



# Procurement Policy

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## Purpose:

To ensure the EPS conducts procurement in an open, fair and transparent manner. This policy and associated procedures will outline the relevant considerations and requirements by which the EPS conducts procurement activities. The policy and associated procedures will ensure effective, streamlined and flexible procurement processes in order to equip the EPS with the capabilities to carry out its responsibilities and objectives and do so by implementing a consistent approach to procurement processes across the EPS.

## Statement of Principle:

Consistent with the City's procurement policies and procedures, the EPS will conduct procurement in an open, fair and transparent manner that achieves the best balance between value, effectiveness and which supports the EPS, EPC, and general local provincial and national policing, public safety and community objectives. The EPS is accountable for ensuring the integrity and responsiveness of the procurement process, and is committed to all stakeholders, including the public and the supplier/vendor community.

## Policy Statement:

The EPS has the delegated authority over procurement as specified under the Police Commission Bylaw 14040 and the City Administration Bylaw 16620. As a law enforcement agency, the EPS has requirements for specialized procurement of technical equipment, as required by law, or recognized as a law enforcement standard. The EPS also requires targeted and accelerated procurement capabilities to fulfill and support law enforcement arrangements, projects or missions. In these circumstances, the EPS will conduct procurement considering issues of police effectiveness, timeliness, public and officer safety, risk, legality, as well as specific technical requirements of the goods or services.