

MOTION

December 9, 2019

City Clerk
City Hall
Regina, Saskatchewan

Dear Sir:

Re: 2020 Proposed Regina Board of Police Commissioners Budget

WHEREAS the Regina Police Service response to justice related issues in our community takes on various forms which include emergency response, proactive policing and community engagement;

WHEREAS the Regina Police Service receives an average of over 61,000 calls for service each year;

WHEREAS the latest Community Perception Survey indicated that over 80% of citizens were satisfied with the service they received from the Regina Police Service;

WHEREAS staffing costs comprise nearly 88% of the Regina Police Service operating budget;

WHEREAS Regina has a lower rate of sworn officers per 100,000 population than the majority of major centres across Canada as well as both Saskatoon and Prince Albert;

WHEREAS the Saskatoon Board of Police Commissioners has recently recommended the hiring of eight additional sworn officers to Saskatoon City Council; and

WHEREAS the Regina Police Service takes a lead role in providing public safety in the city of Regina and members of the Regina Police Service are faced on a daily basis with complex circumstances that threaten community safety and well-being;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that City Council:

1. Not approve the proposed Regina Police Service 2020 Budget as submitted by the Board of Police Commissioners;

2. As per the provisions of Section 33(2) of *The Police Act, 1990*, return the proposed budget to the Board of Police Commissioners as the budget is seen to be inadequate for the challenges and pressures facing the Regina Police Service; and
3. Request the Board of Police Commissioners to return to City Council with a revised budget which addresses the concerns outlined in (2).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerry Flegel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jerry Flegel
Councillor - Ward 10