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| 2  | WEEKLY MEETING                        |
| 3  | THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2020           |
| 4  | 3:00 P.M.                             |
| 5  | DETROIT PUBLIC SAFETY HEADQUARTERS    |
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| 1  | COMMISSIONERS:                           |
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| 2  | Lisa Carter (Chairperson) - (District 6) |
| 3  | Willie E. Bell - (District 4)            |
| 4  | Darryl D. Brown - (District 1)           |
| 5  | Willie E. Burton - (District 5)          |
| 6  | William M. Davis - (District 7)          |
| 7  | Annie Mae Holt - At-Large                |
| 8  | Elizabeth Brooks - At-Large              |
| 9  | Eva Garza Dewaelsche - At-Large          |
| 10 | Jim Holley, At-Large                     |
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| 12 | INTERIM SECRETARY: Melanie White         |
| 13 | Robert Brown, Executive Manager          |
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| 15 | REPRESENTING THE CHIEF OF POLICE:        |
| 16 | Marlon Wilson - Deputy Chief             |
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- 1 Detroit, Michigan
- 2 Thursday, February 27, 2020
- 3 (At about 3:00 P.M.)
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- 5 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Good afternoon.
- 6 Welcome to the Board of Police Commissioners' weekly
- 7 meeting. My name is Lisa Carter, Chair of the
- 8 Commission, and I will be conducting the meeting
- 9 this afternoon.
- 10 On behalf of the board, for those of you
- in attendance, thank you for joining us. And for
- 12 those of you viewing the meeting on your local cable
- 13 channel, thank you for joining us.
- 14 Commissioner Shirley Burch has asked to
- 15 be excused today, and today we have invited Chaplain
- 16 Gregory Wilson to provide the invocation.
- 17 CHAPLAIN WILSON: Father, first we want
- 18 to thank you before we ask you for anything, we want
- 19 to say thank you. Thank you for this day because it
- 20 truly is the day that you have made, and we're going
- 21 to rejoice and be glad in it. God, we thank you for
- 22 your love, your grace, your kindness and your mercy.
- Now, God, we ask that you direct us now as we go
- 24 forth in this meeting. Bless every commissioner
- 25 that's on this board, bless every household that's



- 1 represented. Lord, you said in your Word that if we
- 2 acknowledge you in all our ways, you would direct
- 3 our path. Give us direction for the people of this
- 4 city; and, God, we'll give you praise and glory. We
- 5 ask this in your son, Jesus's, name.
- 6 ALL: Amen.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you, Chaplain
- 8 Wilson. At this time we're going to begin
- 9 introduction of the commissioners beginning to my
- 10 far right.
- 11 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Good afternoon.
- 12 William Davis, District 7.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BROOKS: Good afternoon,
- 14 Elizabeth Brooks, At-Large.
- 15 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Eva Garza
- 16 Dewaelsche, At-Large. Good afternoon.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BELL: Willie Bell,
- 18 District 4.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Good afternoon,
- 20 Jim Holley, At-Large.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Good afternoon,
- 22 Darryl Brown, District 1.
- MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson, you have a
- 24 quorum.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you, ma'am.



- 1 Thank you, Commissioners.
- 2 Commissioners, you have before you the
- 3 agenda for February 27, 2020. Is there a motion for
- 4 approval?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: So moved.
- 6 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 8 supported that we approve the agenda for
- 9 February 27, 2020. Is there any discussion? Those
- 10 in favor?
- 11 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 13 motion carries.
- 14 Commissioners, you have before you the
- 15 minutes from February 20, 2020. Is there a motion
- 16 for approval?
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: So moved.
- 18 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 20 supported that we approve the minutes from
- 21 February 20, 2020. Is there any discussion? Those
- 22 in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed?
- 25 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Nay.



- 1 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Motion carries. At
- 2 this time, Ms. White, could you please introduce the
- 3 BOPC staff.
- 4 MS. WHITE: Thank you, Madam Chairperson.
- 5 Before I go into the BOPC staff, Sergeant Alan Quinn
- 6 is taping our meeting this evening, Media Services
- 7 is conducting our audio and visual, and Ms. Theresa
- 8 Roberts is our court reporter this afternoon. And
- 9 starting to my immediate right I will ask the entire
- 10 board staff to stand and introduce themselves.
- 11 MR. WYRICK: Jermaine Wyrick, board
- 12 attorney.
- MR. BROWN: Robert Brown, board staff.
- 14 MS. BLOSSOM: Teresa Blossom, community
- 15 relations.
- 16 MR. AKBAR: Supervising investigator
- 17 Lawrence Akbar, Office of the Chief Investigator.
- 18 MR. CROMWELL: Asa Cromwell, supervising
- 19 investigator, office of the chief investigator.
- 20 MS. ANDERSON: Dr. Marcella Anderson,
- 21 director of police personnel.
- 22 MR. CALLAWAY: Investigator Daniel
- 23 Callaway, Office of the Chief Investigator.
- 24 MS. STEWART: Investigator Tiffany
- 25 Steward, Office of the Chief Investigator.



- 1 MS. WHITE: Thank you, Madam Chairperson.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you. At this
- 3 time I'd like to introduce Deputy Chief Marlon
- 4 Wilson, who is sitting in for the chief.
- 5 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: Thank you.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Good afternoon.
- 7 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: Good afternoon.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you for
- 9 joining us and any staff that you want to introduce,
- 10 have themselves introduce.
- 11 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: I'll start on my
- 12 left with my legal advisor, D.C. Ha.
- MR. HA: Grant Ha.
- 14 CAPTAIN SADAKA: Captain Sadaka,
- 15 communications operations.
- 16 CAPTAIN TOSQUI: Aric Tosqui, captain in
- 17 the crime intelligence unit.
- 18 LIEUTENANT WILLIAMS: Lieutenant
- 19 Williams, communications.
- 20 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: And we have Mark
- 21 Young in the back. Mark, if you could stand up.
- MR. YOUNG: Mark Young, president of the
- 23 Lieutenants and Sergeants Association.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you. Is that
- 25 everybody?



- 1 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: If I can
- 2 acknowledge the DPOA, as well.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Okay.
- 4 MR. THOMAS: Ron Thomas, vice president
- 5 of DPOA.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you. At this
- 7 time if there are any elected officials or
- 8 representatives, please stand and give your name for
- 9 the record, please.
- 10 MR. TENNEL: Brian Tennel representing
- 11 councilman Roy McCallister, second district.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you. Any
- 13 civic leaders or their representatives, as well?
- 14 Hearing none. Right on to the agenda to my report.
- 15 As we do every week, on behalf of the
- 16 board I want to express the board's concern and
- 17 support for fallen and injured officers and their
- 18 families. Officer safety and citizen's protection
- 19 are ranked as two of the most important priorities
- 20 of the board. Our board receives a weekly report
- 21 from the department listing injured officers, and I
- 22 ask that during your remarks, deputy chief, please
- 23 provide us with any updates during your report.
- 24 The Board of Police Commissioners meets
- 25 every week except for Thanksgiving and Christmas



- 1 holiday periods. We meet at police headquarters
- 2 every Thursday at 3 P.M. except the second Thursday
- 3 of the month when we meet in the community at 6:30
- 4 P.M.
- 5 Under the Detroit City Charter, Article
- 6 7, chapter 8, the Board of Police Commissioners is
- 7 empowered to provide civilian oversight and
- 8 supervisory control of the police department. Our
- 9 board investigates noncriminal citizens' complaints,
- 10 monitors department operations and works with the
- 11 mayor and the chief of police to establish police
- 12 policies, rules and regulations.
- 13 As an oversight agency the board has the
- 14 broad responsibility to protect the citizens,
- 15 protect the city of Detroit from frivolous lawsuits
- 16 and create policies to enforce strict adherence to
- 17 the department policies. Additionally, the board
- 18 works to eliminate police misconduct, discriminatory
- 19 police practices and unnecessary use of force by
- 20 police. The board also believes in transparency,
- 21 community input and accountability. As a civilian
- 22 oversight agency, we protect the rights of citizens.
- 23 Our objective is to increase the quality of life for
- 24 residents and visitors to Detroit.
- 25 Commissioners, there are several items of



- 1 importance for your consideration and information
- 2 today in your board package that was emailed to you
- 3 Tuesday, and that's in your packet today. On
- 4 Tuesday, February 25, 2020 we received a letter from
- 5 Chief Craig recommending the appointment to the rank
- 6 of commander for Captain Melissa Gardner. You
- 7 received a copy of the letter and the support
- 8 material in your Tuesday packet and in today's
- 9 packet. At the appropriate time I will request a
- 10 vote on this recommendation.
- 11 Today we will also honor and recognize
- 12 Commissioner Vice Chair Eva Garza Dewaelsche for the
- 13 hard work and endless contributions she has made to
- 14 this board and the Detroit Police Department and the
- 15 community. We thank her and truly appreciate her
- 16 voice and leadership to this oversight board locally
- 17 and abroad. We wish her continued success and
- 18 happiness, as you know -- and know that her work in
- 19 civilian oversight will continue. At the
- 20 appropriate time we will honor Commissioner
- 21 Dewaelsche. Also, prior to going into closed
- 22 session, we will have cake celebrating Commissioner
- 23 Dewaelsche, so please join us for the celebration.
- 24 I would also like to acknowledge that
- 25 this is the last board meeting during Black History



