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| 1 | DETROIT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS |
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| 5 | Thursday, June 25, 2020 |
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| 3 | ANNIE HOLT, Commissioner At-Large, Chairperson |
| 4 | WILLIE BELL, Commissioner (Dist. 4) |
| 5 | WILLIAM M. DAVIS, Commissioner (Dist. 7) |
| 6 | WILLIE BURTON, Commissioner (Dist. 5) |
| 7 | JIM HOLLEY, Commissioner At-Large |
| 8 | EVETTE GRIFFIE, Commissioner (Dist. 2) |
| 9 | DARRYL D. BROWN, Commissioner (Dist. 1) |
| 10 | SHIRLEY A. BURCH, Commissioner (Dist. 3) |
| 11 | JESUS HERNANDEZ, Commissioner At-Large |
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| 13 | MELANIE WHITE, Interim Secretary to the Board |
| 14 | ROBERT BROWN, Executive Manager |
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| 16 | REPRESENTING OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE: |
| 17 | DEPUTY CHIEF MARLON WILSON |
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- 1 June 25, 2020
- 2 3:00 p.m.

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- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Good afternoon. I am
- 5 Police Commissioner Annie Holt, chairperson of the
- 6 board, representing at-large district. I will be
- 7 conducting this afternoon's board meeting. On behalf
- 8 of the board, for those in attendance and viewing this
- 9 meeting on your government cable channel, thank you
- for joining our meeting. Deputy Chief Marlon
- 11 Wilson -- oh, excuse me. Today we have invited
- 12 Chaplain Frederick Watts to provide the invocation.
- 13 Chaplain Watts?
- 14 MS. WHITE: Yes. We're locating him now,
- 15 Madam Chairperson.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Ms. White.
- Or we could ask Commissioner Bell to provide the
- 18 invocation.
- 19 COMMISSIONER BELL: Ms. White, is he on
- 20 board?
- MS. WHITE: We have not located him just
- 22 yet, Commissioner Bell.
- COMMISSIONER BELL: Well, I'll go forward
- if the chair requests it.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, please.



| 1 | Commissioner Bell, would you provide the invocation? |
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| 2 | COMMISSIONER BELL: Yes, ma'am. |
| 3 | (Invocation given at 3:02 p.m.) |
| 4 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Amen. |
| 5 | Thank you, Commissioner Bell. |
| 6 | Now, may we have each a roll call to |
| 7 | introduce each commissioner, please? |
| 8 | MS. WHITE: Yes, Madam Chairperson. |
| 9 | Commissioner Bell? |
| 10 | COMMISSIONER BELL: Yes. |
| 11 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks? |
| 12 | Commissioner Brooks? |
| 13 | Commissioner Brown? |
| 14 | COMMISSIONER BROWN: Here. |
| 15 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch? |
| 16 | COMMISSIONER BURCH: Present. |
| 17 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton? |
| 18 | Commissioner Burton? |
| 19 | Commissioner Davis? |
| 20 | COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Present. |
| 21 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie? |
| 22 | COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Present. |
| 23 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez? |
| 24 | COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Here. |
| 25 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley? |



| 1 | | Madam Chairperson, you do have a quorum at |
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| 2 | this time. | |
| 3 | | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Ms. White. |
| 4 | | Now, may we have an approval of the agenda? |
| 5 | | COMMISSIONER BROWN: So moved? |
| 6 | | UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: So moved. |
| 7 | | COMMISSIONER HOLT: It has been moved and |
| 8 | seconded. | Discussion? Second? |
| 9 | | COMMISSIONER BROWN: Second. Brown. |
| 10 | | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Discussion? May we |
| 11 | have a rol | l call vote question? |
| 12 | | May we have a roll call vote, Ms. White. |
| 13 | | MS. WHITE: Yes. |
| 14 | | Commissioner Bell? |
| 15 | | COMMISSIONER BELL: Yes. |
| 16 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks? |
| 17 | | Commissioner Brown? |
| 18 | | COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yes. |
| 19 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch? |
| 20 | | COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes. |
| 21 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton? |
| 22 | | Commissioner Davis? |
| 23 | | COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes. |
| 24 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie? |
| 25 | | COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Yes. |



- 1 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez?
- 2 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Yes.
- 3 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley?
- 4 Chairperson Holt?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes.
- 6 MS. WHITE: The motion passed.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- Now, may we have an approval of the minutes
- 9 for June the 11th and, might I add, with any necessary
- 10 corrections? Is there a motion?
- 11 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So moved.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Is there a second?
- 13 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Second.
- 14 Hernandez.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. It has been
- 16 moved and seconded that we approve the minutes for
- 17 June the 11th with necessary corrections. Is there a
- 18 question?
- 19 Ms. White, will you please call the roll
- 20 call?
- MS. WHITE: Yes.
- 22 Commissioner Bell?
- 23 COMMISSIONER BELL: Yea.
- MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks?
- 25 Commissioner Brown?



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| 1 | COMMISSIONER BROWN: No. | |
| 2 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch? | |
| 3 | COMMISSIONER BURCH: No. | |
| 4 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton? | |
| 5 | Commissioner Burton? | |
| 6 | Commissioner Davis? | |
| 7 | COMMISSIONER DAVIS: No. | |
| 8 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie? | |
| 9 | COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Yes. | |
| 10 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez? | |
| 11 | COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Yes. | |
| 12 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley? | |
| 13 | Chairperson Holt? | |
| 14 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes. | |
| 15 | MS. WHITE: The motion failed. | |
| 16 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. May we have a | |
| 17 | motion to approve the minutes for the June 18th | |
| 18 | meeting with necessary corrections? Is there a | |
| 19 | motion? | |
| 20 | COMMISSIONER BELL: So moved, Madam Chair. | |
| 21 | COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Support. | |
| 22 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. It has been | ın |
| 23 | moved and supported. Discussion? Okay. Question? | |
| 24 | Roll call vote, Ms. White. | |
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MS. WHITE: Commissioner Bell?

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| 1 | COMMISSIONER BELL: Yea. |
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| 2 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks? |
| 3 | Commissioner Brown? |
| 4 | COMMISSIONER BROWN: No. |
| 5 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch? |
| 6 | COMMISSIONER BURCH: No. |
| 7 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton? |
| 8 | Commissioner Davis? |
| 9 | COMMISSIONER DAVIS: No. |
| 10 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie? |
| 11 | COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Yes. |
| 12 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez? |
| 13 | COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Yes. |
| 14 | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley? |
| 15 | Chairperson Holt? |
| 16 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes. |
| 17 | MS. WHITE: The motion passed. |
| 18 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. Now, |
| 19 | Ms. White, will you please introduce your board staff? |
| 20 | MS. WHITE: Yes, Madam Chairperson. Before |
| 21 | introducing the board staff, the Department of |
| 22 | Innovation & Technology is also present during the |
| 23 | board's meeting today, and our court reporter this |
| 24 | afternoon is also on the line. I believe it is |
| 25 | Ms. Coleman, and I can reflect the record to |



- 1 correct -- to include the correct name. As far as the
- 2 board staff present during the meeting today is as
- 3 follows: the attorney to the board, Attorney Jermaine
- 4 Wyrick; Mr. Robert Brown; Ms. Teresa Blossom,
- 5 community relations coordinator; Ms. Jonya Underwood,
- 6 administrative assistant; Ms. D'Layne Richards, legal
- 7 assistant; and Interim Chief Investigator Lawrence
- 8 Akbar; Supervising Investigator Lasonya Sloan;
- 9 Supervising Investigator Ainsley Cromwell; Senior
- 10 Investigator Rosalia Madrigal; and Investigator
- 11 Tiffany Stewart. And I believe Lieutenant James Coles
- 12 is representing Dr. Marcella Anderson at today's
- 13 meeting. And that concludes the staff introductions
- 14 at this time, Madam Chairperson.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Ms. White.
- May we have Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson to
- 17 introduce the DP executive members in attendance?
- DC WILSON: Thank you, ma'am. Through the
- 19 chair.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 21 DC WILSON: We have -- we have Commander
- 22 Tiffany Stewart from major crimes. We have Commander
- 23 Eric Decker from the 9th Precinct. We have DC Grant
- 24 Ha, our legal advisor. We have Director Christopher
- 25 Graveline from professional standards. We have



- 1 Lieutenant Mark Young from the Lieutenants & Sergeants
- 2 Association, and we have, if I didn't say it already,
- 3 Captain Liddell from professional standards. And that
- 4 will conclude my introductions.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 6 Ms. White, would you introduce the elected
- 7 officials, VIPs, civic leaders, or any attendees --
- 8 any individuals in the participants list?
- 9 MS. WHITE: Yes. Madam Chairperson Holt,
- 10 at this time we have received information that a
- 11 former commissioner Ricardo Moore is present on the
- 12 line, and also the court reporter for today is
- 13 Ms. Susanne Gorman.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 15 Again, thank you for joining us this
- 16 afternoon for our virtual board meeting. As a
- 17 reminder, please adhere to the board's policies and
- 18 Zoom's policies of using this forum appropriately. By
- 19 attending the board's meeting and participating on the
- 20 Zoom platform, you have agreed to uphold all policies
- 21 and procedures with respect to decorum and
- 22 professionalism outlined by the board's bylaws and
- 23 Zoom policies. Failure to adhere to the policies will
- 24 result in your dismissal from the meeting.
- 25 Additionally, attendees do not need to



- 1 identify themselves unless they want to make a
- 2 comment. Attendees can phone in to the meeting.
- 3 Phone numbers will be masked. If attendees join in by
- 4 computer without a Zoom account, they may be prompted
- 5 for a name and e-mail. The e-mail is not visible to
- 6 the panelists or attendees. This is a prompt from
- 7 Zoom, not the City of Detroit. Additionally, the
- 8 e-mail does not need to be the person's true e-mail
- 9 address. Non@non.com or anything similar would be
- 10 fine for logging in. Accessing Zoom platform requires
- 11 that adherence to all policies.
- 12 As the supervising oversight authority of
- 13 the Detroit Police Department, the board of police
- 14 commissioners meet every week except for the
- 15 Thanksqiving and Christmas holiday periods. Please
- 16 note the board continues to accept citizens' feedback
- 17 by telephone, e-mail, fax, and mail and will respond
- 18 accordingly. The telephone number to the board's
- 19 office is 313-596-1830, and the office of the chief
- 20 investigator's number is 313-596-2499 should you like
- 21 to file a citizen's complaint regarding alleged police
- 22 misconduct.
- Commissioners, there are several important
- 24 items for your consideration and information in your
- 25 board packet e-mailed to you on Tuesday of this week



