

Report to / Rapport au:

**OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD
LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA**

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SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL CONSTABLES: OC TRANSP

OBJET: NOMINATION D'AGENTS SPÉCIAUX: OC TRANSP

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Services Board approve the appointment of the OC Transpo employees listed in Document 1 as Special Constables pursuant to Section 53 of the Police Services Act, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Approval of Appointment Forms which will follow.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa approuve la nomination, comme agents spéciaux, des employés d'OC Transpo figurant au Document 1, en vertu de l'article 53 de la *Loi sur les services policiers*, conformément aux modalités présentées au sein des formulaires d'approbation de la nomination, qui suivront.

BACKGROUND

In December 2006, the Ottawa Police Service (OPS) Executive and OC Transpo administration approved the program for the OC Transpo Transit Special Constable Services. These appointments would enable the OC Transpo Special Constables to supplement the duty of law enforcement provided by the OPS in respect to Transit Services. Their appointments would continue for a period of five years.

The initiative was based on the desire to continually improve the delivery of policing services to the residents of the City of Ottawa by capitalizing on the existing cooperation between the OPS and OC Transpo. The opportunity existed to build on the interoperability of the two services and the goodwill gained.

To ensure that these OC Transpo employees can carry out their assigned duties, applications are made to the Ministry of the Solicitor General to have them appointed as Special Constables. The Ottawa Police Services Board (the Board) appoints the OC Transpo employees as Special Constables. The appointments are valid for five years.

DISCUSSION

Approval will be obtained from the Ministry of the Solicitor General for the appointment of these OC Transpo employees as Special Constables following completion of their training on July 28, 2023. At that time, the OPS will provide the appointment forms for the Board Chair's signature. Pursuant to Section 53 of the Police Services Act (PSA), these Special Constables will undertake the Oath of Office and the Oath of Secrecy with the Chief of Police upon appointment.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications involved in appointing the OC Transpo employees as Special Constables.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1: Appointment of Special Constables: OC Transpo

Document 2: Approval of Appointments as Special Constable to follow

CONCLUSION

The OPS is fortunate to have an excellent working relationship with OC Transpo. The approval of Special Constable status for the OC Transpo employees will enable them to undertake the full scope of their duties.

Document 1: Appointment of Special Constables: OC Transpo

Name of Employees

1. Pamela AWAD
2. Anna BLACK
3. Kim CLARKE
4. Abbas GHANDOUR
5. Jesse HOLDER
6. Alexis KILLENS
7. Jacob McRAE