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EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION
PUBLIC MEETING

MINUTES

Thursday, March 19, 2026
River Valley Room, Main Floor, City Hall
Edmonton, Alberta
12:00 P.M. to 14:10 P.M.

PRESENT
Chair Commissioner Ben Henderson
Vice Chair Commissioner Shazia Amiri
Commissioner Jessica Jacobs-Mino
Commissioner Anne-Marie Lambert
Commissioner Michael Lee
Commissioner Peter Obiefuna
Commissioner Mike Saunders
Commissioner Anne Stevenson
Commissioner Karen Leibovici
Commissioner Zahro Hassan
Commissioner Karen Principe
Commissioner Carola Cunningham

ZOOM
Commissioner Jayan Nagendran
Commissioner Barry McNabb (arrived at 12:32 P.M.)

EPC STAFF
Executive Director Matt Barker
Senior Policy & Data Analyst Bonnie Riddell
Chief Communications Officer John Statton
Legal Counsel Deanna Matchett
Meeting Coordinator Echo Machnaik
Administrative Assistant Jessica Trepanier
Administrative Assistant Teminijesu Anjorin
Fiscal Advisor Mary Persson

EDMONTON POLICE SERVICE
Chief Warran Driechel, Office of the Chief
Chief Operations Officer Devin Laforce, Office of the Chief
Chief Innovation & Technology Officer Ron Anderson, Innovation & Information Bureau
Acting Deputy Chief Andria Wasylyshen, Community Policing Bureau
Deputy Chief Nicole Chapdelaine, Investigations & Support Services Bureau
Chief Administrative Officer Kevin Kobi, Corporate Services Bureau

Acting Deputy Chief Derek McIntyre, Community Safety & Well-Being Bureau
Chief of Staff Patricia Mitsuka, Office of the Chief
Executive Director Lori Lorenz, Value and Impact Division
Executive Director Rob Davidson, Business Development Division
Executive Director Louise Beggs, Finance & Audit Branch
Superintendent Bart Lawczynski, Human Resources Division
Acting Executive Director Lauren Wozny, Corporate Communications Division
Acting Inspector Shawn Corrigan, Office of the Chief
Acting Inspector Patrick Stevens, Crime Suppression Branch
Director Iryna Pyasta, Financial Management Branch
Director Gina Daus, Equity, Inclusion and Human Rights Branch
Director Mariam Masud, Portfolio Management & Reporting Branch
Director J'lyn Nye, Marketing and Digital Media Unit

	Agenda Item	Action By
5.	**PUBLIC MEETING** Chair Henderson called the meeting back to order at 12:00 P.M.	
5.1	**Protocol items & Summary of Compliments** Vice-Chair Amiri opened the meeting with the Acknowledgement of Treaty Six Territory land we are gathered on.	
	Chair Henderson made a statement regarding the Chief's trip to Israel.	
5.2	**Input from the public** Chair Henderson welcomed members of the public who have come to the meeting to address the Commission and advised that the meeting is being live-streamed and comments are being recorded. The following members of the public spoke: 1. Katy Ingraham 2. Mousa Qasqas 3. Serag Elgamal 4. Judith Garber 5. Mustafa Farooq 6. Youssef Deiab (Zoom) 7. Yasmeen Nizam (Zoom) 8. Stacey Leavitt-Wright 9. Judith Gale 10. Amir Ghahari 11. Carla Costuros 12. Samya Hashmi (Zoom) 13. Manal Kalousa (Zoom) 14. Moustafa Zarandah 15. Osama Jilani	

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	16. Jeff Winkelaar 17. Picot Picot 18. Ahmed Abdulkadir 19. Mikayla Miller 20. Nora Yaghi	
5.3	**Consent Agenda** The Commission approved the consent agenda through unanimous consent. 5.3.1 Edmonton Police Commission Public Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2026 5.3.2 24/7 Crisis Diversion February Summary 5.3.3 Professional Standards Branch Annual Report 5.3.4 Professional Standards Branch Bi-Annual Report 2025 (July – December) 5.3.5 2026 Public Action Registry 5.3.6 EPC Policy Revisions – March 5.3.6.1 Appendix B – Meeting Procedures 5.3.6.2 Authority and Accountability Policy 5.3.6.3 Awards and Commendations Policy 5.3.6.4 Reporting Requirements Policy 5.3.6.5 Diversity and Inclusion Policy 5.3.7 EPC Bi-Annual Report to the Community July – Dec 2025	
	MOVED Commissioner Amiri – Commissioner Lambert *"That the Edmonton Police Commission moves item 6.1 – Chief's Report to the next item on the agenda."* **CARRIED** **MOVED Commissioner Saunders – Commissioner Amiri** *"That the Edmonton Police Commission defers the two presentations to a future meeting."* **CARRIED**	
5.4	**Presentations**	
	5.4.1 2025 Employee Engagement Survey Results Deferred to a future meeting.	
	5.4.2 2025 Citizen Perception Survey Results Deferred to a future meeting.	

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6.	**<u>PUBLIC REPORT(S)</u>**	

6.1	**Chief Report**
	Chief Driechel provided a written and verbal report for the Commission speaking to the following items:
	• Acknowledging the third Anniversary of the deaths of Constables Ryan and Jordan
	• Chief's trip to Israel
	  ○ Difficult discussions this week.
	  ○ Grateful for difficult conversations with community members and EPS employees.
	  ○ Commitment to continue dialogue, learning and connection across communities.
	• Arrests in relation to extortions affecting the South Asian community
	• International Women's Day & Women's Symposium
	• March is Fraud Prevention Month
	• 45 New Police Officers Graduate at City Hall – RTC 164
	• 16th Annual Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Alberta
	• Third Annual Constable Hannas Memorial Hockey Game
	
	<u>Chair Henderson</u>
	• On behalf of the Commission sympathies and support on the difficult anniversary of the loss of Constables Ryan and Jordan.
	• Thank you to CITO Ron Anderson and his significant service to EPS.	

6.2	**Chair/Vice Chair reports** Chair Henderson spoke to the following events the Chair and Vice Chair and other Commissioners attended in the last month. • EPS Graduation Ceremony Class #164 – March 6	
6.3	**Committee Report(s)** **6.3.1 Governance Committee** – GC Chair Leibovici provided a verbal update from the March Governance Committee meeting **6.3.2 Finance and Audit Committee** – FAC Chair McNabb provided a verbal update from the March Finance and Audit Committee meeting **6.3.3 Professional Standards Committee** – PSC Chair Cunnigham provided a verbal update from the March Professional Standards Committee meeting	
6.4	**Exemptions from Consent Agenda**	

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	There were no exemptions from the Consent Agenda.	
6.5	**Other Business** No other business	
6.6	**Comments / concerns / commendations**	
	MOVED Commissioner Amiri – Commissioner Obiefuna *"That the Edmonton Police Commission go back In-Camera."* **CARRIED**	
	Chair Henderson called a 30-minute recess at 14:10 P.M.	

CERTIFIED as being a record of the matters dealt with at the Commission's March 19, 2026, Public Meeting.

Ben Henderson
Chair, Edmonton Police Commission

Echo Machnaik
Secretary to the Edmonton Police Commission