- 1 and in your packet today.
- 2 Resolutions, today we have three
- 3 resolutions. Today is Commissioner Brooks's last
- 4 board meeting, and we are grateful for her tremendous
- 5 work, contributions, and wisdom provided to police
- 6 oversight. We will have a resolution honoring her
- 7 work later on the agenda. We received a resolution
- 8 package from Commissioner Jewel Ware adopted by the
- 9 Wayne County Commission urging immediate police
- 10 reform, and I think Ms. White will highlight that
- 11 resolution sometime later in the meeting. We thank
- 12 Commissioner Ware for her work on this matter.
- And Resolution 3, resolution for the
- 14 board -- resolution from the board for Detroit's
- 15 leadership and community success on President Obama's
- 16 guide to 21st century community policing. I will ask
- 17 for the resolution reading at the appropriate time.
- 18 From the chief's office, I am asking -- I
- 19 am requesting updates on citywide crime statistics and
- 20 any other critical issues or incidents facing the
- 21 Detroit Police Department and the community. I'm also
- 22 requesting updates on the following: critical
- 23 incidents impacting the department amid COVID-19,
- 24 recent protests, and, in general, updates regarding
- 25 the department's COVID-19 data, arrest and citation



- data, updates regarding the board's use of force
- 2 recommendation, citizens' complaints stemming from
- 3 recent protests and the status, and an update on the
- 4 department's use of military-grade equipment
- 5 discussion.
- Today we will have one presentation,
- 7 domestic violence, presented by Captain Stacy Cavin,
- 8 Detroit Police Department. Interim Secretary
- 9 Ms. White will also provide us with various policy
- 10 updates and incoming weekly correspondence. We will
- 11 take up any votes on any policies at the appropriate
- 12 time. We will discuss charter recommendation --
- 13 recommendations for board approval regarding the
- 14 upcoming presentation to the charter revision
- 15 commission.
- Next Thursday, July 2, 2020, the board's
- 17 meeting will be canceled due to the holiday period.
- 18 The next board meeting will resume July the 9th, 2020.
- 19 Please note a few housekeeping rules. We have
- 20 distributed instructions on how to access the virtual
- 21 meeting and information on participating during the
- 22 public comments section of the agenda. Please note
- 23 the following: Upon joining the meeting, participants
- 24 will join the meeting muted. Please do not start your
- 25 video unless invited to do so by the host. Video



- 1 images or unprotected speech deemed inappropriate by
- 2 the chair will result in your dismissal from the
- 3 meeting. To make a public comment, please complete
- 4 the Smartsheet form referenced on the board's agenda.
- 5 You may raise your hand by clicking on participants in
- 6 the attendee controls at the bottom of your computer
- 7 screen. You will then see "raise hand" at the bottom
- 8 of the participants list, or you may dial star 9 if
- 9 you are participating by mobile device. You may use
- any one of these options by 4:30 p.m. to be
- 11 acknowledged for public comments.
- During the public comments section of the
- 13 agenda, each speaker will have two minutes to speak.
- 14 Mr. Brown will acknowledge each speaker. We ask that
- 15 you remain respectful and professional and refrain
- 16 from violating the board's bylaws, Zoom's terms of
- 17 service, and other relevant laws and ordinances, which
- 18 are posted on all meeting access forums. Again,
- 19 failure to adhere to the board's or Zoom's policies or
- 20 quidelines will result in your dismissal from the
- 21 meeting.
- 22 At this time please silence your cell
- 23 phones, other electronic devices, and other background
- 24 sounds to prevent interrupting this meeting. Finally,
- 25 my objective is to run an orderly meeting and conclude



- 1 without a -- within a reasonable time. Thank you.
- Okay. Ms. White, may we have the reading
- 3 of the resolution for Police Commissioner Elizabeth
- 4 Brooks? And I believe Mr. -- Commissioner Davis has
- 5 agreed to read the resolution.
- 6 MS. WHITE: Yes, Madam Chairperson. And we
- 7 are posting that through the shared-screen feature.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 9 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Okay.
- 10 "Resolution honoring Police Commissioner
- 11 Elizabeth Betty Brooks.
- 12 "Whereas Elizabeth Brooks has etched a
- 13 lasting mark on the city of the Detroit, its
- 14 residents, and its institutions during more than
- 15 22 years of philanthropy, civic leadership, and
- 16 community service, including most recently as an
- 17 at-large member of the board of police commissioners;
- 18 and
- 19 "Whereas Police Commissioner Brooks was
- 20 appointed by -- to the board by Mayor Mike Duggan
- 21 during her term. She has been an enthusiastic booster
- 22 of the Detroit Police Department, police recruiting,
- 23 civilian oversight, and her leadership helped spread
- 24 recruiting to churches, street fairs, and other
- 25 community events."



- 1 It disappeared. I can't see it now.
- MS. WHITE: Can you see it now,
- 3 Commissioner Davis?
- 4 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: No. It went dead on
- 5 my screen.
- 6 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Do you want me to
- 7 finish it?
- 8 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Please.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 10 Griffie.
- 11 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: No problem.
- "During her term" --
- Can you scroll back up, Melanie?
- 14 Ms. White. I'm sorry. That's good.
- 15 "Her leadership helped spread recruiting to
- 16 churches, street fairs, and other community events.
- 17 At weekly meetings and at any social gathering, she
- 18 implores everyone to remember Detroit needs the best
- 19 people to become police officers. Her evident pride
- 20 in the city and the police department even inspired
- 21 her grandson to pursue a career in law enforcement;
- 22 and
- "Whereas in 2019, Commissioner Brooks led a
- 24 successful effort by the board to host for the first
- 25 time the annual conference for the National



- 1 Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement,
- 2 along with the 45th Anniversary Celebration of the
- 3 Board of Police Commissioners. Her work resulted in
- 4 civic partnerships and sponsorships that made the
- 5 event surpass tourism at projections by the Detroit
- 6 Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau; and
- 7 "Whereas Detroit is fortunate that
- 8 Elizabeth Brooks adopted the city as her own. A
- 9 native of North Carolina, she settled in Michigan in
- 10 1998 when her late husband, renowned U.S. leader and
- 11 business pioneer William "Bill" Brooks, served as vice
- 12 president of General Motors. She became known for her
- 13 volunteer work and remains active today. Her service
- 14 spans the boards of the Detroit Historical Museum,
- 15 Motown Museum, Detroit Jazz Festival, the Charles
- 16 H. Wright Museum, the Michigan Opera Theatre, Reading
- 17 Works, Neighborhood Legal Services of Michigan, and
- 18 Detroit Institute of Arts, and more. Whether
- 19 attending presidential events, hosting celebrity
- 20 galas, worshipping at Sacred Heart Church, or walking
- 21 along the Detroit River, she is known for greeting
- 22 everyone with the same warm and welcoming manner, and
- 23 a "Just call me Betty" smile. A caring mother and
- 24 grandmother, she is greatly respected and beloved by
- 25 many across Detroit and the nation.



- 1 "Now, therefore, be it resolved that
- 2 Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for
- 3 the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police
- 4 Department, award this resolution in recognition of
- 5 the dedication and diligent service by the police
- 6 commissioner, Elizabeth Brooks. Her dedication and
- 7 commitment to civilian oversight, the city of Detroit,
- 8 and its citizens merits our highest regards. We thank
- 9 and congratulate you, Commissioner Elizabeth Brooks."
- 10 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair, I move
- 11 for adoption of this resolution.
- 12 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Support.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. It has been
- 14 moved and supported. All in favor?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. The motion
- 17 passes.
- 18 MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson Holt, I also
- 19 wanted to just mention that Commissioner Burton has
- 20 also joined the line as well.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you so much for
- 22 sharing.
- Good afternoon, Commissioner Burton.
- Now, may we please have the resolution for
- 25 Detroit's leadership and community success, President



- 1 Obama's goals for 21 -- for the 21st century community
- 2 policing?
- 3 Commissioner Griffie, are you -- you're
- 4 going to read that one?
- 5 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Yes, I can read it.
- 6 "Whereas the Detroit Board of Police
- 7 Commissioners is responsible for civilian oversight
- 8 and supervision of the Detroit Police Department under
- 9 the Chapter 7 of the city charter. Detroit residents
- 10 created the board in 1974 in the aftermath of protests
- and reforms stemming from the 1967 civil uprising.
- 12 The people of Detroit expanded the board's powers in
- 13 2012 to address a new era of police brutality and
- 14 abuses showing that continuous improvement is vital to
- 15 ensure accountability, transparency, and effectiveness
- in policing and law enforcement as times and
- 17 circumstances change; and
- 18 "Whereas President Barack Obama established
- 19 the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing in
- 20 2014. After extensive research, study, and dialogue,
- 21 the panel released a final report, 21st Century
- 22 Policing, in May of 2015, to provide a national road
- 23 map for systemic change in law enforcement for a safer
- 24 community in six pillars. Pillar 1 is building trust
- 25 and legitimacy. Pillar 2 is policy and oversight.



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- 1 Pillar 3 is technology and social media. Pillar 4 is
- 2 community policing and crime reduction. Pillar 5 is
- 3 training and education, and Pillar 6 is officer
- 4 wellness and safety; and
- 5 "Whereas the Detroit community and the
- 6 board strongly supported President Obama's task force
- 7 and has continued to support the reported -- report's
- 8 pillars. Most recently, local and national events
- 9 have underscored the need to ensure greater progress
- in adhering to the task force findings and
- 11 recommendations from Detroit and in all communities.
- "Therefore, be it resolved, the board will
- 13 work with the community and the police department for
- 14 a comprehensive analysis of the police department's
- 15 adherence to President Obama's report on 21st Century
- 16 Policing to ensure all possible measures, policies,
- 17 procedures, and activities to support community
- 18 policing, which emphasizes working with the
- 19 neighborhood residents and essential partners to
- 20 coproduce public safety; and
- 21 "Be it further resolved for the remainder
- of 2020, we'll work together to provide and improve on
- 23 the following: an assessment by the human resources
- 24 bureau and the department's training academy of the
- 25 type and effectiveness of the current training in



- 1 police recruiting and evaluation process,
- 2 interpersonal relations and sensitivity, implicit
- 3 bias, restorative practices, and procedural justice,
- 4 21st century policing goals, and other disciplines
- 5 that can affect police encounters with the public.
- 6 The assessment will involve, among other things, a
- 7 comprehensive review of all our current academy and
- 8 in-service training, a survey of different sets of
- 9 sworn and civilian personnel to gauge effectiveness of
- 10 training and retraining, and recommendations for new
- or modified training to address gaps or deficiencies
- 12 and competency.
- "An annual report from the DPD of such
- 14 training review evaluations shall be applied to the
- 15 board each August for review and consideration; an
- 16 assessment by DPD of precinct, command, and operations
- 17 to ensure the delivery of efficient, effective, and
- 18 fair policing that appropriately reflects the needs of
- 19 the community; surveys of the community to begin
- 20 capturing an annual empirical assessment of public
- 21 opinion about local law enforcement and civilian
- 22 oversight; an annual written update from DPD on its
- 23 compliance and achievements based on clear and defined
- 24 methods related to the goals and guidelines of the six
- 25 pillars of 21st Century Policing. DPD will submit the



