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7	DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
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9	COMMUNITY MEETING
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11	Thursday, December 5, 2019
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13	3:00 p.m.
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15	7th Precinct
16	St. John's Presbyterian Church
17	1961 East Lafayette Street
18	Detroit, Michigan 48207
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3	LISA CARTER, Commissioner (Dist. 6), Chairperson
4	WILLIE BELL, Commissioner (Dist. 4)
5	ANNIE HOLT, Commissioner At-Large
6	WILLIAM M. DAVIS, Commissioner (Dist. 7)
7	ELIZABETH BROOKS, Commissioner At-Large
8	WILLIE BURTON, Commissioner (Dist. 5)
9	EVA GARZA DEWAELSCHE, Commissioner At-Large
10	EVETTE GRIFFIE, Commissioner (Dist. 2)
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12	ROBERT BROWN, Executive Manager
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14	REPRESENTING OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE:
15	DEPUTY CHIEF ELAINE BRYANT
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- December 5, 2019 2.

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5 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Good afternoon.

Welcome to the weekly board of police commissioners 6

7 meeting. My name is Lisa Carter, and I represent

District 6. I serve as chair of the board and will be 8

9 conducting our meeting today. On behalf of the board,

10 for those of you in attendance, thank you for joining

11 For the people viewing the meeting on the

12 government cable channel, thank you for viewing our

13 meeting.

> Before starting with my report and business of the board, I want to remind each board member and the audience of the final arrangements associated with Officer Rasheen McClain, Badge No. 3520. Viewing is scheduled for today, December 5th, 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at Fisher Funeral Home & Cremation Services located at 24501 Five Mile Road in Redford Township, Michigan. The funeral is scheduled for Friday, December 6, 2019. The family hour is at 10:00 a.m., and the funeral will begin at 11:00 a.m. at Greater Grace Temple located at 23500 West Seven Mile in Detroit, Michigan.

- 1 At this time I'm going to ask that we have
- 2 a moment of silence and recognition of Corporal
- 3 McClain.
- 4 (Moment of silence observed at 3:01 p.m.)
- 5 Thank you. On behalf of the board, I want
- 6 to also wish Officer Phillippe Batoum-Bisse,
- 7 Badge No. 118, a speedy recovery from his gunshot
- 8 wounds. Our prayers are with both families and the
- 9 department's rank and file as we collectively work
- 10 through this difficult time.
- 11 Today we have invited Chaplain Grady to
- 12 provide the invocation.
- 13 (Invocation given at 3:02 p.m.)
- 14 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.
- Thank you, commissioners.
- 16 At this time we're going to have
- 17 introductions beginning with Commissioner Davis on the
- 18 end there.
- 19 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Good afternoon.
- 20 Commissioner William Davis, District 7.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BROOKS: Good afternoon.
- 22 Elizabeth Brooks, at-large.
- 23 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Good afternoon.
- 24 Eva Garza Dewaelsche, at-large and vice chair.
- 25 COMMISSIONER BELL: Willie Bell,



- 1 District 4.
- 2 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you,
- 3 commissioners.
- Do we have a quorum? We do not have a
- 5 quorum. Okay. Ms. Holt is coming.
- Good afternoon, Commissioner Holt. Thank
- 7 you for joining us.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Good afternoon. Sorry
- 9 for my tardiness.
- 10 COMMISSIONER CARTER: No problem.
- 11 At this time, we do have a quorum.
- 12 Commissioners, you have before you the agenda for
- 13 today, December 5th --
- 14 COMMISSIONER BELL: So moved.
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: -- 2019.
- 16 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 17 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 18 supported that we approve the agenda for
- 19 December 5th, 2019. Is there any discussion? Those
- 20 in favor?
- 21 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 22 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 23 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Opposed.
- 24 COMMISSIONER CARTER: The motion carries.
- Commissioners, at this time, you have



- 1 before you the minutes from November 21, 2019. Is
- 2 there a motion for approval?
- 3 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: So moved.
- 4 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Second.
- 5 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 6 supported that we approve the minutes from
- 7 November 21, 2019. Is there any discussion? Those in
- 8 favor?
- 9 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 10 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 11 motion carries.
- 12 At this time I'm going to go to Mr. Wyrick.
- Mr. Wyrick, would you please introduce the
- 14 staff?
- MR. WYRICK: My name is Jermaine Wyrick.
- 16 I'm the board attorney. To my right is Mr. Robert
- 17 Brown, and then we'll go to the first row with the
- 18 staff.
- 19 MS. BLOSSOM: Good afternoon. Teresa
- 20 Blossom, police community relations.
- DR. ANDERSON: Dr. Anderson, director of
- 22 police HR.
- DR. MCCALISTER: Good afternoon.
- 24 THE BOARD: Good afternoon.
- DR. MCCALISTER: My name is Polly



- 1 McCalister, and attending today's meeting is
- 2 Supervising Investigator Cromwell, Senior Investigator
- 3 Jones, Investigator Callaway, and Investigator
- 4 Washington.
- 5 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you, ma'am.
- At this time, sitting in for the chief is
- 7 Commander -- I'm sorry. Let me get it right -- Deputy
- 8 Chief Bryant.
- 9 Thank you, ma'am, for joining us. I don't
- 10 think I've ever had you in the seat before; so --
- 11 DC BRYANT: First time.
- 12 COMMISSIONER CARTER: First time. There
- 13 you go. See? Thank you for joining us.
- DC BRYANT: Thank you.
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: If you have any staff
- 16 that you'd like to introduce, please do.
- DC BRYANT: Absolutely. So with me, I have
- 18 Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson.
- 19 DC WILSON: Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson,
- 20 detective bureau.
- 21 DC BRYANT: I'll just let them introduce
- 22 themselves.
- DC BETTISON: Deputy Chief Todd Bettison,
- 24 chief neighborhood liaison.
- 25 COMMANDER SZILAGY: Commander Darin



