

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **SUZANNE VALIQUET RE-APPOINTED TO POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

Board member Suzanne Valiquet, first appointed to the Police Services Board in February of 2015, has been re-appointed for a further three year term by Order-in-Council of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. Her term now expires on 18 May 2020.

“The Board is very happy to have Suzanne continue for another term. Her enthusiasm, knowledge, and commitment makes our Board stronger. She also offers a unique and valuable perspective as the only woman and francophone on the Board,” stated Chair Eli El-Chantiry.

“Actively involved in the Board’s committees, I have in the last two years acquired significant experience that will allow me to be more engaged in important Ottawa Police files such as the Gender and Diversity Audits,” stated Member Valiquet. “I am honoured to have been re-appointed for another 3-year term to serve the residents of our City.”

A graduate of social communications, Suzanne has worked her entire career in Canada's Capital in both private and public sectors. For more than 20 years, she has voluntarily provided marketing, promotional and fundraising expertise to organizations such as the Wabano Centre, Assumption Catholic School, the Vanier Community and the Ottawa-Carleton Catholic School Board. Her unique approach to social marketing has resulted in award-winning campaigns such as Composting Spread it Around and Landfill the Musical while working for the former Region of Ottawa-Carleton.

In 2000, Suzanne started her own consultancy offering services in planning and communications, and worked on several City of Ottawa landmark projects such as the Opening of the Bytown Bridges with Governor General Adrienne Clarkson, the King Edward Avenue Renewal Project and the Rapid Transit Expansion Study. Suzanne is well known in Ottawa’s business community as she served as Board Director and as the Executive Director of the Quartier Vanier Business Improvement Area for more than 10 years. She was responsible for its recruitment strategy, safety, beautification and marketing programs.

Her firm was commissioned to assist in the opening of the Canadian Museum of Nature, the Montfort Hospital Redevelopment Project, and the public consultation for the redevelopment of the former Rockcliffe Airbase, a Canada Lands Company project.

Suzanne also worked as A/Director of the ACFO d’Ottawa, *l’Association des communautés francophones d’Ottawa*, a not for profit organization, committed to the enrichment of *la Francophonie* in the City of Ottawa.

*The Ottawa Police Services Board is the civilian body responsible for governing the Ottawa Police Service. It is responsible for ensuring the provision of adequate and effective police services to the residents of the City of Ottawa.*

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