- 1 update each August to the board, and will be posted
- 2 online by the board for 30 days to allow public
- 3 comment, after which the board will compile and issue
- 4 a final report to the community; modifications and
- 5 additions or open data portals for public use and
- 6 education of standard reports, including but not
- 7 limited to the annual uniform crime report, use of
- 8 force report, facial recognition technology use and
- 9 outcomes report, stability and complaints reports, and
- 10 disciplinary reports to boost public access and
- 11 transparency; recommendations for DPD to seek out and
- 12 form collaborative relationships through an awareness
- of understanding and other agreements with business,
- 14 civic, and community organizations that can address
- 15 holistically the roots of crime and economic, social,
- 16 health, and cultural factors such as poverty, poor
- 17 education, and drug addiction; comprehensive studies
- 18 for determination of whether the police department
- 19 will benefit from a national accreditation to serve
- 20 the needs of our residents, department, and city; and,
- 21 finally, federal and other government changes that
- 22 will help prevent dangerous or incompetent officers
- 23 from staying in the law enforcement profession,
- 24 whether through arbitration rules and the lack of
- 25 defined and consistent professional standards across



- 1 some 18,000 departments in the United States."
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 3 Griffie.
- 4 Is there a motion to approve this
- 5 resolution?
- 6 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: So moved.
- 7 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Second.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. It has been
- 9 moved and seconded. Is there discussion? Those in
- 10 favor?
- 11 THE BOARD: Aye.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Those opposed? Thank
- 13 you. This resolution had been approved.
- 14 Thank you, commissioners.
- 15 Now we'll have a report from Deputy Chief
- 16 Marlon Wilson, attending for Chief Craig -- designee
- 17 for Chief Craiq.
- 18 DC WILSON: Thank you. Through the chair.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Sure.
- 20 DC WILSON: I'll start out with an update
- 21 of injured officers. We have Officer Christopher
- 22 Thurston, who is recovering at home due to a
- 23 motorcycle accident. We have Officer Mark Robbins,
- 24 who is recovering at home as well due to a motorcycle
- 25 accident. Detective Henry Beckham is recovering at



- 1 home due to a gunshot wound. Sergeant Michael Bailey
- 2 is currently at DRH. He was injured during the
- 3 protest. Officer Curtis Hall is recovering at home
- 4 due to a motor vehicle accident.
- 5 Next I'll go to crime. I'll start with our
- 6 violent crime overview, starting with homicides.
- 7 We're currently at 137, which is a 32 percent increase
- 8 from last year. Sexual assaults, we have 311, which
- 9 is -- was a decrease of 29 percent. Aggravated
- 10 assaults, we're currently at 4,786, which is an
- 11 increase of 13 percent. Nonfatal shootings, we're
- 12 currently showing 444, which is an increase of
- 13 54 percent from last year. Robberies, we're currently
- 14 at 918, which is a decrease of 3 percent; and
- 15 carjackings, we're currently at 90, which is an
- 16 increase of 6 percent. So overall Part 1 violent
- 17 crime is up by 8 percent.
- Next, property crime, burglaries are
- 19 currently at 2,284, which is a decrease of 26 percent.
- 20 Larcenies are at 5,559, which is a decrease of
- 21 16 percent. Motor vehicle thefts are down as well,
- 22 5 percent. We currently show 2,794, and that gives us
- 23 a overall decrease in property crime of 16 percent.
- 24 As it relates to COVID and the current state of our
- 25 department, we currently have 21 members who are



- 1 quarantined. Ten of those members are currently in a
- 2 state of positive for COVID. We've returned 1,173
- 3 members back to duty. Totally, we have 327 members
- 4 that tested positive throughout our testing process.
- 5 Next there was a question regarding
- 6 military-grade equipment. It's my understanding that
- 7 a letter was sent to First Assistant Chief Stair, and
- 8 she is in the process of providing a response for the
- 9 board, so at the conclusion of this meeting, I'll make
- 10 sure I make contact with AC's office and get the
- 11 status and update the board tomorrow. Requests for a
- 12 status update on the board's policy recommendations, I
- 13 talked to DC Grant Ha. He advised me that his
- 14 response was given to the board today, I believe, to
- 15 Interim Secretary Melanie White.
- 16 Lastly, a question regarding citizen
- 17 complaints alleging use of force during a protest, I
- 18 know there was one member that was recently suspended
- 19 due to allegation of excessive force, and I believe we
- 20 might have ten additional allegations that are
- 21 currently assigned to internal affairs, but Director
- 22 Christopher Graveline could probably add a little bit
- 23 more to that if I'm incorrect.
- Director Graveline, can you add anything to
- 25 that?



- 1 MS. WHITE: I'm locating him in the panel
- 2 list.
- 3 DIRECTOR GRAVELINE: Through the chair.
- 4 Thank you, DC Wilson.
- 5 Through the chair, so currently what we
- 6 have in terms of numbers are the department had -- on
- 7 Tuesday had received -- we had 14 open investigations
- 8 involving 18 complaints. We have coordinated with
- 9 OCI, and on Tuesday they had 16 incidents they were
- 10 investigating through 18 complaints. Of those 16
- 11 incidents, 4 of which we were already investigating --
- 12 so we were able to back those out. Of -- so that left
- 13 12 with OCI. Of those 12, 6 of them involved injury
- 14 and/or a member of the press, and we asked OCI that
- 15 the department take those over. Being more under the
- 16 umbrella of IA, they agreed, and so we currently have
- 17 20 open investigations, and OCI currently has 6 open
- 18 investigations concerning complaints of force used
- 19 during the protests.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. Does that
- 21 complete your report, Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson?
- DC WILSON: Yes, ma'am.
- COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioners, do you
- 24 have questions?
- 25 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.



- 1 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Yes, Madam
- 2 Chair.
- 3 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Through the
- 4 chair.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Let's see.
- 6 Commissioner Burch --
- 7 Well, Commissioner Davis, I believe I heard
- 8 you first.
- 9 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you, Madam
- 10 Chair.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I'm sorry. Not
- 12 Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Brown. Right,
- 13 Commissioner Brown?
- 14 COMMISSIONER BROWN: That's correct but --
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Would you
- 16 please -- go on. I'm sorry.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I just have a few
- 18 things that I wanted to ask DC. Regarding our
- 19 recruits, I've been following a couple applicants
- 20 coming in, and at this point they have been
- 21 disqualified. And one was for that famous word again,
- 22 "integrity." And I watched everything this person
- 23 did, and I'm trying to figure this out, so I really
- 24 want to talk to you-all to understand what is this all
- 25 about. This person did everything they were supposed



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- 1 to do and disclosed information. Who is making
- 2 this -- this -- this thing up?
- And, also, I found out that another -- the
- 4 other recruit was told at the last minute, just before
- 5 the start date of the class on Monday, that they
- 6 failed a written psychological evaluation. So I would
- 7 like to see that, see what it entails, 'cause I
- 8 understand it's a 300-question test. Because I'm
- 9 trying to figure out exactly -- who exactly does the
- 10 department want here. I mean, these are two young
- 11 black men that live in the city of Detroit that I --
- 12 for some unforeseen reason, I can't see why they were
- 13 disqualified, and I'll call you later with that
- 14 information.
- 15 Also, we're getting a lot of complaints
- 16 about fireworks. And I understand that it's going to
- 17 tie the hands of the department. And what are we
- 18 going to, you know -- I looked at the law. I looked
- 19 at -- there's really no ordinance about it. How are
- 20 we going to address this? And I know there were some
- 21 times and stuff concerning when fireworks would be
- 22 discharged. My thing is I don't think we've done a
- 23 good job with informing the public of when they can do
- 24 these things. What are we going to do about that?
- 25 And the last thing right now is -- two



- 1 things -- PAL. What's our involvement with the Police
- 2 Athletic League? You know, what are we doing with
- 3 that? Is it still funded? Because I don't recall
- 4 seeing anything in the budget about it. How do we get
- 5 that back on track? I think it went over to Think
- 6 Detroit. I would like to know why it went.
- 7 And, also, the number of arrests of the
- 8 protesters that has happened during the last few
- 9 weeks, do we know if any of them have been felony
- 10 arrests, misdemeanor arrests, or just regular things
- 11 that could have been cited and we're just holding
- 12 people that could have gotten a ticket for disorderly
- 13 conduct? That's it.
- 14 DC WILSON: I'll start kind of working from
- 15 the last question that you asked. Most of the arrests
- 16 that we made were -- these individuals were cited and
- 17 given tickets for disorderly conduct. Without having
- 18 the data right in front of me, I do know there were
- 19 five cases that were of a felony nature, and those
- 20 involve one case where -- an allegation that an
- 21 individual drove his vehicle towards two officers that
- 22 were riding a bike. One involved an individual
- 23 shooting fireworks towards the direction of one of our
- 24 lieutenants. The next one was someone was carrying a
- 25 Taser and was in a crowd, shooting fireworks, and the



- 1 fourth one was damage to -- MVP -- over a thousand in
- 2 damage to a squad car.
- If you look at PAL, it's my understanding
- 4 we still have an investment in PAL. It's not as
- 5 robust as it was, obviously, when I was on the job ten
- 6 years ago. I can kind of get an update, but it's my
- 7 understanding that we still do have numbers that are
- 8 exclusively assigned to PAL. I just don't have that
- 9 number.
- 10 COMMISSIONER BROWN: What about financial
- 11 support?
- 12 DC WILSON: That, I don't know. That is
- 13 something I would have to research and get back with
- 14 you.
- 15 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay.
- DC WILSON: And, also, if you can -- first
- 17 question, if you give me the information relative to
- 18 the two candidates that were excluded, I can take a
- 19 look at that with First Assistant Chief Stair and get
- 20 you a response back. Last question was relative to
- 21 fireworks, and, obviously, I'll wait for
- 22 (indiscernible) follow-up, but to fireworks,
- obviously, that's an issue every year around this
- 24 time. We do have city ordinances that, you know, set
- 25 times that -- that you can utilize fireworks. So I



- 1 don't recall if we -- if I've seen any PR regarding
- 2 that on the news, so that's something I'll take back
- 3 to the team in the mayor's office and make sure we get
- 4 out because, definitely, we're going to receive
- 5 complaints and calls from citizens relative to
- 6 fireworks.
- 7 COMMISSIONER BROWN: We've been receiving a
- 8 lot of them.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I believe Commissioner
- 10 Burch --
- 11 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes, ma'am. Yes, I
- 12 do. Thank you, Ms. Commissioner.
- 13 To the commander, I want to share I'm the
- 14 police commissioner in District 3. There are many
- 15 issues in No. 3 that -- I do not know where all of the
- other commissioners live, but, in other words, I feel
- 17 the pain and the hurt of the people. I'm asking
- 18 you -- after I finish my other question, I want you to
- 19 go back to Chief Craig and to Mayor Duggan, and we
- 20 would like a conference call with him so that I
- 21 understand -- so you tell me if I'm right on this,
- 22 that they denied speaking to the protestors downtown.
- 23 They wanted a meeting with the mayor and with Craig,
- 24 and they denied it. So was that a yes or no? Sir?
- DC WILSON: So if you're talking about a



