

June 15, 2020

The Honourable Mike Farnworth Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General Parliament Buildings Victoria, BC V8V 2C2

## **Re: Police Act Modernization**

Dear Minister Farnworth,

On behalf of the Union of B.C. Municipalities (UBCM), I write to you regarding the provincial government's work to modernize the *Police Act*, and in particular the process that will be undertaken to accomplish this task. I am requesting that UBCM be included in the all-party committee that you intend to convene.

As you are aware, local governments play a vital role in policing throughout our province. UBCM and the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General have a history of productive collaboration on relevant policing issues, many of them addressed through the Local Government Contract Management Committee.

It is appreciated that the all-party committee anticipates engaging with communities as your Ministry works to modernize the *Police Act*. It is our belief that the inclusion of UBCM, the common voice for B.C. local governments, can enhance the work of this committee.

I thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Maja Tait UBCM President

**cc:** Brenda Butterworth-Carr, Assistant Deputy Minister and Director of Police Services, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General