- 1 Szilagy, metropolitan division.
- 2 COMMANDER STEWART: Tiffany Stewart,
- 3 commander of major crimes.
- 4 CAPTAIN PARNELL: Jonathan Parnell,
- 5 captain, homicide.
- 6 MR. WILSON: (Indiscernible) Wilson,
- 7 planning, research, and deployment.
- 8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible.)
- 9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Stacey (inaudible),
- 10 captain, special victims unit.
- 11 LIEUTENANT YOUNG: Lieutenant Mark Young,
- 12 president of the Lieutenants & Sergeants Association.
- 13 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you all for
- 14 joining us. And Commissioner Griffie has joined us.
- Thank you, ma'am.
- 16 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Thank you.
- 17 COMMISSIONER CARTER: At this time if there
- 18 are any elected officials or VIPs or civic leaders or
- 19 their representatives, please stand now and give your
- 20 name for the record.
- 21 MR. RECORD: Hello. My name is Jerome
- 22 Record from the office of counsel and (inaudible).
- 23 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.
- 24 At this time we're going to go -- move to
- 25 my report. And, on behalf of the board, I want to



- 1 express our concern and support for fallen and injured
- 2 officers and their families. Again, we remind --
- 3 we're reminded by the recent deaths of Corporal Bryant
- 4 Lavant and Police Officer Rasheen McClain. Our
- 5 concerns for officers' safety and citizen protection
- 6 is ranked as two of the most important priorities of
- 7 the board. Our board receives a weekly report from
- 8 the department listing injured officers. I would ask
- 9 that --
- 10 Deputy Chief Bryant, during your remarks,
- 11 please provide us with any additional information
- 12 related to injured and fallen officers.
- The board of police commissioners meets
- 14 every week except for Thanksgiving and Christmas
- 15 holiday periods. We meet at police headquarters three
- 16 weeks in the month on Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. We also
- 17 meet in the community every second Thursday of the
- 18 month at 6:30 p.m. Under the Detroit City Charter,
- 19 Article 7, Chapter 8, the board of police
- 20 commissioners is empowered to provide civilian
- 21 oversight and supervisory control of the police
- 22 department. Our board investigates noncriminal
- 23 citizens' complaints, monitors the department for
- 24 compliance with all laws, and reviews and modify
- 25 police policy to eliminate misconduct, discriminatory



- 1 police practices, and unnecessary use of force by
- 2 police.
- As a civilian oversight agency, we protect
- 4 the rights of citizens. Our objective is to increase
- 5 the quality of life for residents and visitors to
- 6 Detroit. I want to point to several items for your
- 7 consideration and information. December 12, 2019, is
- 8 the last date scheduled for the board to meet this
- 9 calendar year. We are scheduled to return to our
- 10 normal business on Thursday, January 9, 2020. The
- 11 board of police commissioners will not meet on
- 12 December 16th; December 23rd, 2019; and
- 13 January 2, 2020, because of our observance of the
- 14 Christmas and New Year holidays.
- I want to remind the board that on Monday,
- 16 December 9, 2019, the Michigan Municipal League will
- 17 provide the board with training on parliamentary
- 18 procedures in the Open Meetings Act. The training
- 19 session will begin at 6:00 p.m. and is expected to
- 20 conclude at 9:00 p.m. The training session will take
- 21 place in our conference room. If you are not able to
- 22 attend, please contact Attorney Wyrick. The training
- 23 will have new information, and it will also confirm
- 24 that many of our current practices are within the
- 25 meaning and spirit of the Open Meetings Act.



- 1 Today's agenda does not have any formal
- 2 presentations from the department to the board. The
- 3 board has received several communications. Please see
- 4 the list of items listed on the report from the
- 5 secretary on your agenda. You have in your board
- 6 packet the agenda, minutes, and various informational
- 7 reports.
- Please note that a copy of the recent
- 9 arbitration award associated with DPOA Grievance
- 10 19-044 was e-mailed to each board member last Friday.
- 11 The arbitration awarded promotions of 15 DPOA members
- 12 to the rank of sergeant under the order of Arbitrator
- 13 George Roumell. Under unfinished business we have
- 14 eight policy reports from our policy division.
- 15 Executive Manager Melanie White will be making the
- 16 presentations, and I would request a vote on each
- 17 policy recommendation immediately following each
- 18 individual policy presentation.
- In general, I hope to move the five sets of
- 20 policy recommendations to the attention of the
- 21 department and three sets of policy recommendations to
- 22 final vote for inclusion into the police manual. Also
- 23 in your board packet is the facial recognition report,
- No. 5, on the use of facial recognition technology
- 25 from the chief of police. Finally, I will be asking



- 1 the board to go into closed session for one personnel
- 2 item. Please note that both the subject of the closed
- 3 meeting act -- I mean the closed session -- has
- 4 requested a closed session under the Open Meetings
- 5 Act.
- 6 Accordingly, I have adjusted the flow of
- 7 the agenda to follow public comments before we go into
- 8 closed session. Under the chief's report, I am
- 9 requesting an update on citywide crime statistics and
- 10 any critical issues facing the police department.
- 11 Again, please note I have adjusted the flow of the
- 12 meeting to allow for public comments in advance of the
- 13 closed session. Under the Open Meetings Act, we
- 14 should have any votes on the matters in the closed
- 15 sessions. We will reconvene to the regular meeting to
- 16 take any voting items in open public view.
- Toward the midpoint of the meeting, we will
- 18 have public comments. Please make sure you print your
- 19 name on a speaker's card. Cards are located on the
- 20 back table, or you can obtain one by seeing Mr. Brown,
- 21 who is seated up here in the front. He will need your
- 22 card by the end of the chief of police record. We
- 23 will hold each speaker to the allotted two minutes. I
- 24 ask that everyone place their cell phones or -- and
- 25 other electronic devices on vibrate to make sure that



- 1 they are not interrupting the meeting.
- 2 As a final matter, I would like to
- 3 encourage cooperation and order at our meetings. We
- 4 have discussed this in the past and the need to treat
- 5 each other with respect and to control our behavior
- 6 within the limits of professionalism. Commissioners
- 7 do not have the floor and should not speak until they
- 8 are recognized by the chair. I am asking
- 9 commissioners to restrict their comments to issues
- 10 that are relevant to the agenda and to be brief so
- 11 that we have ample time for public comments.
- For the attending audience, please note
- there is a time on the agenda for citizen output,
- 14 input, and feedback. My objective today is to run an
- orderly meeting, including public comments and closed
- 16 session, and have us out of the meeting by 5:00 p.m.
- 17 At this time we will have the chief of police report
- 18 by Deputy Chief Bryant.
- 19 Thank you, ma'am. Oh, and before you
- 20 start, I'd like to recognize Commissioner Willie
- 21 Burton, who came in sometime during my comments.
- 22 Thank you.
- DC BRYANT: Madam chair.
- 24 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Yes.
- DC BRYANT: So as it relates to Part 1



