

NOTICE OF MOTION

Facing the Facts: Endorsing the Findings and Warnings of the Office of the Inspector General of Policing for an Urgent Reckoning and Immediate Action Necessary to Address and Stop Rising Antisemitism and All Forms of Hate.

Moved by: Councillor Pasternak



Seconded by: Councillor Colle

SUMMARY:

The Inspector General of Policing serves the public interest by promoting accountability in the policing sector.

The Inspector General provides regulatory oversight to ensure compliance with the Community Safety and Policing Act and its regulations. The Inspector General ensures compliance with Ontario's Community Safety and Policing Act and its regulations through inspections, investigations, and advisory services.

As of April 1, 2024, the Inspector General of Policing has unique enforcement authorities and can issue measures and directions that are progressive and based on risk to **public safety**. A Notice of Issue is a mechanism used by the Inspector General of Policing to monitor and call attention to issues relating to the delivery of policing and police governance in Ontario. Notices of Issue may be released where an emerging matter could negatively impact **community safety** or public confidence if left unaddressed. It supports Ontario's policing sector by identifying considerations, highlighting leading practices, and encouraging consistent, effective approaches to policing and policing governance.

In July 2026 the Office of the Inspector General of Policing released **Notice of Issue: The Increase in Antisemitism and Hate-motivated Incidents**.

A Notice of Issue calls attention to issues relating to the delivery of policing and police governance that, if left unaddressed, could negatively impact community safety and public confidence in police. The overall goal of this notice (and the actions taken

pursuant to it) is to ensure compliance with the Community Safety and Policing Act and its regulations.

It stated, “Crime statistics gathered reveal an overall increase in hate-motivated incidents in Ontario from 2020 to 2024. These statistics demonstrate a particularly staggering increase in incidents against the Jewish community, motivated by antisemitism. Since 2023, Jewish communities have been the most targeted group for hate crimes in Canada while representing less than 1% of Canada’s population. Ontario has seen increasing intimidation, violence and vandalism that is targeted at members of the Jewish community. In recent months, hate-motivated incidents have escalated to include firearms being discharged at synagogues, schools and businesses. Additionally, the Inspectorate of Policing has received complaints of hate-motivated incidents occurring in the context of protests.”

The Notice identifies seven specific policing actions to fortify the approach to the sustained rise in antisemitism and hate-motivated incidents in Ontario (See Attachment)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That City Council express its support for the findings and recommendations in the Notice of Issue of the Office of the Inspector General of Policing released on July 14, 2026.
2. City Council forward a copy of this motion to the Toronto Police Services Board, the Solicitor General of Ontario, the Attorney General of Ontario and the Minister of Public Safety of Canada.