Report to / Rapport au:

OTTAWA POLICE SERVICE BOARD LA COMMISSION DE SERVICE DE POLICE D'OTTAWA

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SUBJECT: CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF POLICE GOVERNANCE ANNUAL

CONFERENCE AND CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE ANNUAL SUMMIT: ATTENDANCE AND SPONSORSHIP

OBJET: PRÉSENCE À LA CONFÉRENCE DE L'ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE

DE GOUVERNANCE DE POLICE ET AU SOMMET ANNUEL DE L'ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DES CHEFS DE POLICE ET

COMMANDITE

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Service Board approve:

- The attendance of S. Fakirani, M. Carr, C. Curry, S. Desroches, D. Donaldson, P. Henschel, M. Polowin and H. Sayah at the 2025 Canadian Association of Police Governance Conference being held in Victoria, British Columbia from August 14-16, 2025.
- 2. The attendance of S. Fakirani, M. Carr, C. Curry, S. Desroches, P. Henschel, D. Donaldson and H. Sayah at the 2025 Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Summit being held in Victoria, British Columbia from August 10-12, 2025.
- 3. A \$1,000 Friend sponsorship for the Canadian Association of Police Governance's 2025 Annual Conference.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que la Commission de service de police d'Ottawa approuve :

- La présence de S. Fakirani, M. Carr, C. Curry, S. Desroches, D. Donaldson, P. Henschel, M. Polowin et H. Sayah à la Conférence de 2025 de l'Association canadienne de gouvernance de police qui se tiendra à Victoria (Colombie-Britannique) du 14 au 16 août 2025;
- 2. La présence de S. Fakirani, M. Carr, C. Curry, S. Desroches, P. Henschel, D. Donaldson et H. Sayah au Sommet annuel de l'association canadienne des chefs de police, qui se tiendra à Victoria (Colombie-Britannique) du 10 au 12 août 2025;
- 3. Une commandite amicale de 1 000 \$ pour la Conférence annuelle de 2025 de l'Association canadienne de gouvernance de police.

BACKGROUND

Canadian Association of Police Governance

The Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) is the only national organization dedicated to excellence in police governance in Canada. Founded in 1989 with the goal to improve the effectiveness of civilian bodies that govern local police services, they have since grown to represent 80% of municipal police service oversight bodies throughout Canada.

For over 30 years, the CAPG has worked diligently to achieve the highest standards as the national voice of civilian oversight of municipal police. The CAPG works collaboratively and proactively with members and partners to enhance civilian governance of policing in Canada.

Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police

The Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) is dedicated to the support and promotion of efficient law enforcement and to the protection and security of the people of Canada. Much of the work in pursuit of its new mandate, developed in 2013, "safety and security for all Canadians through innovative police leadership", is done through the activities and special projects of a number of committees and through active liaison with various levels of government and departmental ministries having legislative and executive responsibility in law and policing.

The Association is national in character. Its interests and concern have relevance to police at all levels including municipal, regional, provincial and federal. Many of the initiatives and the work of the Association and its committees through the year are reported on at the annual conference when recommendations are tendered and resolutions adopted. In many cases, these form the basis of the Association's ongoing work on behalf of the policing community and the society that it serves.

Attendance

CAPG is holding its 36th Annual Conference in Victoria, British Columbia from August 14 - 16, 2025. All members of the Police Service Board received the conference information and were canvassed regarding their interest in attending. S. Fakirani, M. Carr, C. Curry, S. Desroches, D. Donaldson, P. Henschel, M. Polowin and H. Sayah advised they wished to attend.

CACP is also holding its annual summit in Victoria, British Columbia, immediately proceeding the annual conference of the CAPG. All members of the Police Service Board received the conference information and were canvassed regarding their interest in attending. S. Fakirani, M. Carr, C. Curry, S. Desroches, D. Donaldson, P. Henschel, and H. Sayah advised they wished to attend.

The Ottawa Police Service Board recognizes the importance of ongoing professional development and education for its members through its policies and through the training policy adopted in 2006 in response to a recommendation from the City's Auditor General. The Board also ensures that sufficient funds are included in its budget each year to support its commitment to ongoing education and to enable Board members to attend various learning opportunities throughout the year.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The approximate cost of attending the CAPG conference is \$3,000 per person. Given the CACP summit is being held in the same city directly after the CAPG conference, the added cost of attending CACP is approximately an additional \$1,500 per person (total \$4,500 for both conferences). Funds have been allocated for this expense in the 2025 Staff Training and Development/Business Travel accounts. There are sufficient funds remaining in the Board's budget to cover this expenditure.

The Board is being asked to approve a \$1,000 sponsorship, consistent with previous years' sponsorship of this same event. The proposed \$1,000 sponsorship would be

deducted from the Board's discretionary funds. Discretionary funds in the amount of \$121,500 have been included in the Board's 2025 budget.

Based on projected requests for discretionary funding in 2025, there are sufficient funds to cover this expenditure.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Document 1– 2025 CAPG Registration and CACP Registration and Program. Program is unavailable at this time for CAPG.

Document 2–2025 CAPG Conference Sponsorship Prospectus.

CONCLUSION

The CAPG conference is one of two primary organizations in Canada that solely represent the interests of municipal police boards, and that provide opportunities for professional development and networking with members of other police boards from across the country. The Ottawa Police Service Board has always been a strong supporter of the CAPG and has recognized the value of participating in its conferences.

The CACP is holding its annual summit directly following the annual CAPG conference in the same city. This presents a unique opportunity for Board members to also attend and benefit from the learning and development opportunities afforded through CACP.