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Report – Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services – July 15, 2014

Item No. 2 **Agreement to implement the Winnipeg Police Service School Resource Officer Program in the St. James - Assiniboia School Division, Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division**

EXECUTIVE POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Executive Policy Committee concurred in the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services and submitted the following to Council:

1. That the City of Winnipeg enter into agreements as prepared with each of the three School Divisions, St. James - Assiniboia School Division, Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division, and the Province of Manitoba to implement the Winnipeg Police Service School Resource Officer Program from September 2014 to June 2017.

2. That the Chief Administrative Officer be delegated authority to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of the agreement to establish the Winnipeg Police Service School Resource Officer Program in the St. James - Assiniboia School Division, The Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division from September 2014 to June 2017, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the Director of Legal Services and City Solicitor to protect the interests of the City of Winnipeg.

3. That the Winnipeg Police Board be advised of the aforementioned.

4. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

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DECISION MAKING HISTORY:

Moved by Councillor Mayes,

That the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services be concurred in and forwarded to Council.

Carried

STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

On July 15, 2014, the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services concurred in the recommendation of the Winnipeg Public Service and submitted the matter to Council.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Title: **Agreement to implement the Winnipeg Police Service School Resource Officer Program in the St. James - Assiniboia School Division, Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division**

Critical Path: **Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services – Executive Policy Committee – Council**

AUTHORIZATION

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the City enter into agreements as prepared with each of the three School Divisions, St. James - Assiniboia School Division, Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division, and the Province of Manitoba to implement the Winnipeg Police Service School Resource Officer Program from September 2014 to June 2017.

2. That authority be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and approve the terms and conditions of the agreement to establish the Winnipeg Police Service School Resource Officer Program in the St. James - Assiniboia School Division, The Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division from September 2014 to June 2017**,** in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and such other terms and conditions deemed necessary by the City Solicitor / Director of Legal Services to protect the interests of the City.

3. That the Proper Officers of the City be authorized to do all things necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing.

4. That the Winnipeg Police Board be advised.

REASON FOR THE REPORT

The request to implement the Winnipeg Police Service School Resource Officer Program in each of the three school divisions, St. James - Assiniboia School Division, Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division, must be submitted for Council consideration through the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services, as directed by the School Resource Officer Protocol that was adopted at the Standing Policy Committee on Protection and Community Services meeting July 4, 2008.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) School Resource Officer (SRO) Program currently exists in three School Divisions in Winnipeg, those being the St. James - Assiniboia School Division, Winnipeg School Division and Pembina Trails School Division.

The agreements establish a tri-partite approach to the SRO program, with commitments from the Province of Manitoba, The City of Winnipeg, and each involved School Division.

As the terms of the agreements are effective September 2014 to June 2017, this fulfills the WPS's commitment to establish these programs for another three years.

HISTORY

The SRO Program operates on the model where police officers provide a visible law enforcement presence to develop open lines of communication and strong working relationships with youth, schools and communities. In each School Division, the SRO will be distributed through the high schools, and middle and elementary schools.

As established in the previous agreements with school divisions, the WPS provides officers who have experience (1st Class), but invoices for the SRO Constables at the second year level (4th Class), thus subsidizing a portion of the salary for the Program in-kind. The WPS is responsible for additional in-kind contributions, which include cruiser cars, gas, insurance, uniforms, supervision and training. It must be noted that the direct cost to the WPS consists of salary and benefits only, which are budgeted for on an ongoing basis.

During the assignment, the regular salary and related benefits will be paid directly to the Constables by the WPS. The Service will invoice the Division directly on a quarterly basis for their respective portion. The School Divisions will then bill the Province of Manitoba for 50% of that cost, as the partners equally fund the SRO Program.

The agreements call for WPS officers to work as SRO at high schools and feeder schools within each School Division, with the model allowing schools to have access to dedicated officers. Since its inception, the WPS has recognized the value of and supports the Program. The role of the SRO will continue to be focused on prevention, education and maintaining the peace in the schools and the adjacent community.

The SRO Program demonstrates that:

- Neighborhood safety can be enhanced by strengthening partnerships between and among police, schools and the community.
- SRO can provide communities with additional strategic crime prevention resources.
- Relationships between police and community, particularly youth, can be strengthened through the SRO model.

- SRO are proactive as participants in the community-based, collaborative crime prevention strategy.

- Additional value is contained in the Program due to potential cost savings for the justice, education and social services systems.

