**EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**VIA ZOOM**

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, July 16, 2020**

**Edmonton Police Commission Office**

**Scotia Place, Tower 2**

**Suite #1803, 10060 – Jasper Avenue**

**Edmonton, Alberta**

**12:03 P.M**. **to 2:43 P.M.**

**PRESENT**

**(In Office Via Zoom)**

Chair Micki Ruth

Commissioner Janet-Sue Hamilton

**(Via Zoom)**

Vice-Chair John McDougall

Commissioner Karen MacKenzie

Commissioner Erick Ambtman

Commissioner Laurie Hawn

Commissioner Tim O’Brien

Commissioner Aneela Hussainaly

Commissioner Ashvin Singh

Councillor Sarah Hamilton, Commissioner

Councillor Tim Cartmell, Commissioner

**EPC STAFF**

**(In Office Via Zoom)**

Matt Barker, Executive Director

Chris Skaggs, Secretary to the Commission

**GUESTS (Via Zoom)**

Chief Dale McFee, Edmonton Police Service (EPS)

A/Chief Darren Derko, EPS

Deputy Chief David Veitch, EPS

A/Deputy Chief Ed McIssac, EPS

A/Deputy Chief Darlene Savoie, EPS

A/Deputy Chief Brad Doucette EPS

Chief Innovation & Technology Officer Ron Anderson, Innovation & Technology Bureau, EPS

Chief of Staff Brian Sinclair, Office of the Chief, EPS

Executive Director Enyinnah Okere, Value & Impact Division, EPS

Executive Director Rob Davidson, Finance Division, EPS

Executive Director Justin Krikler, Legal & Regulatory Services Division, EPS

Executive Director Darren Eastcott, Human Resources Division, EPS

A/Executive Director Shawn Rehill, Informatics Division, EPS

Director Michael James, Corporate Communications Branch, EPS

Director Lori Solon, Strategy & Engagement Branch, EPS

Manager Rakesh Nair, Performance Management, EPS

Executive Assistant Heather Jacobsen, Office of the Chief, EPS

Administrative Assistant Echo Baxter, Office of the Chief, EPS

Detective Mike Elliott, President, Edmonton Police Association

**(Via Zoom)**

Members of the Public (0)

Members of the Media (3)

