

February 1, 2018

Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General  
Policing and Security Branch  
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Victoria, BC  
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Attention: Clayton J.D. Pecknold, LLB, MOM  
Assistant Deputy Minister and Director of Police Services  
Policing and Security Branch

Dear Mr. Pecknold:

**Re: VicPD Supplementary Budget Request**

Please be advised that at their regular meeting of January 22, 2018, Mayor and Council resolved not to approve the supplementary budget request from VicPD for expenditures related to 6 additional officers.

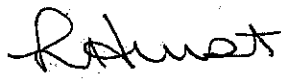
Mayor and Council believe that the Framework Agreement is not being interpreted or enacted as it was intended and as it is written. This conclusion is based on the presentation made by Chief Constable Manak at the meeting and the subsequent extensive question and answer period.

This request for additional officers has been presented such that the Township of Esquimalt would contribute to the expenditure as per the Budget Allocation Formula set out in the Victoria-Esquimalt Framework Agreement (the Agreement). Mayor and Council resolved not to approve the budget request due in part to the lack of evidence that these resources were required in order to adequately police the Township of Esquimalt.

The Township is requesting a review of this supplementary budget request and a determination of whether the amount should be included in the budget such that the Township is required to contribute as per the budget allocation formula.

The Township is also requesting that the Administrative Committee, under section 12 of the Agreement, provide clarification in regard to allocation of resources, cost sharing and dedicated resources under the Framework Agreement and specifically in regard to the 2018 supplementary budget request for additional officers.

Yours truly,



Laurie Hurst, CPA, CGA  
Chief Administrative Officer

c.c. Mayor Lisa Helps, City of Victoria & co-Chair Victoria & Esquimalt Police Board  
Mayor Barbara Desjardins, Township of Esquimalt & co-Chair, Victoria & Esquimalt Police Board



# VICTORIA & ESQUIMALT POLICE BOARD

MAYOR LISA HELPS, LEAD CO-CHAIR

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April 6, 2018

Mr. Clayton Pecknold  
ADM & Director of Police Services  
Ministry of Public Safety  
PO Box 9285 Stn Prov Govt  
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*Via email*

Dear Mr. Pecknold:

**RE: Request under 27(3) of the *Police Act***

On behalf of the Victoria & Esquimalt Police Board, we are making an application to you, as the Director of Police Services, to determine whether an item should be included in the Victoria Police Department budget, pursuant to 27(3) of the *Police Act*.

The 2019 provisional budget for the Victoria & Esquimalt Police Board includes the addition of six police officers and two civilians for an additional net cost of \$642,000. Originally the provisional budget, approved by the Victoria & Esquimalt Police Board on September 19, 2017, included an amount of \$870,000 for the additional positions. Subsequently, on December 19, 2017, the Police Board amended the provisional budget to reduce the net costs to \$642,000, recognizing potential offsetting cost savings of \$228,000.

The provisional budget and the subsequent amendment were presented to both Victoria and Esquimalt Councils in accordance with the requirements of section 27 of the *Police Act*. On January 11, 2018, Victoria Council passed a resolution "*that Council allocate \$548,000 from the new assessed revenue to add six new officers and accompanying civilian staff, subject to Esquimalt Council approval*", representing their share of the costs under the Framework Agreement.

On January 22, 2018, Esquimalt Council defeated a motion to deny the two additional civilians but carried a motion to deny the six additional police officers. On March 5, 2018, Esquimalt Council defeated a subsequent motion to "*approve the funding request from Victoria Police Department for 6 additional*

officers." Through these actions, the two additional civilians were approved by both Councils, but the six additional officers were not.

The Victoria and Esquimalt Police Board has determined that the six police officers are required in order to provide an adequate and effective level of policing and law enforcement within the City of Victoria and Township of Esquimalt. We respectfully request that you determine whether the budget item of six additional police officers should be included in the budget.

Yours truly,



Mayor Lisa Helps  
Lead Co-Chair



Mayor Barbara Desjardins  
Deputy Co-Chair

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c. Chief Cst. Del Manak, Victoria Police Department