- 1 Crime, we are up in criminal homicide 7.5 percent. We
- 2 are down .2 percent for sexual assault. We are down
- 3 4.8 percent for aggravated assaults. We are up 5.4
- 4 percent for nonfatal shootings, up 1.6 percent for
- 5 robberies, down 24.2 percent for carjackings, and
- 6 overall for Part 1 Crimes, we are down 3.2 percent.
- 7 As it relates to property crimes, for
- 8 burglaries we are down 8.9 percent; larcenies, we are
- 9 down 2.9 percent; auto thefts, we are up 5.1 percent.
- 10 And so overall we have a reduction of 2.7 percent as
- 11 it relates to property crimes.
- 12 For our fallen officers or critically
- injured officers -- as you know, we have several that
- 14 are on this list -- Officer Waldace Johnson still
- 15 is -- remains in the treatment center he is in.
- 16 There's no change in his condition at this time.
- 17 Officer Christopher Thurston, assigned to the
- 18 3rd Precinct, was injured in a motor vehicle accident.
- 19 He is still off on disabled status. He had surgery
- 20 this past October, so he should be reporting back to
- 21 medical to see what his condition will be, if he will
- 22 be able to return.
- Officer (inaudible), assigned to the 8th
- 24 Precinct, was injured during a foot pursuit. He is
- 25 still off on disabled status. He's expected to report



- 1 back to medical so we can see where he is with his
- 2 treatment. Officer Bob Painter, assigned to the 3rd
- 3 Precinct, was injured in an altercation on duty that
- 4 resulted in critical injuries. He's still off,
- 5 disabled. Police Officer Robert (indiscernible) was
- 6 also involved in an altercation on duty that resulted
- 7 in critical injuries. He's off, disabled.
- 8 Police Officer Dattahn Wade was involved in
- 9 a motor vehicle collision while he was working. He
- 10 was T-boned by a suspect who disregarded a stop sign.
- 11 He's still off, disabled, and recovering from his
- 12 injury. And, as you know, Police Officer Phillippe
- 13 Batoum-Bisse was injured when Corporal McClain
- 14 unfortunately lost his life. So he did have another
- 15 surgery, and he is recovering at Sinai-Grace Hospital.
- 16 He's in good spirits, so we are very grateful for all
- 17 the prayers and the well-wishes that are coming his
- 18 way.
- 19 Sergeant Kevin Jackson, assigned to the
- 20 10th Precinct -- he was also injured when he was
- 21 struck by a female driver. He is recovering from his
- 22 injuries. He sustained some serious injuries to his
- 23 head, neck, and back, but he is recovering at home.
- 24 As far as -- we've already covered the funeral
- 25 arrangements that are coming up for Corporal McClain,



- 1 which are tomorrow, family hour starting at 10:00
- 2 a.m. at Greater Grace, and the funeral will follow at
- 3 11:00 a.m. So that's all I have at this time.
- 4 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you, ma'am.
- 5 Any questions for the deputy chief?
- 6 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: I have a --
- 7 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Commissioner Davis.
- 8 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Is there any other
- 9 additional word -- I know the chief -- I heard him
- 10 indicate that somebody forged his signature or signed
- 11 his name. Any updates on that?
- 12 DC BRYANT: So that investigation is still
- ongoing at this time. We don't have any updates.
- 14 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: And what are the
- 15 consequences of somebody forging his signature?
- DC BRYANT: Well, if, in fact, we are able
- 17 to determine that there was some misconduct,
- 18 obviously, there's going to be some sort of a -- if
- 19 that person is still here with us, there's going to be
- 20 some sort of discipline that will be vetted out. I
- 21 can't tell you at this time what that would be or
- 22 where the investigation is going.
- 23 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Okay.
- 24 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.
- 25 Anything else, commissioners?



- 1 COMMISSIONER BELL: Yes, ma'am, Madam
- 2 Chair.
- I just want to commend the sergeant, the
- 4 lieutenant, and the officer that appeared on Let It
- 5 Rip last night. They did an excellent job. Maybe you
- 6 might want to cite the proper name. But I thought
- 7 they did an excellent job along with the retired
- 8 officer who was shot in the line of duty. That was
- 9 good dialogue with the Let It Rip format, and I
- 10 appreciate that. Thank you.
- 11 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.
- 12 And, once again, our hearts and prayers go
- out to the families, the DPD family, as you start this
- 14 journey. That list is long, and it's -- I'm sorry.
- 15 The list is long, and it just needs stop. It just
- 16 needs -- the violence just needs to stop. Things are
- 17 just so unnecessary.
- 18 At this time we're going to move on. The
- 19 report from the board secretary you see,
- 20 commissioners, you have the communications that have
- 21 been submitted to the BOPC. That includes the BOPC
- 22 budget hearing with the budget director that will take
- 23 place on January 12, 2020; the facial recognition
- 24 report; the arbitration report; opinion and award of
- 25 the DPOA Grievance 19-044; three proposed directives



- 1 that include custodial questioning, Policy No. 203.9;
- 2 the LGBTQ, Policy No. 102.9; the vehicular pursuit
- 3 303.2; and then we have the communications from the
- 4 chief of police regarding the recommendations to
- 5 promote to the rank of lieutenant for lieutenants and
- 6 16 sergeants at this time.
- 7 We will go right into unfinished business.
- 8 We will have a presentation by policy director --
- 9 Policy Manager Ms. White.
- 10 MS. WHITE: Good afternoon, honorable board
- of police commissioners. I am Melanie White,
- 12 executive manager of policy, and today I'm providing
- an update to the policy presentation that I presented
- 14 back in October of 2019 on various policy directives
- 15 that you've heard mentioned earlier. The two main
- 16 objectives for the honorable board today are as
- 17 follows: requesting -- we are requesting a vote on
- 18 policy recommendations to the five policy directives,
- 19 and those directives are as follows: again, mobile
- 20 fingerprint reader, which is a new policy,
- 21 mobilization, revised policy, driver's license and
- 22 permits, revised policy crime scene investigation, and
- 23 telephone crime reporting unit, which are both revised
- 24 policies. So, again, we're requesting a vote on
- 25 policy recommendations to those policy directives.



