

**INDEPENDENT STREET CHECK REVIEW**

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JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

5 My name is Jodie-Lynn Waddilove. I am legal  
counsel with the Independent Street Checks review.  
I'm here tonight to serve as the facilitator for  
10 tonight's public meeting. Tonight is our eighth  
public session, it's the 8 out of 12 sessions that  
we will be hosting across this Province. Before we  
begin I'd like to acknowledge the traditional  
15 territory upon which we are gathered here tonight  
if you don't know this the traditional territory of  
different first nations the Anishanabek or in  
English the Ojibway, the Whodanoshine, or in  
20 English Iroquois and the Huron Wendat. By  
recognizing the traditional territory of the first  
nations peoples of this country we're respecting  
and acknowledging their contribution, their  
25 presence and their ongoing future in this country.  
This land is covered by Upper Canada Treaties. And  
as Canada moves forward it is important that we not

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5 only learn and acknowledge this history, but that  
we repeat it for younger generations.

10 So I'm here tonight to introduce the Honourable  
Justice Michael Tulloch who is a Judge from the  
Court of Appeal, which for those who are not in the  
legal profession, is the highest court in the  
Province. Justice Tulloch was appointed in June of  
15 2017 to be the Independent Reviewer for the  
Independent Street checks Review. Prior to this  
appointment Justice Tulloch was the Independent  
Reviewer for the independent police oversight  
20 review. So during our meeting tonight justice  
tulloch, it's important to understand that Justice  
Tulloch and our team and the work that we are doing  
is independent of police and of government. And  
25 tonight we're here to hear from you the community,  
you the public here in Markham about your thoughts  
on street checks and the related interactions with  
police. But before we get any further in tonights  
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5 program I'm going to introduce The Honourable  
Justice Tulloch. Thank you. (Applause)

JUSTICE MICHAEL TULLOCH:

10 Okay, thank you Jodie-Lynn. Good evening ladies  
and gentleman. Mayor. And Police Services Board  
remember services that are here as well as all the  
other citizens of Markham. I want to thank you and  
welcome you to this evenings session. As indicated  
15 by my counsel Jodie-Lynn, I'm here this evening in  
the capacity of an Independent Reviewer of new  
regulations passed by Ontario government in 2016  
which was put in place to regulate the police  
20 practice of street checks, and more specifically it  
was intended to limit or ban the arbitrary  
interaction of police officers interaction with  
members of the public for the sole purpose of  
25 collecting their personal identifying information.  
Now I am an Independent Reviewer, which means my  
position is independent of the government as well  
as independent of the police as indicated by Jodie-

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Lynn. I will be reviewing the content of the regulation to see whether it reflects the important goal of ensuring bias-free police community interactions, as well that police and public information are consistent and conducted in a way that promotes public trust and confidence while at the same time respecting individual rights and civil liberties. I will also be reviewing the regulation with a view to determine whether or not police services, the Chiefs of Police as well as Police Services Board are in compliance with the terms of the regulation and are following it. Now I will be conducting a very comprehensive review of this regulation, and in order to do so I put together a team of experts, lawyers and other experts to assist me in this regard, some of whom are here this evening. Just as a background I want you to know that since September we have been engaged in a very extensive consultation process throughout the Province, and as Jodie-Lynn has

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5 indicated we have now embarked on our public  
consultations. Tonights consultations marks the  
8 of 12 public consultations throughout the  
Province of Ontario. We have another four left.  
10 We'll be going to, over the next couple of weeks  
we'll be going to Sudbury, Ottawa, Windsor and  
London. Now I intend to draw in what I have  
learned and what I am learning from these  
15 consultations to formulate a report with  
recommendations which will be submitted to the  
Ontario Government no later than November 30, 2018.  
20 And as I understand it from the terms of reference  
of the mandate that was given the government will  
then be obliged to release this report no later  
than January 1, 2019. Now as indicated, by way of  
25 background the regulation is intended to govern the  
police public interactions. And it is triggered  
when the police is seeking to obtain a persons  
identify identification in situations where there  
is not a legal statutory obligation which obliges a  
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5 citizen to provide the names, or their names or  
identification to the police. And situations of  
that are, for example, you know, stops under the  
Highway Traffic Act if you're stopped by the police  
10 for a Highway traffic Act infraction, you are  
obliged to provide your identifying information;  
your drivers licence and any other, like ownership  
of the, and insurance, if requested to do so. If  
15 you're trespassing in private property the police  
have a right to ask you for your personal  
information, and you're also obliged to provide it.  
If you're being arrested for any kind of criminal  
20 offence the common law requires as well as the  
Criminal Code that you provide your personal  
information to the police. Right now in situations  
where the police don't have reasonable and probable  
25 grounds to arrest you and there's no statutory  
legal authority to compel you to provide your  
personal legal, your personal identifying  
30 information, the police may ask you for your