- 1 Month. All month we have shared stories, visions
- 2 and dreams that were both birthed and realized as
- 3 part of black history, American history. Marian
- 4 Wright Edelman, activist and president of the
- 5 Children's Defense Fund, once said "A lot of people
- 6 are waiting for Martin Luther King, Jr. or Mahatma
- 7 Gandhi to come back, but they are gone. We are it.
- 8 It is up to us; it is up to you." We are living
- 9 proof of this affirmation. We must continue to
- 10 honor those who chartered a path for us, those who
- 11 continue to pave the way and those who will continue
- 12 this legacy. Continue to honor and recognize those
- 13 who have made a significant contribution and impact
- 14 on your life.
- 15 On today's agenda we have one formal
- 16 presentation to the board, the budget report from
- 17 DPD fiscal, quarter two, 2019 to 2020. The board
- 18 will -- the report will be presented by DPD agency
- 19 CFO Mr. Nevrus Nazarko. The board received a copy
- 20 of the PowerPoint presentation yesterday, and a copy
- 21 is included in your packet today.
- From the chief's office I am requesting
- 23 updates on city-wide crime statistics and any other
- 24 critical issues facing the department. I am also
- 25 requesting an update on the following: an update on



- 1 the Kenyel Brown case, the Green Light response time
- 2 at the gas station noted in the news this past week
- 3 and police response time, in general, and an update
- 4 on DPD's internal investigation on major violators
- 5 unit.
- I want to also acknowledge the
- 7 department's recent administrative messages
- 8 previously discussed by some of the commissioners.
- 9 Teletype number 20-0088 recording of law enforcement
- 10 activity regarding photographing and filming members
- 11 conducting their official duties in public; and
- 12 teletype number 20-0097 reflash, digital proof of
- insurance and registration allowing motorists to
- 14 present electronic verification of proof of
- insurance and registration, which is allowed by
- 16 state law. Thank you for providing these updates
- 17 and reminders. I'm asking the department to share
- 18 any updates on these items.
- 19 I want to also highlight the department's
- 20 black history event held on yesterday celebrating
- 21 black history trailblazers. The community joined
- 22 the department in recognizing public servants of
- 23 Detroit who made monumental impacts on our
- 24 community. The honorees were former Wayne County
- 25 Clerk, Ms. Teola Hunter; Attorney Cornelius Pitts,



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- 1 Legislative Sergeant-at-Arms; Mother Lilly Lester
- 2 and Community Educator, Dr. Curtis Ivery. This was
- 3 a historical event. Thank you to Chief Craig and
- 4 for the staff for having this event, and
- 5 congratulations to all of the honorees. On behalf
- of the board, Commissioner Willie Bell attended this
- 7 event and provided remarks.
- 8 Today from our interim board secretary,
- 9 Ms. White will provide us with various updates
- 10 regarding incoming correspondence.
- 11 Immediately following any unfinished
- 12 business we will have public comments from the
- 13 audience. We have adjusted the agenda to move the
- 14 public comments in advance of our closed session
- 15 hearing so that we might hear from the public.
- 16 Under new business we have the
- 17 correspondence from the chief of police, James
- 18 Craig, regarding the administrative leave without
- 19 pay but with medical benefits for Police Officer
- 20 Joseph Walker, badge 257 assigned to the 8th
- 21 Precinct and personnel matters concerning the
- 22 position of the interim chief investigator.
- 23 Afterwards, the board will return to the public
- 24 meeting after the closed session to vote on any
- 25 matters discussed during the closed session.



- 1 Also, I want to announce a few reminders.
- 2 Under the BOPC bylaws, Article 12, Conduct of
- 3 Meetings, subsection (B), the City of Detroit BOPC
- 4 meetings shall be conducted in a professional,
- 5 courteous and respectful manner. Citizens,
- 6 commissioners and staff shall be allowed to state
- 7 their positions in an atmosphere free of slander,
- 8 threats of violence or the use of the BOPC as a
- 9 forum for politics. Sufficient warnings may be
- 10 given by the chair if at anytime during remarks and
- in the event that any individual shall behave
- 12 unprofessionally or discourteously, the chair shall
- 13 cut off comment or further debate.
- 14 Every member of the BOPC designed to
- 15 speak shall address the chair upon recognition by
- 16 the presiding officer, shall confine their remarks
- 17 to the questions under debate. Commissioners shall
- 18 at all times avoid indecorous or improper language
- 19 or references to personalities.
- 20 For your convenience the office of the
- 21 chief investigator will have a citizens' complaint
- 22 table at every meeting to take citizens' complaints
- 23 from those persons interested in filing a citizen's
- 24 complaint regarding police -- alleged police
- 25 misconduct. You may visit the table and speak with



- 1 one of our OCI staff members for more information.
- 2 Again, we will move our public comments
- 3 earlier on the agenda. Please make sure that you
- 4 print your name on a speaker's card located on the
- 5 back table or from Mr. Brown, who is seated here at
- 6 the front; he will need your card before 4 P.M. We
- 7 will hold each speaker to the allotted two minutes.
- 8 At this time please place your cell
- 9 phones or other electronic devices on vibrate as to
- 10 not interrupt the meeting.
- 11 And, finally, in the spirit of effective
- 12 communication, please treat each other respectfully
- and professionally. Commissioners, please be
- 14 reminded not to speak until you are recognized by
- 15 the Chair and address your comments to the issues
- 16 that are relevant on the agenda.
- 17 For the attending audience please note
- 18 there is time on the agenda for citizen input and
- 19 feedback. My objective this evening is to run an
- 20 orderly meeting, including public comments and to
- 21 adjourn at a reasonable time. Thank you. At this
- 22 time we will have the --
- 23 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Madam chairperson,
- 24 I'm sorry.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Holley.



- 1 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: What does the word
- 2 I-N-D-E-C-O-R-O-U-S, what does that mean, so I make
- 3 sure that I'm going to be in compliance with this.
- 4 What is that?
- 5 MS. WHITE: Improper, through the chair,
- 6 the meaning of that word indecorous means improper.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Why didn't you just
- 8 say improper? Thank you.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: I'm going to
- 10 recognize Commissioner Burton who came in during my
- 11 report. And at this time we'll move to the
- 12 recommendation for appointment.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Bell.
- 15 COMMISSIONER BELL: Recommendation for
- 16 appointment to the rank of commander for Captain
- 17 Melissa Gardner as outlined by Chief Craig in terms
- 18 of the memo we received a couple days ago, and we
- 19 have copies of it today, this afternoon. I move to
- 20 motion.
- 21 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 23 supported that we approve the appointment to the
- 24 rank of commander, Captain Melissa Gardner. Is
- 25 there any discussion?



1 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Can I have her

- 2 stand up before we vote?
- 3 COMMISSIONER BELL: There's no
- 4 commercials. We have to vote on a resume.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those in favor?
- 6 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed?
- 8 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: The motion carries.
- 9 Congratulations, Commander.
- 10 COMMANDER GARDNER: I want to say thank
- 11 you to the board for the approval for the promotion.
- 12 I also want to give thanks to Chief James E. Craig,
- 13 I know he is not here on tonight; and for Assistant
- 14 Chief Stair, as well as the rest of the executive
- 15 team, because I cannot stand here today -- just the
- 16 support. Those who know me know I take my job
- 17 seriously, but I still can't stand here today
- 18 without the support of my colleagues and the
- 19 commanding rank, as well as my staff that is here on
- 20 tonight.
- I accept the honor and the position and
- 22 will work hard -- just as hard in the position that
- 23 I've just received, so thank you so much. And also
- 24 to my husband who I really don't get to see. He is
- 25 very supportive because I put in a lot of hours. We



- 1 do a lot of passing to and throw. And I'm still
- 2 married, so that's good. But again, thank you. And
- 3 I do accept it and will continue to work just as
- 4 hard. So again, thank you.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you, we are
- 6 just so proud of you, Commander, and good luck.
- 7 At this time we'll have the resolution
- 8 honoring Commissioner Eva Dewaelsche -- Garza
- 9 Dewaelsche. It's going to be read by Commissioner
- 10 Elizabeth Brooks.
- 11 COMMISSIONER BELL: I think we should
- 12 stand, Commissioners.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BROOKS: It saddens me, and
- 14 I'm also so glad that she was a police commissioner
- 15 when I came aboard. I was the only woman for years,
- 16 and I really am sad that she's leaving. But I know
- 17 that she's going on to greater things.
- 18 Resolution honoring Commissioner
- 19 Eva Garza Dewaelsche.
- 20 Whereas: Eva Garza Dewaelsche, a
- 21 life-long resident of the City of Detroit, was first
- 22 appointed by Mayor Dennis Archer on February 3,
- 23 1998, to serve on the Detroit Board of Police
- 24 Commissioners during the tenure of Police Chief
- 25 Isaiah McKinnon. On February 15, 2015, she was