- 1 The second objective is that we are
- 2 requesting a vote on final policies transmitted from
- 3 the department that include the board's initial policy
- 4 recommendations, and we're requesting the board's
- 5 final approval for inclusion to the department manual
- 6 directive system.
- 7 Just to provide some information for the
- 8 audience, for the viewing audience, and just for
- 9 informational purposes, the board of police
- 10 commissioners' charter-mandated authority comes from
- 11 City Charter Article 7, Chapter 8, that says that the
- 12 board shall, in consultation with the chief of police,
- 13 establish police policies and procedures with the
- 14 approval of the mayor of the City of Detroit. And so,
- 15 again, that's where the board's authority is coming
- 16 from.
- In keeping with the board's authority, the
- 18 board looks to national best practices that include
- 19 but are not limited to the following -- and you should
- 20 have -- I should have mentioned your PowerPoint
- 21 presentation in front of you. You should also have a
- 22 packet of material that includes the written report of
- 23 the details of the recommendations as well as the
- 24 actual policy directives transmitted from the
- 25 department. So all of that information is in your



- 1 packet, and we are working on the policy of
- 2 presentations that go to the next -- next slide.
- But if you follow along with your slide,
- 4 the second page, again, discusses the charter-mandated
- 5 authority and the national best practices that the
- 6 board looks to when developing and implementing policy
- 7 recommendations. Such national standards include the
- 8 President's task force on 21st century policing, which
- 9 was implemented in 2015 during President Obama's
- 10 administration, and it was a task force formed to
- 11 strengthen community policing and trust among law
- 12 enforcement, and it contains national best practices
- and recommendations for oversight agencies and law
- 14 enforcement agencies to implement within policies and
- 15 procedures.
- In addition to that, the board also looks
- 17 to case law, consent decrees, department policies and
- 18 procedures, and other national best practices for
- 19 transparency, accountability, and procedural justice
- 20 quidelines. Just a quote from the President's task
- 21 force on 21st century policing, it says as follows:
- 22 If police are to carry out their responsibilities
- 23 according to established policies, these policies must
- 24 be reflective of community values and not lead to
- 25 practices that result in disparate impacts on various



- 1 segments of the community. They also need to be
- 2 clearly articulated to the community and implemented
- 3 transparently so police will have credibility with
- 4 residents, and the people can have faith that their
- 5 guardians are always acting in their best interest.
- 6 So, again, that is one of the quotes from the national
- 7 best standards that we look to for guidelines.
- 8 I've already discussed what is included in
- 9 your packet of material, and we've provided a slide
- 10 that shows you a copy of the DPD Internet page that
- 11 basically shows you once you approve the department
- 12 policy, it is then placed into the department's manual
- 13 directive system. That can be found on the DPD
- 14 Internet page, and once you click on the manual tab,
- 15 you will find where the other policy directives are
- 16 in -- are contained therein.
- 17 And in fulfilling the charter mandate of
- 18 authority, the honorable board, the chief of police,
- 19 and the community at-large are achieving the following
- 20 objectives: developing and implementing comprehensive
- 21 (inaudible) policies and procedures for department
- 22 members' guidance, ensuring compliance with charter
- 23 mandates, court decisions, federal, state, and local
- laws, procedures, and regulations. The objectives are
- 25 also fostering a cooperative and transparent



- 1 relationship between the honorable board, the chief of
- 2 police, and the community at large, recognizing the
- 3 police manual as a living document where policy
- 4 recommendations may be board and/or department
- 5 initiated, continuing adhering to national best
- 6 practices and state best practices, and also ensuring
- 7 that policies and procedures are being followed.
- 8 So on your next slide, you have actual
- 9 examples of previous BOPC-approved policies where the
- 10 board and the department accomplished those goals that
- 11 I previously mentioned and added substantive
- 12 recommendations to make the policies sound and
- 13 comprehensive. So you can see that the board has
- 14 previously approved the body-worn camera policy
- 15 directive, the -- conduct the energy weapon policies,
- 16 and facial recognition. And those are just some of
- 17 the board-approved -- recently board-approved policy
- 18 directives.
- 19 With respect to the five policy directives
- 20 that are on the agenda for a vote today for a vote of
- 21 approval of the policy recommendations, you may refer
- 22 to your chart. There's a chart also in your packet
- 23 that lists the policy recommendations in brief form,
- and they're also included on the PowerPoint
- 25 presentation. The first one, mobile fingerprint



- 1 reader, Manual Directive 304.8, again, I would just
- 2 highlight the recommendations. I will not go into
- 3 specific details in the interest of time because we've
- 4 already gone over those details in October, and we've
- 5 also provided hard copies and electronic copies of
- 6 that material.
- 7 So just to highlight just a few
- 8 recommendations that we made for a mobile fingerprint
- 9 reader, we recommended that there be department --
- 10 certified department training. That was one of the
- 11 highlights of the recommendations, and then also -- we
- 12 also recommended that the board -- that the department
- 13 seek the board's approval before any policy or system
- 14 changes. And so at this time, I would ask for a
- 15 motion to approve the policy recommendations for a
- 16 mobile fingerprint reader, Manual Directive 304.8.
- 17 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So moved.
- 18 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 19 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 20 supported that we adopt the policy recommendations for
- 21 Policy No. 304.8 --
- MS. WHITE: Yes.
- 23 COMMISSIONER CARTER: -- mobile fingerprint
- 24 reader. Is there any discussion? Those in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.



