

# The Corporation of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie

# Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: October 15, 2024

Subject: SRFIN.24.15 - 2025 Budget Items

Report from: David Munro, Interim Treasurer

Appendices: OPP 2025 Annual Billing Letter for Municipalities EN

OPP 2025 Arran-Elderslie Billing Statement

2025 Budget Timeline - Revised

### **Recommendation**

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

1. Acknowledge receipt of 2025 OPP billing correspondence;

2. Accept the revised 2025 Budget Schedule.

# **Report Summary**

The 2025 annual bill from the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has increased significantly and will result in larger than expected tax increase in the 2025 budget.

The 2025 Budget Timeline has been revised and the only change is the 2025 Budget Public meeting is now scheduled for Tuesday November 12, 2024, 4pm – 6pm.

### **Background**

The original budget schedule presented on June 10, 2024, Council meeting, had the public meeting on November 13, 2024.

#### **Analysis**

Every year, around this time the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) send out their next year's estimated bill to the municipalities it serves. For 2025, there is a significant increase of \$217,647 vs last year. This equates to a tax increase of just over 3% for OPP alone.

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>\$ increase</u>	<u>% increase</u>
Annual bill	\$1,327,734	\$1,163,788	\$163,946	14%
Previous year adjustment	\$62,225	\$8,524	\$53,701	630%
Total	\$1,389,958	\$1,172,312	\$217,647	19%

From the municipalities we have heard from, the Treasurers/CAO's are all surprised at this substantial increase, and it equates to a 3% (or more for some municipalities) tax increase.

We will learn more from an upcoming OPP webinar. For now, we wanted Council to be aware that this significant increase will affect 2025 budget.

## Link to Strategic/Master Plan

6.4 Leading Financial Management

# Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

An increase in the OPP bill for 2025 of \$217,647 will result in a 3% tax increase for the OPP alone.

The 2025 Budget Public meeting is an important step in building the 2025 Budget.

Approved by: Emily Dance, Chief Administrative Officer