

# KINGSTON POLICE SERVICE BOARD BY-LAW NUMBER 24-05 Being a by-law to establish a Policy and By-Law Committee

**Whereas** Section 42(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, S.O. 2019 c.1, Sched. 1,* (the "Act') provides that a police service board may establish a committee and delegate any of the Board's powers under the Act to the committee; and

**And whereas** the Kingston Police Service Board (Board) wishes to establish a Policy and By-Law Committee and delegate certain of the Board's authority to this Committee to ensure effective delivery of the Board's responsibilities as the governing body and employer of the police service;

Now therefore the Board enacts as follows:

#### 1.0 Definitions

- 1.1 In this By-Law:
  - a. "Act" means the Community Safety and Policing Act, S.O. 2019 c.1, Sched. 1
  - b. "Board" means the Kingston Police Service Board, acting in its capacity as a Board established under the Act and continued under any successor legislation;
  - c. "Committee" means the Policy and By-Law Committee established under this by-law;
  - d. "Police Service" means the Kingston Police.

# 2.0 Purpose:

- 2.1 The purpose of the Committee is to:
  - a. support the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities through the development, review and revision of policies and by-laws;
  - b. Ensure compliance with the Act, related regulations and other applicate legislation;
  - c. Facilitate effective governance of the Police Service by developing policies that guide operations, enhance accountability and address community safety needs.

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## 3.0 Composition

- 3.1 In accordance with s. 42(3) of the Act, the Committee shall be composed of not less than two members of the Board and shall be supported by staff and/or counsel as required.
- 3.2 The Board Chair may be a member of the Committee if they choose to serve and shall be counted for quorum purposes and entitled to vote.
- 3.3 The Committee, with the approval of the Board, may add any additional members, as long as the majority of the committee is composed of members of the Board.
- 3.4 Any additional member of the Committee, that is not a member of the Board, must meet the eligibility criteria set established in s. 42(5) of the Act (must be eligible to be a Board Member) and s. 35(2) (mandatory training for Board and Committee Members).
- 3.5 The Committee may invite members of the Police Service or other external parties to provide subject matter expertise to enable the Committee to make informed decisions.

#### 4.0 Quorum

4.1 Quorum shall be a majority of the Board Members on the Committee present art the meeting.

## 5.0 Authority

- 5.1 The Committee shall have the authority to:
  - a. review existing Board policies and by-laws and recommend updates or revisions;
  - b. draft new policies and by-laws for Board consideration;
  - c. ensure that policies and by-laws align with the requirements of the Act and other relevant regulations;
  - d. engage external experts or legal counsel as necessary, within the limits of the Board's approved budget.
  - e. report recommendations, policies and by-laws to the Board for approval.

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## 6.0 Reporting Requirements

- 6.1 The Committee shall report to the Board at least quarterly, or as directed by the Board Chair.
- 6.2 All Committee recommendations shall be documented in writing and submitted to the Board for review and approval.

## 7.0 Effective Date

7.1 This By-law is hereby enacted by the Kingston Police Service Board on this 19th day of December, 2024 and shall take effect immediately upon its passing. (Resolution 24-81)

Chair

Board Administrator