

Minutes of a Meeting of the Policing Committee held in the Douglas Cardinal Boardroom and on the above date at 6:30 p.m.

Present

Councillor MacKay

A. Costopolous

B. Turnham – Chair – via Zoom

K. Kalmbach – Vice Chair

K. Sumners

Absent

S. McDonald

M. Shuttleworth

Staff

A. White, Inspector, Officer-in-Charge, RCMP

A. Hobson, Staff Sergeant Major, RCMP

A. Giesbrecht, Manager, Policing Services / Staff Liaison

B. Van Essen, Health & Safety Advisor

K. Droogers, Legislative Officer

Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement

B. Turnham called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

K. Kalmbach assumed the role of Chair and read the Land Acknowledgment recognizing that we are on Treaty 6 Lands.

Welcome & Introductions

Committee members and staff in attendance introduced themselves to the committee.

Adoption of Agenda

The Chair declared the March 10, 2026 Agenda adopted as presented.

Approval of Minutes

The Chair declared the meeting minutes from January 13, 2026 Policing Committee meeting approved as presented.

Conflict of Interest Declaration

No member declared a conflict of interest.

Safety Briefing

B. Van Essen oriented the Committee to safety procedures related to 5 St. Anne Street and the Douglas Cardinal Boardroom.

Committee Business

Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG) Membership

B. Turnham informed the Committee that a representative from the Committee is required on the AAPG. A. Costopolous will attend any AAPG meeting prior to the next Policing Committee meeting.

Lifestyle Expo & Community Engagement

The Committee discussed attendance at the upcoming Lifestyle Expo, deciding to forego a table for the Policing Committee and utilize a portion of the RCMP table instead.

Policing Committee Workplan

The Committee discussed the Policing Committee Workplan and upcoming tasks.

Community Safety Plan

The Committee discussed the Community Safety Plan, provincial guidelines, city resources and potential website updates.

Reports

Officer in Charge Report

A. White provided an update to the Committee on detachment operations including 911 calls, investigations, staffing, media strategies and upcoming community engagement which included visits to Special Olympics, school administrators, Benevolent Firefighters.

Chair Report

The Chair provided the Committee with further updates on the Community Safety Plan and noted support received from the community.

Alberta Association of Police Governance (AAPG)

The Committee discussed attendance at the upcoming AAPG conference in Taber from May 28 to 30.

Police Review Commission (PRC)

K. Kalmbach informed the Committee that there were no updates.

Administrative Report

Moved by B. Turnham

That the Policing Committee request that Administration renew the Alberta Association of Police Governance membership for \$600.00 from the 2026 Policing Committee Budget.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved by K. Sumners

That the Policing Committee request that Administration renew the Canadian Association of Police Governance membership for \$1,697.00 from the 2026 Policing Committee Budget

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

A. Giesbrecht updated the Committee on the Policing Committee Annual report to the Minister, policy manual, security clearances, and building renovations.

Council Report

Councillor MacKay provided an update on the Policing Committee's presentation of the Annual Report to Council and the Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) Conference in Edmonton.

New Business

Insp. A. White led the Committee in a discussion regarding the 2026-2027 Policing Priorities, Crime Severity Index and 5-year trends. The Committee provided feedback on priorities, success measurements and the structure of annual reports.

The Committee discussed inviting other advisory committees to attend meetings and potential learning opportunities.

Input from the Public

No Public input.

Committee Member Inquiries/Updates

The Committee discussed general updates.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the Douglas Cardinal Boardroom.

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

CHAIR

DESIGNATED OFFICER'