

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee From: Superintendent Rendall Nesset Officer In Charge Richmond RCMP Detachment Date: February 25, 2013 File: 09-5000-01/2012-Vol 01 (13.02)

# Re: 2013/2014 RCMP Annual Performance Plan – Community Priorities

# Staff Recommendation

That Council select two priorities as listed in the staff report titled "2013/2014 RCMP Annual Performance Plan – Community Priorities" (dated February 25, 2013 from the OIC, RCMP), for inclusion in the Richmond Detachment 2013/2014 (April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014) RCMP Annual Performance Plan.

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# Staff Report

## Origin

The Officer in Charge of the Richmond Detachment is committed to aligning the RCMP strategic goals with Council Term Goals, and as a result the Detachment Annual Performance Plan (APP), requests the City's input into the development of the 2013/2014 RCMP fiscal year (April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014) crime reduction objectives.

Council Term goals for 2011-2014 identify the desire to ensure that public safety services, measures, service delivery models, and resources are effectively targeted to the City's specific needs and priorities.

1.4 A strategic review of the City's community policing needs, including community policing needs of the City Centre.

1.5 Improved perception of Community Safety by the community.

### Background

The Annual Performance Plan (APP) delivers planning and performance management to the Richmond Detachment and ensures policing initiatives are aligned with the City and RCMP strategic priorities. The APP allows the Detachment Commander to systematically plan, evaluate and manage police resources of detachment operations. One of the main goals is for Commanders to be able to consult with, and provide tangible feedback to communities, Commanding Officers of "E" Division RCMP and the Richmond Detachment Leadership Team.

# Planning

The Richmond Detachment Leadership Team consults with Council and City staff to identify opportunities for improved services for the local community. A well thought-out plan has policing objectives aligned to the overarching National, Divisional and City specific needs. Once the objectives have been identified and selected, the Detachment Commander develops policing initiatives that are implemented for the fiscal year. Measurements, targets and integrated risk assessment for the policing initiatives are also developed as part monitoring of the performance and risk management.

### **Quarterly Performance Review**

Every 90 days members of the Community Safety Committee are updated on the status of the APP. The report highlights the progression of the objectives and policing initiatives, as well as communicates whether planned activities were on-track. For activities that are not on-track, an assessment is conducted to determine whether alternative responses are required.

# Analysis

# **APP Features**

The APP is designed to facilitate best management practices for detachment administration. APP provides the foundation to the following strategic planning activities:

- Community, Contract and Aboriginal Policing Services (CCAPS) Community Plans
- Risk Management
- Unit Level Quality Assurance (ULQA)
- Performance Management
- Public Security
- Unit Performance Improvement Program

The five national strategic priorities of the RCMP include:

- Serious and Organized Crime
- National Security
- Youth
- Economic Integrity
- Aboriginal Communities

# **City of Richmond Community Objectives**

Community engagement is a key and essential planning component of the APP, which usually takes place between January and March of each year. This is completed in preparation for the implementation of the upcoming plan, commencing April 1<sup>st</sup>. The Community Objectives set out in the APP is to assist Detachment Commanders in addressing community priorities identified through the strategic planning process. This is an opportunity to demonstrate accountability to the communities we serve.

From the planning process, the Richmond Detachment Strategic Plan of 2011-2013 identified five local priorities:

- 1. Youth
- 2. Community Engagement
- 3. Property Crime
- 4. Traffic Safety
- 5. Organized Crime

The Detachment's long-term strategic goal is to achieve "Safe Homes and Safe Communities.", Of the five local priorities identified in the previous year's APP (fiscal year 2012/13 – April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013) Council selected the following two:

- 1. Pedestrian Safety
- 2. Establish and Develop a Community Presence in the Downtown Core

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Consultation with the Council and the public through the strategic planning external survey and internal assessment of crime reports have identified a number of personal and community concerns for the upcoming fiscal year. The top three Community Objectives identified for the 2013/14 Annual Performance Plan are:

- Pedestrian Safety (Traffic Safety)- a continued and renewed focus on reducing fatalities and severe bodily injuries. Richmond RCMP notes that while pedestrian deaths as a result of vehicle collisions are lower from previous years, personal injury related collisions continues to be significant;
- Commercial Break and Enters (Property Crime)- abate property-related crime with respect to thefts from businesses through consultative and focused enforcement. Richmond RCMP has identified a statistical increase over the last year with respect to Commercial Break and Enters; and,
- Personal Theft/Robbery in the Downtown Centre (Property Crime) continues to statistically identify a need for a comprehensive plan stemming personal property crime in the Downtown core.

The Richmond RCMP Detachment requests that Council select two of the above noted Community Objectives for inclusion in the 2013/2014 Annual Performance Plan (April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014).

# **Financial Analysis**

There is no financial impact associated with this report.

## Conclusion

To prepare for the new Annual Performance Plan, the Richmond RCMP Detachment requests that Council select two of the following as priorities for inclusion in the 2013/2014 Annual Performance Plan (April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014):

- 1. Pedestrian Safety
- 2. Commercial Break and Enters
- 3. Personal Theft/Robbery in the Downtown Centre

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