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Cancellation of Regular Meeting February 28; Special Meeting to be held February 24

(Ottawa) – The Ottawa Police Services Board will be cancelling its regular meeting on Monday, February 28, and holding a special public meeting this Thursday, February 24 at 9 am, to receive a briefing from the Ottawa Police Service on its ongoing operational response to end the unlawful protests in Ottawa. The special meeting will be an opportunity for the Board, and the public, to receive an update before the weekend.

The meeting will be held over Zoom and media and the public can watch the meeting at the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82770566704>

As announced last week, there were a number of changes to the Board's membership. A seventh member is expected to be appointed by City Council. Over the coming days and weeks, the new Board members will be receiving orientation and briefings on their new roles, in order to ensure they have the necessary information to fulfill their oversight and governance responsibilities.

For nearly four weeks, the Ottawa Police Service has been focused on the planning, preparation, and execution of its response to end the illegal occupation of Ottawa. The cancellation of the regular meeting will allow the Service to continue to focus on the ongoing operations and resume its regular reporting to the Board in March.

The next regular meeting of the Board will take place on Monday, March 28, 2022.

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

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