- 1 COMMISSIONER CARTER: These opposed?
- 2. COMMISSIONER BURTON: Nay.
- 3 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Motion carries.
- MS. WHITE: The next policy directive, 4
- 5 telephone crime reporting, nonemergency calls for
- The recommendations, again, are listed on 6
- your presentation, and so at this time I would ask for 7
- a motion to approve the policy recommendations for 8
- 9 telephone crime reporting, nonemergency calls for
- service, and Manual Directive 301.3. 10
- 11 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: So moved.
- 12 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Support.
- 13 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved that
- 14 we approve the policy recommendations for telephone
- 15 crime reporting, nonemergency calls for service,
- 16 Policy No. 301.3. Is there any discussion? Those in
- 17 favor?
- 18 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 19 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- Motion carries. Hold on one second. I just want to 20
- acknowledge Commissioner Brown. 21
- 2.2 I'm not sure how long you've been here, but
- 23 thank you for joining us.
- 2.4 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Thank you, Madam
- 25 Chair.



- 1 MS. WHITE: The next policy directive is
- 2 mobilization, 205.3. One of the recommendations that
- 3 we made is that the department be required to submit
- 4 semiannual and quarterly mobilization reports to the
- 5 BOPC, so at this time I would ask that -- ask for a
- 6 motion for the approval of policy recommendations for
- 7 Manual Directive 205.3, mobilization.
- 8 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: So moved.
- 9 COMMISSIONER BELL: Second.
- 10 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 11 supported that we approve the policy recommendations
- 12 for mobilization, Policy No. 205.3. Is there any
- 13 discussion? Those in favor?
- 14 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 16 Motion carries.
- 17 MS. WHITE: Crime scene investigation,
- 18 Manual Directive 203.1, at this time I ask for a
- 19 motion to approve the policy recommendations for crime
- 20 scene investigation, 203.1.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: So moved.
- 22 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 23 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 24 supported that we approve the policy recommendations
- 25 for crime scene investigation, Policy No. 203.1. Is



- 1 there any discussion? Those in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 3 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 4 motion carries.
- 5 MS. WHITE: And the last manual directive
- 6 for this set, driver's license and permits, Manual
- 7 Directive 204.5, at this time I ask for a motion to
- 8 approve the policy recommendation for driver's license
- 9 and permits, 204.5.
- 10 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So moved.
- 11 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 12 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 13 supported we approve the policy recommendations for
- 14 driver's license and permits, Policy No. 204.5. Is
- 15 there any discussion? Those in favor?
- 16 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 17 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 18 motion carries. Thank you.
- 19 MS. WHITE: The next set of manual
- 20 directives were, again, submitted by the DPD, and at
- 21 this time we are requesting the board's final approval
- 22 for these final policy directives. The first one,
- 23 custodial questioning, 203.9 -- just some of the
- 24 recommendations that are highlighted basically include
- 25 recommendations, procedural requirements for persons



- 1 in both Miranda rights, constitutional requirements
- 2 regarding language barriers, and additional minor
- 3 recommendations. At this time I request a motion to
- 4 approve custodial questioning, 203.9, to be included
- 5 in the department's manual directive system.
- 6 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: So moved.
- 7 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 8 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 9 supported that we approve the policy, custodial
- 10 questioning, 203.9. Is there any discussion? Those
- 11 in favor?
- 12 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 13 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 14 Motion carries.
- 15 MS. WHITE: The second directive is the
- 16 LGBTQ community, Manual Directive 102.9. Most of the
- 17 recommendations that the board initially provided on
- 18 this directive dealt with continuous department
- 19 training to continue having effective non-offensive
- 20 communication with members of that community. At this
- 21 time I would request a motion to approve the policy
- 22 directive LGBTQ community, 102.9.
- 23 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So moved.
- 24 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 25 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and



- 1 supported that we approve the policy LGBTQ community,
- 2 102.9. Is there any discussion? Those in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 4 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 5 Motion carries.
- 6 MS. WHITE: And the last directive
- 7 requesting the honorable board's approve, vehicular
- 8 pursuits, 303.2. Some of the recommendations included
- 9 in this directive include the requirement of
- 10 supervisors to monitor electronic equipment,
- 11 continuous training requirements, and additional
- 12 policy recommendations, which are, again, included in
- 13 your comprehensive package. At this time I would
- 14 request for a motion to approve policy directive
- vehicular pursuits, 303.2, for inclusion in the
- 16 department manual directive system.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: So moved.
- 18 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 19 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 20 supported that we approve the vehicular pursuits,
- 21 Policy No. 303.2. Is there any discussion? Those in
- 22 favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 24 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 25 Motion carries.



- 1 MS. WHITE: And that concludes my
- presentation at this time. You do have additional 2.
- 3 information in your packets and, of course, the
- references page. That concludes my presentation. 4
- 5 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you, ma'am.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BROOKS: Thank you.
- 7 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's time,
- commissioners. New business? At this time we will 8
- have oral communications from the audience. 9
- Through the chair. 10 COMMISSIONER BURTON:
- COMMISSIONER CARTER: Commissioner Burton? 11
- 12 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Under new business, I
- 13 move that the board of police commissioners fire
- 14 Gregory Hicks, the board secretary.
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: That motion is
- 16 improper at this time.
- MR. WYRICK: Madam Chair, under the 17
- Bullard-Plawecki Act, I would have to -- to what 18
- you're saying -- about it being improper. 19
- 20 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Okay. Thank you.
- 21 Mr. Brown will have oral communications
- from the audience. Please give your name, and limit 2.2
- 2.3 your comments to two minutes, please.
- 2.4 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Madam chair,
- 25 while the person is coming up, did we just implement a



- 1 new procedure for entering the building?
- COMMISSIONER CARTER: 2. We did.
- 3 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Okay. We did.
- Would that be under new --4
- COMMISSIONER CARTER: That would be under 5
- 6 new business. So, yeah, you want to go ahead,
- 7 Commissioner Dewaelsche?
- COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: So, everybody, if 8
- 9 you came in today through the front, you probably
- noticed that we are no longer going to be requesting 10
- 11 that people show ID.
- 12 Is that correct?
- 13 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Yes.
- 14 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: We will have a --
- 15 an officer seated at the entrance to the rest of the
- building, but at the front entrance you will be 16
- 17 allowed to just walk in. You do still have to be
- scanned, but you will not have to show ID. That is 18
- something that has been requested by the public, and 19
- we are going to be implementing that every Thursday at 20
- 21 this location. Thank you.
- 2.2 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you for that.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, I would
- like to recognize how this process materialized. It's 2.4
- 25 been on the agenda for quite some time, and I want to



