



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

**REPORT
RAPPORT**

DATE 23 March 2015

TO/DEST. Members of the Ottawa Police Services Board

FROM/EXP. Executive Director, Ottawa Police Services Board

SUBJECT/OBJET **ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF POLICE
SERVICES BOARDS' ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Services Board:

- 1. Approve the attendance of E. El-Chantiry, W. Fedec, T. Tierney and S. Valiquet at the Annual Conference of the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards, to be held May 27–30, 2015 in Toronto, Ontario.**
- 2. Endorse Chair Eli El-Chantiry in standing for nomination for appointment to the Board of Directors of the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards, as a representative of the “Big 12” group of police services boards.**

DISCUSSION

Attendance at Conference

The Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (OAPSB) will be holding its annual Spring Conference & Annual General Meeting in Toronto on May 27–30, 2015. All members of the Board received the information attached at Annex A and were canvassed as to their interest in attending.

The OAPSB Conference is one of two annual conferences available in Canada specifically designed for members of police boards, and Ottawa Police Services Board members are encouraged to attend both, particularly within their first two years on the Board. The Ottawa Police Services Board has recognized the importance of ongoing training and education for its members through its policies and in particular through the training policy adopted 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 enable Board members to attend various learning opportunities throughout the year.

Chair El-Chantiry, new Board Members Tierney and Valiquet, and Executive Director Fedec have indicated they would like to attend the 2015 OAPSB conference.

Nomination to OAPSB Board

Under the OAPSB's by-laws, the "Big 12" group of police services boards in Ontario is entitled to appoint four representatives to serve on the OAPSB Board of Directors. This is in addition to the Chair of the Toronto Police Services Board, who has a designated seat on the Board. Chair El-Chantiry has indicated he would like to put his name forward for consideration by the Big 12 Chairs to serve as one of the four representatives on the OAPSB Board. He is seeking the Ottawa Police Services Board's endorsement of his nomination.

The Ottawa Police Services Board has a history of involvement with the OAPSB and has been a member and active supporter since 1995. Several past members of the Ottawa Board have served on the OAPSB Board of Directors, including Member Jim MacEwen from 2002-2005 (Second Vice President for 2004-2005 term), Councillor Eli El-Chantiry from May 2005 to December 2006, and Member Henry Jensen from January 2007 to 2013 (President for April 2012-2013).

The term of the appointment is for one year with eligibility for additional terms of office, up to a total aggregate of nine consecutive terms. There are generally four meetings a year, one of which is held in conjunction with the annual Spring Conference, and another during the Fall Seminar in Toronto. The costs for attending OAPSB Board meetings are paid for by the OAPSB.

CONSULTATION

Consultation was not applicable.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The cost of attending this conference is estimated at \$1,600 per person. There are sufficient funds in the 2015 Police Services Board budget to accommodate this request.

The other police governance conference that is held each year, organized by the Canadian Association of Police Governance, is in Markham, Ontario this year so costs will be less than when it is necessary to travel outside the province.

There would be minimal or no cost to the Ottawa Police Services Board of Chair El-Chantiry serving on the OAPSB Board, as the OAPSB covers related meeting costs.

Responsible for report: Wendy Fedec, Executive Director

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