Council Report **External**



EDMONTON POLICE SERVICE OPERATING RESERVE PAYBACK STRATEGY

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the recommended strategy, related to City Policy C605 Edmonton Police Service Reserve, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the December 5, 2022, Edmonton Police Commission report EXT01584, be approved.
- 2. That Attachment 1 of the December 5, 2022, Edmonton Police Commission report EXT01584 remain private pursuant to section 16 (disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Report Purpose

Council decision required.

Executive Summary

- As per City Policy C605 Edmonton Police Service Reserve, in the event the reserve falls into a
 deficit position, a strategy will be developed, to be approved by City Council, to achieve a
 balanced position over a period not to exceed three years, starting with the subsequent year
 operating budget.
- The strategy to replenish the 2021 operating deficit is detailed in Attachment 1.

REPORT

The Edmonton Police Service's operating reserve is created by transferring year end operating results, either positive or negative. At the end of calendar 2021 the operating reserve fell into a deficit of \$2.895M. This deficit is due to, but not limited to, the unexpected direct pressures of Covid-19 expenditures (\$8.1 M for 2020 and 2021) and additional expenditures for Enterprise Commons (\$5.2 M in 2021).

As this reserve was in a deficit position at the end of 2021, City Policy C605 – Edmonton Police Service Reserve, requires a strategy to achieve a balanced position not to exceed three years.

A plan for repayment is set out in Confidential Attachment 1.

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COMMUNITY INSIGHT

As this report relates specifically to the Edmonton Police Service's Operating Reserve and the requirement under City policy C605 (Edmonton Police Service Reserve) to provide to City Council a strategy to achieve a balanced position, Administration did not seek community input for this report.

GBA+

As this report was developed specifically to address the Edmonton Police Service's Operating deficit strategy as per City policy and procedures, GBA+ analysis was not conducted for this report.

ATTACHMENT

1. Strategy to Replenish the 2021 Operating Deficit (Private)

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