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To: "Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"
Date: 9/22/2023 4:04:41 PM
Subject: Line-of-Duty Death of RCMP Member

Dear Mayor and Council,

Further to the email I sent a few minutes ago, I'm forwarding more information that was just shared by Chief Palmer.

Thanks,

Karen

From: PALMER, Adam <adam.palmer@vpd.ca>
Sent: Friday, September 22, 2023 4:01 PM
To: Mochrie, Paul <Paul.Mochrie@vancouver.ca>; Levitt, Karen <karen.levitt@vancouver.ca>; Amrolia, Armin <Armin.Amrolia@vancouver.ca>
Subject: FW: Line-of-Duty Death of RCMP Member

Paul, Karen & Armin,

Please feel free to share my message to all VPD members with City Council and SLT.

Thank you,

Adam

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From: PALMER, Adam <adam.palmer@vpd.ca>
Sent: Friday, September 22, 2023 3:58 PM
To: VPD All Sworn Staff - DL VPD All Civilian Staff - DL
Subject: Line-of-Duty Death of RCMP Member

Good afternoon,

It is with a heavy heart that I update you on today's tragic RCMP line-of-duty death.

Earlier this morning, members from the Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment were executing a warrant in Coquitlam when shots were fired. Although there is limited information I can share at this stage, what I can tell you is that during the operation one RCMP officer sustained fatal injuries and two other officers were injured and are being treated in hospital. The suspect was taken into custody.

I have been in contact with RCMP Commissioner Mike Duheme, Deputy Commissioner Dwayne McDonald and Assistant Commissioner Maureen Levy to express our heartfelt condolences and let them know that VPD will assist the RCMP with anything they need. When we learned of this incident, we immediately sent VPD officers from our ERT and Metro Units to Coquitlam to assist. We will be there for the RCMP in any way possible

going forward, including operational, investigative or HR/CISM/Peer Support assistance that may be required.

We will keep these members, their families and friends, and our RCMP brothers and sisters in our hearts as they work through this heartbreaking tragedy.

Our flags will be lowered to half-mast and condolence books will be placed in the elevator lobbies of Cambie, Graveley and the Annex. Please take a moment to sign one of these books as they will be merged into one book and forwarded to the RCMP for the officer's family.

Funeral details will be provided as soon as they become available. This is a somber start to the weekend of the BC Law Enforcement Memorial as many of us will gather in Victoria to honour officers who have paid the ultimate sacrifice while serving their community. Please know that we continue to have resources in place to support you during this time. For any VPD members who feel they are in need of support and wish to speak with someone, our CISM and Peer Support experts will be available to assist:

- 24-hr CISM/Peer Support: 604-353-3709
- Sgt. Dave Moe: 604-404-9303
- Cst. Terri-Lynn Clyde: 604-354-9744
- Cst. Michele McKnight: 778-227-0789
- Amanda Vetter (Civilian CISM): 604-349-5713

As we mourn the loss of our RCMP brother, I think of our own VPD members and police officers across Canada who leave their families every day to bravely serve our communities across this great country. Anytime a police officer dies it strikes us to the core – a tragic loss such as this hits even closer to home and will have an impact on all of us and our families. Tears will be shed as we process this tragedy. It is important that we look after ourselves and one another as we navigate these challenging and emotional times. I am very proud of you all and thank you for your professional service, bravery and personal sacrifice as you work hard every day to keep Vancouver safe.

May our Brother Rest in Peace and never be forgotten...

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