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Dear Mayor, Council, and Policing Committee,

Please find attached the quarterly Community Policing Report for the period of January 1st to March 31st, 2026. This report provides an overview of human resources, financial information, and crime statistics for the St. Albert, and reflects the ongoing priorities identified by the community we serve.

In addition to the information contained in the attached report, I would also like to highlight a significant national development that will impact frontline policing operations in the coming months. The RCMP has recently awarded a contract for a new modernized general duty service pistol, marking an important step in enhancing public and officer safety, as well as operational effectiveness.

The selected model is the Glock 45 MOS 7 Duty Pistol. This modernized pistol will be issued as part of a comprehensive package, including a red dot sight (Aimpoint Acro P-2), a weapon-mounted light (Streamlight TLR-7X), three magazines, interchangeable grip components, a lanyard loop attachment, a Safariland duty holster, and a secure carrying case.

The rollout will occur in phases with priority given to frontline officers. Distribution across RCMP divisions will be based on operational needs, and full deployment is anticipated by summer 2028.

A transition of this scale requires comprehensive training to ensure safe and effective use. A training program has been developed and will begin rolling out to instructors this summer. A mandatory four-day training program for frontline officers is expected to follow in late summer and fall, concluding with annual firearms qualification. Training schedules are being developed to ensure there is no impact to frontline service delivery levels.

This modernization effort reflects the RCMP's ongoing commitment to ensuring officers have the appropriate tools and training to serve their communities safely and effectively. Investments in equipment such as this are essential to maintaining high standards of policing and adapting to evolving operational demands.

We remain committed to transparency and to keeping our municipal partners informed of significant developments that impact policing services in your community. Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this initiative further, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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