 21, 2018</u></p> <p>MOVED Commissioner Hawn – Vice-Chair Ruth That the minutes for the Commission’s June 21, 2018 regular Public Meeting be approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Absent for the Motion: Commissioner McDougall, Commissioner Hussainaly, Councillor McKeen</p>	
5.	<p><u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION</u></p> <p>In response to Chair O’Brien there were no conflict of interest declarations.</p>	
6.	<p><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>Members unanimously agreed that all Consent Agenda items be received for information.</p>	
7.	<p><u>PRESENTATION</u></p>	
	<p>7.1 <u>2018 Citizen and Business Satisfaction Results</u></p> <p>Mr. Lejeune introduced the 2018 Edmonton Police Service (EPS) Citizen and inaugural Business Satisfaction Survey reports, which provide preliminary information. He spoke to the methods used for conducting the surveys and their purpose. He provided statistics on the following, resulting from the responses to the survey:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business contact with Police • Citizen contact with Police • Crime in neighbourhoods • Crime in Edmonton compared to other major cities • Citizen safety • Top five areas of concern • Citizen issues of focus • Citizen recommendations for improved services • Citizen confidence with the EPS • EPS rating overall • How EPC does • Knowledge of Edmonton Police Commission <p>He advised that the Service has been working with the Commission since early 2017 on the surveys. A more strategic report, including a detailed analysis, will be</p>	<p>EPS</p>

	Agenda Item	Action By
	<p>developed in conjunction with the Commission and will come back to the Commission in the Fall.</p> <p>He spoke to how the Service is planning to move forward with the information gathered from the surveys.</p> <p>Deputy Chief Brezinski, Deputy Chief Simpson, CAO Revell and Mr. Lejeune responded to questions. Members provided their comments and suggestions for future surveys.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p><u>INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <p>Chair O'Brien outlined the following changes made to the Commission's Meeting Procedures Policy, with respect to input from the public, that will come into effect in September:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requirement to pre-register to speak by filling out the "Request to Speak Form" which will be available at the table at the entrance of the meeting room. Someone will be on hand to assist with this task and respond to questions • "Guideline for Guests" handout sheet outlining the new process, with additional contact information for the Edmonton Police Commission, will be available • Public will have five minutes to speak. Complaints about officer conduct or any ongoing investigations are not topics for this forum. The process for these matters is in the guideline form <p>He advised that the Commission will follow the current process at today's meeting.</p> <p>There was no input from the public.</p>	<p>EPC</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p><u>CHIEF REPORT</u></p>	
	<p>9.1 <u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>There were no key issues.</p>	
	<p>9.2 <u>2018 Q2 Response Time and Dispatch Call Volumes</u></p> <p>Mr. Schafer spoke to the purpose of the report and provided a summary of what has taken place year to date. He also provided information on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background on EPS trends 	

	Agenda Item	Action By
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City-wide trends • Division response times • Addressing response times • Summary of City-wide statistics <p>Deputy Chief Brezinski, Superintendent Tawfik and Mr. Schafer responded to questions.</p>	
9.3	<p><u>Project Watch Semi-Annual Update</u></p> <p>Deputy Chief Brezinski tendered the report for information.</p> <p>Inspector McIntyre responded to questions.</p>	
9.4	<p><u>2018 Reporting and Budget Calendar</u></p> <p>Executive Director Graham advised that this semi-annual report to the Commission was designed for when there was annual budgeting going forward to Council. She suggested that with the funding formula, which is a four year plan, the report no longer come forward to the Commission as it is no longer valuable.</p> <p>MOVED Commissioner MacKenzie – Vice-Chair Ruth That the Reporting and Budget Calendar report no longer come forward from the Edmonton Police Service to the Edmonton Police Commission for information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>Absent for the Motion: Commissioner McDougall, Commissioner Hussainaly, Councillor McKeen</p>	
10.	<p><u>CHAIR REPORT</u></p>	
10.1	<p><u>Police Act Amendments</u></p> <p>Chair O'Brien advised that last month Minister Kathleen Ganley announced the Provincial Government will be reviewing and revising the <i>Police Act</i>. The process will include stakeholder engagement followed by reporting on the legislative changes being sought. The entirety of the project will span several years. The Commission will be participating in the engagement process, likely through the Alberta Association of Police Governance. The current <i>Police Act</i> came into force in 1988, and much has changed in the last 30 years. This is a tremendous opportunity for</p>	

	Agenda Item	Action By
	policing agencies, police governance bodies, and all interested stakeholders to help shape the future of policing in Alberta.	
(Mr. Lejeune, Mr. Schafer and Ms. Pascoe left the meeting)		
11.	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT</u></p> <p>Executive Director Krikler advised that the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) is hosting a one day Governance Summit, November 5, 2018, in Vancouver, BC. This is the second Summit to be held. The first was held in 2016.</p>	
12.	<p><u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u></p>	
	<p>12.1 <u>GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>There was no report.</p>	
	<p>12.2 <u>FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>Commissioner MacKenzie advised that the matters discussed at the July, 2018 Finance & Audit Committee meeting were covered in Item #6 (Consent Agenda) and Item #9 (Chief Report).</p>	
	<p>12.3 <u>PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE</u></p>	
	<p>12.3.1 <u>Summary of Compliments</u></p> <p>Chair O'Brien shared two compliments received by the Service in June.</p>	
13.	<p><u>EXEMPTIONS FROM CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>There were no exemptions from the Consent Agenda.</p>	
14.	<p><u>EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION INQUIRIES</u></p> <p>There were no inquiries.</p>	
15.	<p><u>OTHER BUSINESS</u></p>	

	Agenda Item	Action By
15.1	<p><u>Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) Update – Vice-Chair Ruth</u></p> <p>Vice-Chair Ruth advised that the CAPG Governance Summit will focus solely on governance and how Boards should be carrying out their governance mandate.</p>	
15.2	<p><u>Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG) – Commissioner McDougall</u></p> <p>There was no report.</p>	
15.3	<p><u>REACH – Commissioner Hawn</u></p> <p>Commissioner Hawn advised that REACH continues to do good work. It aims for 950 interventions per month, but routinely exceeds this number. This last month there were 1122 interventions.</p>	
16.	<p><u>COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/CONCERNS/COMMENDATIONS</u></p> <p>Commissioner Ambtman congratulated the Service for being selected to receive the 2018 Building Futures Rise Award for its Police and Youth Engagement Program.</p>	
17.	<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p> <p>Chair O'Brien advised that the next Commission meeting will be held September 20, 2018.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 1:20 P.M.</p>	

CERTIFIED as being a record of the matters dealt with at the Commission's July 19, 2018 Public meeting.

Tim O'Brien
 Chair, Edmonton Police Commission

Chris Skaggs
Secretary to the Commission