- 1 appointed a second time by Mayor Michael Duggan; and
- Whereas: Commissioner Garza Dewaelsche
- 3 was highly active in the community, yet immediately
- 4 embraced her responsibility to ensure accountability
- 5 and prove oversight to the Detroit Police
- 6 Department; and
- 7 Whereas: Commissioner Garza Dewaelsche
- 8 going above beyond the call of duty served as the
- 9 board's chairperson, vice chairperson, while serving
- 10 on several board committees which included,
- 11 citizens' complaints, disciplinary appeal, personnel
- 12 and training and budget; and
- 13 Whereas: Commissioner Garza Dewaelsche
- 14 upheld her responsibility to the board
- 15 simultaneously with her professional duties as
- 16 Director of Education of SER Metro Detroit and in
- 17 recent years as Chief Executive Officer of the
- 18 non-profit organization which provides adult
- 19 programming, education, occupational skill and
- 20 vocational training, youth programs and academy
- 21 enriched tutoring, mentoring, leadership development
- 22 and career guidance and counseling. Holding a
- 23 Bachelor of Arts in sociology and a master's degree
- 24 in education from Wayne State University,
- 25 Commissioner Garza Dewaelsche has devoted her entire



- 1 work to serving Detroit and its diverse population;
- 2 and
- 3 Whereas: Commissioner Garza Dewaelsche
- 4 continues to devote time to community organizations
- 5 such as the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation,
- 6 Detroit Public Television, Comerica Community
- 7 Development Advisory Committee, Wayne County
- 8 Community Development Entity, New Detroit, Wayne
- 9 State University Alumni Board and LA SED; and
- 10 Whereas: Commissioner Garza Dewaelsche
- 11 has received numerous local and national awards and
- 12 letters of recommendation from schools, churches,
- organizations, corporations and businesses for her
- 14 remarkable civic contribution and leadership.
- 15 Always seen networking to better her community and
- 16 the city, Commissioner Garza Dewaelsche is loved and
- 17 highly respected by all those who know her; and
- 18 Now, therefore, let it be resolved:
- 19 That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners,
- 20 speaking on behalf of the citizens of Detroit and
- 21 the Detroit Police Department recognizes and highly
- 22 honors the enduring dedication and public service of
- 23 Commissioner Eva Garza Dewaelsche. Her talent and
- 24 selflessness have proven to be an invaluable asset
- 25 to the City of Detroit. And be it further resolved



- 1 that the commissioners of this board thank and
- 2 congratulate you on your perseverance and
- 3 determination to promote the mission of the board
- 4 and the Detroit Police Department. We salute and
- 5 honor you, Commissioner Eva Garza Dewaelsche, the
- 6 Board of Police Commissioners.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: So I'm going to
- 8 present this beautiful plaque, success with
- 9 significance, a testimonial of sincere appreciation
- 10 presented to Eva Garza Dewaelsche.
- We honor you for your distinguished and
- 12 unselfish service given to the board with
- 13 outstanding leadership, vision and ability as vice
- 14 chairperson of the Detroit Board of Police
- 15 Commissioners, 2020 Detroit Board of Police
- 16 Commissioners presented to you. Thank you.
- 17 This is a beautiful plaque and it has a
- 18 picture of Susan B. Anthony, Rosa Parks and
- 19 Michelle Obama. And I ask all commissioners to
- 20 please come up so we can take a photo. Thank you.
- 21 (Photograph taken)
- 22 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: I just want to
- 23 say a few words. First of all, thank you so much
- 24 for that beautiful award. We actually saw it at
- 25 Reverend Holley's event that he had this past year,



- 1 and I just raved and raved about it and how I
- 2 thought it was the most beautiful award I had ever
- 3 seen, and now I'm just so honored to have one. I
- 4 feel just privileged.
- I want to say that the nine years that I
- 6 have served on the police commission in two terms
- 7 have been an experience of a lifetime. I've learned
- 8 so much about the city, I've learned so much about
- 9 making the city safe, helping residents, the police
- 10 department, working within the police department and
- 11 outside of the police department to improve the
- 12 city; and it's just been an honor and a privilege.
- I thank you for allowing me to have a
- 14 leadership role, all of you, because I was elected
- 15 by all of you, so thank you so much, and I hope I
- 16 made a difference.
- 17 I'm still going to continue to be
- 18 involved with police because I always have been. I
- 19 love law enforcement and everything that you do to
- 20 protect our city. So I'm going to stay involved
- 21 with my community relations meetings in my
- 22 neighborhood, which I've been attending
- 23 sporadically; but now I'm going to be there every
- 24 month.
- But again, thank you. I appreciate every



- 1 single commissioner that's up here, because I've
- 2 learned something from every single one of you.
- 3 Thank you so much.
- 4 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, I move
- 5 that we accept the resolution for Commissioner Eva
- 6 Dewaelsche.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: I second.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 9 supported that we approve the resolution honoring
- 10 Eva Garza Dewaelsche. Is there any discussion?
- 11 Those in favor -- oh, I'm sorry.
- 12 COMMISSIONER BELL: Yeah, Madam Chair, I
- 13 just want to say that I had an opportunity to serve
- 14 as administration lieutenant of OCI when
- 15 Commissioner Eva Garza Dewaelsche was a
- 16 commissioner. So I worked for her and now I had an
- 17 opportunity to work with her, and she's just been
- 18 really a tireless worker and a person that advocate.
- 19 And she's also, I guess, a little well kept secret,
- 20 she is formerly DPD for a couple years, so she
- 21 understand law enforcement. And I just can't say
- 22 enough of her support for NACOLE when we needed help
- 23 and she came through financially to give us that
- 24 seed money to host NACOLE here in Detroit on our
- 25 45th.



- 1 So she's just really been outstanding. I
- 2 just wish her the best and her family the best and
- 3 God just continue to be with her and guide her. And
- 4 I just want to say it's been a pleasure.
- 5 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you,
- 6 thank you so much.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Brooks.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROOKS: Well, some of it
- 9 has been said, but as I said, we go back. We had a
- 10 business, our business worked with her business.
- 11 But the main thing I want to say, she doesn't know
- 12 but she's going to continue to help me to recruit.
- 13 And the article I read in the paper on recruiting,
- 14 we're seriously going ahead to recruit more
- 15 officers. The salary went up and we want more
- 16 people out on the streets. So people in the
- 17 communities don't have to say we don't have enough
- 18 officers. So whether you know it or not, you're
- 19 still on the -- you will still help us to recruit.
- 20 Thank you.
- 21 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you, I
- 22 will, definitely.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed? The



- 1 motion carries. Thank you, Commissioner Dewaelsche.
- 2 So at this time we'll have the Chief of
- 3 Police report.
- 4 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: Thank you. I'll
- 5 start off with crime. I'll start off with the crime
- of criminal homicides. Year to date we're showing
- 7 an 87 percent increase, we're currently showing 43
- 8 homicides. Sexual assaults, we're at 108 which is a
- 9 decrease of 20 percent. Aggravated assaults, we're
- 10 at 1,161 which is an 8 percent increase. Nonfatal
- 11 shootings, we're at 79 which is a 19 percent
- 12 increase. Robberies, we're at 334 which is a 17
- 13 percent increase. And carjackings, we're at 27
- 14 which is a 50 percent increase. For overall
- 15 increase of part one violent crimes of 8 percent.
- 16 Going over to property crimes. The crime
- of burglary, we're at 813 which is a 15 percent
- 18 decrease. Larceny, we're at 1846 which is a 2
- 19 percent increase. Auto theft, we're at 897 which is
- 20 an 8.7 percent increase. Total property crime
- 21 overall is down 1.1 percent.
- 22 I move over to injured officers. We have
- 23 four officers that are currently at home recovering.
- 24 I'll start with Waldis Johnson, he's recovering from
- 25 a gunshot wound at a long-term care facility.



- 1 Officer Christopher Therssen is recovering from a
- 2 motorcycle accident, he's recovering at home.
- 3 Officer Phillippe Batoum-Bisse is recovering from a
- 4 gunshot wound at home. And Officer Mark Robbins is
- 5 recovering at home due to a motorcycle accident.
- 6 Upcoming events: The 9th Precinct is
- 7 hosting a police and pancakes in the community.
- 8 It's going to be at the Ford Resource and Engagement
- 9 Center at 1549 Maddelien Street. That's March 6th
- of this year, and the hours are from 9:30 A.M. to
- 11 11:30 A.M.
- 12 I'll start with the responses to the
- 13 questions from the board. I'll start with the
- 14 update of suspect Kenyel Brown. He's currently
- 15 still receiving care at a local hospital due to a
- 16 self inflicted gunshot wound. As the chief stated
- 17 and what has been stated in the media, he's wanted
- 18 in connection with six fatal shootings, one nonfatal
- 19 shooting and two carjackings. Those incidents
- 20 occurred in River Rouge, Highland Park and Detroit.
- 21 He's been officially charged with one incident at
- 22 River Rouge where he was charged with the murder of
- 23 two individuals that he knew and nonfatally shooting
- 24 one other person.
- 25 Response time. I'm going to have D.C.