- 1 meeting that took place with the (audio dropped).
- 2 Through the chair, to answer that
- 3 question --
- 4 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yeah, the protesters
- 5 wanted a meeting. They said (inaudible). So do you
- 6 know?
- 7 DC WILSON: I know a meeting took place
- 8 between an organizer -- I believe his name is
- 9 Tristan -- and the mayor and the chief. I don't know
- 10 how many people were in attendance, but the meeting
- 11 did take place. It took place --
- 12 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Okay. Let me get back
- 13 to my point. My point is is what I just asked you
- 14 and -- asked you to have Chief Craig and the mayor to
- 15 speak to the people. You know, we're always saying
- 16 "police reform." Well, it needs to be a citizen
- 17 reform going along with the police. We have peaceful
- 18 suggestions, and I want to ask you this, sir: Do you
- 19 know if there are any police mini-stations opened in
- 20 the city of Detroit? Do you know of any?
- DC WILSON: At the present moment, I don't
- 22 know of any police -- mini police stations that are
- 23 actually being staffed.
- 24 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Okay. So you said no.
- 25 So here's the other point that, like -- again, I



- 1 reside in District 3. So we have been under many,
- 2 many commanders starting from Commander Chester Logan,
- 3 her dad, Dante, Dunlap, Ewing, Leach, and now Slappey.
- 4 It seems to be that we always have these profound
- 5 gentlemen that really enforce over District 3, so
- 6 that's why we want to speak with Chief Craig to share
- 7 our concerns because all the protesting all over the
- 8 world, they think they can solve things by fire. We
- 9 don't believe in that. Okay? All we want is a
- 10 conversation, and then we'll decide what -- Detroit
- 11 can be a beacon instead of being called the crime city
- 12 of the world. Okay, sir?
- DC WILSON: Yes, ma'am.
- 14 COMMISSIONER BURCH: So that's one request
- 15 (inaudible). Yes. Now, here's the other one.
- 16 DC WILSON: Okay.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Just what Commissioner
- 18 Brown said regarding fireworks, they do the fireworks
- 19 up till 3:00, 4:00 o'clock in the morning. Okay? So
- 20 with this cancellation of downtown fireworks -- is
- 21 that correct? It's canceled?
- DC WILSON: It's my understanding that
- 23 they're trying to find a way to still have the
- 24 fireworks. So it's canceled in its original version,
- 25 but they're still trying to accomplish that, obviously



- 1 in a safe manner.
- 2 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Okay. But my point
- 3 is -- like Commissioner Brown -- how are you
- 4 regulating the people in the neighborhood, where they
- 5 used to go to Bell Isle and do what they do; but when
- 6 the state police took over, they brought all of that
- 7 noise in the neighborhoods. So how are you going to
- 8 control the fireworks in the neighborhoods?
- 9 DC WILSON: I think it's important. Like
- 10 Commissioner Brown said, first, I think we need to
- 11 ensure that the public understands the ordinance and
- 12 what they can and cannot do.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes.
- 14 DC WILSON: We're going to have to,
- 15 obviously -- like I said, every year we respond to
- 16 calls for service, so we'll have to enforce it that
- 17 way through education, training, utilize our
- 18 neighborhood police officers to kind of get out there
- 19 and be proactive, to -- to educate the public to know
- 20 what they can and cannot do.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Ms. Commissioner,
- 22 please be patient with me.
- Now, here's the other thing. I speak to
- 24 people in Flint, and I asked them how do they control
- 25 the crime in their area. We know they have a very



- 1 small population, where Detroit is over 700,000 or
- 2 more. My question is -- in Flint they patrol
- 3 together, the sheriff department and the police
- 4 department -- what happened to Benny Napoleon that
- 5 used to be, you know, going through the neighborhoods?
- 6 And I know that for a fact because out of the Belmar
- 7 Shopping Center, we had the mini-station that was --
- 8 the state police used it, the sheriffs used it, and
- 9 Detroit used it. Why would that be taken away when we
- 10 were in such a prevalent location, Eight Mile and
- 11 Dequindre?
- DC WILSON: I can't really speak to why
- 13 Sheriff Napoleon has or has not increased his patrol
- inside the city. Obviously, he controls the entire
- 15 County, so he has responsibilities throughout the
- 16 county.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BURCH: That's correct.
- 18 DC WILSON: But there are partnerships, and
- 19 there are times that we do work together, whether it's
- 20 through apprehension efforts or things of that nature
- 21 or if it's just -- it's selective collaboration at
- 22 this point.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes. But all I
- 24 want -- Ms. Holt -- Commander Holt -- I'm sorry.
- 25 Chairperson Holt, all I wanted is to be



- 1 recorded that I requested a meeting with Chief Craig
- 2 and with Mayor Duggan and with other leaders in
- 3 District 3 because I live here, so I experience it
- 4 every day.
- I want that recording, Ms. Melanie.
- 6 MS. WHITE: Yes, ma'am.
- 7 COMMISSIONER BURCH: I thank you, Ms. Holt.
- And thank you, sir, for your service.
- 9 Thank you for your service.
- 10 DC WILSON: Yes, Commissioner Burch.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 12 Burch.
- Commissioner Davis. Then, I believe,
- 14 Commissioner Griffie.
- 15 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes. Thank you, Madam
- 16 Chair.
- I have a couple of things. One, just
- 18 looking at the crime stats, especially as it relates
- 19 to homicide and nonfatal, like, as it relates to
- 20 homicide, I see every single precinct but one,
- 21 homicides are up, and I see, as it relates to nonfatal
- 22 shooting, every precinct but two is up. Is there --
- 23 shouldn't there be a greater effort to do more in the
- 24 community and the neighborhoods? It seems like all
- 25 the major presence is downtown. If you could respond



- 1 to that, then I'll have my. . .
- DC WILSON: So, obviously, there was a
- 3 point in time where we did have to increase our
- 4 efforts downtown during the protest, but we still made
- 5 sure that we had adequate resources in the precincts
- 6 and the neighborhoods. If you could really look,
- 7 probably since April 1st, even before the protests but
- 8 during the pandemic, is when we started to really see
- 9 increases in violent crime. We started seeing
- 10 reductions in property crime. Honestly, we have
- 11 people at home. We anticipated seeing increases in
- 12 domestic violence. We didn't see that; however,
- 13 nonfatal shootings and criminal homicides, we have
- 14 continuously seen an increase week after week.
- 15 Homicide is one of the units that falls up
- 16 under me, so I have to review the homicides every
- 17 single day as well as the nonfatal shootings. Our
- 18 last analysis -- what we're seeing is really a lot of
- 19 argument-based shootings. We've had probably -- last
- 20 weekend alone we probably had five or six shootings
- 21 that were associated to block parties. We had four
- 22 homicides over the weekend. Two of those were
- 23 associated with known individuals who just had a
- 24 simple argument over -- one was a parking spot. The
- other one was over the possession of a motorcycle. Sc



- 1 we're seeing a lot of that -- non-gang-related, not a
- 2 lot of robberies, but a lot of argument-based
- 3 shootings. There are a lot of simple arguments that
- 4 are escalating very quickly to the use of a handgun.
- 5 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Right. Because I see
- 6 just in the 8th Precinct, homicides are up 90 percent,
- 7 and just in the 2nd Precinct, nonfatal shooting is up
- 8 165 percent from year to date. These numbers are
- 9 horrible, I mean horrible.
- 10 DC WILSON: And if you look throughout --
- 11 not taking anything away from the city, but if you
- 12 look, this has been a growing trend in a lot of urban
- 13 communities, whether it's Chicago, you know,
- 14 St. Louis, New York. They're seeing spikes in
- 15 shootings as well. So, I mean, obviously, this is
- 16 something that we pay attention to, and we're trying
- 17 to do everything we can to reduce violence.
- COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Also, by the way, just
- 19 general information in case you are unaware, I know
- 20 under normal circumstances in the 10th Precinct --
- 21 that's one of my three precincts -- I know that they
- 22 have a mini-station they utilize, especially for
- 23 community meetings and for citywide police-community
- 24 relations. So there are some mini-stations that are
- 25 still being utilized in one way or another.



- 1 Also, can you give us more information
- 2 about this horrible case, I mean horrible case, about
- 3 a black man being arrested and falsely identified with
- 4 facial recognition? That's been my main concern about
- 5 facial recognition. It's, like, a 21st century
- 6 electronic lynching of black people, and it's
- 7 continuing. Something has to be done.
- B DC WILSON: Yes, sir. I can speak on that.
- 9 Obviously, this matter is going through some type of
- 10 litigation that the ACLU has presented, but what we
- 11 have -- what we know thus far, the chief has taken an
- 12 exhaustive look at this thus far, and we have not
- 13 found any issues relative to how facial recognition
- 14 was used at the time of this incident, but what we
- 15 have uncovered is that there was a lack of a thorough
- 16 investigation, and a lack of a thorough investigation
- 17 was brought on by really a lack of managerial
- 18 oversight. So the chief, as of today, has officially
- 19 announced that we will be doing an investigation
- 20 regarding the lack of managerial oversight.
- 21 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: That was the one
- 22 reason, I think, some of my colleagues voted for
- 23 facial recognition because they was ensured by the
- 24 department that there was going to be investigations
- 25 before you-all go out, you know, and -- arresting



- 1 people, you know. And a black should not have to be
- 2 arrested in front of his spouse and his kids and
- 3 spend, you know, 30 hours in jail or, you know, even
- 4 30 minutes. This is horrible.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Are you through,
- 6 Commissioner Davis?
- 7 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes, I'm through.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Griffie,
- 9 please.
- 10 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So I want to echo
- 11 the sentiments of my colleague Commissioner Davis, and
- 12 I'm disappointed that it was not brought up in your
- initial report and that we had to even ask for it
- 14 because, frankly, when you sat down in that chair this
- 15 evening, you should have been prepared to respond to
- 16 those questions immediately with a lot more detail
- 17 than you provided today. I am extremely disappointed
- 18 with DPD. I have asked numerous times -- numerous
- 19 times -- dating back to January, most recent being
- 20 January (indiscernible). You had six months -- for
- 21 detailed and regular reports in addition to quarterly
- 22 reports on facial recognition.
- 23 I have asked for information that would
- 24 have provided visibility and oversight of the program.
- 25 I have also asked for data which would detail the



