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Item No. 9.1.2

**Board of Police Commissioners
February 26, 2018**

TO: Chair and Members of the HRM Board of Police Commissioners

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SUBMITTED BY:

Chief J.M. Blais, Halifax Regional Police

DATE: February 26, 2018

SUBJECT: Revised 2018/19 Halifax Regional Police Budget and Business Plan

ORIGIN

Motion of February 14, 2018 from the Budget Committee "THAT the budget be deferred until the March 28, 2018 meeting of Budget Committee and that the Board of Police Commissioners be requested to prepare a revised Halifax Regional Police Budget and Business plan with a reduction of \$550,000

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Halifax Charter, section 35 (1) The Chief Administrative Officer shall (b) ensure that an annual budget is prepared and submitted to the Council.

Nova Scotia *Police Act*, section 53(1): "The Board shall annually cause the chief to prepare a budget for the police department."

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Police Commissioners review the five options as presented and approve an option to proceed to the Budget Committee for consideration on March 28, 2018.

BACKGROUND

- On February 14, 2018, the 2018/19 draft Business Unit Budget and Business Plan was presented to the Budget Committee for review and discussion prior to consideration by Regional Council, as per Administrative Order 1.
- A Motion was approved that the budget be deferred until the March 28, 2018 meeting of Budget Committee and that the Board of Police Commissioners be requested to prepare a *revised* Halifax Regional Police Budget and Business plan as an alternative with a reduction of \$550,000.

DISCUSSION

Staff have developed five options for consideration with respect to reducing the budget by \$550,000. Each option has impacts with regards to operational activity. The attached spreadsheet outlines the options and the impacts associated with the reduction. HRP will manage the impact of the decision once it is made.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There financial implications are as noted in the report and attached spreadsheet.

RISK CONSIDERATION

There are no significant risks associated with the recommendations in this Report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

None are specifically associated with this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no identified environmental implications.

ALTERNATIVES

As provided in the report.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 *Spreadsheet: 2018/19 Option Items for discussion at the February 26th Board of Police Commissioner Meeting*

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.php> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210, or Fax 902.490.4208.

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