

# **The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board**

Public Board Meeting  
November 7, 2022

Report of the Executive Director

## **Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Nomination to the Human Services Planning Board**

### **1. Recommendations**

1. That the Board nominate a representative to the Human Services Planning Board of York Region which acts as the Advisory Committee for the preparation and development of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;
2. That the Executive Director advise Regional Council of the Board's nomination for Council's approval.

### **2. Summary**

In May 2020, the Board nominated member Jennifer Fang to the Human Services Planning Board of York Region (HSPB) to support the preparation and development of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan. This report seeks the Board's nomination of a Board representative to the HSPB for the new term of Council.

### **3. Background**

On January 1, 2019, new legislative amendments to the *Police Services Act, 1990* came into force which mandates every municipality in Ontario to prepare and adopt a community safety and well-being plan. As part of these legislative changes, municipalities are required to consult with a number of partners/sectors including police services, health and mental health agencies, education, community and social services and children and youth services as they develop the plans.

According to the Province, the ultimate goal of a community safety and well-being plan is to achieve communities where everyone is safe, has a sense of belonging and opportunities to participate, and where individuals and families are able to meet their needs for education, health care, food, housing, income and social and cultural expression.

## MANDATE OF HUMAN SERVICE PLANNING BOARD

The Human Services Planning Board of York Region is a multi-sector collaboration of key human service agencies, government, private sector, and community leaders. HSPB members are appointed by York Regional Council for up to a four-year term, which runs concurrently with the term of Regional Council. In addition to quarterly meetings, HSPB establishes working groups, as required, undertaking initiatives to address issues and legislated requirements related to human services.

- The mandate of the 2019-2022 Human Services Planning Board is to:
  - Provide strategic advice to Regional Council on human services matters and initiatives in York Region
  - Enhance effectiveness and efficiency of human services in York Region through capacity building, community engagement and collaborative advocacy
  - Act as the Advisory Committee to Council for preparation of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

The HSPB terms of reference were amended in 2018 to enable the HSPB to align its membership criteria with requirements under the *Police Services Act, 1990* for an advisory to the development of a community safety and well-being plan. This includes, “a person who represents the police services board.”

As the Board may recall, Joseph Silva, Director of Strategies and Partnerships, York Region, provided an update to the Board at its March 2022 meeting on the development of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan and on how YRP and the Region are collaborating in developing the Plan and through other initiatives.

In May 2022, the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan for York Region was adopted by Regional Council and is available at [york.ca/CommunityAction](http://york.ca/CommunityAction). It is envisioned that the HSPB will continue to play an advisory role to the implementation of the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan in the 2023-2026 term.

## 4. Financial Implications

Costs associated with Board representative’s attendance at HSPB meetings.

## 5. Conclusion

The recommendation in this report is to nominate a board representative to the Human Services Planning Board of York Region for the new term of Council.

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