- 1 effectiveness of the program, of which I have not yet
- 2 received. The boards should not be finding out about
- 3 these events via Free Press and the New York Times or
- 4 on CNN in the morning while I was watching TV. That's
- 5 not how we expect to find out about what's happening
- 6 in the community and what's happening in the
- 7 department.
- 8 The communication between Detroit Police
- 9 Department and the community at large needs to
- 10 great- -- and the BOPC needs to greatly improve.
- 11 Something has to be done. The department owes this
- 12 board and the community a very transparent
- 13 explanation. And let me be very clear: One mistake
- 14 is too many.
- DC WILSON: Yes.
- 16 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: And so because of
- 17 this, I would like to move that DPD perform a full
- 18 investigation of the incident involving Mr. Williams
- 19 to be presented to the board at the next BOPC meeting,
- 20 and at that time, the board will reevaluate the use
- 21 of -- the continued use of facial recognition
- 22 technology in the Detroit Police Department. The
- 23 investigation should include the following: a complete
- 24 and thorough timeline of events; an evaluation of how
- 25 DPD's conduct compares to the use of force -- to the



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- 1 use of force -- I'm sorry -- to the facial recognition
- 2 policy approved by the board; an evaluation of how
- 3 Detroit Police Department's conduct compares to other
- 4 relevant policies regarding the handling of
- 5 investigations and the oversight of those
- 6 investigations; and, finally, an understanding of any
- 7 discipline being led beyond the staff that was
- 8 involved in this incident. And that's a motion.
- 9 COMMISSIONER BURCH: I support that motion.
- 10 Commissioner Burch.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. The motion
- 12 has been moved and seconded. Discussion?
- 13 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Call the question.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Ms. White? Hello?
- MS. WHITE: Yes.
- 16 Commissioner Bell?
- 17 COMMISSIONER BELL: Yea.
- MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks?
- 19 Commissioner Brown?
- 20 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yes.
- 21 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch?
- 22 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes.
- 23 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton?
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: He's claiming that he's
- 25 muted, Ms. White.



- 1 MS. WHITE: I can come back.
- 2 And, staff, please ensure that Commissioner
- 3 Burton's mic is unmuted.
- 4 Commissioner Davis?
- 5 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.
- 6 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie?
- 7 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Yes.
- 8 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez?
- 9 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Yes.
- 10 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley?
- 11 Madam Chairperson?
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes.
- 13 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton?
- 14 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair?
- 15 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton?
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: We can hear you,
- 17 Commissioner Burton.
- 18 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Oh, thank you. I was
- 19 muted, like I've been muted for a lot of times when we
- 20 have these discussions but --
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton,
- 22 we're taking a vote.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: You know, like I said
- 24 before, you know, we cannot --
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Point of order.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BURTON: -- (inaudible) to
- 2 enforce a single -- to misidentify a single person of
- 3 color that doesn't have the resources for a really
- 4 good defense and criminalize those that wake up every
- 5 day --
- 6 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, this is
- 7 out of order.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay.
- 9 Commissioner Burton, do -- we need to move
- 10 on with the vote. We're voting. We're not
- 11 discussing. We're voting.
- 12 COMMISSIONER BURTON: I said, for the
- 13 record, I'm a yes vote.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Oh, thank you.
- MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson, the motion
- 16 passed.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 18 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, may I
- 19 speak one more time?
- 20 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Commissioner
- 21 Griffie.
- 22 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I want to be very
- 23 clear about what I expect, crystal clear, and I will
- 24 be sending an e-mail following this meeting with
- 25 exactly what I want, and it needs to be at the next



- 1 meeting, the meeting after next week, 'cause we're not
- 2 meeting in a week, so two weeks from today. And I
- 3 (audio dropped) have any holes in this information. I
- 4 want a full report, and I also want the data that I
- 5 requested back in January. (Inaudible.) If I cannot
- 6 right now in front of everybody attest to the
- 7 effectiveness of this program, that's a problem, and
- 8 if I cannot attest to the effectiveness of the
- 9 program, I will shut it down. I will shut it down. I
- 10 will work with my colleagues, and we will not allow
- 11 you (inaudible) anymore. I am fed up because it has
- 12 been over six months.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 14 Griffie.
- 15 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair?
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: We're going to --
- 17 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair?
- 18 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. We're going to
- 19 move on to the next item.
- 20 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair?
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: You're out of order,
- 22 Commissioner Burton.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: How am I out of
- 24 order?
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Well, because we're



- 1 going to follow the agenda, and the issue is closed.
- 2 COMMISSIONER BURTON: I don't think --
- MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. We're going
- 5 to have a presentation to the board by the domestic
- 6 violence unit.
- 7 MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson Holt, I also
- 8 wanted to mention that Commissioner Holley has joined
- 9 the line, and we are attempting to located Captain
- 10 Cavin for the domestic violence presentation.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: You going to say good
- 13 afternoon to me? You gonna say hello to me?
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Oh, good afternoon,
- 15 Commissioner Holley.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Thank you.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: You missed your Jewel
- 18 earlier today. The resolution was beautiful.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Thank you so much.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HOLT: You're welcome. Thank
- 21 you.
- 22 MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson, we're still
- 23 attempting to locate Captain Cavin.
- 24 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Madam Chair?
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Davis?



- 1 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: If we're still looking
- 2 for someone, perhaps you could allow Commissioner
- 3 Burton to finish his statements.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: No. We're not going to
- 5 go back to that discussion. It's already resolved.
- 6 Commissioner Griffie did an excellent presentation of
- 7 the motion. She gave all the details, which -- we
- 8 voted on it. No, we're not going to go back to that
- 9 discussion. We're going to follow the agenda. Thank
- 10 you.
- 11 MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson Holt, Captain
- 12 Cavin is not on the line at this time. I'm not sure
- if Deputy Chief Wilson has any information regarding
- 14 Captain Cavin at this time. We're still attempting to
- 15 look for her on the panelist link.
- DC WILSON: Through the --
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Oh, I'm sorry. Go on.
- 18 DC WILSON: Through the chair, I just
- 19 received a message from Captain Cavin that Sergeant
- 20 Kyla Williams, the officer in charge of the domestic
- 21 violence unit, is on the line and ready to do the
- 22 presentation.
- COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you so much,
- 24 Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson. Are we still going to
- 25 look forward to the discussion of the 1033 regarding



- 1 First Assistant Chief Stair?
- DC WILSON: Yes, ma'am.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Thank you.
- 4 We're ready for the domestic violence
- 5 presentation, Ms. White.
- 6 MS. WHITE: Yes. Thank you.
- 7 Deputy Chief Wilson, would you please
- 8 repeat the name once more?
- 9 DC WILSON: It's going to be Sergeant Kyla
- 10 Williams.
- MS. WHITE: Would the host please unmute
- 12 Ms. Williams's microphone?
- 13 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Hello? Can everyone
- 14 hear me?
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can hear you
- 16 real well.
- 17 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Okay. Good afternoon
- 18 to the board.
- 19 THE BOARD: Good afternoon.
- 20 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Through the chair, I'm
- 21 not sure if there was a PowerPoint sent to you-all,
- 22 but we did get an approved PowerPoint. Yep. Okay.
- 23 Yep. It's on the screen. Okay. So can we go to the
- 24 next slide, or do I have control of the next slide?
- MS. WHITE: We can move to the next slide.



- 1 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Okay. Next slide,
- 2 please. Thank you. Okay. So I am Sergeant Kyla
- 3 Williams, the officer in charge of the domestic
- 4 violence unit here with DPD, and this is just a basic
- 5 overview of our unit and what we do here. We are the
- 6 investigating unit of all intimate partner violence
- 7 within the city of Detroit. The goal of our unit is
- 8 to stop intimate partner violence in our community,
- 9 and we serve as an epicenter of multidisciplinary
- 10 criminal justice efforts. We also use these efforts
- 11 to prevent what has been identified the most
- 12 frequently and least reported crime across the nation,
- 13 which we know as intimate partner violence. We have
- 14 specially trained detectives, police officers,
- 15 corporals within our unit who do detailed
- investigations and use referrals (indiscernible)
- 17 source network. Not only do we do our investigations,
- 18 we also have networks with various agencies around the
- 19 city and the Metro Detroit area where we can use as
- 20 referrals for victims, survivors of intimate partner
- 21 violence.
- 22 Our current personnel in the Detroit Police
- 23 Department's domestic violence unit consists of one
- 24 lieutenant, who is over the entire special victim's
- 25 unit. We have four sergeants, and one sergeant is



- 1 currently on extended leave, so we only have,
- 2 technically, three sergeants active. We have two
- 3 investigator ranks, nine detective ranks, six corporal
- 4 ranks, three police officer ranks, and one civilian
- 5 rank.
- 6 The objectives for the domestic violence
- 7 unit is to send a message that domestic violence is a
- 8 crime and it's a crime that, if you commit it, you
- 9 will be prosecuted. We provide equal protection under
- 10 the law regardless of who is a victim of intimate
- 11 partner violence and/or offender of intimate partner
- 12 violence.
- We also provide resources and referral
- 14 information to victims, maintain and improve
- 15 partnerships with other agencies such as the
- 16 prosecutors's office, social workers, shelters, other
- 17 advocates that are doing the work around the Metro
- 18 Detroit area for intimate partner violence. We also
- 19 educate the public and the police on laws, procedures,
- 20 and policies for processing domestic violence cases.
- 21 October is domestic violence awareness month, so we
- 22 try to do prevention and awareness throughout the
- 23 community for domestic violence to let the community
- 24 know, one, what domestic violence is, what it is not,
- 25 what it looks like, and where they can go for services



- 1 if needed.
- 2 This particular unit of the Detroit Police
- 3 Department, we handle the relationship of domestic
- 4 violence, slash, intimate partner violence for spouses
- 5 and former spouses, couples who reside together or
- 6 formerly resided together, couples who have a child or
- 7 children in common, and elder abuse cases where the
- 8 victim is 65 years of age and has been the victim of
- 9 some type of crime by someone who has care, custody,
- 10 and control over them, be it a family member or a
- 11 nursing home facility. And we also handle malicious
- 12 destruction of property, where an assault has occurred
- 13 and there is a personal protection order in place.
- 14 A few of your partners here within the unit
- 15 are the STOP grant and STOP stance for Services,
- 16 Training, Officers, and Prosecution [sic]. That is a
- 17 federal grant that is awarded to the state board,
- 18 Michigan Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault and
- 19 Prevention and Treatment Board. They are awarded the
- 20 monies from the Office on Violence Against Women, and
- 21 they choose which entities under their authority will
- 22 get the grant funding. So our unit is one of the
- 23 jurisdictions who receives that grant's funds, and
- 24 that basically provides the salary of one officer in
- 25 our unit to do investigations for intimate partner



