



## **The Winnipeg Police Board Initiates Search for New Chief of Police**

The Winnipeg Police Board has formed a Police Chief Recruitment Committee to assist in the selection process of the next Chief of the Winnipeg Police Service. The recruitment of the next Chief marks a significant opportunity for the city to shape the future of community safety for the next generation.

Winnipeg Police Chief Danny Smyth advised the Board that he plans to retire from the Winnipeg Police Service on September 3, 2024. Since 2016, Chief Smyth has served with distinction and dedication as Chief of the Winnipeg Police Service. He is a valued and respected leader in Canadian policing. The Winnipeg Police Board would like to extend their congratulations to Chief Smyth on his pending retirement and thank him for over 37 years of public service and care for the community.

The Board will be launching a procurement process through the City of Winnipeg to retain an independent professional firm to conduct the search for the next Chief of Police. The Winnipeg Police Board will be hosting consultations with the community, stakeholders and members of the service to ensure that there is an opportunity for all to provide valuable insight. The community is encouraged to provide their suggestions on leadership qualities, management skills and characteristics necessary to inform the profile of the position to the Winnipeg Police Board via the contact page on its website at: [www.winnipegpoliceboard.ca](http://www.winnipegpoliceboard.ca) or email at [wpb@winnipeg.ca](mailto:wpb@winnipeg.ca)

Markus Chambers, Board Chair, said, "The Winnipeg Police Board is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of our community. We are seeking a dynamic and experienced leader to join us in upholding the needs, values and expectations of Winnipeg residents and to inspire our dedicated team of law enforcement professionals to continue to innovate and create partnerships with the community".

The Winnipeg Police Board will accept delegations at its meeting on March 8, 2024 and written comments until March 15, 2024.

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