



EDMONTON POLICE SERVICE



REPORT TO THE EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION

DATE: 2011-June-9

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for the Period Ending April 30, 2011

RECOMMENDATION:

That the monthly report for the period ending April 30, 2011 be received for information.

INTRODUCTION:

This report provides current and projected year end financial performance information for the Edmonton Police Service (EPS) for the period ending April 30, 2011.

COMMENTS / DISCUSSION:

Results

The results for the period ending April 30, 2011 indicate a net surplus position of \$1.2 million or 1.5% mainly due to the under spend and timing of non-personnel costs (\$1.1 million), an under spend in personnel costs (\$1.1 million) offset by a deficit in revenue (\$1.0 million).

The main cause of the under budget position in non-personnel costs is due to the timing of purchases and it is expected that these budgets will be fully utilized during the year.

The variance in personnel costs is primarily due to the Service being under strength at the beginning of the year. In light of the current attrition projections, this position is expected to continue for several months until a revised recruiting schedule brings us close to full strength by year-end.

The variance in revenue relates to a decrease in towing activity, the delay in filling the new traffic squad, a number of secondment vacancies and the cancellation of four secondment initiatives.

CONCLUSION:

Based on the results to the end of April and the explanations above, the year end forecast indicates that EPS will be under budget by approximately \$0.3 million.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ATTACHED:

Attachments

- I Budget Variance by Major Category of Revenue & Expenditures

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Budget Variance by Major Category of Revenues & Expenditures
For the Period Ending April 30, 2011
(\$000's)

	Current Period				2010 Year to Date				2011 Year to Date				Year End Forecast			
	Budget	Actual	Var	%	Budget	Actual	Var	%	Budget	Actual	Var	%	Budget	Projected	Var	%
Revenue																
Traffic Safety Act (Note 1)	\$ 1,131	\$ 1,000	\$ (131)	-11.6%	\$ 3,605	\$ 3,648	\$ 43	1.2%	\$ 3,866	\$ 3,680	\$ (186)	-4.8%	\$ 12,158	\$ 11,908	\$ (250)	-2.1%
Transfer to COE General Revenues	-	-	-		-	(43)	(43)		-	-	-		-	-	-	
Provincial Grants (Note 2)	-	-	-		4,326	4,326	-	0.0%	5,189	5,189	-	0.0%	23,194	23,194	-	0.0%
Other (Note 3)	2,125	1,832	(293)	-13.8%	7,556	8,206	650	8.6%	9,235	8,377	(858)	-9.3%	26,867	26,194	(673)	-2.5%
Total Revenue	3,256	2,832	(424)	-13.0%	15,487	16,137	650	4.2%	18,290	17,246	(1,044)	-5.7%	62,219	61,296	(923)	-1.5%
Expenditures																
Personnel																
Salary and benefits (Note 4)	20,076	19,534	542	2.7%	74,224	75,099	(875)	-1.2%	79,534	78,251	1,283	1.6%	234,862	231,060	3,802	1.6%
EPS Overtime (Note 5a)	599	622	(23)	-3.8%	2,340	2,174	166	7.1%	2,347	2,418	(71)	-3.0%	8,591	8,813	(222)	-2.6%
External Overtime (Note 5b)	25	53	(28)	-112.0%	-	-	-		100	182	(82)	-82.0%	299	609	(310)	-103.7%
	20,700	20,209	491	2.4%	76,564	77,273	(709)	-0.9%	81,981	80,851	1,130	1.4%	243,752	240,482	3,270	1.3%
Non-Personnel																
Furniture, equipment, IT, materials and supplies (Note 6)	667	835	(168)	-25.2%	3,363	2,553	810	24.1%	4,377	3,803	574	13.1%	11,326	11,625	(299)	-2.6%
Contracts and services (Note 7)	1,456	1,228	228	15.7%	6,066	5,378	688	11.3%	5,706	5,177	529	9.3%	20,806	21,233	(427)	-2.1%
Vehicles (Note 8)	536	549	(13)	-2.4%	1,968	2,079	(111)	-5.6%	2,128	2,306	(178)	-8.4%	6,926	7,530	(604)	-8.7%
Facilities (Note 9)	1,130	1,039	91	8.1%	4,347	4,444	(97)	-2.2%	4,468	4,382	86	1.9%	13,980	14,163	(183)	-1.3%
Other (Note 10)	131	145	(14)	-10.7%	(255)	(444)	189	-74.1%	466	357	109	23.4%	2,881	2,925	(44)	-1.5%
	3,920	3,796	124	3.2%	15,489	14,010	1,479	9.5%	17,145	16,025	1,120	6.5%	55,919	57,476	(1,557)	-2.8%
Total Expenditures (Note 11)	24,620	24,005	615	2.5%	92,053	91,283	770	0.8%	99,126	96,876	2,250	2.3%	299,671	297,958	1,713	0.6%
Position before Adjustments	21,364	21,173	191	0.9%	76,566	75,146	1,420	1.9%	80,836	79,630	1,206	1.5%	237,452	236,662	790	0.3%
Tangible Capital Assets Budget adjustment													4,841	5,361	(520)	-10.7%
Net Position	\$ 21,364	\$ 21,173	\$ 191	0.9%	\$ 76,566	\$ 75,146	\$ 1,420	1.9%	\$ 80,836	\$ 79,630	\$ 1,206	1.5%	\$ 242,293	\$ 242,023	\$ 270	-10.4%

