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Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General
City of Surrey

Details on the agreement between the Province and Surrey

The Province has agreed to:

- a financial contribution of \$30 million per year (\$150 million in total) until 2029 to assist with transition costs from the RCMP to the SPS;
- a financial commitment of as much as \$20 million per year (up to \$100 million in total) if SPS actual salary costs are higher than what the city would have paid for RCMP salary costs from 2029 to 2034;
- reinstatement of the Surrey police board by early 2025 and consult with the city on potential appointees; and
- establishment of an advisory budgetary committee, including ministry representatives, the SPS police board and city representatives, to ensure the transition is implemented cost-effectively.

The City of Surrey has agreed to:

- fully support the transition and take all necessary steps to ensure the success of the transition to the Surrey Police Service;
- continue working with partners to finalize transition planning documents and allocate adequate SPS budgets following the city's obligations under the Police Act;
- not levy a separate police tax for any costs relating to the police transition for a period of 10 years; and
- the city will provide SPS access to required space and operational needs including access to payroll, IT and other operational systems.

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