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information and an interaction in a conversation.  
5 In those circumstances the regulation are triggered  
and you're not obliged to provide your personal  
information unless you want to do so. Now the  
10 regulation outlines what an officer must do if, in  
those circumstances they ask for your  
identification. Now the regulation is not intended  
to stop the police from speaking with the public  
nor the public from speaking with the police. The  
15 regulation is intended to stop the police from  
randomly and arbitrarily collecting personal  
information from members of the public who they  
speak with. The regulation also provides  
20 information and guidelines on the storage of these  
information. As well it provides the mandatory  
training for police officers on the new rules. It  
25 also provides for the development of policies and  
procedures by police services as well as police  
services boards. And it also outlines the  
30 procedures for the public reporting requirements by

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5 police services on the collection of personal  
identifying information. Now with that background  
in mind I look forward to this evenings  
10 conversation. I ask that you be candid, and feel  
free to discuss the issues with your table. I'm  
gonna, you know, defer to Prasna who will set out  
for you the procedures of tonight consultation.  
15 But I just want to emphasize at this juncture that,  
you know, whatever you say will be taken very  
seriously by me and will be considered in my  
deliberations in the report that I will be writing.  
20 And your concerns, your insights, your suggestions  
will be reflected in the report. So again I thank  
you. I was here about two years ago, or almost a  
year and a half ago on my last review and I can say  
25 that this particular region was very very helpful  
in being engaged and engaging us. And the report  
on civilian oversight of policing was certainly  
reflective of your input. And so I want to, I'm  
30 looking forward again this evening for your

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5 continued input and your thoughtfulness in  
addressing some of these issues. Thanks.

((Applause))

PRASANA RAGANATHAN

10 Good evening everyone. My name is Prasana  
Raganathan. I'm legal counsel to Justice Tulloch  
on the Independent Street Checks Review. (french  
translation)

15 Good evening everyone. As I mentioned, if you're  
in need of interpretation equipment for  
simultaneous interpretation in french please feel  
20 free to use the headsets at the back of the room.  
They also help amplify the sound in the microphone,  
so if you require them for ease of hearing they're  
also available for that purpose. So we encourage  
25 you to use them. So I won't keep you much longer  
before you start your group discussions. Justice  
Tulloch has already outlined the purpose of the  
30 regulation and the review that will be undertaking

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5 across the Province. This is one of 12 public consultations. This is actually number eight, we have four more after this. And the next four are actually in Windsor, London, Ottawa and Sudbury. So that is, this slide here refers to the community survey. So in addition to these public consultations and community meetings and outreach that Justice Tulloch outlined we also have community surveys. On our website which is street checks review.ca. This pop up will come up immediately upon visiting the website and we would encourage you to fill out the survey which asks you questions about your interaction in the context of street checks, also known as "carding". We'd also encourage you to share the survey with your friends and relatives so that they can provide feedback as well. 10 15 20 25 30 The widest cross section possible of information will help Justice Tulloch as he undertakes the review of the material presented and makes recommendations. So as we mentioned the

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5 goal of today's meeting is to gather views on  
street checks in order to determine three things.  
First, whether the practice is still ongoing. The  
impact of the practice on individuals and  
10 communities. And the effect and impact of the new  
regulation on police public interaction and public  
safety.

