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REPORT FOR ACTION

Supplementary Report on Comparative Review of Police Service Budget Increases in Ontario

Date: February 12, 2021 To: City Council From: City Manager Wards: All

SUMMARY

This report transmits information requested by Budget Committee at its meeting of February 4, 2021 for a report to the February 18, 2021 special meeting of City Council comparing the Toronto Police Service's proposed 0 percent budget increase to the 2021 approved or proposed police budget increases for Ontario's largest municipalities. The Toronto Police Services Board has provided the requested information in Attachment 1.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Manager recommends that:

1. City Council receive this report for information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There are no current or known future year financial impacts arising from the recommendations contained in this report. The Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting of February 4, 2021, the Budget Committee requested the City Manager, in consultation with the Toronto Police Services Board, to report to the February 18, 2021 special meeting of City Council comparing the Toronto Police Service's proposed zero (0) percent budget increase to the 2021 approved or proposed police budget increases for Ontario's largest municipalities. http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2021.BU30.2

COMMENTS

Attachment 1, a February 9, 2021 letter from the Toronto Police Service Board, provides information about the proposed or approved budget increases for 16 Ontario municipal police services in the response to the request from the February 4, 2021 Budget Committee. When these 16 municipalities are considered, the average 2021 police budget increase from 2020 is 3.26%. This average is based on the current stage of approval of these budgets, recognizing that some are still at a stage prior to final approval.

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - February 9, 2021 letter from the Toronto Police Services Board