

Have your say on recent changes to police governance

Alberta Public Security and Emergency Services (PSES) invites municipalities to share feedback on changes to police governance following recent legislative amendments to the *Police Act*.

The *Police Amendment Act* was passed in December 2022 with the intent of improving police accountability and enhancing public confidence in policing. The act also responds to a long-standing desire in communities policed by the RCMP to have a more formal role in setting local policing priorities and performance goals through the creation of civilian governance bodies.

The provincial government is now in the process of developing regulations to establish the following civilian governance bodies – specifically, municipal policing committees and a Provincial Police Advisory Board. Municipalities are asked to provide input into the formation of these governance bodies, including their powers, duties, functions, and composition, as well as how regions will be defined for communities that will fall under a regional policing committee.

Written responses can be submitted through an [online questionnaire](#). **The submission deadline is March 15, 2024.**

Webinars – Online information sessions on recent changes to police governance

Alberta Public Security and Emergency Services (PSES) is conducting a series of online information sessions about recent changes to police governance between Jan. 26 and Feb. 7, 2024. Please register for a session that corresponds to the district in which your community is located.

MPSA communities with populations under 15,000

- South district – Information session on regional policing committees
 - January 26, 10-11:30 a.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- Central district – Information session on regional policing committees
 - January 26, 2-3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- East district – Information session on regional policing committees
 - January 29, 2-3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- West district – Information session on regional policing committees
 - January 30, 10-11:30 a.m.
 - [Register here](#)

MPSA communities with populations over 15,000 (Register for only one session)

- Information session for Municipal Policing Committees #1
 - January 25, 2-3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- Information session for Municipal Policing Committees #2
 - February 7, 10-11:30 a.m.
 - [Register here](#)

PPSA communities:

- South district – Information session on the Provincial Police Advisory Board
 - February 2, 2-3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- Central district – Information session on the Provincial Police Advisory Board
 - February 5, 2-3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)

- East district – Information session on the Provincial Police Advisory Board
 - February 6, 10-11:30 a.m.
 - [Register here](#)
- West district – Information session on the Provincial Police Advisory Board
 - February 6, 2-3:30 p.m.
 - [Register here](#)

Contact Izabela Witkowska, PSES's Director of Engagement, at PSES.Engagement@gov.ab.ca if you have any questions.

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