15 The review is not actually meant, the purpose of  
tonight discussions are not actually meant to  
discuss individual cases or individual experiences  
with street checks or "carding." While we  
encourage you to explore these individual  
20 experiences at your table during the break out  
discussions, the review is not a place that we can  
address individual cases or answer specific  
questions. The purpose of tonight is to gather  
25 your views on the practice so th at they can inform  
us going forward in the development of  
recommendations. The agenda tonight is three fold.  
So, as soon as I get off this stage and you can  
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5 begin your work, we will move into the round table  
discussion portion of the evening. That will last  
from about now I would say until 7:30. You will  
notice on your table that there are three documents  
10 at each place setting. One is the Engagement Guide  
which outlines the terms of reference for the  
review, has a brief snapshot of what the regulation  
is about and includes the discussion questions.  
15 There's a separate sheet that's just called the  
Public Consultation questionnaires. And the third  
document is a copy of the regulation. Now the  
Public Consultation questionnaire has 20 questions  
20 on it. The questions are meant to guide your  
discussions, they're organized under topic  
headings. And that's just meant to help you go  
through them, talk about them as a table. You're  
25 not required to answer every question. You may  
feel that certain questions you don't have  
particular issues that you want to raise or things  
you want to discuss, but they're meant to guide you  
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5 through it. So feel free to use them as a way to  
guide your conversations. Now we would encourage  
you at each of your tables to have one person who  
will take notes. There's note pads on the table  
with pens for everyone, but we would encourage you  
10 to designate one person to take notes, and then one  
person to report back to the group. So once the  
round table portion of the evening is done we will  
come back into a big session where at each table  
15 one person will be asked to present a summary of  
the discussion of their group. Each table will be  
given about five minutes to present a summary of  
the discussion. So you'll want to highlight major  
20 themes, major points, any recommendations you have  
in that five minutes. So please take detailed  
notes. At the end of the night if you felt like  
25 you haven't said everything that was on your  
notepad, we will be collecting all of the notes and  
be sure that they will be filed and kept  
30 appropriately so that we can consider the full

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5 spectrum of what you've included. And so in  
addition, this is the last slide, we're on social  
media. So these are all of our various handlers;  
Face book, Twitter and Instagram, primarily being  
10 the one. Streetchecksreview.ca is our website and  
the email address is at the bottom. If there are  
things you would would like the review to know  
about your experiences with street checks or  
"carding", your views on the regulation, its impact  
15 or any recommendations that you have from your  
experiences feel free to email us at  
[info@streetchecksreview.ca](mailto:info@streetchecksreview.ca) with that information  
20 and we'll be sure that that's compiled and  
considered in the development of the report.

25 Finally, you will notice that myself and a a few of  
my colleagues will be around the room taking photos  
and live tweeting the event. We are live right now  
on Face book, live. The cameras at the back with  
30 Dillon, he's just waving there. And so if you

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5 would like not to be on screen, that's totally  
fine. Just note where the camera is and sort of  
step out of the view of it. The other option is,  
if you see me, if you see me taking photos on my  
10 phone it is for Instagram or Twitter. If you don't  
want to be in the photo in any capacity just tell  
me and I'll move on along. No problem at all.  
It's not an issue.

15 So with that I will encourage you to get into  
groups. If there are people at tables where there  
are only one or two people I encourage you to join  
20 a table that has a few seats. The more of you that  
are at the table I think it would be more vibrant  
and interesting discussions. Again, figure out who  
your note taker is, go through the questions and we  
25 will come back at 7:30 for a report back. Thank  
you so much.

30 Sorry. And the last thing I want to highlight is

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5 that you will notice we are taking notes and  
Justice Tulloch will be taking detailed notes  
during the report back. We won't be attributing  
them to anyone in particular, they will just be  
10 general comments. So you do not have to worry if  
you would like your comments to remain anonymous.  
Thank you.

15 AT THIS TIME ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS TAKE PLACE

JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

20 You don't have to go question by question. So you  
don't have to read the question, just give us your  
feedback on which the main points that your groups  
want to report back and discuss. So it's a summary  
25 of your tables discussions. So as the first group  
goes and we move to the next tables, if they've  
made a point you don't have to repeat it, add your  
new points as the discussion goes.  
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UNIDENTIFIED MALE:

5 Can you guys hear me? Okay. So with in our group  
we looked at, some of the questions we were  
explaining some of our own experiences. So, what  
10 we came up with for example, some of us had  
experienced "carding" directly and also through the  
experiences of our friends and also stories that we  
heard too as well. We also explored the many  
15 reasons as to why cardings occurring. And a lot of  
people had really really great points here. I wish  
they can speak too as well with regard to some of  
the points that they came up with. But my buddy  
20 here to as well came up with a really good point in  
terms of being able to implement, cops should be  
able to practice a protocol when addressing, or  
when you're interacting with people and when  
25 they're stopping them, right. So for example  
police should be able to implement, so they should  
be able to state their badge number or be able to  
30 explain to the people who they're stopping their

