



**Ottawa Police Service Board
Finance and Audit Committee
Minutes**

Meeting #: 26
Date: June 27, 2024
Time: 12:30 pm
Location: Electronic Participation

Present: Councillor Cathy Curry, Councillor Marty Carr, Dave Donaldson

1. Confirmation of Agenda

With the Committee's consent, the agenda was amended to include an additional report titled: 2nd Quarter 2024 South Facility Project Update.

That the Ottawa Police Service Board's Finance and Audit Committee confirm the amended agenda of the 27 June 2024 meeting.

Carried as amended

2. Confirmation of Minutes

2.1 Minutes #25 of 9 April 2024

That the Ottawa Police Service Board's Finance and Audit Committee confirm Minutes #25 of the 9 April 2024 meeting.

Carried

3. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

4. Items of Business

4.1 Budget 2025 Process Update

Presentation

The service gave a presentation on this item.

OPS noted that they will be looking to have feedback on the budget direction from the Board in the September regular meeting. The tabling of the budget is planned for November 13. Then it will be followed by intensive period of consultation. OPS is preparing an estimation of cost for the implementation of CSPA.

To answer a question about if the 18.9 in the report includes both stabilization and FTE, the Service clarified that they costed out the 25 new officers when they presented the staffing stabilization plan as well as from the growth. However, costs in relation to backfilling a WSIB position, or long-term leave positions are included in the maintained Services. The Service added that if the city for example will recommend a usage of 7% they will have to create more services because they will have more money. They already gave the best estimate that will help stabilizing their staffing.

OPS was directed to prepare a more detailed briefing note with some kind of recommendation on the use of fees, costs and background checks to the Board. they will provide the info to the Board to get direction on where they want those revenues to go.

A question came up about whether or not the assessment growth will be adjusted by having federal or provincial money/funds. OPS noted that those money have non set cost on the budget needs. They clarified that the money that is not received it yet or/ and the money they're applying for both through the federal government and the provincial government is for

new service provisions, so it has almost no if not, none offsetting costs on the base budget requests and needs. For instance, anything done in the Parliamentary precinct is net new services that need net new revenue streams and the same approach applies for the byward market as it will have new people in new positions with new revenue streams so they will not impact the budget. OPS added that once they publish their forecast they stick with the numbers. In 2025 they will produce a new year budget forecast.

OPS updated the Committee about its discussion with the Ontario Police College (OPC) to advocate for more seats. They had 28 seats on the last class but they secured extra 2 seats and hired 30.

The Committee noted that they will have more regular meeting with the Service in preparation for the budget.

A concern was raised that the community engagement survey does not reflect the growth for North African as that particular population are not categorized.

It was suggested to reinforce the survey to be categorized by ward and OPS noted that they will take this suggestion and try to implement it.

The presentation will be sent to committee members.

That the Ottawa Police Service Board's Finance and Audit Committee receive this presentation for information.

Received

4.2 2nd Quarter 2024 South Facility Project Update

The Service gave a presentation on this item.

With regards to contingency the Service noted that they are only at 1.5% which translates to about 120,000 of the \$8.5 million. Those changes predominantly as they are designing the B2 space which is the top floor for Corporate Support Services. They are doing calculations regarding the number of occupants that would be in that space and addressing any changes related to the air handling units.

To answer a question that relates to anticipating any supply chain issue, OPS said that that they asked the contractor to provide a summary of any items that they anticipate would be long lead like a Transformer due to the supply chain but those have transpired and now OPS have a window of opportunity to purchase the Transformer ahead of time. They continually look at the supply chain and nothing currently is trending that will throw things off schedule due to supply chain issues.

5. Other Business

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:31 pm.

7. Next Meeting

Thursday, September 5, 2024 - 1:00 PM