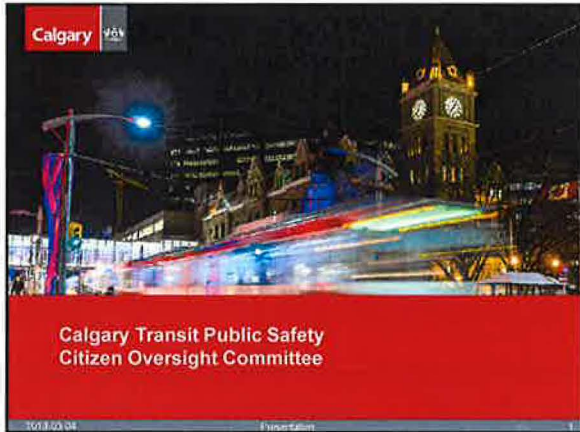


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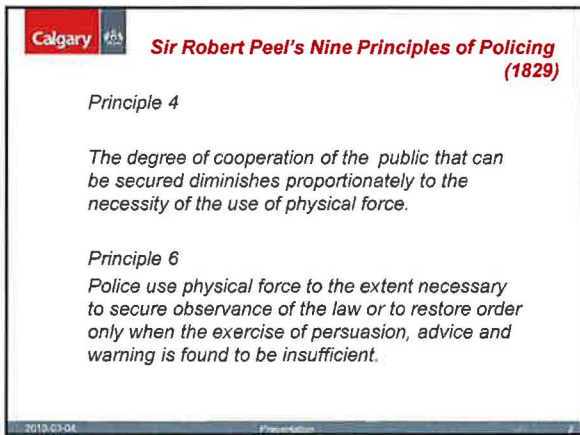
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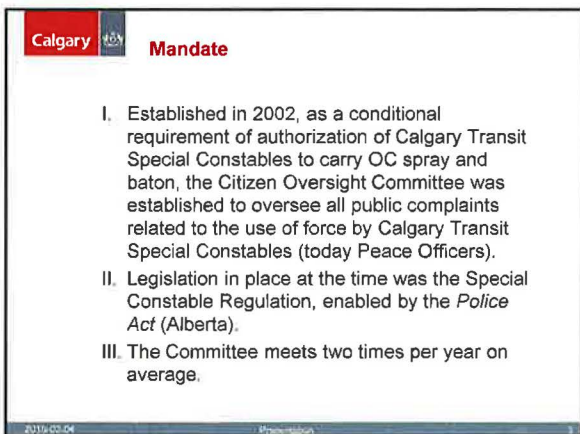
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**Calgary** **7.5.3** **Legislative Framework**

- I. In 2006, following the Government MLA Review of the Special Constable Program (2005), the *Peace Officer Act* was enacted, along with the *Peace Officer (Ministerial) Regulation* and *Peace Officer Regulation*.
- II. The *Peace Officer Act* applies to over 3000 peace officers in the Province of Alberta, employed by over 280 public sector employers.
- III. Calgary Transit employs 102 peace officers, which includes the management team (4).

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**Calgary** **7.5.4** **Citizen Oversight Committee Composition**

- I. The Committee consists of three (3) volunteer members of the public.
- II. A Use of Force instructor will sit in an advisory role to provide any necessary technical knowledge on use of force issues.
- III. Committee members are screened on the basis of security checks and previous qualifications. Previous knowledge of law enforcement is not considered relevant in the selection process.
- IV. Once selected, committee members are required to swear an oath and serve on the committee for up to a three-year period.
- V. Upon conclusion of their three-year term, a committee member can apply to extend their appointment beyond their current term.
- VI. Committee members will receive training in the use of force issues, such as the legal framework for using force and its practical application.

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**Calgary** **7.5.5** **Previous Work of the Committee**

**Case 1**  
The Citizen Oversight Committee recognized that many citizens did not understand the role and authority of peace officers on the Calgary transit system and advocated for a Peace Officer Public Awareness campaign. This resulted in the highly successful 'On-Duty' campaign.

**Case 2**  
The Committee recognized Peace Officers were not authorized to release an arrestee in the field which resulted in longer than necessary arrests/detentions. New procedures and authorities were obtained allowing peace officers to release arrested people without having to transport to a police arrest facility.

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**Calgary**  **Current Use of Force Oversight Mechanisms**

Calgary Transit	2017	2018
Reportable incidents sent to Province of Alberta (Public Security Peace Officer Program)	Eight (8) 3 OC spray deployments, 3 Baton Deployments, 2 Sensitive Matters (PO collapse due to drug exposure, "near" death in custody	Eight (8) 7 OC spray deployments, 1 death in custody
Cases sent to CPS for criminal investigation	0	3 including the death in custody
Officer Safety Review Team (Files reviewed)	121	146
Files reviewed by the Citizen Oversight Committee	One (employer initiated investigation, a. 16 POA)	One (Citizen Complaints, 14 POA)

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- Calgary**  **2019 Work Plan**
- I. Examine the current mandate of the Committee and make recommendations to Council to:
    - i. Increase the scope and membership of the Committee
    - ii. Terminate or repurpose the Committee
  - II. Prepare a report for Calgary Transit Administration and Council
  - III. Continue to review all use of force related public complaints.
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- Calgary**  **Challenges to the Mandate**
- I. The Committee is able to exercise its oversight role, however there are very few complaint files which come before the Committee.
  - II. The *Peace Officer Act* and Provincial Oversight through the *Public Security Peace Officer Program* provides new public accountability which did not exist prior to 2006.
  - III. Administration has adopted the practice of sharing peace officer use of force case information which occurs outside the prescribed mandate.
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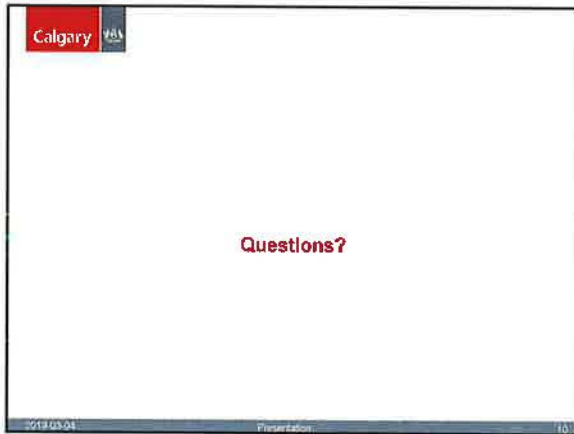
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