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5 rights on the street every time. So yeah like I  
was saying before just being able to implement a  
strategy where they're able to let the people who  
they stop of their badge number. Or let them know  
10 of their rights. Further information to help the  
people who are getting stopped to as well, a lot of  
times what we explained here at our table  
especially my personal experience is that the  
15 police don't know how to interact with who they're  
stopping correctly, or you know it's very  
disrespectful. It comes off as, it comes off as  
very threatening and you know that loses trust for,  
20 you know, people like myself or other people that  
fits my demographic too. (Do you want to explain  
that?) laughing.

25 UNIDENTIFIED MALE:

The biggest consensus that we came to at our table  
is that there's a power imbalance when the police,  
30 when there's an interaction with people on the

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5 street and police. Because many people don't know  
their rights and under this new legislation they  
have a right to walk away if they're not being  
investigated for anything. But the majority of  
10 people don't know that, so our table said that one  
of the things that police should do when they're  
interacting with the public is if they want to have  
a conversation they come up to them and explain why  
they want to speak to them, identify who they are  
15 and let them know that they don't have to speak to  
them if they don't want to. So people, so  
everybody is on a level playing field. They know  
20 exactly what they can do and what they can say.  
And then people can make the decision on if they  
want to have that conversation with the police.  
And, but again, you know, if they've done something  
25 incorrect or broken the law that doesn't apply. We  
all realize that. (What's the other point?)

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JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

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Is there anything else from the group that you'd like to make before we pass it on to the second table?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE:

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We had lots of things. So I will say that we weren't able to go through the listing as well, as quickly as we thought we might have. Or maybe you guys, thought we might have been able to. But what was really powerful is the fact that our stories are similar yet different. And they just ring true. They ring true. They ring true as a mother, as a black woman, you know seeing, we grew up with these things. So it's something that impacts us consistently. But as we were saying, and I think one of the biggest take aways from this is possibly having a SOP, standard operating procedure. When you stop somebody, especially somebody of colour, cause you're gonna say all lives matter. But especially when they're of colour then there's a

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5 certain way to approach it. Then at the end of the  
day we all deserve respect, and at the end of the  
day even if somebody, we talked about, somebody  
could be having mental health issues. So you know  
10 how do you approach them? Do you just, you know,  
do you just react because of the way they're  
reacting to you. You have to have some kind of  
semblance of empathy within you. And one of the  
15 other things we spoke about was maybe police should  
be checked, not checked by themselves, but checked.  
There should be some sort of system. Just like I  
have to be responsible to tell my son, this is what  
20 you need to do when a police stops you. I have to  
carry that burden. I have to carry that, I live  
with that every single day. It's not like every  
other day, kind of once a week. It's every day.  
25 And he has to live with that. So the burden now  
becomes mine. It shouldn't be mine. At the end of  
the day it is. But it should not be. The burden  
should be the police to make sure that they're  
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5 monitoring their people, having them go through  
their own, you know, some sort of checks;  
Psychology evaluations. Also work shops and  
10 seminars for empathy. That's important because as  
a people we have to take care of ourselves. We  
have to ourselves, you know, keep reinventing  
ourselves and doing courses and you know, how do  
we, you know, I'm under stress. What's the best way  
15 to relieve stress. We all have to do it. So,  
everybody else should do it too, right. Especially  
when you have power over people it's important. So  
those are some of the takeaways from our group. We  
20 had great conversation. But those are some of the  
takeaways that we took.

JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

25 Thank you very much.

So we're trying to give each table fair time. To  
make a summary of their points. So we're gonna ask  
30 about three to five minutes per table.