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- 1 Fitzgerald come up and give us update for the
- 2 incident at 17100 Livernois. But as he's coming up,
- 3 I'll give an update on overall response time. This
- 4 is due mainly in part to the great work by Commander
- 5 Melissa Garner. Last week we were showing an
- 6 average response time of 10 minutes and 48 seconds.
- 7 DEPUTY CHIEF FITZGERALD: Yes, Charles
- 8 Fitzgerald, Deputy Chief for the record. The
- 9 response time to 17100 Livernois, the actual
- 10 response time was right around 12 minutes 17 seconds
- 11 from the time they took the call at 911 to the time
- 12 the first officers arrived. We have since made an
- 13 arrest at that location. We actually identified two
- 14 people; one person was not going to be charged, the
- 15 other one was charged with destruction of property
- 16 of over a thousand dollars.
- 17 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: Thanks, D.C.
- 18 Fitzgerald. Next moving on to a recent teletype
- 19 that was issued regarding digital proof of
- 20 insurance. This teletype mainly was just
- 21 summarizing the fact that citizens can use their
- 22 phone as proof of insurance and registration. As we
- 23 know now, due to technology, most insurance
- 24 companies give you the ability to have your
- 25 insurance and registration digital on your cell



- 1 phone. So that was just a way of informing our
- 2 officers that they can take that as proof.
- I'm going to have Director Graveline come
- 4 up and give us an update on major violator's
- 5 investigation.
- 6 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: Good afternoon. For
- 7 the record, Chris Graveline, Director of
- 8 Professional Standards, Detroit Police Department.
- 9 So we've been moving along with our investigation.
- 10 Specifically, what we're doing right now is
- 11 identifying as many potentially false affidavits as
- 12 possible. And I think what the board will see over
- 13 the next month is an increase in the speed at which
- 14 we were able to identify those. We're working on
- 15 about a half dozen right now that we think
- 16 potentially might be false affidavits. So we're
- 17 particularly interested in those because that might
- 18 lead directly to someone whose conviction might be
- 19 expunded or if they're in jail they might be able to
- 20 get out. So that's our focus right now.
- We're hoping to have some good news to
- 22 report -- well, some fruits about our investigation,
- 23 I don't know if it's good news, some fruits about
- 24 our investigation, I don't know if it's good news.
- 25 Some fruits about our investigation to report out



- 1 within the next month or so. Barring any questions
- 2 about that from anyone?
- 3 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Holley.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Commissioner Bell
- 5 mentioned when we started this, and he was talking
- 6 about the independence piece, but I'm okay with what
- 7 you report. I just want to make sure that I'm
- 8 listening to radio and I know -- I know radio, talk
- 9 shows and all. I just want to make sure that
- 10 because we represent the community, that somehow in
- 11 this report there is a qualifier or somebody to
- 12 validate, other than to state that this
- investigation is what it is. Are you following me?
- 14 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: Yes, Commissioner.
- 15 And so through the Chair, I think what you'll see is
- 16 a final product here. First, we're working every
- 17 day with the FBI. The FBI is with us on a daily
- 18 basis conducting interviews, going through the
- 19 materials. So we're talking about the FBI.
- 20 We have had multiple conversation with
- 21 the U.S. Attorney's Office in this matter and
- 22 keeping them briefed up on it. They'll be a
- 23 decision maker in this before it's all said and
- 24 done.
- We've been having conversations with the



- 1 Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. They're going to
- 2 be decision makers in this process before it's all
- 3 said and done. So we're working collaboratively
- 4 with everyone and on a daily basis.
- 5 So, right now, just to give the board a
- 6 little bit of a sense of what we're doing is, so
- 7 when we collected all these records back last
- 8 summer, what we're talking about is, we conduct
- 9 anywhere between 700 and 1,000 drug raids per year.
- 10 And we seized ten years of those records.
- 11 So, I mean, right there just off the rip,
- 12 that's 7,000 to 10,000 records. We had to find a
- 13 room big enough. It's actually over at our Detroit
- 14 Police Academy. But we have FBI agents with
- 15 computer drops there on a daily basis working with,
- 16 I believe at the last count we had nine DPD members
- 17 working on a daily basis. And so, between the FBI,
- 18 Michigan State Police and DPD, we have 17 people
- 19 actively working this investigation.
- 20 And so it's not just DPD, but we have FBI
- 21 actively involved and we've been regularly briefing
- 22 the U.S. Attorney's Office and the Wayne County
- 23 Prosecutor's Office.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Just to kind of
- 25 follow up, does that answer your question, Teresa?



- 1 MS. BLOSSOM: Yes, sir.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: That's what I'm
- 3 talking about. I guess at the end of the day when
- 4 we make the report to the community I'd really like
- 5 to have those people there, if it's okay with you.
- 6 You know, if you feel like it has some visibility.
- 7 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: I think what you're
- 8 going to see at the end of this investigation is;
- 9 one, there will be a report from DPD that will lay
- 10 out a lot of our findings in this. But I believe
- 11 the way the prosecutor's office usually announces
- 12 their findings or lack thereof is through charging
- 13 people or not charging people. So those speak
- 14 through their charges or their indictments more so
- 15 than maybe at a final press conference. But DPD
- 16 will and I'm sure our investigative partners will
- 17 minimally extend the offer for them to come and
- 18 talk, as well.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Thank you much,
- 20 Chris.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Bell.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BELL: I just want to say,
- 24 Commissioner Holley, we had in depth discussion with
- 25 Chief Craig and the director, the vice chair and the



- 1 chair. And I have full confidence that this matter
- 2 is now on -- I wouldn't say now been handled
- 3 correctly, but it was very informative. And I have
- 4 confidence in Chief Craig and the DPD and anything
- 5 involved to bring this to a thorough investigation.
- 6 So I retreat from my statement about a
- 7 month ago and I want to echo that publicly after
- 8 giving that type of briefing, observation, I have
- 9 full confidence in terms of how we handled the
- 10 matter.
- 11 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: I think what you
- 12 will see, as I stated before, you're going to see
- increased activity coming here. With that many
- 14 records we need to take a couple months simply to
- 15 get it organized, put it into computer databases
- 16 that we can easily access and find something that
- 17 quickly.
- And now that we're at that point, if
- 19 someone comes and asks us a question, we usually can
- 20 have an answer for them within an hour, as opposed
- 21 to going through boxes that might have taken us a
- 22 day when we first started this. We're getting to be
- 23 that fast, and so I think you're going to see a lot
- of increased activity over the next month or two
- 25 months.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Brown.
- 3 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I know you guys are
- 4 doing a fantastic job. Are you going back ten
- 5 years, just only ten years?
- 6 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: Just ten years to
- 7 2009.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay.
- 9 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: Now, I will say
- 10 this: I think what you'll see in a final report is,
- 11 there are incidents that happened through the years
- 12 at DPD that we will note through the years. But in
- 13 terms of going through the records and doing an
- 14 exhaustive search of the records, we went back to
- 15 2009. Now if there's something that we find in
- 16 2009, 2010 that leads us to believe that we have a
- 17 bigger problem systemically going back to 2008 or
- 18 2006, we'll go and get those records, as well.
- 19 The issue that we have, I think, is the
- 20 records that we went and received there were
- 21 basically for the last ten years. It's not as if we
- 22 left a whole bunch of file cabinets that said 1974
- or 1984. That's what we had, was really that ten
- 24 years. So that's why we're focused on this last ten
- 25 years.