- 1 violence.
- We also partner with our victim's
- 3 assistants, who are our social workers and advocates
- 4 that are the police department employees, so we work
- 5 with them on a daily basis to provide whatever
- 6 services and resources a victim may need outside of
- 7 the criminal investigation. It could be anything from
- 8 crisis intervention to assisting with transitional
- 9 housing. We also have a good working relationship
- 10 with the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, where they
- 11 have a dedicated domestic violence unit who reviews
- 12 our warrants on a daily basis, and we are in constant
- 13 communication with them for the investigation and
- 14 prosecution of our cases. There are precinct social
- 15 workers at the precincts that we work with, too, on a
- 16 daily basis. They fall under the Victim's Assistance
- 17 Program, so the same thing that we do with the
- 18 Victim's Assistance, we do with the precinct social
- 19 workers.
- 20 I am also a part of the Wayne County
- 21 Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. We meet once
- 22 a month, approximately -- give or take a couple of
- 23 months off in the summer -- where we discuss
- 24 adjudicated domestic violence homicides, and we review
- 25 everything from the police action, maybe Department of



- 1 Corrections actions, and anything that is available to
- 2 the public. We review the case, and we do an annual
- 3 report of our findings and recommendations to try to
- 4 improve the system to prevent future domestic violence
- 5 homicides.
- 6 This is just information on our STOP grant.
- 7 Again, it covers one police officer's salary
- 8 (indiscernible) signs of domestic violence, and it
- 9 should be coming to an end this year in September, but
- 10 I am pretty confident that it will get reviewed or
- 11 renewed again for several more years. These are the
- 12 current cases assigned to the domestic violence unit.
- 13 It's broken down by 2018, 2019, 2020 from the months
- 14 of January to May. The total number of cases we had
- 15 from January to May in 2018, as you can see, is
- 16 3,103 cases. Of that 3,103 cases, 1,025 were
- 17 felonies, and 2,078 were misdemeanors.
- 18 In 2019, from January to May, we were
- 19 assigned a total of 3,878 cases. Of those cases in
- 20 2019, 2,993 were misdemeanors, and 878 were felonies.
- 21 This year, from January to May, we have a total of
- 22 3,648 cases that were assigned for investigation to
- 23 this unit alone. 787 were felonies, and 2,861 were
- 24 misdemeanors.
- Next slide, please.



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1 This is just a case of -- a PowerPoint of

- 2 our case, slash, workload averages. In 2018, from
- 3 January to May, we had approximately 13 investigators
- 4 who took cases here, so doing the math, the average of
- 5 cases per investigator for 2018 was 239. The average
- of cases per investigator, which was 12 in 2019 from
- 7 January to May, was 323, and this year, 2020, from
- 8 January to May, we have 14 investigators here in the
- 9 unit who take cases, and they're averaging
- 10 approximately 261 cases thus far. We type all felony
- 11 warrants for in-custody -- actually, we type on all
- 12 in-custody arrests, and we type on all felony
- 13 non-in-custody arrests.
- 14 When I say "type," I mean warrants
- 15 submitted to the prosecutor's office. So the average
- 16 number of warrants submitted in 2015 for the first
- 17 five months of the -- I'm sorry -- 2018 for the first
- 18 five months of the year was 115 warrants. In 2019,
- 19 approximately 160 warrants were submitted, and in
- 20 2020, approximately 116 warrants have been submitted
- 21 per investigator here in our unit.
- These are just some of the resources that
- 23 we have here in the unit. That's our phone number
- 24 here, our main line, and we do have a department
- 25 e-mail. Victim's Assistance, again, is our social



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1 worker's number, 833-1660. It is a 24-hour, 7-day

- 2 operation phone line where anyone can call. People
- 3 from the department, first responders, investigations
- 4 can call that number if they're seeking someone who
- 5 needs assistance with intimate partner violence,
- 6 sexual assault, secondary victims of homicide for
- 7 immediate crisis intervention, and/or assistance with
- 8 shelter placement. And, also, we get a lot of phone
- 9 calls for people needing assistance with personal
- 10 protection orders, so that's the Wayne County Clerk's
- 11 office for personal protection orders.
- 12 And my last slide, I believe, are
- 13 questions, if there are any.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Are there any
- 15 questions, commissioners?
- 16 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Through the chair.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Commissioner
- 18 Griffie.
- 19 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Hi. Thank you,
- 20 Chair.
- 21 So there's been a lot of talk across the
- 22 nation with the pandemic that domestic violence
- 23 assaults have increased, and I just want to understand
- 24 what your take is (audio dropped) having, in fact,
- 25 seen an increase in domestic violence incidents. What



- 1 have we done to try to (audio dropped)? Have we done
- 2 anything to try to offer crisis counseling or social
- 3 work-type assistance to some of our (audio dropped)?
- 4 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, ma'am. Through
- 5 the chair, you broke up in some of your questions, but
- 6 I think I got the gist of what you were asking. You
- 7 were asking have we seen an increase since the
- 8 COVID-19 incident, and what are we doing as it relates
- 9 to addressing any of those issues that may have come
- 10 up during COVID-19 for intimate partner violence?
- 11 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Well, I also want to
- 12 understand if you're working with the community to get
- 13 the (indiscernible) crisis intervention programs, et
- 14 cetera, that are proven to be helpful to people who
- 15 may be in a home with their spouse and can't seek
- 16 normal channels of support.
- 17 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Okay. Yes, I am aware
- 18 that on a national level, that the incidences of
- 19 intimate partner violence have gone up as it relates
- 20 to COVID-19; however, for our numbers that we're
- 21 seeing here for our unit, they have not gone up.
- 22 There's actually a slight decrease in them. No victim
- 23 that we have come in contact with for -- during this
- 24 COVID-19 pandemic has gone without any services or
- 25 resources. What we do here, and what we have always



- 1 done here, is every report that we come across or
- 2 that's assigned to investigators here in the domestic
- 3 violence unit, those reports are given to our
- 4 advocates and social workers in Victim's Assistance.
- 5 Victim's Assistance contacts each one of those victims
- 6 on the report for services and resources.
- 7 Also, when people call who may not have
- 8 gotten -- who a social worker may not have reached or
- 9 contacted and they'll call the office, I personally
- 10 have put them in touch with our advocate. We have an
- 11 advocate here in our office pretty much throughout the
- week from 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and when she's gone,
- 13 we call the main number of -- the 833-1660. So
- whenever someone comes forth and asks for assistance,
- 15 if we cannot give it to them, we refer them to
- 16 Victim's Assistance, who has the networking of all the
- 17 resources for prevention and awareness, shelters,
- 18 transitional housing. Some of them, they just need
- 19 individual or group counseling, so they offer that
- 20 through our Victim's Assistance Program. But each
- 21 report that we get assigned here in our unit, the
- 22 victim is contacted at least twice -- once by the
- 23 officer who handles the case and twice by the social
- 24 worker or advocate who is going to receive a copy of
- 25 the report, and they get that on a daily basis.



- 1 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. Are there
- 2 other (inaudible)?
- 3 Yes, Commissioner Burch.
- 4 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes, ma'am.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 Sergeant Williams is your name; correct?
- 7 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, ma'am.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Okay. I just wanted
- 9 to -- this is Commissioner Shirley Burch. I wanted to
- 10 share because I've spoken to this before. In your
- 11 domestic violence, do you also include mental health
- 12 regarding whatever is going on in the situation? Is
- that a part of your responsibility, to see if anybody
- in that violence is affected by the mental health? Do
- 15 they have a mental health problem?
- 16 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, ma'am. Through
- 17 the chair, I spoke to the program manager today with
- 18 Victim's Assistance, and we talked about victims who
- 19 have -- may have mental health illness. So Victim's
- 20 Assistance is in contact with agencies and resources
- 21 for mental health concerns. She talked to a victim
- 22 on -- yesterday who needed some assistance with mental
- 23 health, so we do provide any services or resources and
- 24 referrals for anyone that needs assistance with mental
- 25 health. I hope that answers your question.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BURCH: It does a little bit.
- 2 Sergeant, what I'm trying to say is that that's very,
- 3 very prevalent in the African-American community, is
- 4 mental health. Our police department has to deal with
- 5 the people with mental health issues, which they're
- 6 not trained to address. So the deputy mayor, who is
- 7 now Conrad Mallett, is over mental health. We're
- 8 trying to see what is he going to do as far as helping
- 9 our police officers and our citizens to get the proper
- 10 care because we see it all the time throughout the
- 11 communities where they let them back out, the people
- 12 with mental issues. They only slap them on the wrist
- 13 a little bit, give them some medicine, and they go
- 14 back on the street and do the same thing. My next
- 15 question to you is that -- do they actually -- when
- 16 you're doing your domestic violence, do you find it
- 17 more in the women complaining or the men? You know,
- 18 men can be abused, too.
- 19 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, ma'am. I totally
- 20 agree with you, and, yes, the same resources and
- 21 services that we offer for women, we also offer for
- 22 men. You are correct when you say that women are more
- 23 so victims of domestic abuse than men are,
- 24 statistically speaking, but we do have male victims
- 25 who will come forth and move with us through the



- 1 process of prosecution as well as receiving services
- 2 and resources for intimate partner violence. And we
- 3 also have a couple of male social workers on board, so
- 4 if they aren't comfortable in talking with a female
- 5 social worker or advocate, we have male social workers
- 6 and advocates as well.
- 7 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Because we've got to
- 8 end --
- 9 Ms. Chair, thank you.
- We've got to end that whole (inaudible) or
- 11 what we're saying, that women are weak. The man is
- 12 strong, so he's not supposed to touch that woman, but
- 13 a woman can cause it. That's what I taught my three
- 14 sons. Whenever there's a disagreement, you're the
- 15 man. Leave the house and cool off. You don't engage
- 16 in an argument. Okay? So this is what I'm saying.
- 17 Women draw violence sometimes to themselves. But I
- 18 think -- and I've asked this before to Melanie. How
- 19 can we get in touch with Conrad Mallett, who is
- 20 supposed to be assigned to mental health and the
- 21 COVID?
- 22 Ms. Melanie, would you please -- I'm still
- 23 trying to get in touch with him.
- I thank you, Sergeant.
- 25 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: You're quite welcome,



- 1 ma'am.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Sergeant
- 3 Kyla Williams. Any there other questions for the
- 4 sergeant?
- 5 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair, just one
- 7 question.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I think Commissioner
- 9 Davis jumped on before you this time, Commissioner
- 10 (inaudible).
- 11 COMMISSIONER BROWN: All right.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 13 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: I have a quick
- 14 question, Sergeant Williams.
- 15 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, sir.
- 16 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Do you-all have a
- 17 theory as to why our numbers haven't gone up like most
- 18 places throughout the country as it relates to
- 19 domestic violence, especially during the COVID?
- 20 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Oh, man. That's a good
- 21 question, sir. Through the chair, I don't really have
- 22 a theory, per se. I think it's just maybe the hard
- 23 work that we do here in the domestic violence unit,
- 24 and we are -- I personally am really big on prevention
- 25 and awareness, so as much as I can, I try to talk and



