

# MINUTES OF THE CITY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

# October 29, 2024, 11:30 A.M. Council Chambers, City Hall

J. Clayton (virtual) Mayor G. Berg Councillor W. Bosch (virtual) Councillor D. Bressey (virtual) Councillor M. O'Connor (virtual) Councillor K. O'Toole Councillor W. Pilat Councillor C. Thiessen Councillor

ALSO PRESENT S. Bourke City Manager

D. Whiteway Chief Financial Officer
B. Glavin Chief Operating Officer

D. Lemieux Chief Public & Protective Services

Officer

J. Freeman (virtual) City Solicitor

A. Van Beekveld Council Committee Coordinator

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:51 p.m.

#### 2. REPORTS

#### 2.1 Projected Cost Comparison - GPPS and RCMP

D. Whiteway, Chief Financial Officer, presented Committee with the projected cost comparison between the GPPS and RCMP. The decision to transition from RCMP contracted policing services to a municipal police service will allow the City to provide modern, professional, and locally accountable police services that will enhance public safety within the city, at a lower cost.

### **MOVED by** W. Pilat

Committee receive this report for information.

CARRIED (9 to 0)

#### 2.2 2025 Policing Services Budget and 2026-2028 Policing Services Projections

Dan Wong, Chair of the Grande Prairie Police Commission, and Dwayne Lakusta, Chief of Police, presented Committee with the 2025 Policing Services Budget and 2026-2028 Policing Services Projections. As the Grande Prairie Police Service builds up, and the

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RCMP contract winds down through the transition, service levels are anticipated to increase while costs remain consistent.

Mayor Clayton left the meeting at 1.33 p.m.

## MOVED by M. O'Connor

Committee receive this report for information and refer this matter to budget deliberations.

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