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Explanation of Variances by Major Category of Expenditures and Revenues - Notes

For the Period Ended April 30th 2011**1. Traffic Safety Act (TSA) Revenue**

Year to Date – Under budget. The delay in filling the new traffic squad is negatively impacting results.

Forecast – Revenue is expected to be under budget due to the new traffic squad not being operational until later in the fiscal year.

2. Provincial Grants

Year to Date – Grant receipts are consistent with budget.

Forecast – Same as for year to date.

3. Other Revenue

Year to Date – A decrease in towing activity has resulted in a projected reduction in recovery and disposal revenue which is offset by reduced contract and services costs. A number of secondment vacancies and the cancellation of four secondment initiatives have reduced the revenue. This is partially offset by increased overtime and leased vehicle costs associated with ALERT.

Forecast – A storage rate increase of \$2 per day will reduce the revenue shortfall in the Police Seized Vehicle lot.

4. Salary and Benefits

Year to date – Under budget due to being under strength at the beginning of the year, higher than expected attrition, and a \$277k favourable variance in Court costs. These savings are partially offset by a \$535k overspend in Statutory holiday pay. Also, a refund of \$405k related to 2010 premiums, was received from the Workers' Compensation Board.

Forecast – Same as for year to date.

The sworn member attrition position for the first four months of the year is:

Attrition	April	April YTD	Full Year
Original Projection	4	16	48
Actual & Updated Projection	4	20	60

As of May 12, seven sworn members have tendered their resignation and twenty one announced their retirement for an attrition total of twenty eight. Of these, twenty were no longer on the payroll as of April 30, 2011.

5a. EPS Overtime

Year to date – Slightly over budget.

Forecast – Over budget for EPS only overtime, largely the result of the continued costs associated with the start up and operations of the Information Management and Approval Center (IMAC) and the increased number of homicides to date. An additional \$75k has been committed to an overtime initiative concerning the downtown entertainment district.

5b. External Overtime

Year to date – Slightly over budget.

- ALERT \$74k
- Other \$ 8k

Forecast – Over budget due to projected overtime incurred for ALERT which is offset by increased revenue.

6. Furniture, Equipment, IT, Materials and Supplies

Year to date – Under budget predominantly due to the timing of Telecomm and IT purchases.

Forecast – Over budget due to the purchase of equipment, funded from under spends in other budget headings including Salaries and Contracts and Services.

7. Contracts & Services

Year to date – Under budget related to timing issues, notably in Human Resources, Community Police Bureau, and the Operational Support division. Decreased towing costs which are offset by a reduction in revenue, are also contributing to the under spend.

Forecast – Several areas' budgets will be used to offset furniture and equipment purchases.

8. Vehicle Costs

Year To date – Over budget due to ALERT vehicle lease costs which are offset by increased revenue.

Forecast – Same as year to date.

9. Facilities

Year to Date – Slightly under budget.

Forecast – Over budget due to an anticipated increase in natural gas and rent costs.

10. Other Costs

Year to Date – Under budget related to the timing of training expenses, notably in Human Resources, the Operational Support Division, and the Specialized Investigation Division.

Forecast – Slightly over budget.

11. Accruals

The total Operating non-personnel accruals for April amounts to \$2.2 million (rounded).