- 1 get the word out there, but I don't have a direct
- 2 theory.
- 3 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Also, have you-all
- 4 done more mental health referrals than before, than
- 5 normal?
- 6 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: We don't do mental
- 7 health referrals as far as the investigation is
- 8 concerned. That would be done from our Victim's
- 9 Assistance aspect, the social workers. What we do is
- 10 we talk to the victims as -- and find out if they're
- 11 going to cooperate with a criminal investigation, and
- 12 then if not, we will also extend the services and
- 13 resources to them through Victim's Assistance. So
- 14 Victim's Assistance will reach out to them, and I'm
- 15 sure, as licensed social workers, if they see a need
- 16 for some type of mental health intervention, they will
- 17 do such.
- 18 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 20 Commissioner Brown?
- 21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Sergeant Williams,
- 22 thank you for the report. There's a lot of valuable
- 23 information in there.
- 24 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: You're welcome, sir.
- 25 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Just very quickly, the



- 1 phone numbers that the NPOs give out with their
- 2 numbers on it to -- I didn't think -- from the Crime
- 3 Stoppers handout, the door knocker, is your number and
- 4 contact information on the back of there as well? I
- 5 don't have one in front of me.
- 6 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Are you talking about
- 7 the -- there's a victim's notification card that's
- 8 given out by first responders to every victim of
- 9 domestic and sexual assault that has our number on it
- 10 and some more resources for intimate partner violence,
- 11 but I'm not sure if the door knocker from Crime
- 12 Stoppers -- 'cause I haven't seen that -- has the
- 13 phone number on it for domestic violence.
- 14 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yeah, the NPOs have
- 15 them, and we -- they have all that contact information
- 16 for that precinct, and I just don't remember seeing
- 17 it. It would probably be nice, a good thing, if we
- 18 could get the domestic violence contact information on
- 19 there also if it's not there. I'll look at it, and
- 20 I'll follow up with DC Williams.
- 21 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, sir. And if any
- 22 NPO needs copies of the victim's notification cards,
- 23 we have them here in our office. It's just a matter
- 24 of getting them out. We distributed them to the
- 25 precincts when we first received them, so some of them



- 1 have come back and asked for additional copies, and we
- 2 have them in Spanish, Arabic, and English.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Are there any other
- 4 questions to Sergeant Williams?
- 5 Commissioner Burton?
- 6 COMMISSIONER BURTON: You know, I just want
- 7 to know are there any data out there to show where
- 8 someone that was falsely arrested, like -- such as
- 9 Robert Williams, where being falsely arrested,
- 10 spending 30 hours, approximately, in jail --
- 11 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton --
- 12 COMMISSIONER BURTON: -- how does this
- 13 affect their mental health going forward? Knowing
- 14 that Brother Williams had a wife, a family, a child,
- 15 and that was also loved in his community, how does it
- 16 affect those that are wrongfully arrested by Detroit
- 17 Police or any other agency? How did this affect their
- 18 mental health? Are there any statistics or data out
- 19 there that. . .
- 20 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, sir. Through the
- 21 chair, I'm not sure of any data on mental health as
- 22 far as how it affects -- I'm not sure --
- 23 (Simultaneous speakers.)
- 24 COMMISSIONER BURTON: As far as those that
- 25 are falsely arrested, though.



- 1 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton --
- 2 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Well, I handle domestic
- 3 violence --
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I'm sorry, Sergeant
- 5 Williams.
- 6 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: -- so I'm not sure.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I'm interrupting you,
- 8 Commissioner Burton.
- 9 Could you go back to the beginning of your
- 10 statement, please? And I'm sorry.
- 11 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: Yes, ma'am.
- I was just saying we don't handle that
- 13 here. We handle intimate partner violence, so I'm not
- 14 sure. Are you referring to false arrests of people
- 15 who are charged with intimate partner violence? I
- 16 don't have any data on that, and I don't have any
- 17 specific data on the false arrest or alleged false
- 18 arrest of Mr. Williams, sir.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you so much,
- 20 Sergeant Williams.
- 21 SERGEANT WILLIAMS: You're welcome.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HOLT: If we have no more
- 23 questions to the sergeant regarding our domestic
- 24 violence, we're going to move on the -- continue with
- 25 the agenda.



- 1 Ms. White, Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson is
- 2 still here, so we're -- are the commissioners supposed
- 3 to read the report that we received in our mailbox
- 4 about the 1033?
- 5 MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson, I did just
- 6 want to thank you for mentioning that. The report
- 7 that Deputy Chief Wilson mentioned earlier, the
- 8 honorable board has already received that written
- 9 report.
- 10 And so, Deputy Chief Wilson, if you have
- 11 any information or any additional information from the
- 12 department or from First AC Stair --
- But the honorable board did receive that
- 14 written report.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Thank you,
- 16 Ms. White.
- 17 Thank you, Deputy Chief Marlon Wilson.
- DC WILSON: No problem.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: The next item on the
- 20 agenda is the interim secretary's report.
- 21 MS. WHITE: Thank you, Madam Chairperson
- 22 Holt.
- 23 Honorable board, if you refer to your
- 24 agenda, the following incoming information was
- 25 received into the board's office this week, and they



- 1 are as follows: No. 1, DPD Facial Recognition Report
- 2 No. 33; No. 2, community letters concerning police
- 3 brutality and Black Lives Matter; No. 3,
- 4 correspondence from Ms. Fredia Butler, dated June 10,
- 5 2020; No. 4, correspondence from Mr. Cecil Coston,
- 6 dated June 14, 2020; No. 5, correspondence regarding
- 7 board of police commissioners bylaws; No. 6,
- 8 correspondence from Attorney Phil Mayor from the ACLU
- 9 fund of Michigan, dated June 24, 2020; No. 7, Wayne
- 10 County Commission Resolution 2020-347 regarding the
- 11 Justice in Policing Act of 2020 and supporting
- 12 materials -- and this information was submitted from
- 13 the Wayne County Commission and the Wayne County
- 14 Commissioner, Jewel Ware -- No. 8, the board received
- 15 the domestic violence presentation that was just
- 16 presented; No. 9, the board received the department's
- 17 response regarding the board's use of force
- 18 recommendations; No. 10, the department's response
- 19 regarding the department's participation in the 1033
- 20 program with the Department of Defense; No. 11, facial
- 21 recognition e-mail correspondence report regarding
- 22 recent articles, including the press statement from
- 23 the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office; No. 12,
- 24 correspondence from Chief of Police, James E. Craig
- 25 regarding recommendations for executive appointments



- 1 to the rank of commander and captain. And that
- 2 concludes the incoming correspondence for this week,
- 3 honorable board.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Ms. White.
- 5 The next item --
- 6 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair, before we
- 7 go on, I have a question for Ms. White.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Sure, Commissioner
- 9 Brown.
- 10 COMMISSIONER BROWN: The letter concerning
- 11 the arrest of Robert Williams, to my understanding,
- 12 that went to the office of the chief investigator a
- 13 few months ago. Is that true?
- 14 MS. WHITE: Through the chair, Commissioner
- 15 Brown, to my understanding, the letter just came in
- 16 yesterday, and it was immediately forwarded to the
- 17 office of the chief investigator, and they are
- 18 currently reviewing and evaluating the facts and
- 19 circumstances to determine if the office of the chief
- 20 investigator is the appropriate venue to investigate
- 21 that complaint. But, to my understanding, it just
- 22 came in yesterday.
- COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay. But I must have
- 24 been told that Mr. Williams tried to file a complaint.
- 25 Can we find out if that's something he did early on



- 1 and it was overlooked and this board didn't know
- 2 anything about it?
- 3 MS. WHITE: Yes, sir, we can.
- 4 COMMISSIONER BROWN: That's very -- that's
- 5 very alarming. It's like my colleague Commissioner
- 6 Griffie was stating, this doesn't fall on the ears of
- 7 DPD, but if the OCI staff had received this
- 8 information, we could have gotten on top of this and
- 9 not hear about this through the news and hear this
- 10 alarming situation here. So I would really like to
- 11 find out, and I would reach out to maybe the attorney
- 12 to find out or have our attorney reach out to him and
- 13 find out if a complaint was lodged or tried to lodge
- 14 with the office of the chief investigator.
- 15 MS. WHITE: Yes. Through the chair, yes,
- 16 Commissioner Brown, I will double-check on that. And
- 17 I will say that the office of the chief investigator
- 18 and, of course, the board of police commissioners, any
- 19 complaints that we receive, we immediately review and
- 20 evaluate the circumstances and contact the citizen
- 21 regarding their complaints, so we do not turn any
- 22 complaints away. However, I will follow up on that
- 23 item, sir.
- 24 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Okay. Thank you.
- Thank you, Madam Chair.



- 1 COMMISSIONER HOLT: And thank you,
- 2 Commissioner Brown.
- 3 Are there other questions or concerns?
- 4 Okay. We're dealing with unfinished business and the
- 5 charter amendment.
- 6 Ms. White?
- 7 MS. WHITE: Yes. Attorney Wyrick is also
- 8 on the line.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 10 Attorney Wyrick?
- 11 MR. WYRICK: Good afternoon, honorable
- 12 board.
- Through the chair, there is a meeting
- 14 scheduled for the board's presentation on charter
- amendments this Saturday at 12:00 o'clock, Saturday,
- 16 June 27th. This is basically what you have before
- 17 you -- the recommendations that were actually voted on
- 18 by this honorable board back on February 13th of 2020.
- 19 So it's just a matter of how you-all want to present
- 20 to the charter commission at this time.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I guess I don't
- 22 understand your question. Please, could you clarify?
- 23 You said how?
- 24 MR. WYRICK: I said it doesn't matter how
- 25 the honorable board wants to make the presentation of



- 1 the charter recommendations to the charter commission.
- 2 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Do we have a
- 3 PowerPoint prepared? I mean through the chair.
- 4 MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson and honorable
- 5 board, Attorney Wyrick, the report -- the honorable
- 6 board received the written report of all of the
- 7 recommendations that were previously approved by the
- 8 honorable board back in January of 2020, and so if you
- 9 can just walk through each one of those
- 10 recommendations for the honorable board's remembrance?
- 11 And, honorable board, you also received a
- 12 copy of that written report today, this week, so you
- 13 should have a copy of that right in your e-mail inbox,
- 14 and it lists all of the recommendations that the full
- 15 board approved.
- So, Attorney Wyrick, if you can just walk
- 17 through one of those recommendations, please.
- 18 MR. WYRICK: Yes. To go point by point,
- 19 then, the first recommendation was that the board of
- 20 police commission must approve all appointments and
- 21 promotions by the chief of police of the Detroit
- 22 Police Department. Just to explain, now there's a
- 23 controversy in that regard in terms of whether or not
- 24 the board has authority over appointments as opposed
- 25 to appointments and promotions. So it would more or



