# Chair's Verbal Report September 26, 2022

### Canadian Police and Peace Officers' Memorial

- This past Sunday, I had the honour of attending the 45<sup>th</sup> annual Canadian Police and Peace Officers'
   Memorial with some of my Board colleagues –
   Member Fakirani and Executive Director Ferraro.
- The ceremony is an opportunity to honour the memory of officers who have been killed in the line of duty.
- Police members from across Canada were gathered on Parliament Hill and it was a very touching tribute to be a part of.
- It was also a sobering reminder of the dangers our officers face when serving our community.
- Chief, it was great to see you and your members on the Hill and on behalf of the Board, thank you for all that you do to keep Ottawa safe.

### **Provincial Board Appointments**

- I am very pleased to share that the Provincial
   Appointees on our Board Michael Doucet, Salim
   Fakirani, and Peter Henschel have been appointed for a further three-year term by Order-in-Council of the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.
- They all bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Board and they will also add some stability to

our membership following the upcoming Municipal Election.

#### **Chief recruitment**

- I wanted to provide a brief update to advise that the Board is continuing with its process to recruit a new Chief of Police.
- The Board hired Odgers Berndtson to assist us with our search.
- We are on track to have a selection made around mid to late October, before the date of the election.

## National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

- And finally, this coming Friday will mark the second annual National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.
- This day is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on the legacy of the residential school system and treatment of Indigenous peoples in Canada.
- It is also a time to honour those who were lost as well as the survivors, families and communities who continue to grieve and deal with the traumas experienced.
- I hope everyone gets an opportunity to leverage this day to learn and reflect on the courage and resilience of Indigenous Peoples, residential school survivors, and their families.