

Chair Fakirani Verbal Report

Public Meeting

October 28, 2024

Use of Delegated Authority

- At the July meeting, the Vice Chair and I were delegated authority to approve amendments to the Special Constable Program Agreement with Carleton University with the purpose of ensuring compliance with the Community Safety and Policing Act and its Regulations.
- We noted that any use of this delegated authority would be reported out at our next regular meeting.
- On behalf of the Board, the Vice Chair and I jointly approved amendments to the Special Constable Program Agreement with Carleton University for the purposes set out in the delegation of authority.

Mandatory Training

- Under the Community Safety and Policing Act which came into effect on April 1, 2024, members of police service boards are required to complete training approved by the Solicitor General.
- I am pleased to report that all members of the Ottawa Police Service Board have successfully completed the mandatory training modules recently released by the Ministry. The modules cover key topics, including:
 - Human Rights;
 - Systemic Racism;
 - Ontario's Diverse, Multiracial & Multicultural Society;

- The Rights and Cultures of First Nations, Inuit, and Metis Peoples.

Budget

- The budget process continues to be a significant focus for this Board.
- On October 18, we held a Special Finance and Audit Committee meeting to discuss Budget Directions and the Consultation Report. This meeting included data from the community engagement survey, and other data sources.
- Today, the Board will issue budget directions.
- Following this, on November 13, we will have a Special Board meeting for the formal Budget Tabling.
- We will continue to engage with the community, with a Finance and Audit Committee meeting on November 22 during which members of the community will have an opportunity to provide further feedback.
- The budget approval will occur at our November 25 Board meeting.
- The final step will be the December 11 Council meeting, where the budget will be presented for approval by City Council.

Projects driven by Board Members

- I would like to take a moment to recognize and express my gratitude to the Members of the Board for their dedication and contributions toward advancing several important projects. Your efforts have been instrumental in moving the Board's agenda forward, and I am grateful for the time and expertise you continue to bring these initiatives.
- Specifically, I would like to highlight the following:
 - Member Henschel – For leading the efforts to identify and recruit a new Executive Director.
 - Members Curry and Donaldson – For representing the Board on the bargaining committee as we work through the complex

negotiations to renew our collective agreement with the Ottawa Police Association.

- Members Donaldson and Henschel – For their leadership in piloting a new Executive Command Performance Framework.
 - Member Donaldson – For his contributions to the budget process in his role as Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee.
- I would also like to extend my appreciation to the members of the Ottawa Police Service who are working diligently behind the scenes to support these processes which require significant time, analysis, and coordination.

Community Engagement

- I continue to take time to meet with various stakeholders to help inform the work of the Board.
- I had the privilege of attending the Canadian Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Service here in Ottawa with Vice Chair Carr on September 29.
- I would also like to acknowledge Member Donaldson for his recent visit to the South Facility, currently under construction, to monitor its progress.

This concludes my verbal report.