

63. Policing Committee**64. Purpose**

- (1) The Council of the City of Red Deer is required under the *Police Act*, RSA 2000, c P-17 and *Police Amendment Act, 2022*, SA 2000, c 22 to establish a Policing Committee.
- (2) In accordance with the *Police Act*, the Policing Committee shall:
 - (a) oversee the administration of the agreement between the City of Red Deer and the Government of Canada for the provision of police services for the City;
 - (b) represent the interests and concerns of the public and of Council to the Officer in Charge;
 - (c) develop a yearly plan of priorities and strategies for municipal policing in consultation with the Officer in Charge;
 - (d) develop a community safety plan in conjunction with the local police detachment and Mayor, including a plan for collaboration between the community and community agencies, and providing the community safety plan annually, or on request, to the Minister;
 - (e) assist in the selection of the Officer in Charge; and
 - (f) report annually, or on request, to the Minister on the implementation of and updates to programs and services to achieve the priorities of the police service.

65. Policing Committee Membership

- (1) The Policing Committee shall be comprised of seven Members, appointed by resolution of Council, as follows:
 - (a) Voting Members including:
 - (i) Two Councillors; and
 - (ii) Five Citizen Representatives.
- (2) To be considered for an appointment to the Committee, Citizen Representatives must:
 - (a) be the full age of 18 years; and
 - (b) not be an employee of or contracted with or to The City, the RCMP, any Provincial or Municipal Police or Peace Officer service/agency, or Alberta Justice or the Ministry of Public Safety and Emergency Services.
- (3) One Citizen Representative position will be designated for an individual who has experience in leadership, a commitment to public safety and is an:

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- (a) Indigenous community representative;
 - (b) individual who has lived experience as a newcomer to Canada; or
 - (c) individual from another marginalized population.
- (4) Non-voting Members of the Policing Committee include:
- (a) the Officer in Charge or their designate;
 - (b) the Manager of Municipal Policing Services; and
 - (c) the Manager of Safe & Healthy Communities.
- (5) The Policing Committee membership may include up to three additional voting Members as appointed by the Province of Alberta.
- (6) The Mayor is automatically a non-voting Member of the Policing Committee, by virtue of their position.
- (7) All persons appointed to the Policing Committee:
- (a) shall take the Oath of Office as prescribed in Schedule 2 of the *Police Act*, and attached to this Bylaw as Appendix “A”; and
 - (b) must pass all background and security checks as may be required under the *Police Act*.

66. Councillor Appointments and Term

- (1) Councillor appointments to the Policing Committee are for two-year terms and start on the date of the Organizational Meeting at which the Councillor is appointed to the committee.
- (2) Council may extend the term of a Councillor on the Policing Committee by resolution in case of a mid-term appointment.
- (3) A Councillor may request to be removed from the Policing Committee at any time.

67. Citizen Representative Member Appointments and Term

- (1) Citizen Representative appointments shall be for no less than two years and no more than three years.
- (2) Citizen Representative appointments of between two to three years may be made for the purpose of staggering the Citizen Representatives' terms of service.
- (3) Citizen Representatives shall not serve for more than nine years, unless approved by Council.

68. Resignations and Removals

- (1) The following acts or omissions are deemed to be cause within the *Police Act* which may revoke a person as a Member of the Policing Committee:
 - (a) the Member is convicted of a criminal offence;
 - (b) for those Members of the Policing Committee who are elected officials, a violation of *Council Code of Conduct Bylaw 3696/2023*;
 - (c) if the Member fails to keep the Oath of Office, including but not limited to disclosing any information that jeopardizes a police operation or police/public safety, or the confidentiality associated with the nature of policing including personnel, conduct, contracts with the R.C.M.P. and security of police operations;
 - (d) if information is publicly disclosed that is confidential information as specified in this Bylaw; or
 - (e) if the Member, after becoming appointed, is employed by the City, the RCMP, Alberta Justice or the Ministry of Public Safety and Emergency Services.
- (2) A Councillor's appointment to the Policing Committee automatically terminates if they cease to be a member of Council.

69. Quorum

- (1) Quorum of the Policing Committee is a majority of voting Members.
- (2) Any voting Members appointed by the Province of Alberta are added to the total complement of Members of the committee and are included when calculating quorum.

70. Officers of the Policing Committee

- (1) A Councillor who is a Member of the Policing Committee is eligible to be elected as Chair.
- (2) The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee shall be elected from amongst its Members at the first regular meeting of each year.
- (3) In accordance with the *Police Act*, the Mayor is not eligible to be elected as Chair or Vice-Chair of the Committee.

71. Meetings

The Policing Committee will hold meetings at least once per quarter.