- 1 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Any other questions,
- 2 commissioners? Thank you.
- 3 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: The last two
- 4 responses that we'll provide to the board will come
- 5 from legal advisor, D.C. Grant Ha. And that's the
- 6 items of recovery damages for DPD scout cars. He's
- 7 going to provide the Board with an update and also
- 8 an update on the recent teletype regarding the
- 9 recording of police officers.
- 10 DEPUTY CHIEF HA: May it please the
- 11 board, Grant Ha. Some time last year the board
- 12 requested an update in regards to damages to the
- 13 Detroit Police Department scout cars and our
- 14 recovery efforts. I just wanted to give you an
- 15 update in regards to what we've recovered thus far,
- 16 year-to-date. Just to give you an idea of where it
- 17 began.
- Back when I came in, in September of
- 19 2017, I attended a graduation in October of 2017 and
- 20 then Deputy Chief Elvin Barren reported to Chief
- 21 Craig that one of our scout cars had been struck by
- 22 a drunk driver. And Chief Craig had the vision to
- 23 start something to recover damages to our vehicles.
- 24 And as a result of that vision, in
- 25 collaboration with the law department, to date we've



- 1 been able to recover \$86,378. That does not mean --
- there is an additional roughly \$200,000 that's
- 3 outstanding that has not been paid. Some of those
- 4 will go into litigation and we'll try to recover
- 5 that there in which case we are entitled to 12
- 6 percent interest and attorney fees, as well. So I'm
- 7 just letting you know in regards to our recovery
- 8 efforts.
- 9 Also, in collaboration with the 36th
- 10 District Court Prosecuting Attorneys, we've also
- 11 started getting restitution for instances where our
- 12 scout cars are damaged by drunk drivers. Then we,
- 13 as victims, are asking for restitution. In those
- 14 efforts we collected \$25,000 in regards to that.
- 15 Year to date we've collected \$20,336.70, and we're
- 16 just at the end of February. So I anticipate that
- 17 now we've got this process going it will be
- 18 seamlessly getting more recovery for the department.
- In regards to the teletype of recording
- 20 for law enforcement activity, this is an activity
- 21 that began prominently on the west coast. And what
- 22 they are are self proclaimed first amendment
- 23 auditors. And they're individuals who walk around
- 24 with videotapes and they record the law enforcement
- 25 activities of law enforcement officers and under the



- 1 premise of the first amendment. And some may be
- 2 valid and some may arguably be there to get YouTube
- 3 likes and more hits and so forth.
- 4 Regardless of the fact the movement has
- 5 started to move inward into the Midwest from the
- 6 East Coast and the West Coast. And recently within
- 7 the past couple of weeks the department has had to
- 8 deal with these first amendment auditors, and there
- 9 was a need to get these teletype out in regards to
- 10 how they should handle them.
- Just to give you an idea, just yesterday
- 12 I got an email from my counterpart in Tucson,
- 13 Arizona. And, unfortunately, these first amendment
- 14 auditors have taken it to extremes because there was
- 15 a case law that came down from our own Michigan
- 16 courts that indicated that flipping off an officer
- 17 was constitutionally protected under the first
- 18 amendment.
- 19 So now they've combined that with the
- 20 right to video record, and the video that I saw from
- 21 Tucson, Arizona was extremely disturbing. The two
- 22 individuals were using words that my first grade
- 23 teacher at McKinny Elementary School would have
- 24 rendered capital punishment back then. But I just
- 25 wanted the department to be prepared in regards to



- 1 these first amendment auditors.
- COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, I do
- 3 have two questions. How -- what's the process of
- 4 explaining to the public and the officer perhaps,
- 5 what is the proper distance? I understand you can't
- 6 interfere, but how do we sum it up to the public to
- 7 understand you can't be, you know, whether it be 6
- 8 feet, 12 feet or what is the reasonable span of --
- 9 How do we approach that?
- 10 DEPUTY CHIEF HA: So in terms of case law
- 11 there isn't a set distance in regards to what is a
- 12 safe distance. But if an officer can articulate, I
- 13 would recommend that the officer turn on their body
- 14 worn camera when dealing with these first amendment
- 15 auditors and articulate why the officer needs a safe
- 16 amount of distance.
- I understand that you may have your first
- 18 amendment rights, but I don't know you. And it's
- 19 hard to deal with an individual in regards to either
- 20 as a victim or as a perpetrator of a crime; and I'm
- 21 trying to deal with it. I'd ask you to keep a safe
- 22 distance.
- So long as the officer is able to
- 24 articulate what, in his or her mind, would be a safe
- 25 distance, I think that would be fine.



- 1 Again, under the constitution the officer
- 2 has an objectively reasonable standard in regards to
- 3 the totality of the circumstances, so long as the
- 4 officer articulates his or her position.
- 5 COMMISSIONER BELL: Thank you. I think
- 6 the OCI need to understand that issue in terms of
- 7 that definition, and we receive complaints in
- 8 reference to that. And we don't want to be citing
- 9 the officer if they're doing their job properly.
- 10 The second part of my concern, I think a
- 11 couple months ago I raised a concern about officers
- 12 utilizing their personal cell phone to take photos
- 13 of one's driver's license and insurance. That has
- 14 surfaced in terms of OCI complaints. So we haven't
- 15 got and response. Where are we with that response?
- DEPUTY CHIEF HA: We just responded --
- 17 COMMISSIONER BELL: Well, you responded
- 18 to presenting, we accept their driver's license,
- 19 registration on their cell phone. I'm talking about
- 20 officers taking the opportunity, in terms of their
- 21 investigation, whatever, taking their phones out and
- 22 taking a shot of their driver's license, shooting my
- 23 driver's license. Do you understand my point now?
- 24 MS. WHITE: Through the Chair, if I may
- 25 add. The department did transmit the recent policy



- 1 directive on mobile communication devices. And so
- 2 the policy division is reviewing that policy item at
- 3 this time and plans to bring it before the board
- 4 within the next couple of weeks for your
- 5 consideration.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you.
- 7 COMMISSIONER BELL: Thank you, thank you,
- 8 sir. And I appreciate that update.
- 9 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Brown.
- 11 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I did see the video
- one time, it was alarming to me. Is there any way
- 13 we could invest -- can we look into the laws like
- 14 the fire department, you know, we clearly mark the
- 15 sign that says keep back 500 feet. Do we need to
- 16 have that signage on police vehicles when they're
- 17 conducting investigation? Maybe we can get some
- 18 legal ramifications or laws passed to say this is a
- 19 safe distance for you to be back. I truly
- 20 understand. I watched that video, and I think the
- 21 female officer was very tolerant.
- 22 DEPUTY CHIEF HA: Extremely tolerant.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BROWN: If they had been any
- 24 place else they would have been arrested for it.
- 25 Disorderly conduct and things like that. But they



- 1 chose not to engage them. I just think that if it's
- 2 clearly defined, like on the back of all those fire
- 3 trucks, keep back 500 feet, if we could work on some
- 4 legislation to get something like that just to put
- 5 in the books so that the public knows that this is
- 6 your safe distance, move back. And secondly, how
- 7 are we with the incident we had a couple weeks ago?
- 8 Did we get the signs posted where authorized areas
- 9 only at all the precincts? How is that going?
- 10 DEPUTY CHIEF HA: There are multiple
- 11 layers of questions. Through the Chair, in regards
- 12 to the fire department, I have no actual knowledge
- or rationale in regards to why it's 500 feet. I
- 14 would hope that they had some type of empirical data
- 15 and study in regards to why it's 500 feet. The
- 16 reason why I would hesitate to articulate the
- 17 specific distance for a police officer, as you would
- 18 understand, it's based on the totality of the
- 19 circumstances.
- 20 A distance in an open field may be
- 21 different than a distance in a crowded nature out in
- 22 the -- like during a festivity or some forth where
- 23 the officer is not able to control the environment.
- 24 So that's why I would not advocate a specific
- 25 distance and I do advocate again that the officer



- 1 should be able to articulate in the reports and for
- 2 the body worn camera the reasoning behind why they
- 3 are asking the individuals to keep a safe distance.
- In regards to the signs, we did post some
- 5 signs and specifically in regards to restricted
- 6 areas. So in those restricted areas, an individual
- 7 has a legal right to take pictures of law
- 8 enforcement activities so long as they have a legal
- 9 right to be in that place. There are certain areas
- 10 that are restricted to an individual clearly because
- 11 of law enforcement -- the sensitivity of law
- 12 enforcement nature. There are criminal justice
- 13 information that citizens are not entitled to have
- 14 nor would they be entitled to it if they were to ask
- 15 for the documents through FOIA. And so for the
- 16 protection of the criminal justice information as
- 17 well as evidence, we've prohibited those cameras not
- 18 just for civilians but for DPD personnel sworn and
- 19 civilian personnel unless it's so authorized.
- 20 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, if you
- 21 will indulge me one more question. There is out
- 22 there on Facebook and in the community, I normally
- 23 don't pay attention to that, but it sort of
- 24 disturbed me at the state of the city there are
- 25 people advocating we had snipers on the building.



