



The Regional Municipality of York Police Service Board

Public Board Meeting November 27, 2024 For Information

Report of the Chief of Police Facilities Master Plan

1. Recommendations

- 1. That the Board approve the York Regional Police Facilities Master Plan Report; and
- 2. That the Board receive the York Regional Police Facilities Master Plan presentation as provided by Deloitte.

2. Purpose

A detailed analysis of York Regional Police requirements for future police facilities was completed by Deloitte in June 2024.

This report and the accompanying presentation are the recommendation for future police districts and next steps for planning.

3. Background

Since 2012, York Regional Police has engaged planning consultants to assist with the development of its Facilities Master Plan. Studies have been completed for 2012, 2016, 2020 with the most recent study completed by Deloitte in June of 2024.

4. Analysis

Reporting Requirements

The *Community Safety and Policing Act*, 2019 (*CSPA*) focuses on addressing community safety, enhancing police oversight, modernizing policing, and establishing consistent mandated training requirements.

Under the section 37 (1) (a) of the *CSPA*, a police service board shall ensure that adequate and effective policing is provided in the area for which it has policing responsibility as required by section 10 (1) which further adds that the provision of policing shall be in accordance with the needs of the population in the area and having regard for the diversity of the population in that area.

Deloitte has worked with York Regional Police and has developed a strategic accommodation planning platform that uses advanced technologies and data sources such as calls for service, GIS information, census data and other relevant information to identify optimal locations for future districts or sub stations.

The modeling was supported by detailed analysis of records in the York Regional Police Versadex System - Computer Aided Dispatch System as well as using analytics from the York Regional Police Business Intelligence Modelling tool. In addition, information obtained by Deloitte in relation to future traffic zones, arterial and freeway networks, transit, employment and residential intensification, zoning requirements, municipal growth plans and major development plans, as identified by various builders and developers were considered.

5. Financial Considerations

The 2025 Capital budget and outlook to 2044 has \$148.1 million allocated for facilities projects consisting of \$87.5 million for the replacement or major renovation of #4 and #5 Districts, \$36.8 million for renovations and \$23.8 million for new facilities including the Hangar Project. As the predictive modelling exercise is validated every three years, and the associated needs confirmed, the budgetary requirements will be refined and presented to the Board through the annual budget process.

6. Local Impact

Although there is no immediate local impact, there is the future potential to influence local municipal plans, zoning, design, and other elements, in the identified municipalities.

There are currently no provisions in any planning legislation or local municipal plans that require lands be allocated for emergency services such as police. Community safety would significantly increase if the need to support policing were incorporated in local municipal planning.

Including emergency services stakeholders in the early planning and review stages of municipal development would ensure the correlation between a community's design and citizen safety and wellbeing is considered, especially among the increasing number of vertical communities.

7. Conclusion

Based on the findings in the report, it is recommended that the Board and York Regional Police use this report as the basis for future discussions in relation to police facilities, as part of the Board's duty to ensure adequate and effective policing is provided. This report will be reviewed and amended as necessary every three years to coincide with the business planning process of York Regional Police.

Alternative formats or communication supports are available upon request.

Approved for Submission:

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