- 1 publicly acknowledge Mayor Mike Duggan for expediting
- 2 this matter and resolving this issue through his
- 3 effort, that he indicated a week ago that this would
- 4 take place, and now it's a reality. So I want to
- 5 acknowledge Mayor Duggan for taking these steps.
- 6 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.
- 7 MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, I currently have
- 8 six cards. Your first speaker will be Ms. Deborah
- 9 Martin, followed by Ms. Karen Gordon, followed by
- 10 Ms. Sundra Jennings, Mr. Charles Whistler, Mr. Eric
- 11 Blount, and your last speaker will be Ms. Bernice
- 12 Smith.
- 13 Ms. Martin?
- MS. MARTIN: Good afternoon, each and every
- 15 one of you.
- 16 THE BOARD: Good afternoon.
- 17 MS. MARTIN: My name is Deborah Martin.
- 18 I'm 72 years old. I'm a black American, as you
- 19 noticed. I was born, raised, and educated in the city
- 20 of Detroit for my entire life. My career started off
- 21 at the 1300 building, but there's a precinct called
- 22 the 9th Precinct. I'm having a lot of issues with
- 23 that precinct. None of them have been addressed yet.
- 24 Every time I come, they always spin me around every
- 25 time, and I want the board to look into why it's being



- 1 done like that.
- 2 COMMISSIONER CARTER: I'm going to ask you
- 3 to see the deputy chief -- Sergeant Hill, and then I'm
- 4 going to ask that the OCI please have a conversation
- 5 with her, please.
- 6 MS. MARTIN: Okay. Thank you.
- 7 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you, ma'am.
- 8 MR. BROWN: Ms. Gordon?
- 9 MS. GORDON: On the -- on the 11th, 11-7 of
- 10 this month, Graveline stated that the juveniles --
- 11 they did not sign on the -- that the prosecutor
- 12 didn't, but they didn't because the officer had lied
- in his police report. But they said they didn't go on
- 14 with the investigation because he left the police
- 15 department. But -- which I don't understand why they
- 16 didn't go on still with the investigation 'cause
- 17 Dennis Smith is still here.
- 18 Even though Marlow -- Mar- -- however he
- 19 say his name -- Brown left the police department, he's
- 20 with another police department. It's a Brady law that
- 21 I'm pretty sure everybody know about. Since they did
- 22 make a lie on their police report, their names -- even
- 23 if you don't fire -- Police Chief Craig said that's
- 24 what he would do; but since you want -- their name
- 25 deserve to be on that Brady list, to be known as



- 1 liars.
- (Recording of incident played at 3:38 p.m.) 2
- 3 But they said in their report, like I
- stated before, that I told him I grabbed that boy. I 4
- didn't touch that boy. My medical condition wouldn't 5
- allow me to touch him. So they lied straight out, but 6
- it said that they couldn't make a clear fault that --7
- they say that they clearly, falsely lied. What is a 8
- 9 lie? A false statement. The statement they made in
- their police report was not from me. That was their 10
- opinion. But what -- I feel they was trying to get me 11
- in trouble because the other police officer had told 12
- 13 him that the lady down the street -- it's all in the
- 14 video. Y'all acting like you're not watching the
- 15 video. He said, "Did the lady tell you that he hit
- 16 her?" He said yeah, and the lady never told him that.
- 17 And I'm just saying why are we going through this? I
- 18 don't get it.
- 19 MR. BROWN: Ms. Jennings?
- COMMISSIONER CARTER: 20 Thank you.
- Deputy Chief, is there someone that can 21
- talk to her 'cause -- thank you. 2.2
- MS. JENNINGS: Good afternoon to the board 23
- of police commissioners. 24
- 25 THE BOARD: Good afternoon.



- 1 MS. JENNINGS: My name is Sundra Blessett
- 2 Jennings, and I have been coming out to meetings, and
- 3 I just wanted to -- I really came today -- I thought
- 4 Chief Craig would have been here, and I want to
- 5 schedule a meeting with him. And my condolences are
- 6 to the police family for the fallen officers. And I
- 7 have some products that will help to make the officers
- 8 safe when they're out on the street, and I wanted to
- 9 meet with the chief about them. I've had some
- 10 personal concerns come up on my own personal safety,
- 11 and as I began to look into that, I began to just also
- 12 go into the officers' safety and protection as well,
- 13 and I just began to do some research about it and came
- 14 up with some things that could be a blessing to the
- 15 officers of the Detroit Police Department, and I would
- 16 like to schedule a meeting and sit down and talk with
- 17 Chief Craiq about them. So if I could -- I don't know
- 18 who I need to speak with regarding that.
- 19 DC BRYANT: Deputy Chief Bettison can help
- 20 you with that.
- 21 MS. JENNINGS: Okay. Thank you.
- 22 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you, ma'am.
- MR. BROWN: Mr. Whistler.
- 24 MR. WHISTLER: Distinguished members of
- 25 this board, good afternoon.



- Good afternoon. 1 THE BOARD:
- MR. WHISTLER: -- and fellow citizens. My 2
- 3 name is Charles Whistler. I'm currently the director
- of security for Soave Enterprises. As many of you 4
- might know, we just completed our first phase of Elton 5
- Park Apartment complex at Michigan and Trumbull, which 6
- includes the old Checker Cab building. That's one of 7
- my security projects, and through that I've had the 8
- honor of working with the men and women of the 3rd 9
- Precinct. They're not here today to commend them, 10
- especially the work that I've done with Captain Cox at 11
- 12 that precinct.
- 13 Thank you all, too, for your contribution
- 14 to the city. I've been here a long time, 40 years,
- 15 and the first 26 years I spent as an FBI agent in
- 16 Detroit, so I know a little bit about policing. Thank
- 17 you.
- COMMISSIONER CARTER: Just a little. 18
- 19 you, sir.
- MR. BROWN: Mr. Blount? 20
- MR. BLOUNT: Good afternoon, board and 21
- 22 Deputy Chief Bryant.
- 23 Did I get it right?
- 2.4 DC BRYANT: Yes.
- 25 MR. BLOUNT: And I'm so glad you're here,



