



City of Moose Jaw

COMMUNICATION # CC-2019-0234

TITLE: Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners & Moose Jaw Police Service
2020 Budget Submission

TO: City Council

FROM: Board of Police Commissioners

DATE: November 6, 2019

PUBLIC: PUBLIC DOCUMENT

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT representatives of the Moose Jaw Police Service be allowed to present to City Council the Moose Jaw Police Service 2020 Operating and Capital Budget estimates in accordance with section 33 of *The Police Act, 1990*.
2. THAT this communication be referred to Budget deliberations.

TOPIC AND PURPOSE

The purpose of Communication #2019-0234 is to transmit the 2020 Operating Budget estimates and funding request of the Moose Jaw Police Service.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to *The Police Act, 1990*, the Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners is responsible for overseeing the operations of the Moose Jaw Police Service, including the preparation of its annual budget. On the other hand, City Council is responsible, in its discretion, for providing the monies with which to fund the City's police force. Thus, while City Council decides how much funding will be allocated for policing, the Board decides how those monies will be spent.

In accordance with *The Police Act, 1990*, the Provincial Government delegated has made compulsory the establishment of a Board of Police Commissioners where the municipality has a population in excess of 5,000. The Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners is the governing body of the Moose Jaw Police Service. Pursuant to provincial legislation, the Board is invested with special statutory powers and is independent of the municipal Council, with one exception; the Board of Police Commissioners is dependent upon City Council for funding.

Section 33, of The Police Act, 1990, provides in part, as follows:

- 33 (1) *On or before a day set by bylaw, a board shall submit to the council, for the council's approval, the board's estimates of all moneys the board requires for the next fiscal year for the board and police service.*
- (2) *Where the council does not approve the estimate submitted by the board, the council shall immediately cause the estimates to be returned to the board, together with the council's reasons for not approving the estimates.*
- (3) *Where the estimates are returned pursuant to subsection (2), the board shall submit revised estimates to the council for the council's approval.*
- (4) *If the council does not approve the revised estimates submitted pursuant to subsection (3), the council shall determine the gross amount of the estimates, and the council's determination is final.*

Finally, members of City Council will be reminded that although City Council, as the body responsible for raising revenues, has the ultimate authority to determine the level of funding and, thus, the level of policing which will be provided to the citizens of Moose Jaw, City Council does not have an entirely free hand. All municipalities are required to ensure that a certain standard of policing is maintained. Specifically, section 25 of *The Police Act, 1990* provides as follows:

25 *A municipality:*

- (a) *is responsible for maintenance of law and order within its boundaries;*
- (b) *shall provide policing services to maintain a reasonable standard of law enforcement; and*
- (c) *shall provide adequate and reasonable facilities required for the policing services mentioned in clause (b).*

DISCUSSION

The Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners considered the attached report dated October 16, 2019 respecting the 2020 Operating Budget of the Moose Jaw Police Service/Board of Police Commissioners at the Board's public meeting held October 16, 2019. The following resolution was adopted:

"THAT the Board of Police Commissioners approve the 2020 Operating Budget with estimated expenditures of \$11,507,162 less anticipated revenues of \$1,377,599 resulting in a net 2020 Operating Budget of \$10,129,563, which reflects an increase of \$319,916 or 3.26% and submit same to City Council for consideration."

In addition, the Board of Police Commissioners is requesting \$110,000 be directed to the Police Service from the Traffic Safety Reserve which is funded from net proceeds from the Automated Speed Enforcement program.

The Board of Police Commissioners is also requesting \$67,500 in capital funding in 2020.

OPTIONS TO RECOMMENDATION

City Council has the following options in accordance with The Police Act, 1990 (in no particular order of priority).

1. Approve the Moose Jaw Police Service 2020 Operating and Capital Budget estimates and funding request as submitted by the Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners in the net amount of \$10,129,563; \$110,000 in Traffic Safety Reserve funding and \$67,500 in Capital funding
2. Decline to approve the estimates for the 2020 Operating Budget as submitted by the Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners and return same to the Board, together with City Council's reasons for not approving the estimates.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Moose Jaw Police Service 2020 Operating Budget (net budget totals) is \$10,129,563, which reflects an increase of \$319,916 or 3.26%.

A contribution of \$110,000 from the Traffic Safety Reserve.

Capital Funding of \$67,500.

PRESENTATION

VERBAL: Members of the Board of Police Commissioners and Moose Jaw Police Service will be in attendance at the meeting to provide a brief overview of the 2020 Operating Budget submission.

ATTACHMENTS

- i. Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners/Moose Jaw Police Service 2020 Operating Budget Presentation.
- ii. Moose Jaw Board of Police Commissioners/Moose Jaw Police Service 2020-2024 Capital Budget.

REPORT APPROVAL

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Approved by: Jim Puffalt, City Manager
Approved by: Fraser Tolmie, Mayor

To be completed by the Clerk's Department only.

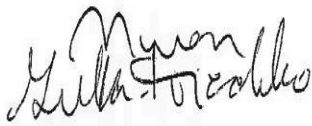
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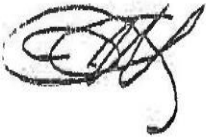
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:



Myron Gulka-Tiechko



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