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UNIDENTIFIED MALE:

5                                    Good evening everyone.

Our table focussed on a number of issues that relate to us as the public having the information that we need in order to engage in these interactions with police officers and come out of it without being scared. So one of the key things that we discussed around the table was how would we be aware of our rights and what mechanisms are there in place to get this legislation down to us so that we are aware of what our rights are. That seems to be a problem in this system at present because some of us, as you know we were looking at what has been implemented since January 1<sup>st</sup> and around our table this was a lot of new knowledge for us. So some of the suggestions that we made was that there has to be some place in the system where this information is mandatorily injected into it so that persons can be aware of what their rights are. Some of the suggestions that were made was maybe this is something that needs to happen at a high school level, especially in certain communities. We were made aware of an example up in Thunder Bay where First Nations childrens are given cards to carry around in their wallet which inform them of what

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5 their rights are when they interact with the police  
officers. Another thing that we looked at was  
there are places where when we have to interact on  
a civil level, like at election time and so forth,  
10 or even the renewal of a driver's licence or a  
renewal of a health card where the government will  
send us information, right. And perhaps this type  
of information needs to be sent out to some  
15 communities that are deemed as high target  
communities when it comes to this type of issue.  
Another thing that we talked about was what should  
we expect from police officers when we are engaged  
20 in this type of interaction. And here's some of  
the ideas that we came up with. We said that the  
police officers should have to give us some form of  
ID. A number of people at our table have been  
25 carded without receiving the receipt. So how do  
you respond to that? So we're saying that the  
first step in an interaction is that the police  
officer gives us their business card in the event  
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5 that we have to follow up and receipt was not  
issued. We should have the right to ask what the  
reason for the stop is without feeling intimidated.  
The treatment needs to be consistent, right. If  
10 you're a member of a minority community you  
shouldn't be treated differently. So what are the  
code of ethics governing and what are the actions  
being taken as it relates to training police  
15 officers when it comes to racial sensitivity. That  
is something that we should be aware of. Many of  
us watch television and we know that some of the  
injustices in the police system in the United  
20 States would not have been uncovered if persons did  
not have their cameras with them. So it should not  
be against the law for a person to record their  
interaction with a police officer if the police  
25 officer has nothing to hide. If he's operating and  
acting above board then it should be recorded  
because we have see how these recordings have made  
a lot of difference in the lives of certain  
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5 communities and things that were going on for  
donkey ages are now coming to light, and people are  
saying you know what, this has been happening for a  
long time. It's just now that we have the  
10 technology for you to see it. So those  
interactions should be, we should be able to record  
this interactions. I'll stop at this last point.  
What creates accountability as it relates to  
training? Because this is an issue that came up on  
15 the paper under the last section on page one. All  
police officers in Ontario were required to be  
trained on the new legislation, etcetera. Item 13.  
We're saying training is only effective if there is  
20 follow up and accountability. So I've been  
trained, but what is there in the system that says  
I'm following the training that I've been given.  
25 And if I'm not following the training what is the  
repercution on my part as a professional police  
officer. So those are what we would like to add.

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5 I'm sure that others will contribute to the  
dialogue as we go through the evening.

(Applause)

JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

Thank you very much.

10 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE:

15 Okay. So our table group had similar points that  
were discussed at the other two just now. And I  
guess what we also talked about really was the fact  
that this new regulation appears to just be new  
packaging for old behaviour. It's really just a  
20 new way of doing the same thing, not much  
different. And so if the purpose of "carding" is  
to, for the police to engage in question in  
suspicious behaviour or potentially criminal  
behaviour, if the way in which we know that our  
25 society continues to see black bodies as  
potentially suspects and criminals, then police are  
gonna do the same thing. So unless the police are  
gonna go through a particular training that  
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5 disrupts what exists in the larger society it also  
enters into the policing, then the behaviour is not  
going to change, right, because it's two fold. So  
lots of people are talking about training, however,  
10 if the police are doing the training with their own  
thinking and their own ideology of how they engage  
in interactions then again that is not gonna be any  
different. They're gonna continue to do the same  
things. So, there's even a question with regard to  
15 the training. And it also presupposes that we are  
agreeing with the regulation, right. So many of the  
questions basically the notion of the receipt on is  
saying that we're agreeing with the regulation.  
20 So, if we're agreeing with the regulation what's  
getting the receipt and all those things, it  
doesn't matter, right. The other piece around that  
piece that if they're going to still continue with  
25 the regulation and so forth, what happens to the  
information? So if I have been given a receipt  
then that means information has been collected  
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5 about me, correct? So where's that information  
going? How is that information being used? How  
long is that information going to be in whatever  
10 data base, and do I know what it is that that  
information says about me? Do I get a copy of that  
information that is in that data base? So yes  
there may be a receipt and that's a good thing,  
however, I want to know what that information is  
15 and how that is being used and what access do I  
have with regards to that information. And can I  
challenge what's in there and what it says about  
me. The other thing is also about this notion of,  
20 you know, how police officers behave and so forth.  
But who's doing the monitoring of the polices  
behaviour and the way in which they're going to be  
engaging with the public because we also know that  
25 many of the complaints they often don't go  
anywhere. So we talk about you know, it's great to  
have cameras and all those kinds of things so we  
30 can actually see when police do behave in egregious