- 1 Deputy Chief Bryant, because -- oh, for the record, my
- 2 name is Eric Blount, a lifelong Detroiter. Deputy
- 3 Chief Bryant was instrumental in getting a meeting
- 4 with the chief regarding Corporal Jones and the second
- 5 body-worn camera video of Corporal Jones viciously
- 6 beating a naked woman in the hospital. So I noticed
- 7 in the monthly resource -- human resource report that
- 8 there isn't a corporal listed as being suspended, so I
- 9 would like an update on the status of what we knew to
- 10 be Corporal Jones.
- 11 Secondly, here we go again. Racism in this
- 12 Detroit Police Department is real and growing. The
- 13 core report of almost four years now reported it, the
- 14 chief shelved it, and now we have officers looking at
- 15 black young women and saying "Black Girl Magic." Not
- 16 too far from there we had a white officer handcuff a
- 17 black officer because he thought he had too much money
- in the bathroom, and now recently, this week, we have
- 19 a black officer politely asking a white officer to
- 20 stop using the N word, in which this officer continued
- 21 to use the N word when he was politely asked not to.
- 22 This department -- I am begging you -- please be
- 23 serious about racism within this department. Thank
- 24 you. Can I get a response on Corporal Jones?
- DC BRYANT: Madam Chair?



- 1 So Commander McGinnis stepped out of the
- 2. I'd -- I would prefer that he give you that
- 3 update because they're handling that case; so when he
- comes back in, I'll refer him to you. 4
- 5 MR. BLOUNT: His name again?
- DC BRYANT: Commander McGinnis. 6
- 7 MR. BROWN: Ms. Smith?
- And, Madam Chair, that will be your last 8
- 9 speaker.
- 10 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.
- 11 MS. SMITH: Good afternoon.
- 12 THE BOARD: Good afternoon.
- 13 MS. SMITH: Good to see you guys again.
- 14 just want to --
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: State your name.
- 16 MS. SMITH: Oh, I'm sorry. My name is
- Bernice Smith. I have written a little something for 17
- the chief, a little something that I felt that was 18
- 19 necessary for me to let you guys hear about it. Let
- 20 me take my glasses off so I can see better. For
- 21 several weeks now we have mourned the unnecessary
- death of Officer Rasheen McClain by a crazed felon 2.2
- 23 recently released from prison. But before I express
- my anger, I want the McClain family to know God is 24
- good. Believe in Him, knowing that he doesn't do 25



- 1 anything wrong. If only you would believe. We will
- 2 cry and ask why, but remember God rights all wrongs.
- 3 Rasheen would tell you, "Don't cry for me, for I am at
- 4 peace in heaven with God."
- I was at the rally last week talking with
- 6 Parnell and others, listening to the speakers,
- 7 including the chief, who did a good job; but it was
- 8 disappointing that the mayor didn't show up to speak
- 9 also, but that's another topic. Also, I will not
- 10 discuss the sergeant who didn't show up to the scene
- 11 until it was too late. I hope the chief will take
- 12 care of business and not sweep it under the rug. He
- 13 made it clear that it is being investigated and that
- 14 he uses a green pen.
- My heart is very heavy, also, that the
- 16 police department do not get a decent salary for
- 17 protecting our lives. My only response is God bless
- 18 all of us and God bless the police department.
- 19 MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, that was your last
- 20 speaker.
- 21 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Thank you.
- 22 At this time, commissioners, under
- 23 announcements, our next meeting will be
- 24 December 12th -- Thursday, December 12, 2019, at
- 25 6:30 p.m., in the 3rd Precinct at the historical



- 1 Little Rock Baptist Church located at 9000 Woodward
- 2 Avenue.
- 3 Our next community meeting will be
- 4 Thursday, January 9, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., in the
- 5 12th Precinct, and the location is forthcoming.
- At this time, under unfinished business,
- 7 too --
- 8 Do we need a motion for it to --
- 9 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Madam Chair?
- 10 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, I would
- 11 like to move that we go into the closed session at
- 12 this time.
- 13 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 14 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 15 supported that we go into closed session. Is there
- 16 any discussion?
- 17 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I just wanted to
- 18 confirm that we do have permission to discuss a
- 19 personnel matter?
- 20 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Yes, to discuss a
- 21 personnel matter.
- Those in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 24 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 25 Motion carries.



- Thank you all for coming out this 1
- 2. afternoon. You are welcome to stay. We will
- reconvene after the closed session if there is a vote 3
- 4 to be placed on the record. Thank you.
- 5 (Commissioners went into closed session at
- 3:48 p.m.) 6
- 7 (Back on the record at 4:26 p.m.)
- COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, I move 8
- that we reconvene the board of police commissioners 9
- board meeting. 10
- 11 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: So moved.
- 12 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 13 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 14 supported that we reconvene our meeting. Is there any
- 15 discussion? Those in favor?
- 16 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 17 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- Motion carries. 18
- 19 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair?
- 20 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Commissioner Brown.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I move that this board
- 22 de-appoint the board secretary, Gregory Hicks.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Second.
- 2.4 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 25 supported that we de-appoint Mr. Gregory Hicks as



- board sec. Is there any discussion? 1
- 2. COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yeah, Madam Chair.
- Can we have a roll call vote? 3
- 4 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It depends on what we
- hear. Any other discussion? 5
- COMMISSIONER BURTON: Yes, Madam Chair. 6
- You know, he lied and did not hold the community trust 7
- nor integrity of this office or the community that we 8
- 9 serve.
- 10 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Call for the
- 11 question.
- 12 COMMISSIONER CARTER: The question is to
- 13 de-appoint board secretary, Gregory Hicks. Those in
- 14 favor?
- 15 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 16 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 17 motion carries. Thank you.
- COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair? 18
- 19 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Commissioner Griffie.
- COMMISSIONER BURTON: It was a roll call 20
- 21 vote.
- 2.2 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I'm sorry. There is
- 23 a point of order because there was no nays, so we
- don't need a roll call vote. 2.4
- 25 Madam Chair?



