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**EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION
PUBLIC MEETING**

MINUTES

**Thursday, May 16, 2019
River Valley Room, Main Floor, City Hall, Edmonton, Alberta
12:00 P.M. to 12:50 P.M.**

PRESENT

Chair Tim O'Brien
Vice-Chair Micki Ruth
Commissioner Laurie Hawn
Commissioner Karen MacKenzie
Commissioner John McDougall
Commissioner Ashvin Singh
Commissioner Erick Ambtman
Commissioner Janet-Sue Hamilton
Councillor Sarah Hamilton, Commissioner
Councillor Scott McKeen, Commissioner

ABSENT

Commissioner Aneela Hussainaly

EPC STAFF

Bonnie Riddell, Interim Executive Director
Deana MacFadyen, Public Complaint Director/Legal Counsel
Zeeshan Mughal, Audit Coordinator
Chris Skaggs, Secretary to the Commission
Bev Atkey, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS

A/Chief Al Murphy, Edmonton Police Service
A/Deputy Chief Darren Derko, Edmonton Police Service
A/Deputy Chief Dave Veitch, Edmonton Police Service
A/Deputy Chief Dave Elanik, Edmonton Police Service
A/Deputy Chief Brock Kahanyshyn, Edmonton Police Service
Superintendent Deb Jolly, Edmonton Police Service
Inspector Trevor Hermanutz, Edmonton Police Service
Staff Sergeant Brian Sinclair, Edmonton Police Service
Executive Director Justin Krikler, Edmonton Police Service
Executive Director Enyinnah Okere, Edmonton Police Service
Director Geoff Crowe, Edmonton Police Service

Administrative Assistant Heather Jacobsen, Edmonton Police Service

Members of the Public (4)

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>Chair O'Brien 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, Saulteaux, 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>Esquao Award</u></p> <p>Chair O'Brien congratulated Constable Lisa Wolfe, a 20 year veteran of the Edmonton Police Service, who received the Esquao Award for her involvement in Aboriginal recruitment, training and job development. She has also been an active volunteer for the Indigenous Games, Inner City Salvation Army and the Edmonton Institution for Women. This Award highlights the significant role Aboriginal women hold in their home in the healing and development of their city or town.</p>	
3.	<p><u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u></p>	
	<p>Members unanimously approved the agenda as presented.</p>	

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4.	<p><u>CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION</u></p> <p>In response to Chair O'Brien there were no conflict of interest declarations.</p>	
5.	<p><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>Members unanimously adopted Consent Agenda items</p> <p>#5.1 Edmonton Police Commission Public Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2019</p> <p>#5.2 Edmonton Police Commission Budget Variance by Major Category for the Period Ending March 31, 2019</p> <p>#5.3 Edmonton Police Service Budget Variance by Major Category for the Period Ending March 31, 2019</p> <p>#5.4 2019 Q1 Report to the Community</p>	
6.	<p><u>PRESENTATION</u></p>	
6.1	<p><u>2018 Criminal Flight Event Annual Report</u></p> <p>A/Chief Murphy introduced Inspector Hermanutz,</p> <p>Inspector Hermanutz defined Criminal Flight Event (CFE), Criminal Flight Response and Prevention/Intervention Tactic. He spoke to the</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CFEs by type for 2018 and highlighted the statics which involved Air 1. He presented two videos. One involved a criminal flight event and response, which showed the proactive work by Air 1. The other, a higher risk call, showed the use of prevention and intervention tactics • Criminal flights: Edmonton Police Service response rate for 2017 and 2018 • 2018 CFEs resulting in arrests and those involving collisions • Initiatives implemented in 2017 and 2018 and those being improved upon <p>Inspector Hermanutz responded to questions.</p>	
7.	<p><u>INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <p>There was no input from members of the public.</p>	

