



CALGARY POLICE COMMISSION

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Standing Policy Committee Community & Protective Services City of Calgary Box 2100, Station M Calgary, Alberta Y2P 2M5

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Subject: Residential Traffic Enforcement - Notice of Motion

Dear Councillor Diane Colley-Urquhart, Chair

This letter is regarding NM2016-05 - Residential Traffic Enforcement submitted by Councillor Keating.

The Commission recognizes traffic safety as a significant public safety issue in our communities and applauds Council's efforts to address this concern, particularly through measures such as the pedestrian strategy aimed at reducing the number of collisions and fatalities each year.

CPS has taken considerable steps to reduce the amount of pedestrian collisions and fatalities, alcohol and drug-related crashes, and distracted driving incidents by educating the public through timely, relevant and informative awareness initiatives. These initiatives are coupled with enforcement.

The traffic safety approach and activities are outlined in CPS' Traffic Safety Plan, which aligns with the City's priorities. The plan takes all relevant issues into account, such as officer training, safety, criminal justice concerns, and the budgetary impact of all measures.

Guided by this plan, CPS is already actively responding to each point in NM2016-05:

- CPS actively collaborates with community partners and City departments in working toward the shared goal of driver and pedestrian safety,
- CPS targets high risk residential areas such as school and playground zones along with other pedestrian-rich locations,
- CPS addresses community traffic concerns through traffic safety requests,
- CPS believes education programs are vital to traffic safety and has restructured these programs to provide a robust approach to frontline education.

This comprehensive approach to traffic safety and education is funded through CPS' existing budget.

The Commission continues to work closely with CPS to ensure priorities identified by City Council, as well as the public, are addressed. As the activities outlined in the notice of motion are already well-underway, please accept this update as our report which was requested in the notice of motion.

We are always available to discuss this topic to provide additional background and context that may assist Council members in understanding the activities underway within the Calgary Police Service.

Sincerely,

Calgary Police Commission

Howie Shikaze, Chair

Cc: Calgary City Councillors