



Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

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October 21, 2013

Mr. Denis Kelly
Regional Clerk
The Regional Municipality of York
17250 Yonge Street
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Dear Mr. Kelly:

Re: 2014 York Regional Police Operating Budget

At its meeting on October 16, 2013, the Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board received the attached report entitled "2014 Operating Budget" with the following recommendations:

1. That the Board approve the 2014 Operating Budget with a tax-levy impact of \$278,070,000, including the addition of 30 civilian members and 16 police officers;
2. That the Board approve in principle the 2015 Operating Outlook with a tax-levy impact of \$290,419,000 for financial planning purposes; and
3. That the Board forward the 2014 Operating Budget and 2015 Operating Outlook to the Committee of the Whole at its meeting on December 12, 2013.

It was determined at the October Board meeting that the 2015 Operating Outlook was not required by the Office of the Budget; therefore, the Board approved only recommendations one and three of the Report of the Chief. The Board adopted a further motion that 2014 Police Operating Budget be presented at the Board's public meeting on November 20, 2013.

Therefore, on behalf of the Police Services Board, I kindly request that you forward the 2014 Operating Budget to the Committee of the Whole at its meeting in December.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mafalda Avellino', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mafalda Avellino
Executive Director

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THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK
POLICE SERVICES BOARD

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

16 OCTOBER 2013

2014 Operating Budget

RECOMMENDATIONS

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SYNOPSIS

The total 2014 proposed Operating Budget of \$278,070,000 represents a (\$173,000) reduction from the amounts tabled at the Board's September 25, 2013 meeting. This reduction results in a total reduction of \$1,851,000 below the 2014 Outlook of \$12,275,000 provided during the 2013 Budget and achieves a thirty-one percent portion of the corporate targeted reduction of \$5.9 million presented by Treasurer Hughes for the 2014 Outlook.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total 2014 tax-levy requirements of \$278,070,000, results in an increase of \$10,424,000 or 3.89 percent over 2013 funding. Annual salary and benefits costs for 46 additional staff in 2014 have been reduced by gapping. This treatment reduces first year wage costs to reflect an intake process that occurs throughout the year of hire. The second year cost to annualize the wages for the full year in 2015 is an additional \$2,189,000.

Deeds Speak

The Budget figures presented exclude assessment growth and Regionally allocated costs, in accordance with Budget guidelines provided annually from The Regional Municipality of York Office of the Budget staff.

BACKGROUND

At the Police Services Board meeting on September 25, 2013, an overview of the 2014 Proposed Operating Budget presented an increase of \$10,597,000 or 3.96 percent over the 2013 approved budget. With the Board's direction, staff have reviewed and reduced expenses in order to achieve the Treasurer's targeted reduction from Outlook. The identified reductions totalling (\$173,000) are as follows:

- (\$54,000) Reduce the proposed 1,000 contracted Air2 flight hours to the current 900 flight hours;
- (\$54,000) Remove the proposed replacement of a real-time x-ray machine used for the investigation of suspicious packages;
- (\$42,000) Remove replacement dive suits, portable side scan and maintenance funding; and
- (\$23,000) Reduce computer repairs & maintenance funding.

Based on these reductions and all known budget pressures, the 2014 Operating Budget and Outlook for 2015 is as follows:

In 000's	2014	2015
Base Budget	267,646	278,070
i) Salaries and Benefits		
Increases for wages & reclassification	8,037	6,924
Increase in Court and Overtime	94	112
Annualization of additional staff	2,362	2,189
Additional Staff	2,189	1,762
Paid Duty Earnings	2,800	
ii) Programs		
Increase in Operating Expenses	486	560
Debentures and Interest	(576)	2,005
Development Charges	(573)	28
iii) Incremental contribution to capital	-	50
iv) Revenues, Grants and Recoveries	(1,596)	(1,281)
Paid Duty Earnings	(2,800)	
Net Operating Budget	278,070	290,419
Incremental Budget Increase (\$)	10,424	12,349
Incremental Budget Increase (%)	3.89%	4.4%

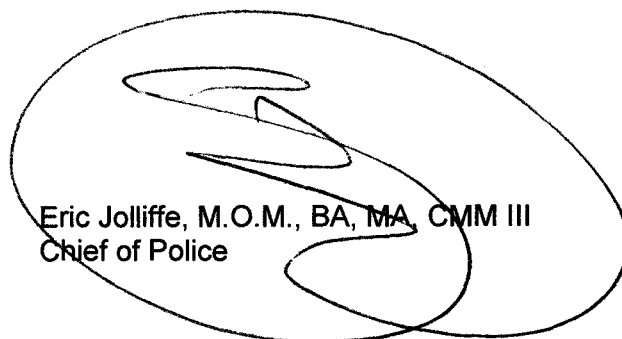
Using a 2013 assessment assumption of 2.0 percent or \$5,353,000, the net tax-levy impact after assessment is \$5,071,000 or an estimated 0.60 percent property tax impact for 2014.

New for the 2014 Budget are expenditures and revenues related to Paid Duty earnings. Starting in 2012, and in compliance with Canada Revenue Agency employer obligations for source deductions, Paid Duty earnings were collected and remitted through payroll rather than directly to the Officer by the third party. In December 2012, staff from The Regional Municipality of York Finance Controllership Office advised of a new accounting treatment for Paid Duties earnings to be expensed and offset by revenues under the Fees and Charges account, which is now reflected in the 2014 Operating Budget.

Estimates for the 2015 Outlook total \$290,419,000, which is an increase of \$12,349,000 or 4.4% over 2014 and include an additional 33 police officers and 13 civilian members.

It is recommended that the 2014 Operating Budget of \$278,070,000 and 2015 Outlook of \$290,419,000 be approved and that the Board's recommendations be consolidated by the Chief of Police into a summary presentation to the Committee of the Whole at its meeting on December 12, 2013.

EJ:jc



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Chief of Police