|  | **Agenda Item** | **Action By** |
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| **1.** | **CALL TO ORDER**  Chair Ruth called the meeting to order at 12:03 P.M. |  |
| **2.** | **PROTOCOL ITEMS** |  |
|  | **2.1 Acknowledgement of Treaty Six Territory**  Chair Ruth opened the meeting with the following acknowledgement:  “*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.”* |  |
|  | **2.2** Chair Ruth welcomed everyone to the Commission’s first  Zoom meeting and introduced members of the media in attendance. |  |
| **3.** | **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  Addition: #6.2 Community Safety & Well Being Bureau  Presentation  **MOVED** Commissioner Hawn - Commissioner Singh  That the agenda for the Commission’s July 16, 2020 Public Meeting be approved as amended.  **CARRIED** |  |
| **4.** | **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**  In response to Chair Ruth there were no conflict of interest declarations. |  |
| **5.** | **CONSENT AGENDA**  Members unanimously adopted Consent Agenda items  #5.1 Edmonton Police Commission Public Meeting Minutes –  June 18, 2020  #5.2 Edmonton Police Commission Budget Variance by Major  Category for the Period Ending May 31, 2020  #5.3 Edmonton Police Service Budget Variance by Major  Category for the Period Ending May 31, 2020  #5.4 Professional Standards Branch 2020 Q2 Report |  |
| **6.** | **PRESENTATION** |  |
|  | **6.1 In Car and Body Worn Video Technology – Edmonton**  **Police Service**  CITO Anderson introduced A/Executive Director Rehill.  CITO Anderson provided an overview of the presentation and spoke to   * Video technology both In-Car and Body Worn * Overview * Benefits for the Organization and Police Officers   + high criminal incidents   + next generation wireless   + pubic reactions * History – pilot project which ran from 2011-2014 * Strategic Analysis – differences between in-car and body worn technology * Edmonton Police Service’s decision to implement In-Car video first * Key considerations – cost/officer use/recording ability/video quality * Future potential – body worn technology could be revisited in future to complement in-car video   Chief McFee, CITO Anderson, Executive Director Krikler and A/Executive Director Rehill responded to questions. |  |
|  | **6.2 Community Safety and Well Being Bureau (CSWB) –**  **Edmonton Police Service**  Deputy Chief Veitch advised that Vision 2020 created this Bureau and aligned other areas of the Service into the Bureau.  He spoke to the   * Mandate of the Bureau * Key areas of performance focus * Bureau goals/objectives * Public demand * Bureau structure * Change in policing from the 1980’s to 2010 * The next ten years * Alignment to City Council’s motion and amendments   Chief McFee and Deputy Chief Veitch responded to questions. |  |
| **7.** | **INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC**  There were no members of the public in attendance. |  |
| **8.** | **CHIEF REPORT** |  |
|  | **8.1 Key Issues**  Chief McFee acknowledged and proudly supported the work of sworn and non-sworn members of the Edmonton Police Service.  He spoke to the following   * The individual from a marginalized community who wanted to be a police officer since seven years old has enrolled in the Service’s cadet program * A twenty-three-year RCMP member who provided positive feedback and his impression of the Service’s cadet program which influenced his son * The incident at the Village Acres complex, following which the Service’s Community Engagement members and a translator met with residents of the community. The interaction was positive * The tactical team responded to and negotiated with a suicidal individual. The outcome was successful * Surveillance on a commercial business found a significant amount of stolen property * There has been a significant increase in suicides, domestic violence and Kijiji frauds * The murder/suicide tragedy that took place July 11, 2020 |  |
|  | **8.2 2020-2022 Business Plan Update**  Director Solon presented the update on the Business Plan and the report on the Corporate Performance Framework. She spoke to   * The planning framework * The Business Plan * Connecting strategy to operations * Strategic goals * Updates in the business plan * Overall progress   Manager Nair spoke to the   * Corporate Performance Framework   Director Solon spoke to   * What is next   + Both reports will come back to the Commission in Q1 of 2021   + Status report on the Service’s initiatives will be reported on in Q3 of each year   **MOVED** Commissioner Hawn - Commissioner MacKenzie  That the Commission approve the Edmonton Police Service’s recommended changes in its 2020-2022 Business Plan key activities and timelines.  **CARRIED** |  |
|  | **8.3 Residential Review and Compliance Unit Update**  Deputy Chief Veitch tendered the report for information. |  |
| **9.** | **CHAIR REPORT**  There was no report. |  |
| **10.** | **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**  There was no report. |  |
| **11.** | **COMMITTEE REPORTS** |  |
|  | **11.1 GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**  Commissioner Hawn advised that the matters that came forward at the Governance Committee’s July meeting were included under Items #6 (Presentations) and #8 (Chief’s Report(s)). |  |
|  | **11.2 FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE**  There was no report. |  |
|  | **11.3 PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE** |  |
|  | **11.3.1** **Summary of Compliments**  Commissioner J-S Hamilton shared seven compliments received by the Edmonton Police Service. |  |
| **12.** | **EXEMPTIONS FROM CONSENT AGENDA**  There were no exemptions from the Consent Agenda. |  |
| **13.** | **EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION INQUIRIES**  There were no inquiries. |  |
| **14.** | **OTHER BUSINESS** |  |
|  | **14.1 Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG)**  **Update - Chair Ruth** |  |
|  | **14.1.1 CAPG Call for Nominations**  Chair Ruth advised that her term with the CAPG expires August, 2020. Although she has been elected as President of the CAPG she will need to be nominated by the Commission to continue in that position.  **MOVED** Vice-Chair McDougall - Commissioner  MacKenzie  That Commissioner Ruth be nominated as the Commission’s representative on the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG)’s Board of Directors for the term 2020-2022.  **CARRIED** |  |
|  | **14.2 Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG)**  **Update - Commissioner McDougall**  Vice-Chair McDougall advised that the AAPG Conference is tentatively scheduled for September 18-19, 2020.  He further advised that he was elected as Vice-Chair of the AAPG at its last Board meeting. |  |
|  | **14.3 REACH Update – Commissioner Hawn**  Commissioner Hawn reported on the Operational Highlights for July, 2020 for the REACH organization. |  |
| **15.** | **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/CONCERNS/COMMENDATIONS**  There were no comments/concerns/commendations. |  |
| **16.** | **MEDIA INQUIRIES**  Members of the media in attendance brought forward inquiries for the Chief on the following for which the Chief responded:   * The recent murder/suicide tragedy * Tracking complainants by race * The recent Circle K convenience store incident |  |
| **17.** | **ADJOURNMENT**  The meeting adjourned at 2:43 P.M. |  |

CERTIFIED as being a record of the matters dealt with at the Commission’s July 16, 2020 Public Meeting.

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|  |  | Chris Skaggs  Secretary to the Commission |