- COMMISSIONER CARTER: Commissioner Griffie. 1
- It wasn't necessary. 2.
- 3 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, I would
- like to move that we appoint Melanie White as our 4
- interim director. 5
- 6 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 7 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 8 supported that we appoint --
- COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Point of 9
- 10 information -- as interim secretary; right?
- COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Interim board 11
- 12 secretary -- my apologies -- effective immediately.
- 13 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 14 supported that we appoint --
- 15 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Second.
- 16 COMMISSIONER CARTER: -- appoint
- 17 Ms. Melanie White interim board secretary, effective
- immediately. Is there any discussion? 18
- 19 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yeah, Madam Chair.
- Just one point, if she's going to be moving into that 20
- position if she's successful with this vote, are we 21
- 22 going to have someone as a backup to support the
- 23 policy position? What type of assistance will she be
- receiving there if she's going to be having a dual 24
- role for the board until, you know, this position is 25



- filled? So do we have somebody in mind that we're
- 2 going to put in that position to assist with the
- 3 policy directives and stuff like that?
- 4 COMMISSIONER CARTER: We have the board's
- 5 attorney, and we have, also, a legal --
- 6 What is her role?
- 7 MR. WYRICK: Legal assistant, Elaine
- 8 Richards.
- 9 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay. So that'll be
- 10 filling in the gap. Okay. Thank you.
- 11 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Yes. Thank you.
- 12 Is there any other discussion? Those in
- 13 favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Nay.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BELL: If there's no other
- 18 business, I move --
- 19 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I have more
- 20 business.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BELL: I'm sorry.
- 22 COMMISSIONER CARTER: We have this.
- COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, I move
- 24 that we accept the resignation of Faye Johnson,
- 25 effective February 1, 2020.



- 1 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 2. COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 3 supported that we accept the resignation of Executive
- Manager Faye Johnson, effective February 1, 2020. Is 4
- there any discussion? 5
- COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yes, Madam Chair. 6
- 7 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Yes, Madam Chair.
- COMMISSIONER CARTER: Commissioner Burton 8
- and Commissioner Brown. 9
- 10 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Is she -- the length
- 11 of separation is, like, two, three months out, so my
- 12 question is is this due to -- is she staying around
- 13 to -- do we have someone in the interim to go in that
- 14 position to serve or transition or anything like that?
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's not really two
- 16 or three months out. It's -- actually, we're going
- 17 into the Christmas break, so it's actually one month,
- a little bit over a month. 18
- 19 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay.
- 20 COMMISSIONER CARTER: So interim -- no, we
- 21 don't have anyone that will be filling in interim.
- 2.2 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay. Thank you.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the chair,
- you know, I feel -- looking at the city inspector 24
- 25 general's report, there's been some trust issues and



- 1 lack of transparency, and I move that Faye
- 2 Johnson also --
- 3 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Point of order.
- 4 There's a motion on the floor. Out of order.
- 5 Madam Chair, I call the question.
- 6 COMMISSIONER CARTER: The question is to
- 7 accept the resignation of Executive Manager Faye
- 8 Johnson, effective February 1, 2020. Is there --
- 9 those in favor?
- 10 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 11 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?
- 12 Motion carries.
- 13 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, I have
- 14 one final motion.
- 15 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Yes, ma'am.
- 16 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I would like to move
- 17 that we immediately convene an RFP process for -- to
- 18 engage a law firm to develop an HR manual, employee
- 19 procedure -- process and procedures for the next
- 20 30 days.
- 21 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Second.
- 22 COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and
- 23 supported that we propose an RFP to. . .
- 24 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Would you like me to
- 25 restate my --



- 1 COMMISSIONER CARTER: Yes, please.
- 2. COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I move that we begin
- 3 an RFP process to engage a law firm to develop
- 4 employee procedures.
- COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and 5
- 6 Is there any discussion? supported.
- COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair, I believe 7
- that motion is out of order simply because we're not 8
- allowed to hire outside counsel for things like that. 9
- Those things should come from the law department or 10
- corporate counsel, so I would just implore the board 11
- 12 to -- I would -- to implore the board to not move
- 13 ahead with that until we consult with the legal
- 14 opinion through corporate counsel and then our counsel
- 15 here. So I would move to table that motion.
- 16 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Agreed.
- 17 MR. WYRICK: If it pleases -- through the
- chair. To shed light on that, that is somewhat 18
- 19 correct. Under the charter, it very specifically
- states that if there's a conflict of interest, then 20
- it's up to the corporation counsel to seek outside 21
- counsel for the board. 2.2
- COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So I would like to 23
- revise my motion to -- to go ahead and request 2.4
- 25 permission from corporation counsel to engage this



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2	COMMISSIONER BROWN: Second.		
3	COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Second.		
4	COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and		
5	supported that we engage corporation counsel for the		
6	employee policies and procedures manual. Is there and		
7	discussion? Those in favor?		
8	THE BOARD: Aye.		
9	COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed?		
10	Motion carries. Thank you. Anything else,		
11	commissioners?		
12	COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Madam Chair, I		
13	move for adjournment.		
14	COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Support.		
15	COMMISSIONER CARTER: It's been moved and		
16	supported that we adjourn. Those in favor?		
17	THE BOARD: Aye.		
18	COMMISSIONER CARTER: Those opposed? The		
19	meeting is adjourned. Thank you.		
20	(The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.)		
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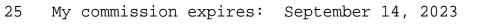
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2	STATE OF MICHIGAN)
3) SS
4	COUNTY OF OAKLAND)
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6	I, Susanne Ellen Gorman, a Notary Public in
7	and for the above county and state, do hereby certify
8	that the above meeting was taken before me at the time
9	and place hereinbefore set forth; that the witness was
10	by me first duly sworn to testify to the truth and
11	nothing but the truth; that the foregoing questions
12	asked and answers made by the witness were duly
13	recorded by me stenographically and reduced to
L4	computer transcription; that this is a true, full, and
15	correct transcript of my stenographic notes so taken;
16	and that I am not related to, nor of counsel to either
L7	party, nor interested in the event of this cause.
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22	Notary Public,
23	Oakland County, Michigan
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