



INFORMATION REPORT

TO: The Halifax Board of Police Commissioners

FROM: Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police

DATE: October 8, 2021

SUBJECT: **Halifax Regional Police 2021/22 – 1st Quarter Financial Update**

Background:

Halifax Regional Police's operating budget is approved annually by the Board of Police Commissioners and Halifax Regional Council. For the 2021/22 fiscal year, the Halifax Regional Police was approved an operating budget of \$88,810,000.

At the end of the 1st quarter (June 30, 2021) of the 2021/22 fiscal year, Halifax Regional Police reported \$22,351,000 (25%) in actual net operating funds utilized, while forecasting \$88,810,000 of the approved operating budget to be spent by March 31, 2022.

The following details are provided to identify adjustments in forecasted revenues/recoveries and expense areas that contribute to the current forecast.

(Note that the forecasted items below that are highlighted in blue are believed to be a result of the impacted from the COVID 19 pandemic)

1. Revenue/Cost Recovery

Increase in Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) recovery;	250,000
Increase in Criminal Record Checks through Back Check online portal;	238,100
Total increase in Revenue/Recovery	488,100

2. Compensation and Benefits

Decrease in Court Time;	102,900
Increase in Overtime costs incurred in Prisoner Care, Criminal Investigation and Patrol Operation sections;	(555,000)
Total increase in Compensation	(452,100)

3. Other Operating Areas

Increase in costs associated with recruiting a Chief Information Security Officer for Halifax Regional Police;	(36,000)
Total increase in Other Operating Areas	(36,000)

Board of Police Commissioners budget summary:

The Board of Police Commissioners (BoPC) also requested quarterly updates on the Board of Police Commissioners budget that is factored into the overall Halifax Regional Police financials above, and identified specifically below:

Budget Item	Budget	Spent as of 2021/03/31	Forecast as of 2021/06/30
Membership Dues	2,400	5,000	2,400
Conferences/Workshops	0	626	0
Travel – Local	1,000	0	1,000
Travel – Out of Town	8,500	0	8,500
Meals	2,000	0	2,000
Total	13,900	5,626	13,900

For the 2021/22 fiscal year, the BoPC was approved an Operating Budget of \$13,900.

As of the end of 1st quarter (June 30, 2021) the Board of Police Commissioners is forecasting to utilize \$13,900, resulting in a net even budget.