

Legislation Text

File #: 21-A-008, Version: 1

PRESENTATION REGARDING THE BARRIE POLICE SERVICE 2021 BUDGET REQUEST

Greg Ferguson, Chair of the Barrie Police Services Board advised that members of the Barrie Police Services Board, the Senior Leadership Team and members of the Barrie Police Service (BPS) were in attendance of the virtual Council meeting. He commented that the BPS 2021 budget process included community consultations and feedback, public deputations, and community safety surveys making it the most open and transparent budget process in its history. Mr. Ferguson advised that the BPS Board approved the budget request of a 2.65% increase over 2020 Budget and that it represents a balance between the effective service delivery to the community and fiscal concerns.

Police Chief, Kimberly Greenwood discussed the slides concerning the following topics:

- A summary of BPS policing today associated to greater engagement, public expectations and increasing financial pressures;
- The types and number of calls and/or occurrences dealt by the BPS;
- The BPS's 2020 - 2022 Strategic Plan priorities and objectives;
- The BPS's Operating Budget associated to salaries, benefits and overtime, operating expenditures, facilities, and grants, secondments and revenue;
- The BPS Capital Budget and technical upgrades;
- The Legislative impacts to the 2021 BPS Budget;
- The costs associated to sworn and civilian staff complement; and
- A summary of the BPS Operating Budget, Capital Budget requests and Legislative Impacts.

In closing, Chief Greenwood commented that the Barrie Police Service will continue to support and be an efficient police service to the community. She requested approval of the municipal funding portion of the Barrie Police Service 2021 Budget request.

Members of Council asked a number of questions of Chief Greenwood and received responses.

Councillor, G. Harvey declared that to remain in compliance with his statutory obligations under Section 17(3) of the *Police Services Act* he was unable to participate in the discussions or vote on the foregoing matter. He left the virtual Council meeting at 9:09 p.m. and returned at 9:56 p.m.

Councillor N. Harris stated that she was in consultation with the Integrity Commissioner regarding her Code obligations, including those that arise under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*. Although, Councillor, N. Harris did not have a pecuniary interest in the matter that required her to abstain from voting on this matter, in accordance with her obligations under the Council and Committee Code of Conduct and upon advice of the Integrity Commissioner, she did not participate or vote on the foregoing matter.