- 1 And I know in any major event, when whatever it is,
- 2 we have police officers. I can't say -- but I think
- 3 we need to say whatever we need to say in reference
- 4 to the sniper dialogue. I know we deploy officers
- 5 in different capacities there. They specifically,
- 6 like okay, I wouldn't a sniper.
- 7 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: I'm not familiar
- 8 with that, I'll have to take a look and I can bring
- 9 that back to the board.
- 10 COMMISSIONER BELL: Okay. Thank you.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Any other questions,
- 12 commissioners? Thank you Mr. Ha.
- DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: With that, that
- 14 concludes my report. I'll be happy to answer any
- 15 questions.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you Deputy
- 17 Chief. Any questions for Deputy Chief Wilson.
- 18 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Davis.
- 20 Oh, I'm sorry, before you ask that question.
- 21 Commissioner Annie Holt came in.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, thank you.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you for
- 24 joining us. Commissioner Davis.
- 25 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Question, I don't



- 1 need no real super specific answer as to it relates
- 2 to what's going on now, but normally as it relates
- 3 to informants and do people normally check? Is
- 4 there a policy to check to make they're not
- 5 violating and not doing other things that they
- 6 shouldn't be doing?
- 7 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: I can speak through
- 8 the chair, I can speak specifically for Detroit,
- 9 yes, that is our policy to vet individuals. We run
- 10 their criminal history, we check to make sure that
- 11 they're not wanted for anything, we check them in
- 12 our criminal database so there is a vetting process,
- 13 we have a policy for that.
- 14 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Okay.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Any other questions?
- 16 Thank you. At this time we'll move on to the
- 17 presentation to the board from the DPD, quarter 2
- 18 budget report.
- 19 MR. NAZARKO: Good afternoon Madam Chair,
- 20 Honorable Board. My name is Nevrus Nazarko and I'm
- 21 the agency CFO for the Detroit Police Department.
- 22 Today I will present to you the second quarter
- 23 budget review and other financial information which
- is basically the period ending on December 31, 2019.
- The reports that will be shown to you



- 1 today are the budget to actual revenue and expenses.
- 2 A detailed report was provided via the packet.
- 3 Grant funds available report is another report that
- 4 was in detail provided through that printout packet.
- 5 Then forfeiture funds, state forfeitures. DPD
- 6 facilities report, both GSD and DBA and the
- 7 quarterly active grants assessment report.
- For the quarter ending on December 31,
- 9 2019, the amended budget on the revenue side is 23.5
- 10 million dollars. Now this represents the midpoint
- 11 of the revenues that we expect to collect for the
- 12 entire year. Same thing on the expenditure side,
- 13 the budget is 159.5 million dollars and that again
- 14 is one-half of the budget for the entire year.
- 15 The actuals for the second quarter amount
- 16 to, on the revenue side, close to 7 million dollars
- 17 and the expenditures to 162 million dollars. The
- 18 variance on the revenue side is because the major
- 19 source of revenue such as utility users tax and the
- 20 income tax are usually booked towards the third or
- 21 fourth quarter in the fiscal year, so that's why
- 22 there is discrepancy. However we expect the revenue
- 23 to meet the budget on the revenues.
- 24 On the expenditures side our
- 25 year-to-date actuals, as I said amount to 163



- 1 million dollars and that's a 4.4 million dollars
- 2 variance meaning that seemingly we have spent 4.4
- 3 million dollars more than the budget amount.
- 4 However, that is not the real case because some of
- 5 the expenditures, with the exception of personnel
- 6 and benefits, are accrued ahead of time before the
- 7 actual amount has been paid or the actual expense
- 8 has been incurred.
- 9 And case in point that could be the
- 10 rental agreements we have with the Michigan
- 11 Department of Corrections. We have a lease with
- 12 them that is a little bit over 8 million dollars a
- 13 year. However, at this point we probably have
- 14 accrued close to 6 million dollars so that's why
- 15 things like this are a little bit out of whack at
- 16 this point.
- 17 As I said earlier, the actuals compared
- 18 to the budget, again total revenues 7 million
- 19 dollars compared to the overall year of 60 million
- 20 dollars and the total budget for the entire year is
- 21 317.5 million dollars and total expenditures, the
- 22 actual year-to-date is 163 million dollars.
- This shows the capital projects that DBA
- 24 is doing on behalf of the city of Detroit for the
- 25 police department. Only the two that are



- 1 highlighted there I was told by the DBA that are
- 2 active and that's the 8th police precinct work and
- 3 then some work remains, for example, in the chief
- 4 investigator's office.
- 5 On the GSD capital projects side, this
- 6 table represents the projects that are being
- 7 undertaken by the GSD. On the left-hand side we
- 8 show the facility that they work on, the contractor
- 9 who is doing the work, the contract amount and the
- 10 funding source. And the milestone phase shows where
- 11 are we in the construction or planning phase.
- 12 Then this other slide shows the DPD
- 13 vehicle purchases from the fleet department that
- 14 shows that the last quarter of the fiscal year, we
- 15 purchased 108 vehicles. And the operation that they
- 16 are working on, where deployed is under the
- 17 operations service. Also we have shown the amount
- 18 of money spent which is 5.6 million dollars for all
- 19 those vehicles, including the outfitting. And the
- 20 estimated deployment was given to me as 7-1-2020 but
- 21 I believe that some of them may be in service
- 22 earlier. Derrick Kazan can help me with that if
- 23 that is not correct.
- On the forfeiture activity it shows on
- 25 top as a first quarter 2020, however that is not the



- 1 case. This is the second quarter so there is a typo
- 2 there. There was no federal forfeiture activity on
- 3 the state side. We have budget revenues of 2
- 4 million dollars and close to 4 million dollars in
- 5 budget expenditures. As of December 31, 2019, we
- 6 have brought in \$600,000 worth of revenues and have
- 7 spent \$889,000 on the expenditure side from the
- 8 state again, forfeiture activity.
- 9 On the grant side for the year 2019 we
- 10 brought in the total awards were -- amounted to 7.87
- 11 million dollars. The grant's office is doing a
- 12 great job in applying for more grants and on the
- 13 right side you see a couple or three grants that we
- 14 are in the process of, you know, the applications
- 15 are pending. That current score basically shows
- 16 that the grants department is doing a good job in
- 17 conjunction with the department to make sure that we
- 18 are complying with the grant requirements because
- 19 otherwise bad things can happen such as the grant
- 20 being discontinued or worse here, the money needs to
- 21 be paid back.
- 22 And that concludes my presentation. As I
- 23 said the more detailed budget information is given
- 24 to you via the print and I'll be happy to answer any
- 25 questions.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam chair.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Brown.
- 3 COMMISSIONER BROWN: A couple of
- 4 questions. Thank you for bringing that report,
- 5 update for us. Concerning the 8th Precinct, the
- 6 Real Time Crime Center, satellite office, are they
- 7 going to have on there -- the dollars that you have
- 8 budgeted there, is that including the updates and
- 9 the renovation of the annex across the street that's
- 10 right in the lot for the 8th Precinct? I get a lot
- of questions about the development of that community
- 12 center that's under the guise of the Detroit Police
- 13 Department.
- 14 MR. NAZARKO: Is that the historical
- 15 library?
- 16 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Correct.
- MR. NAZARKO: No, that does not include
- 18 it.
- 19 COMMISSIONER BROWN: That's just the
- 20 money for the Real Time Crime Center?
- MR. NAZARKO: Yes.
- 22 COMMISSIONER BROWN: And secondly I know
- 23 that we approved dollars for the update and the
- 24 remodeling of the range. When are we expecting
- 25 those dollars to be spent or are there any plans in



- 1 the making right now that we execute or implement
- 2 before July?
- 3 MR. NAZARKO: I'm not sure if it's going
- 4 to happen before July. But as I indicated earlier,
- 5 again, through the Chair, I apologize, is that this
- 6 report shows the activity as of December 31st. So
- 7 if any planning or any dollars are committed to that
- 8 project, it would not show until the third quarter.
- 9 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay, thank you.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Madam Chairperson.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Holley.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Thank you. It's
- 13 always appreciated, your report. I want you to know
- 14 that. Is it because of our history in terms of the
- 15 over spending you already know where you're going to
- 16 make it up at, that's the reason why you --
- 17 MR. NAZARKO: I don't think it's a
- 18 history more than the ability to follow the budget
- 19 day in and day out and week in and week out and work
- 20 closely with the chief's office to make sure all the
- 21 projects are on time and the budget is not over
- 22 spent.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: And the other
- 24 question is, and this may be a different -- out of
- 25 your shop, you can just let me know. My concern is



- 1 we've got one of the biggest budgets of all of the
- 2 departments in the city of Detroit. My concern is
- 3 in terms of, do we, the police department involve,
- 4 in terms of the Detroiters, who gets the work in
- 5 terms of Detroiters? I know it's -- I've had to be
- 6 careful because I come from way back school but I
- 7 want to make sure I'm politically correct. For our
- 8 Detroiters? I know you can't say black now, but
- 9 Detroit. So I'm asking, do we, or is that comes out
- 10 of another shop?
- 11 And the other thing I'm concerned about,
- 12 have been, and Madam Chairperson if you can help me
- 13 with this. And that is this maybe somewhere down
- 14 the line that we can have some idea of who's getting
- 15 the money -- who's getting the work from the
- 16 stations that we got work going on, the fixing work.
- 17 We got a lot of, I mean, that's a lot of money here
- 18 and I want to make sure that -- I know you are too.
- 19 I'm not trying to say you're not doing it. I'd just
- 20 like to go to bed at night knowing that I'm doing my
- 21 job.
- MR. NAZARKO: Through the chair, I
- 23 believe the Commissioner, you and I both attended
- 24 the State of the City and I believe that the Mayor's
- 25 direction is that more and more Detroiters have to



