

## New head for Penticton RCMP appointed

(Penticton, BC – October, 27, 2023) – Inspector Beth McAndie is taking over the reins of the Penticton RCMP.

“Inspector McAndie is an exceptional leader to take on the role as the incoming Officer in Charge of the Penticton South Okanagan Similkameen Regional Detachment,” says Chief Superintendent Brad Haugli, Commander of the RCMP’s Southeast District. “She has much experience in policing throughout this diverse province and certainly understands the challenges and opportunities within the larger region. I am confident she is the right fit and will continue to focus on the initiatives that are important for our communities.”

Inspector McAndie currently serves as the Investigative Services Officer within Kelowna RCMP, a position she has held since 2021. Prior to this, she was an Inspector within Surrey RCMP’s Major Crimes Unit, starting in this role in November of 2018. She’s been a serving officer for 26 years.

“We’ve been focused on creating a safer and more resilient community and the RCMP has played a leading role in those efforts,” says City manager Anthony Haddad. “Having someone with her depth of experience and understanding of the challenges we face is invaluable as we tackle the issues in front of us. We’re very much looking forward to working with Inspector McAndie and her team to build an even stronger Penticton.”

Already a resident of the Okanagan area, Inspector McAndie is excited to share the experience of being the new Officer in Charge with her husband and two children.

“Our family has always enjoyed spending time and enjoying the great outdoors in the Penticton South Okanagan Similkameen region,” she says. “We are very excited to become engaged in the vibrant community, taking in all that the city and region has to offer, the amazing people, and strong community groups that contribute to what makes this city so attractive. I am looking forward to working with our Penticton South Okanagan Similkameen RCMP team and community partners to continue to collaborate in addressing our region’s priorities.”

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