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behaviour, but we also know what the outcome of  
those egregious behaviour are, right. We have  
camera footage of people getting shot and killed  
etcetera. And what happens to the police? So I'm  
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not saying that we shouldn't have that, but I'm  
just saying even when we do the outcome of that  
information is still not used to be able to support  
the public in ensuring that justice has occurred.  
And the other piece is just, oh I think I already  
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talked about the notion of how long the information  
is used. And the other piece is, is "carding"  
beneficial? And I would say it's not beneficial.  
If a particular group of people are being over  
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represented in the way in which a particular  
activity is being conducted, that's harmful, how  
can that be beneficial? How can that be  
beneficial? And we know that the behaviours in  
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which people are experiencing that behaviour can be  
very traumatic and negative. So how can that be  
beneficial? (Applause)

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JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE

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Thank you. Next table.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE:

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Good evening. To piggy back on your point, nice to see you Camille. Who does it benefit, right? Who does "carding" benefit? And our table spoke to racialized communities being low hanging fruit.

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And low hanging fruit allows a system to benefit from skewing numbers to build business cases, for funding a system that can oppress and intimidate racialized or marginalised communities. (Applause)

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Thank you. So, I would need to see statistics. I am no scholar in this to see whether carding has had a fundamental, you know, reduction in all crime, in all demographic of our communities for me to buy

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into it. Number two. When we are speaking about, or when I reflect on any relationship, whether it's a marriage or the relationship with my child, you know, if every relationship ended in happily ever

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after in utopia there wouldn't be the divorce rates

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5 that we have, and breakups, single parenthood and  
what not. Same goes to say with the spirit, I  
think, in which "carding" was invented. So in a  
10 Utopian society, in a perfect world, "carding" and  
the spirit of it would be used to build this  
relationship where we can communicate and we've got  
a nice partnership between community and officers  
of the law. Unfortunately, we are fallible  
15 including our police officers; hence this laundry  
list of issues and scenarios in which they can not  
and should not, and should not have been, but still  
do act upon today. And then there's this out  
20 clause, these bunch of out clauses that we noted at  
the bottom of this material that allows them to say  
you know, I gots to run. There's a cat in a tree,  
I've to got to run today, so I can't give you your  
25 receipt today sir. I gots to go. That's what  
these out clauses are. I mean I'm being fascisous  
here. But there are some out clauses here that  
don't force them to be accountable to this.  
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5 Education and communication. I think education  
should start at the elementary school level quite  
frankly if you want to build a culture and a  
community where police, and you can shrink that  
power dynamic that my brother was speaking about  
10 here because our childrens, at least my child was  
taught by the time he was nine, guess what son at  
some point you're going to be stopped by a police  
officer because of the colour of your skin. So we  
15 have been teaching our kids in a spirt of fear as  
opposed to cooperation and that they are there to  
serve and protect us. And of course we do need law  
and order in any society. So we do need them. But  
20 we've been coming at this in fear and in some  
communities as on of my colleagues here was saying,  
you don't want to snitch. And you don't want to  
cooperate cause you don't know what information  
25 they're going to store on you at some point and  
hold against you if they catch you for something  
else or plant on you. So there's this, big trust  
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5 issues. How can you bridge that trust? Maybe this  
is something that is taught incrementally  
throughout the life cycle of our students. Because  
10 if all I'm teaching my kid is to how to not get  
stopped by police because you're black and how to  
obey and shut your mouth so that you come home  
safely to me and don't get shot in the back for  
15 having a bag of skittles in your hand, right, then  
we don't build the community that we're looking for  
here, right. We don't build cooperation. We don't  
build the society that the spirit of this was  
intended for, okay. This should be, I should know  
20 this before today. I should know this without  
listening to boring news talk 1010 radio and listen  
to Desmond Cole every now and then speak to it.  
This should be on our bus shelters. This should be  
25 on our TTC's, on our Viva Transit. This should be  
in my mailbox. This should be on posters, at  
Markville. This should be in the curriculum, okay.  
And this is how we're going to, generationally, we  
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5 want to make generational change. I don't want to  
be pacified with this, okay. And, sorry, because  
it is, these out clauses really quite frankly  
offended me. I understand why, you know, there's  
10 some cute examples of why they might not target me  
because of my race. But we all know it happens.  
And again human nature, and we're also fighting  
society. It is not just police that look upon us  
as if we are less than or as if our lives don't  
15 matter. I look at the media. I look at fashion  
magazines. I look at what I see in television. We  
have a society all around the globe that, so it's  
no wonder that the people in power have this  
20 similar mind set and use the control and power  
dynamics to effect our communities the way they  
have. (Applause)

