# Report to / Rapport au:

# OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA

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SUBJECT: REPORT ON SIU INVESTIGATION

OBJET: RAPPORT SUR L'ENQUÊTE DE L'UES

#### REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

#### RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa prenne connaissance du présent rapport à titre d'information.

# **BACKGROUND**

On September 17, 2018, at approximately 12:35pm, paid duty officers were controlling traffic at an intersection in the Cyrville area while the traffic light system was under repair. A motorist disobeyed the direction of the officer who was directing traffic in the intersection and became involved in a collision with an e-bike that was already travelling through the intersection. The officer had directed the e-bike into the intersection with other traffic. The driver of the e-bike suffered serious injuries as a result of the collision.

Because an officer was directing traffic when the collision occurred, the SIU was notified of the collision and invoked its mandate.

The attached document outlines a police interaction that resulted in the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) invoking its mandate.

The background of the incident, SIU findings and recommendations are provided. The Professional Standards Section completed an investigation into the policy, services and conduct of the involved members of the Ottawa police Service (OPS).

#### INVESTIGATION

Special Investigations Unit Investigation

On September 20, 2019 the Ottawa Police Service received a letter from Mr. Joseph Martino, Interim Director of the Special Investigations Unit concerning the outcome of its investigation. In his letter, Mr. Martino stated the file has been closed and no further action is contemplated. He was satisfied that there were no grounds in the evidence to proceed with criminal charges against the Subject Officer.

Professional Standards Investigation

Pursuant to Section 11(1) of Ontario Regulation 267/10 of the Police Services Act, the Professional Standards Section initiated an investigation into this incident to determine if the policies of, or services provided by the OPS were adhered to at the time of this incident, and to determine if the conduct of the involved police officers was appropriate.

After a careful review of the evidence in this case, it has been determined that there is no evidence of any misconduct on the part of the involved officers. The review revealed that the officer was directing traffic in a proper manner at the time of the collision and there was no carelessness on the part of the officer that contributed to the collision.

Conduct Findings – No conduct issues identified

Service Findings – No service issues identified

Policy Findings - No policy issues identified

# CONSULTATION

N/A

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

N/A

## CONCLUSION

The Professional Standard's Section has completed its Section 11 investigation. Internal conduct measures initiated in relation to the administrative breach of the Regulation.