



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

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**REPORT
RAPPORT**

DATE 25 May 2015

TO/DEST. Chair and Members of the Ottawa Police Services Board

FROM/EXP. Executive Director, Ottawa Police Services Board

SUBJECT/OBJET **CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF POLICE GOVERNANCE
ANNUAL CONFERENCE: ATTENDANCE AND
SPONSORSHIP**

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Services Board approve:

- 1. The attendance of Chair El-Chantiry, Member Smallwood and Executive Director Fedec at the 2015 Canadian Association of Police Governance Conference being held in Markham, Ontario from 26 – 29 August 2015.**
- 2. Funding in the amount of \$5,000 to cover the cost of a breakfast to launch the 2016 Conference hosted by the Ottawa Police Services Board.**

BACKGROUND

Attendance

Attached at Annex A is information about the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) 26th Annual Conference being held in Markham, Ontario from August 26-29, 2015. All members of the Police Services Board received the conference information and were canvassed regarding their interest in attending. Chair El-Chantiry, Member Smallwood and Executive Director Fedec have advised they wish to attend. All three have a vested interest in attending: Member Smallwood is a member of the CAPG Board of Directors and is also Co-Chair of its Conference Planning Committee; Chair El-Chantiry serves on the CAPG's Policing and Justice Committee; and Executive Director Fedec will be heavily involved in planning the 2016 CAPG Annual Conference in Ottawa.

The Ottawa Police Services Board recognizes the importance of ongoing professional development and education for its members through its policies and in particular 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.

Sponsorship

Attached at Annex B is a letter from CAPG President Cathy Palmer, inviting boards to support the 2015 Conference with a financial contribution.

At a Board meeting on March 24, 2014, the Board agreed to submit a proposal to host the 2016 CAPG Conference from August 11 to 14 and was successful in its bid. The contract terms and requirements were set out in the report to the Board at that time. The terms included a commitment to contribute \$5,000 in 2015 for a breakfast hosted by the Ottawa Police Services Board to launch the 2016 conference.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The approximate cost of attending the conference is \$2,200 per person. Funds have been allocated for this expense in the 2015 Police Services Board budget and there are sufficient funds remaining in the Board's budget to cover this expenditure.

Funds were also included in the 2015 Board budget for the \$5,000 contribution to host the 2016 Kick-Off Breakfast at this year's conference.

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 Services Board has always been a strong supporter of the CAPG and has recognized the value of participating in its conferences. It is particularly important that representatives of the Ottawa PSB attend this year's conference given that it is hosting the conference next year. The Board's approval of this report will also fulfil the commitment it made last year to fund a Kick-off breakfast this year for the 2016 Conference.

(Original signed by)

Wendy Fedec
Executive Director

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