25 JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

Thank you. Table five.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE:

30 I have to say that after the sister spoke I don't,

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5 we don't have much to say. (Laughter and applause)  
it seems as though you were eavesdropping at our  
table, everything. You just nailed it. So I'll  
try to find some of the things that weren't said.  
10 Very little. But I'll try. Yeah, you said that  
about black youth. About skin colour, you said  
that. Wow. Accountability. You said that. I'm  
trying to find some space here. So one of the  
things that we noted at this table is that there  
15 are places in the world like England, France,  
Japan, those places where police have interaction,  
because we went through this whole thing about  
targeting vulnerable groups and like we spoke about  
20 people with mental health issues and we noted that  
there are places where police do not need guns to  
interact with them and solve those problems. So we  
think one of the problems too, when you talk about  
25 carding, is that we should be disarming the police.  
You know like in certain jurisdictions, like in  
England I understand that like the police to carry  
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5 guns you would have to have some sort of special  
authorization. So if you have a situation where  
you need to use a gun you get authorization to use  
a gun. I think we need to have that in place. The  
10 other thing about it is, we can talk about training  
until next year, it's not gonna work unless we have  
accountability. And I'm saying, even though you  
charge \$20 for every mistake, you know, so the guy,  
he knows okay I just gave away \$20. I think he'll,  
15 another pizza, no, no, no. charge them something,  
make them have some sort of mindfulness of their  
action because it seems as though, it's just like a  
go through for them, you know. There's nothing to  
20 worry about, you know, so why bother. You know  
what I mean? We talk about the training, those  
things are good things, without accountability.  
Without some sort of things to keep you aware and  
25 mindful. You know it's just gonna be a joke. We,  
our lives are not a joke. And another thing we  
were talking about is, we were talking about

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5 another reason we shouldn't have carding is, and I  
have witnessed those things by myself. As a matter  
of fact, my interaction with police came about  
because of my involvement helping black youth at  
Jane and Finch, right. During my summer when I  
10 have vacation I go to help the kids, you know, play  
games with them, read with them, you know, do  
things with them, right. It started off in CW  
Jeffries, there was a program I used to volunteer  
15 in. And then summer comes along and then kids  
don't have anything to do and then I find myself,  
we doing things and had kids growing up and I bring  
my kids too and we get involved. And I have  
20 witnessed cops interacting with 17 year olds, 16  
year olds, and stepping on their feet, and that's  
how you get the reaction. Because if you step on a  
teenagers foot he's gonna push you off, right. And  
25 that's where the assault charge comes in, right.  
So we need to, there are a lot of things we need to  
look at, right. But if you are serious, right, if  
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5 you're really serious we not gonna have any carding  
cause that's where the problem. That is it, okay.  
You can't make this look pretty, you can put all  
kind of lipsticks and that still gonna be whatever  
10 it is. And I don't want to be disrespectful for  
that three letter animal because I think sometimes,  
you know. I won't even go there. Okay. Let me  
just see if I find one more thing that you didn't  
say. Oh my goodness. I'll say well said. Thanks.

15 (Applause)

JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

20 Thank you. Thank you very much. Is that if for  
the-oh, we have a gentleman in the middle if we  
could get the mike back.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE:

Okay, so I have three minutes. So real quick.