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8.	<u>CHIEF REPORT</u>	
8.1	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>A/Chief Murphy spoke on the following key issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief McFee initiated a meeting with the Edmonton Police Service, RCMP, Stats Canada, Health Canada, City of Edmonton and Alberta Health Services to discuss the concern with opioid and methamphetamine use • Constable Glen Klose received an outstanding award from the Alberta Association of Chiefs of Police for his work with mental health • A report on the naming of victims of homicide will come forward to the Commission in June, 2019 	EPS
9.	<p><u>CHAIR REPORT</u></p> <p>There was no report.</p>	
10.	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT</u></p> <p>There was no report.</p>	
11.	<u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>	
	11.1 <u>GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE</u>	
	<p>11.1.1 <u>Edmonton Police Commission Strategic Plan 2019-2023</u></p> <p>Interim Executive Director Riddell presented the final Strategic Plan for Commission approval. She advised that the draft Plan came forward to the Commission's April, 2019 meeting at which time it was referred to the Governance Committee for finalizing. There were no changes to the Plan.</p> <p>Chair O'Brien thanked Interim Executive Director Riddell for her work on the Plan.</p> <p>MOVED Vice-Chair Ruth – Commissioner McDougall That the Commission approve the Edmonton Police Commission Strategic Plan 2019-2023. CARRIED</p>	

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	<p>11.1.2 <u>Edmonton Police Commission Policy Revision</u></p> <p>Interim Executive Director Riddell spoke to the revision.</p> <p>MOVED Vice-Chair Ruth – Commissioner Hawn That the Commission approve the revision to Edmonton Police Commission Policy #5.6 Commission Honoraria.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	
	<p>11.2 <u>FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>11.2.1 <u>Edmonton Police Commission Policy Revisions</u></p> <p>Interim Executive Director Riddell spoke to the revision.</p> <p>MOVED Commissioner Hussainaly – Commissioner Ambtman That the Commission approve the revisions to Edmonton Police Commission Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #5.5.1 Budget Reallocations • #5.5.2 Expenditure Approval and Signing Authority <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	
	<p>11.3 <u>PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE</u></p>	
	<p>11.3.1 <u>Summary of Compliments</u></p> <p>Commissioner Janet-Sue Hamilton shared three compliments received by the Edmonton Police Service.</p>	
	<p>12. <u>EXEMPTIONS FROM CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p>There were no exemptions from the Consent Agenda.</p>	
	<p>13. <u>EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION INQUIRIES</u></p> <p>Councillor McKeen advised that he recently attended an event in the McCauley area at which a presentation was given on the Residential Living Governance Committee. He asked who the Committee reports to. A/Deputy Chief Veitch advised that the</p>	

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	<p>Committee is an extension of Project Watch and was developed by the City of Edmonton. Councillor McKeen will follow up with the City.</p>	
14.	<p><u>OTHER BUSINESS</u></p>	
14.1	<p><u>Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) Update - Commissioner Ruth</u></p> <p>There was no report.</p>	
14.2	<p><u>Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG) Update - Commissioner McDougall</u></p> <p>Commissioner McDougall advised that a couple of smaller communities in Alberta have applied to be members of the AAPG. He also advised that the AAPG is working on the 2020 conference to be held in Brooks.</p>	
(Councillor McKeen left the meeting)		
14.3	<p><u>REACH Update – Commissioner Hawn</u></p> <p>Commissioner Hawn reported on the operational highlights for the REACH organization.</p>	
15.	<p><u>COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/CONCERNS/COMMENDATIONS</u></p> <p>Commissioner McKenzie advised that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She was a guest, along with the Service, at the Esquao Awards • Chief McFee was asked to do the grand entry, with two Aboriginal Chiefs, at the Ben Calf Robe Traditional Pow Wow held May 11, 2019 at Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre • Edmonton Catholic Schools approached the Chief to engage children in considering joining the Edmonton Police Service <p>Commissioner Ambtman advised that he met with Constable Rocky Hanson to discuss a free after school program for children on the patch to a life of crime, which Constable Hanson is currently working on.</p> <p>Commissioner Singh, Commissioner Ambtman and Commissioner</p>	

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	McDougall commended the Chief's apology to the LGBTQ2S+, saying that they have not heard any negative feedback on the apology. Commissioner McDougall commended the staff at the Calder Community Station.	
16.	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> The meeting adjourned at 12:50 P.M.	

CERTIFIED as being a record of the matters dealt with at the Commission's May 16, 2019 public meeting.

Tim O'Brien
Chair, Edmonton Police Commission

Chris Skaggs
Secretary to the Commission