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Title:	Police Costing Committee Member Change	
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## **Recommendation:**

That Council appoint Councillor Martin MacKinnon to replace Councillor Norm Bush on the Police Costing Committee for the remainder of its term. This is a very important Committee that could be making significant recommendations in the coming months that could impact the City of Dryden.

## **Discussion:**

In July of 2017 Council appointed Committee members to the Police Costing Committee. At the latest Police Costing Committee meeting members expressed their concerns about only having four voting members at the table due to the extended absence of Councillor Bush. The issue expressed is that it is the goal and mandate of the committee to make a recommendation to Council after receiving all of the relevant information necessary to make an informed presentation to Council. Council at the end of all of this would still be the group making the decision on the overall strategy or future of City of Dryden policing. The Committee asked if it would be possible to have a replacement as Councillor Bush has missed 2 consecutive meetings and will be missing the future meetings until the May timeframe. During this phase of the project, there will be a lot of important information shared and many stakeholders heard from as to what the current services the Dryden Police Services perform and what the OPP model would not cover off in a transition situation. It is felt that all of this is very important conversation as any Councillor missing this many meetings may be a determining factor in what the end recommendation would be to Council. Of course, committees in general and with the sheer structure of them dive into much more detail than at a Council level and thus the recommendations are of extreme importance and formulated from this analysis.

As Chair, the Committee asked me to look into this and I brought up their concerns to the Mayor. Mayor Wilson asked Councillor MacKinnon if he would consider replacing Councillor Bush and he accepted. I am asking for Council to move forward with the appointment of Councillor MacKinnon on the Police Costing Committee to replace Councillor Bush. Again, this committee will be making a recommendation only as Council makes the decision on this particular Business Case when it gets to that stage.

## **Financial Implications:**

None

**Best Regards**,

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