25 JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE:

30 There's obviously an epidemic going around of

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5 police officers abusing their power and you never  
know who's gonna do it until it's already done. So  
I've always said for the longest time that if we  
took all the different police officers that have  
done something that they shouldn't have done and  
gone and looked at their entry test into the  
10 academy and then found the common denominator in  
every single one of those persons tests and then  
use that as a guide of people to not hire as  
15 policeman, just something to think about. They  
don't have, do they have the test, I'm pretty sure  
they don't.

20 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE:

(Indiscernible)

UNIDENTIFIED MALE:

25 They keep track. Another thing I was gonna say is  
turquoise lives matter. What does that make you  
think of? When I say turquoise lives matter, what  
does that make you think of? Take me seriously.  
30 Turquoise lives matter. You don't take me

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5 seriously, right. Turquoise. Turquoise. The  
colour turquoise. So you guys are like what?  
Turquoise, turquoise, yeah, no it's a colour. It's  
turquoise dam it, it's turquoise. Okay. So  
10 where's the country black? Where's the country  
blackistan. We're all here talking about you have  
to know the law, know the law. One of the things  
that we have to do as well is knowing knowledge of  
15 self. There's no country called black. When you  
look up black in law it means nothing. So we're  
here identifying saying black lives matter. Look  
my shirt is black. Not one person in here is the  
20 colour of my shirt. Statistically yeah there might  
be a few people on this planet with skin this  
colour, but they don't call themselves black and  
they don't identify with a country called black.  
25 When you identify with a colour instead of a  
country you're waiving your rights. Why do you  
think Michael Jackson said "I'm not gonna spend  
myself being a colour." Think about that. Good  
30 night. (Applause)

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JODIE-LYNN WADDILOVE:

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                  comments and sharing your stories at your table and  
                  reporting them back. We will take your written  
10                  comments. Again I'm gonna refer you to our social  
                  media accounts and our website. If there's  
                  anything further you wish to add to the discussion  
                  or the dialogues tonight, there are different ways  
                  where you can contact us to follow up and provide  
15                  those comments. Before we close for the evening  
                  I'm gonna let Justice Tulloch make some final and  
                  closing remarks.

20 JUSTICE MICHAEL TULLOCH:

                  Okay, I want to thank you Jodie-Lynn and thanks to  
                  each and everyone of you that are here this  
                  evening, each of you that have participated in this  
25                  discussion. Like I said before it's very very  
                  important to us to have your views. I can indicate  
                  that I listened very carefully and I made notation  
                  of each and everything, each and every point that  
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5 you have made. And your comments and your  
thoughtfulness and your insights will definitely be  
reflected upon by myself, and it will definitely  
inform the ultimate report that we put together at  
10 the end of this consultation process. So again I  
want to thank you again for taking the time to join  
us. I know it's a sacrifice of your evening. But  
these are important issues and I think it's also a  
part of the public education process, right. And I  
15 think that is critically important because one of  
the salient things that we realize throughout this  
process is the lack of knowledge of this  
regulation. And we talk about "carding", but not  
20 many people actually understand what the issues are  
surrounding carding or these particular  
regulations. So I think it's important for us to  
engage in this discussion for us to understand  
25 these issues and for you to understand what your  
rights are, right because unless you understand  
what your rights are then, you know, like one of  
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5 your, one of the person says you can't have any  
real accountability or we can't be truly  
responsible in making sure that the police respect  
our rights. So I think this entire process is  
10 important and so I commend each and every one of  
you for coming out and for taking the time to sit  
and seriously go through these processes. The  
system is not perfect, right. But unless we as  
15 people, as citizens engage in this process, then  
you're never gonna change it. And that's the  
reality. And these issues are not new, they've  
been going on for a very long time. And frankly  
20 you know what, the law is also there and the  
regulation is to a large extent a codification of  
what the law is. But before this regulation we  
know that police periodically and systematically  
25 would engage in a practice of arbitrarily stopping  
and questioning people without people understanding  
what their rights are. And even some the police  
themselves didn't understand what their limitations  
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were. So I think that this is critically  
important. And so I encourage you to continue this  
engagement, you know, as I continue to do the work  
that I do. Thank you. (Applause)

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