Pembina Trails School Division

During the three years of the program, the two SRO will be distributed through the following high schools, and middle and elementary schools:

- One officer will be assigned to Fort Richmond Collegiate and Institut Collegial Vincent Massey Collegiate and serve other feeder schools located in the east portion of the Pembina Trails School Division. These schools are identified as: General Byng, Ecole Viscount Alexander, Arthur A. Leach, Henry G. Izatt, and Acadia Junior High.

- One officer will be assigned to Ecole Secondaire Oak Park High School and Shaftsbury High School and serve other feeder schools located in the west portion of the Pembina Trails School Division. These schools are identified as: Ecole Van Walleghem, Linden Meadows, Ecole Charleswood, Westdale, and River West Park.

Winnipeg School Division

The Winnipeg Police Service will deploy nine trained and equipped police officers through the following high schools, and middle and elementary schools:

- One officer will be assigned to R. B. Russell School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: David Livingstone, Norquay and William Whyte.
- One officer will be assigned to Children of the Earth School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: Faraday, Isaac Newton, King Edward, Niji Mahkwa and Strathcona.
- One officer will be assigned to St. John's High School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: Champlain, Luxton, Machray, Ralph Brown and Inkster.
- One officer will be assigned to Churchill High School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: College Churchill, Grant Park, Kelvin, Earl Grey and River Heights.
- One officer will be assigned to Gordon Bell High School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: John M. King, Mulvey, Sister MacNamara and Wellington.
- One officer will be assigned to Hugh John Macdonald High School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: Dufferin, Hugh John MacDonald, Pinkham and Victoria-Albert.

- One officer will be assigned to Elmwood High School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: Argyle Alternative, George V., Glenelm, Kent Road, Lord Selkirk and River Elm.
- One officer will be assigned to Daniel McIntyre High School and serve other schools located in the Division. These schools are identified as: Tec Voc, Cecil Rhodes, General Wolfe, Isaac Brook and Weston.
- One officer will be assigned to Sisler High School and serve other schools in the Division. These schools are identified as: Andrew Mynarski, V.C., Lord Nelson, Shaughnessy Park and Knowles.

St. James - Assiniboia School Division

The agreement distributes the commitment for two SRO through the following high schools, and middle and elementary schools:

- One officer will be assigned to College Sturgeon Heights Collegiate and Westwood Collegiate and serve other feeder schools located in the Westwood Family and Sturgeon Heights Family of the St. James-Assiniboia School Division. These schools are identified as: Phoenix, Ecole Robert Browning, Sansome, Lincoln Middle, Athlone, Ecole Bannatyne, Bruce Middle, Ecole Golden Middle and Jameswood Alternative.

- One officer will be assigned to St. James Collegiate and John Taylor Collegiate and serve other feeder schools located in the John Taylor Family and St. James Family of the St. James-Assiniboia School Division. These schools are identified as: Buchanan, Crestview, Heritage, Lakewood, Voyageur, Hedges Middle, Ness Middle, Ecole Assiniboine, Brooklands, Linwood, Stevenson-Britannia and George Water Middle.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Financial Impact Statement

Date: June 16,2014

Project Name:
School Resource Officer program

First Year of Program 2014

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Capital					
Capital Expenditures Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Less: Existing Budgeted Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Funding Sources:					
Debt - Internal	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Debt - External	-	-	-	-	-
Grants (Enter Description Here)	-	-	-	-	-
Reserves, Equity, Surplus	-	-	-	-	-
Other - Enter Description Here	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funding	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total Additional Capital Budget Required	$ -				
Total Additional Debt Required	$ -				
Current Expenditures/Revenues					
Direct Costs	$ 446,189	$ 1,792,901	$ 1,821,487	$ 1,375,459	$ -
Less: Incremental Revenue/Recovery	$ 267,787	$ 1,076,334	$ 1,094,531	$ 826,837	-
Net Cost/(Benefit)	$ 178,402	$ 716,567	$ 726,956	$ 548,622	$ -
Less: Existing Budget Amounts	178,402	716,567	726,956	548,622	-
Net Budget Adjustment Required	$ 0	$ 0	$ (0)	$ (0)	$ -

Additional Comments: Contract from Sept 2014 to June 2017. No additional cost to the City. Vehicle and salary costs included as in kind. The Service provides the officers and equipment and then invoices the School Division for approximately two thirds of the agreed upon costs. The Service has budgeted for the balance of approximately one third of the costs "in kind". The contract allows for incremental increases in collective agreements.

original signed by Ron Smolik June 17/14
Department Controller - Winnipeg Police

CONSULTATION

In preparing this report there was consultation with:

Legal Services

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