- 1 be awarded or will be awarded this type of stuff.
- 2 However the short response to that is that we have
- 3 centralized the procurement process in the city of
- 4 Detroit who is working under the chief financial
- 5 officer's office and I believe again, the direction
- from the Mayor's office and I'm sure the Chief is
- 7 that as we move forward more and more of those
- 8 contract dollars will go to the city of Detroit --
- 9 of Detroiters.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: So, I'm asking, can
- 11 you in the future just give us an idea of how this
- 12 money is spent with vendors? Is that something --
- 13 would you be concerned about that or should I be
- 14 concerned about that?
- 15 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: There is a
- 16 procurement process so I wouldn't be concerned with
- 17 how the money is spent.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: She didn't convince
- 19 me. I'm just saying --
- 20 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam chair,
- 21 Commissioner Holley, that's beyond the scope of this
- 22 body here. Like you said, the Mayor and council
- 23 weigh in on those issues. They weigh in on those
- 24 issues heavily. That is in their ballpark.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Okay. Thank you,



- 1 thank you very much.
- 2 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Madam Chair, I
- 3 have a question. With regard to the listing of the
- 4 grants, the document that you provided, probably the
- 5 third page there is and grant that's called PUB,
- 6 improving criminal justice responses to domestic
- 7 violence and there are no amounts and I was just
- 8 wondering was that left out or is --
- 9 MR. NAZARKO: Oh, on the sheet that I
- 10 gave you because I don't have that on the slide.
- 11 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Oh yeah, it's
- 12 the long sheet.
- MR. NAZARKO: Yes, I'll check on it,
- 14 what's that called?
- 15 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: It's the 2020
- 16 grant. Oh, maybe you're applying for it.
- 17 MR. NAZARKO: Yes, some of them are in
- 18 the application phase.
- 19 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Oh, okay. Sc
- 20 there is no amount or anything but that's because
- 21 you're just applying. This is potential, okay,
- 22 thank you. Thank you.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Any other questions,
- 24 commissioners? Thank you, sir.
- MR. NAZARKO: Thank you.



- 1 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you. At this
- 2 time we will have the report from the Interim Board
- 3 Secretary. Ms. White.
- 4 MS. WHITE: Thank you Madam chairperson,
- 5 Honorable Board, please refer to section 12 of your
- 6 agenda and section P of your booklet. The following
- 7 correspondence was received this week from the
- 8 department.
- 9 Number 1, the DPD facial recognition
- 10 report, number 17, the second item that was received
- 11 was a DPD fiscal PowerPoint presentation which you
- 12 just received for our quarter 2, 2020. The budget
- 13 to actual summary quarter 2, 2020. The budget to
- 14 actual detail, quarter 2, 2020, and the grant report
- 15 quarter 2, 2020 as part of the budget presentation.
- And the last two items consist of
- 17 correspondence from five LSA and DPOA members, the
- 18 subject was restore Detroit police officers to the
- 19 ranks of sergeant with retroactive pay. And the
- 20 last item is the media request, the freedom of
- 21 information act request, A19-07986 from the ACLU
- 22 regarding facial recognition requests. And that
- 23 concludes our report at this time.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you,
- 25 Ms. White. At this time commissioners, any



- 1 unfinished business?
- 2 That will move to oral communications
- 3 from the audience. Please give your name for the
- 4 record and limit your comments to two minutes.
- 5 Mr. Brown.
- 6 MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, I currently
- 7 have three cards. First speaker will be Ms. Fredia
- 8 Butler followed by Mr. Eric Blount and your last
- 9 speaker will be Ms. Michelle George.
- 10 MS. BUTLER: Good afternoon, Board. My
- 11 name is Fredia Butler I'm a community activist.
- 12 Commissioners, August 6, 2018 Officer Duane Jones
- was seen on video beating a naked black mentally ill
- 14 female while another officer and others did very
- 15 little to stop them. Mr. Eric Blount and Mr. Scotty
- 16 Boman have addressed this issue before you several
- 17 times asking about if there was ever a clear answer
- 18 what discipline has or was taken.
- 19 I believe a member of the woman's family
- 20 has appeared before you. Commissioners, I believe
- 21 if the woman had been white, Officer Jones would not
- 22 have even thought to raise his hand to strike her.
- 23 People are arrested, fined and jailed for abusing
- 24 animals. And to add insult to injury, Officer Jones
- 25 has been considered for a promotion.



- 1 Who is in charge? Commissioners, that
- 2 kind of behavior exhibited by Officer Jones is the
- 3 kind of behavior our people suffered during our time
- 4 of enslavement. A study needs to be done to answer
- 5 the question whether rage, feeling inferior and self
- 6 hate has become a part of some of our DNA due to the
- 7 treatment of many of our ancestors received during
- 8 slavery. I have spoken to people who deny any
- 9 connection to Africa.
- 10 When I saw Officer Jones his behavior
- 11 brought to mind movies I have seen about slavery. I
- 12 quote from Sojourner Truth, a famous abolitionist,
- 13 ain't I a woman? Commissioners, when Mr. Gregory
- 14 Hicks was accused of giving Mr. Robert Brown a
- 15 raise, among other things, he was dismissed. I
- 16 wonder what process was used to dismiss him. Was he
- 17 given a fair hearing? Did Mayor Duggan fire
- 18 Mr. Hicks or did you? Another concern
- 19 commissioners, Willie Bell, why do you want to spend
- 20 our tax dollars for a national search for a
- 21 secretary when money should be used to employ
- 22 someone who lives in Detroit.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you
- 24 Ms. Butler.
- MS. BUTLER: One more sentence, please.



- 1 Do you believe that there is no qualified person in
- 2 the city of Detroit to fill that position, what
- 3 about us. Please read paragraph 2 again. Thank
- 4 you.
- 5 MR. BROWN: Mr. Blount.
- 6 MR. BLOUNT: Good afternoon Board and
- 7 Assistant Chief. For the record my name is Eric
- 8 Blount, a life-long Detroiter. Ms. Butler has
- 9 brought up my various concerns about Corporal Jones.
- 10 So we do need to know as an employee of this
- 11 department, is he still employed and what is his
- 12 legal criminal standings? As an employer, you have
- 13 to know that.
- 14 On the issue of these false affidavits,
- 15 not just as a proud black Catholic but as a
- 16 minister, I often -- in our mass there's a part of
- 17 the mass called the prayers of the faithful and I
- 18 pray for all of those in prison, the innocent and
- 19 the guilty. And I'm asking you to keep a keen eye,
- 20 that if these affidavits ever come back with any
- 21 false allegations, that not only are these prisoners
- 22 released, but they are given the \$50,000 a year they
- 23 are awarded by the state of Michigan.
- 24 I believe it was the state constitution
- 25 that was adjusted that all innocent convicts receive



- 1 \$50,000 a year. So I just ask that you keep a keen
- 2 eye to make sure this happens for them.
- 3 Again, as far as -- we list fallen and
- 4 injured officers but we also need to know the
- 5 suspensions, keep a running list of the suspensions.
- 6 You tell us when they happen. Keep a list of them
- 7 like you do fallen and injured officers and then and
- 8 maybe then we won't need to ask so many questions
- 9 about Corporal Jones or any other officers that have
- 10 been known or suspected of false doings. Thank you.
- MR. BROWN: Ms. George.
- 12 MS. GEORGE: Good afternoon to Chair
- 13 Carter and this Honorable Board as well as Deputy
- 14 Chief Wilson. I just wanted to make a comment
- 15 concerning -- last week I did speak with someone --
- 16 still been trying to get with Craig Miller dealing
- 17 with Corporal Jones. I just made some suggestions
- 18 and I did speak with the sergeant of arms regarding
- 19 Corporal Jones. She told me off nicely, in a verbal
- 20 way. It was a good dialogue to make some
- 21 suggestions concerning Corporal Jones so hopefully
- 22 we can get some, you know, deal with some issues
- 23 with that in terms of suggestion.
- 24 Also I just came back from D.C. this past
- 25 -- the last few days and met with Senator Peters



- 1 trying to work on -- there were other issues that I
- 2 met with Senator Peters about but also dealing with
- 3 police salaries. So when I look at the budget and I
- 4 look at what's going on with the money for facial
- 5 recognition and all this other money, seem like when
- 6 there's negativity we can find money for that.
- 7 I did speak with the governors office,
- 8 hopefully to meet with someone in April in Lansing.
- 9 We're going to give police money -- this more money
- 10 because we try to do a mantra, men in blue, oh we
- 11 care about them but how about caring about them by
- 12 putting more money in their pocket for what they
- 13 have to deal with on a daily basis. I know last
- 14 week we talked about trauma. The average police
- 15 officer sees 188 incidents of PTSD.
- So at least we can try -- we going to try
- 17 to get them more money, I already talked with the
- 18 governor's office, Mayor Duggan, city council, we're
- 19 going to come all together where the Detroit police
- 20 salaries should start at least \$55,000. So we're
- 21 going to try to get some legislation in. Senator
- 22 Peters gave me some suggestions as well but there's
- 23 some things we can do with giving police officers
- 24 more money. Because I think it's an insult, as a
- 25 public health nurse, I know how our salaries starts



