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Dear Mr. Kelly:

# Re: Two Year Extension of the Safer Communities – Community Policing Partnerships Grant and 1,000 Officer Policing Partnership Grant

At its May 14, 2014 meeting, the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board received a report entitled *Two Year Extension of the Safer Communities – Community Policing Partnerships Grant and 1,000 Officer Policing Partnership Grant* from Chief Jolliffe and approved the following four recommendations contained therein:

- That the Board approve the two-year extension of the Community Policing Partnership (CPP) grant from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services; and
- 2. That the Board approve the two year extension of the Safer Communities 1,000 Officer Partnership Program (SC-TOPP) grant from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional; and
- That the Chair be authorized to execute the agreement in accordance with Recommendation #1 and #2, subject to prior review by York Region Legal Services; and
- 4. That the Board forward the agreement to The Regional Municipality of York requesting a resolution of Council authorizing the Region of York to enter into these agreements with the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services.

Therefore, pursuant to the Board's resolution, I kindly request that you forward this correspondence and the attached report to Regional Council.

Yours truly,

Mafalda Avellino Executive Director

Attachments

c. Chief Eric Jolliffe

#### THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK POLICE SERVICES BOARD Extract of the May 14, 2014 Public Session Minutes (Draft)

#### 181 **Two Year Extension of the Safer Communities – Community Policing Partnerships** Grant And 1,000 Officer Policing Partnership Grant

The Board had before it a Report of the Chief of Police recommending:

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- 3. That the Chair be authorized to execute the agreement in accordance with Recommendation #1 and #2, subject to prior review by York Region Legal Services; and
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Moved by Ms Jiang,

Seconded by Mr. Molyneaux,

that the Report of the Chief of Police be received and that recommendations one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4) contained therein be adopted.

CARRIED



Deeds Speak



Thomas Carrique Deputy Chief of Police Eric Jolliffe Chief of Police André Crawford Deputy Chief of Police

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK POLICE SERVICES BOARD

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

14 MAY 2014

### Two Year Extension of the Safer Communities – Community Policing Partnerships Grant And 1,000 Officer Policing Partnership Grant

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Board approve the two year extension of the Community Policing Partnership (CPP) grant from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services; and
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#### SYNOPSIS

This report requests the Board's approval to enter into two year extensions for the Community Policing Partnership (CPP) grant and the Safer Communities – 1,000 Officer Policing Partnership (SC-TOPP) grant. Both of the existing agreements expired on March 31, 2014.

Introduced in 1998, the CPP grant funds a portion of salary, related overtime and benefit costs to a maximum annual amount of \$30,000 per officer for 79 officers or a total of \$2,370,000 annually.

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Introduced in 2005, the SC-TOPP grant funds a portion of salary, related overtime and benefit costs to a maximum annual amount of \$35,000 per officer or a total of \$3,500,000 annually.

The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services is proposing a two year extension of both agreements commencing April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2016.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The 2014 Operating Budget includes grant funding of \$2,370,000 for the Community Policing Partnership (CPP) and \$3,500,000 for the Safer Communities – 1,000 Officer Partnership Program (SC-TOPP).

The agreements allow funding for half the costs of salaries, overtime and payroll benefits to a maximum of \$30,000 per officer under the CPP grant and \$35,000 per officer under the SC-TOPP grant. The grants are not indexed for inflation and therefore represent funding of 25.5% of CPP officer costs and 28.5% of SC-TOPP officer costs. Since inception, York Regional Police has received \$35.7 million in funding from the CPP grant and \$27.6 million from the SC-TOPP grant.

#### BACKGROUND

#### The Community Policing Partnerships (CPP) Program:

The CPP grant was first introduced in December 1998 as an initiative to enhance community safety and increase visibility through front line policing. Through this program, the Ministry funds 1,000 front-line police officers throughout the province of Ontario. The program is a cost-sharing partnership between the province and the municipalities for salary, benefits and related overtime costs, to a maximum of \$30,000 per annum per new officer.

#### The Safer Communities - 1,000 Officers Policing Partnerships (SC-TOPP) Grant:

The SC-TOPP grant provides permanent funding for 1,000 additional officers allocated across the Province. Fifty per cent of the officers were allocated to community policing and the remainder were allocated to justice efficiency and the six targeted areas of youth crime, guns and gangs, organized crime, dangerous offenders, domestic violence and protecting children.

The SC-TOPP grant is a cost-sharing partnership between the Province and the Municipalities including salary, benefits and overtime costs to a maximum of \$35,000 per annum per new officer. York Regional Police received approval for funding of 10 officers for community policing and 90 officers for the justice efficiency and the 6 targeted areas.

#### **Grant Agreements**

The new grant agreements will commence on April 1, 2014 and expire on March 31, 2016, although the funding will not be provided until all of the requirements of the agreement have been satisfied. The Ministry will reimburse the Board bi-annually, subject to receipt and approval of interim and annual reports, outlining the officers hired, date of hire, salary paid and reimbursement requested.

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The agreements contain the same termination provisions as previous agreements where the Ministry may, in its sole discretion, terminate the agreement upon 30 days' notice to the Board and the Municipality, and allow the Board and the Municipality to wind-down the grant program during the notice period. In addition, the Ministry may, in its sole discretion, terminate the agreement without notice for a number of reasons, including the failure of the Municipality or the Board to comply with the terms and conditions of the agreement and/or if the Municipality or Board is unable to carry out the grant activities.

In the event of termination of the agreement, the Ministry may cancel all further grant funding installments and demand the repayment of any grant funds remaining in the possession or under the control of the Municipality and the Board that are not required by those parties to pay the cost of winding down the grant activities.

Any funds that have not been used or accounted for by the Municipality or the Board by the end of each fiscal year during the term of the agreement are to be returned to the Ministry. Similarly, any funds not used or accounted for at the expiration or termination of the agreement must be returned to the Ministry.

The Municipality and the Board must satisfy the insurance requirements set out in the agreement as a prerequisite to receipt of any funds. Region of York Risk Management staff have confirmed that the Board and the Region meet the requirements established by the Ministry.

The agreements have been reviewed by York Region Legal Services for execution by the Board and the Region. The agreements contain a number of key provisions. Most notably, the Ministry will not provide any funding to the Board or the Municipality without a resolution by Regional Council authorizing council to enter into the agreements.

It is therefore recommended that the Board approve the Community Policing Partnership and Safer Communities – 1,000 Officer Partnership Program grants and forward to Regional Council for the required resolution.

Eric Jolliffe, M.O.M., BA, MA, CMM III Chief of Police

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