- 1 as nurses. But I think it's an insult to start
- 2 Detroit police officers out -- I understand from
- 3 \$30,000 to \$42,000 and I know they put their lives
- 4 on the line everyday and they probably cussing under
- 5 their breath. But I'm just saying -- but I just
- 6 want you to know there's an advocate for them and
- 7 we're going to work on getting some legislation done
- 8 with that. Thank you.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you.
- 10 Commissioners, the next meeting will be Thursday,
- 11 March 5, 2020 at 3 P.M. here at the Detroit Public
- 12 Safety Headquarters located at 1301 Third Street.
- Our next community meeting will be Thursday, March
- 14 12, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. at the Wayne County Community
- 15 College district Downtown campus at the Curtis L.
- 16 Ivery Downtown campus. The Frank Hayden Community
- 17 Room located on West Fort Street. At this time we
- 18 have new business, commissioners. And we are
- 19 scheduled to go into closed session.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: So moved to go into
- 21 closed session.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 23 supported that we go into closed session to discuss
- 24 personnel matters. Is there any discussion? Those
- 25 in favor?



- 1 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 3 motion carries.
- 4 At this time we will go into closed
- 5 session. Thank you for attending the meeting. If
- 6 you want to stick around, we will reconvene and vote
- 7 on any matters if necessary.
- MS. WHITE: Madam Chair, excuse me, there
- 9 is cake in the back room.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Oh, there is cake in
- 11 the back room in recognition for Commissioner
- 12 Dewaelsche. The public is invited, so have some
- 13 cake please.
- 14 (Closed session.)
- 15 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Okay, we're ready.
- 16 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam chair, I move
- 17 that we reconvene our board meeting.
- 18 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 20 supported that we reconvene our meeting. Is there
- 21 any discussion? Those in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 24 motion carries. Commissioners, before we go into
- 25 what we need to vote on, I want to just answer a



- 1 couple of questions regarding Corporal Jones and
- 2 Deputy Chief Wilson.
- 3 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: Wilson.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you. What is
- 5 the status of Corporal Jones at this time, if you
- 6 know?
- 7 DEPUTY CHIEF WILSON: Through the Chair,
- 8 it's my understanding that his court case is still
- 9 going through appeal process. But I've just had
- 10 conversation with Director Graveline, so he can
- 11 provide us additional information.
- 12 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: Through the Chair,
- 13 yes, there has not been a conclusion as to Corporal
- 14 Jones' criminal appeal yet. So it's still pending
- 15 within the court system.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Okay. Thank you.
- 17 And this board did vote to deny his promotion to
- 18 sergeant; is that correct?
- 19 COMMISSIONER BELL: Yes, ma'am, correct.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Okay. Thank you. I
- 21 just wanted to update that stat. Okay,
- 22 commissioners, with regards to the Officer Joseph
- 23 Walker's request to change of duty status to
- 24 administrative leave without pay but with medical
- 25 benefits for Police Officer Joseph Walker.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, I so
- 2 move that we move that he would be suspended on
- 3 administrative leave, follow recommendation of Chief
- 4 Craig.
- 5 COMMISSIONER BROOKS: Support.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 7 supported that we follow the recommendation of Chief
- 8 Craig with the request for change of duty status to
- 9 administrative leave without pay but with medical
- 10 benefits for Police Officer Joseph Walker. Is there
- 11 any discussion? Those in favor?
- 12 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed?
- 14 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Nay.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Motion carries. And
- 16 I'm sorry, commissioner -- the motion carries.
- 17 There was a point of clarification that we need from
- 18 someone who was in the room with regards to who in
- 19 the video stated that he --
- 20 MR. WYRICK: About the asthma. It was an
- 21 asthma question.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: What was the
- 23 question? I'm sorry.
- 24 COMMISSIONER BURTON: So the question was
- 25 one of the officers made a statement that -- along



- 1 the lines that the gentleman said he had asthma and
- 2 he said something along the lines just paraphrasing;
- 3 no, you don't or no you don't or something along
- 4 those lines.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Do you know who that
- 6 was, inspector? If you don't know, can you bring it
- 7 back to us, please?
- MR. WYRICK: Yes, basically was it the
- 9 same person or was it a different person?
- 10 COMMISSIONER BURTON: We'll listen to the
- 11 video again. Sometimes with body worn cams it's
- 12 difficult to distinguish who is talking at times,
- 13 but we'll play it back and try and figure out where
- 14 in the conversation. Based on my memory of it, I
- 15 think it's not the person who did the choke hold, I
- 16 think it's someone else. But we'll be back and
- 17 we'll report back.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Thank you, sir.
- 19 Commissioner Bell.
- 20 COMMISSIONER BELL: Oh, Commissioner
- 21 Dewaelsche.
- 22 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Madam chair, we
- 23 received -- upon the request of the board we
- 24 received a recommendation for the appointment to the
- 25 position of Interim Chief Investigator. And it was



- 1 from the board secretary after an extensive
- 2 evaluation, which included evaluation interview and
- 3 providing documents, back-up information for the
- 4 board. And with the assistance of Reverend Holley,
- 5 the recommendation is to appoint Lawrence Akbar to
- 6 the position of interim chief investigator, and
- 7 that's my motion.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROOKS: So moved.
- 9 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam chair, that
- 10 motion is out of order.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 12 supported that we follow the recommendation and
- 13 appoint Mr. Akbar to the position of interim chief
- 14 investigator. Is there any discussion?
- 15 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yes, Madam Chair.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Brown.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BROWN: As stated, this
- 18 motion is out of order. At the last meeting this
- 19 motion was voted on, it was approved in a four to
- 20 one margin. There was no motion to reconsider this
- 21 or anything as such, so the motion that we voted on
- 22 and approved last week should stand.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Burton.
- 25 COMMISSIONER BURTON: I call for a legal



- 1 opinion by the city of Detroit law department, as
- 2 well, and also the city inspector general to look
- 3 into this. Because what we seeing here is, we
- 4 seeing -- what we seeing here is that when
- 5 commissioners does take a vote and something pass,
- 6 they're not honoring the process, not honoring the
- 7 procedure. Even when we bring up something like
- 8 call for a record roll call vote, something as
- 9 simple as that is something that we ought to honor
- 10 as a public body for exercising our fiduciary
- 11 responsibilities.
- But we cannot appear to be involved in
- any form of improprieties or even look like we're
- doing something wrong as a public body. So,
- 15 therefore, I call for a legal opinion from the city
- 16 of Detroit's law department and also the city
- inspector general on this matter.
- 18 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam chair, I call
- 19 for the question.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: The question is to
- 21 appoint interim -- appoint Mr. Akbar to the position
- 22 of interim chief investigator.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair, last
- 24 thing, last thing --
- 25 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those in favor of



- 1 the motion?
- 2 COMMISSIONERS HOLLEY, BELL, DEWAELSCHE,
- 3 BROOKS, HOLT, and CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Aye.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed?
- 5 COMMISSIONERS BROWN, BURTON and DAVIS:
- 6 Nay.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: The motion carries.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Burton.
- 10 COMMISSIONER BURTON: We voted on this
- 11 matter before, you know, just -- you know,
- 12 for everybody to know, we voted on this matter
- 13 before. And what the board is doing today by taking
- 14 up another vote is wrong. How can you all look in
- 15 the mirror, look at yourselves when you make
- 16 decisions like this? This goes against everything
- 17 that we should stand for as individuals. This is
- 18 not a fair process. This is not right. No one
- 19 had -- you know, we call for a legal opinion. We
- 20 looked at the video, how this was voted on just this
- 21 previous week and we make decisions like this today.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Commissioner Burton,
- 23 I think that the -- last week there was some
- 24 confusion and the vote was taken and the vote
- 25 passed. The vote failed for the -- Commissioner



- 1 Brown's vote failed, and there was another one to
- 2 accept the resignation and that vote passed. Today
- 3 we came in and we voted for an interim chief
- 4 investigator and everyone here, except for three,
- 5 the vote passed for the recommendation.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam chair --
- 7 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: At this time --
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROWN: -- that motion did
- 9 not fail.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: At this time --
- 11 COMMISSIONER BROWN: That recommendation
- 12 I made passed four to one.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BURTON: We can watch the
- 14 video right now.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Right now we're
- 16 going to adjourn. Is there a motion to adjourn?
- 17 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, I so
- 18 move.
- 19 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Support.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: It's been moved and
- 21 supported that we adjourn. Is there any discussion?
- 22 Those in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON CARTER: Those opposed? The
- 25 motion carries. Have a good evening, everyone.



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