- 1 less clarify that the board does have authority, not
- 2 only for promotions but appointments as well. That
- 3 would be the first point. Are there any questions
- 4 regarding --
- 5 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Are we reviewing a
- 6 document? Madam Chair, are we reviewing a document,
- 7 or are we just having a conversation?
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I think we're just
- 9 having --
- 10 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Well, I believe
- 11 Attorney Wyrick is going over the recommendations that
- 12 we submitted a long time ago to the charter.
- 13 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, I
- 14 recommend that he -- that Attorney Wyrick put (audio
- 15 dropped) so we can have a conversation rather than
- 16 listening (audio dropped). I need to (audio dropped).
- 17 That's the appropriate way to review this kind of a
- 18 (audio dropped).
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Griffie,
- 20 I'm sorry. We lost your speech. Could you repeat?
- 21 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Sorry. Yeah. My
- 22 apologies. I hope you can hear me now. What I'm
- 23 suggesting is that Attorney Wyrick submit
- 24 documentation that we can then review and discuss at
- 25 the next meeting because having a conversation about



- 1 how it's worded and how it looks is difficult to do
- 2 verbally.
- MR. WYRICK: Well, we don't have time to do
- 4 that at this point because the actual meeting is
- 5 scheduled this Saturday, so this is actually just more
- 6 or less solidifying what was already voted on back in
- 7 February --
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Right.
- 9 MR. WYRICK: -- with any additions that you
- 10 would want to make last minute.
- 11 MS. WHITE: Excuse me. Through the chair.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Ms. White.
- 13 MS. WHITE: Yes. Yes, ma'am. We are in
- 14 the process of pulling that up on the shared-screen
- 15 paneling so that the honorable board can see all of
- 16 the recommendations, and then Attorney Wyrick can just
- 17 walk through and just explain what the recommendations
- 18 are. And then if there's any additional feedback or
- 19 any editing or so forth from the honorable board, we
- 20 can receive that information up until Saturday's
- 21 presentation if that is your pleasure, honorable
- 22 board.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair? Madam
- 24 Chair?
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Commissioner



- 1 Burton.
- 2 COMMISSIONER BURTON: You know, I recommend
- 3 that we set this aside for at least one or two weeks
- 4 to give us an opportunity to not rush in making these
- 5 type of matters -- these decision -- matters, but to
- 6 take our time and to look at these concerns prior to
- 7 going forward. Once again, I mean, right now this is
- 8 like a -- this is so much urgency, but that don't mean
- 9 we have to be able to buy into this right now today.
- 10 We have to do our (indiscernible) responsibility and
- 11 get back in a timely manner, and I think the
- 12 appropriate time would be either -- I think July
- 13 the 2nd meeting's been postponed till the 9th. I
- 14 think we should get back on the 9th.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 16 Burton.
- 17 Commissioner Griffie?
- 18 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair, can we
- 19 understand what's happening at the meeting on Saturday
- 20 that we are (audio dropped)?
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 22 Griffie.
- 23 Attorney Wyrick, so when you said -- I
- 24 thought you came in and you said you wanted the board
- 25 to instruct you on how we wanted our recommendations



- 1 presented. Did I understand that as your question?
- 2 MR. WYRICK: Yes, Chairperson Holt.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. So -- and I
- 4 recall us going through a very rigorous presentation
- 5 as it relates to these amendments to the charter
- 6 related to the board, and -- and it has to be
- 7 submitted by Saturday. Correct?
- 8 MR. WYRICK: It's already been submitted,
- 9 Chairperson Holt, based upon the vote that the board
- 10 had back on 4-13. So these have already been
- 11 submitted. The only thing that's going on Saturday is
- 12 that they're actually being presented at a public
- 13 meeting Saturday at the charter commission.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. So -- so you're
- 15 asking of us what, please?
- MR. WYRICK: Just in terms of presentation.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Who is going to do the
- 18 presentation? That's what you're asking, Attorney
- 19 Wyrick? Who will do the presentation on Saturday?
- MS. WHITE: Madam Chair.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BURCH: No. Madam Chair.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Wait. Wait.
- 23 Commissioner Bell?
- 24 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chairperson,
- 25 (indiscernible) board's responsibility, how she's



- 1 going to manage this board and body. What we have
- 2 is -- Commissioner Burton and Commissioner Griffie --
- 3 we still have an opportunity. That is not a drop-dead
- 4 date. It's an opportunity to go forward, and other
- 5 concerns, but that is a target date that the chair
- 6 will normally represent the board or designate in
- 7 terms of how we officially operate. So we don't have
- 8 to really weigh in back and forth but read off -- I
- 9 mean, you're going to have to read. You've got copies
- 10 of what we voted on. Just share that with the board,
- 11 as Commissioner Griffie indicated, and any other
- 12 changes, you've got ample opportunity to make those
- 13 changes, or you can testify individually how you want
- 14 to respond to that body.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Thank you,
- 16 Commissioner Bell.
- Okay. Ms. White, you --
- 18 Commissioner Burch?
- 19 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Madam Chair, I just
- 20 need to be clear on what Mr. Wyrick said. What I
- 21 thought he said, he was only going to read points of
- 22 the charter that has already been approved by us, and
- 23 the first thing he said is that we do have authority
- 24 as far as when the chief makes recommendations. We
- 25 have the authority to say no or yea. That was the



- 1 first thing I heard him say, and he's only reading
- 2 what we already said back in January.
- Mr. Wyrick, is that kind of right?
- 4 MR. WYRICK: Well, yeah. The board
- 5 actually voted on these recommendations back on
- 6 February 13th at a meeting, so these recommendations
- 7 are based upon what the board has already voted on.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes. I want to hear
- 9 it.
- 10 Why should we prolong it, Madam Chair? Let
- 11 him read it.
- 12 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Through the chair.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Commissioner
- 14 Griffie.
- 15 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I just wonder if we
- 16 should take a little bit more time and re-examine what
- 17 we -- so I remember, to your point, (inaudible) body
- 18 over the course of a couple of meetings, and we did
- 19 vote on things that we have discussed so far, but
- 20 there have also been a number of other changes that we
- 21 have discussed potentially adding in in light of some
- 22 things that are happening now and that we think are
- 23 relevant and appropriate for us to make. I think the
- 24 best course of action is for us to re-examine what
- 25 have (inaudible). I'd look at my e-mail. I'd see



- 1 that a note was sent to the entire commission staff,
- 2 to all the commissioners, with the recommendation that
- 3 we should review them, consider if this is our
- 4 (indiscernible) list, and then come back at a later
- 5 date and present the entire list at one time.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 7 Griffie.
- 8 So then do I understand you to say,
- 9 Attorney Wyrick, Saturday is not the drop day? We do
- 10 have more time for this?
- 11 MR. WYRICK: Yeah, but the only thing I
- 12 would -- the caveat and the caution I would add to
- 13 that is that there's not enough time after Saturday.
- 14 Saturday is when they actually have a schedule to make
- 15 a presentation. They have actually moved the deadline
- 16 up. The drop-dead deadline was in September. Now
- it's the end of July, and we're looking at July next
- 18 week.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Thank you,
- 20 Attorney Wyrick.
- 21 Well, is this a discussion that we need to
- 22 pose a vote to say that we do want --
- 23 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair?
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Commissioner
- 25 Griffie.



- 1 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I move that we bring
- 2 it back up for discussion, our recommendations for the
- 3 Detroit Charter Commission to the charter, and that
- 4 we -- that any potential changes are submitted to our
- 5 director by the board by this body, and that all
- 6 potential (indiscernible) at the next meeting and
- 7 voted up or down.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Second.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLT: It has been moved and
- 10 seconded. Is there discussion?
- 11 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yes, ma'am,
- 12 discussion.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, ma'am.
- 14 COMMISSIONER BURCH: I just wanted to say,
- 15 when Melanie and Commissioner Griffie put together the
- 16 reformed, like, over the weekend and brought it to us
- 17 as a board, that we accepted what they said in just a
- 18 weekend what they did together. The only thing I
- 19 added on to that was about the body cams, that the
- 20 police officers had to have it on any time they're on
- 21 duty. So we went ahead and okayed what Commissioner
- 22 Griffie and Melanie put together, so that's the same
- 23 thing as what we've done with the charter. So why do
- 24 we keep going back over things? That's all.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you,



- 1 Commissioner Burch.
- 2 Commissioner Griffie?
- 3 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I just wanted to
- 4 respond to Commissioner Burch.
- 5 So I think the difference here is that that
- 6 process is going to be a back-and-forth, where the
- 7 final is not going to be (audio dropped) there. The
- 8 (audio dropped). We want one submission of everything
- 9 to the charter. This is our last chance at this, and
- 10 I think it's important that we get it right, and so
- 11 that's why I am pushing back is that we don't get
- 12 another chance on this. But the policy, as I had
- 13 mentioned in my speech, my passionate speech a couple
- 14 weeks ago, we can revise it at any time. This is an
- 15 (indiscernible) process. This is not an
- 16 (indiscernible) process. We have one moment to make
- 17 all of our changes and submit this to the (audio
- 18 dropped), and I think we should do that in a more
- 19 thoughtful approach.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Any more --
- Thank you, Commissioner Griffie.
- 22 Any more discussion? Okay.
- The question? Ms. White, would you call
- 24 the roll call?
- MS. WHITE: Commissioner Bell?



| 1 | | COMMISSIONER BELL: Yea. |
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| 2 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks? |
| 3 | | Commissioner Brown? |
| 4 | | COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yea. |
| 5 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch? |
| 6 | | COMMISSIONER BURCH: Reluctantly, yes. |
| 7 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton? |
| 8 | | COMMISSIONER BURTON: Nay. |
| 9 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Davis? |
| 10 | | COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yea. |
| 11 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie? |
| 12 | | COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Yes. |
| 13 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez? |
| 14 | | COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Yes. |
| 15 | | MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley? |
| 16 | | COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Yes. |
| 17 | | MS. WHITE: Chairperson Holt? |
| 18 | | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes. |
| 19 | | MS. WHITE: The motion passed. |
| 20 | | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you so much. |
| 21 | | Now, new business, it needs to be |
| 22 | reiterated | that the board of police commissioners |
| 23 | meeting | |
| 24 | | COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair? |
| 25 | | COMMISSIONER HOLT: New business? |



- 1 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair?
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Ten seconds,
- 3 Commissioner Burton.
- 4 New business, the board of police
- 5 commissioners meeting scheduled for July the 2nd is
- 6 canceled in observance of the 4th of July holiday, and
- 7 I think it was -- so we know that our next meeting
- 8 instead will be July the 9th.
- 9 Yes, Commissioner Burton. Under new
- 10 business?
- 11 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, just an
- 12 action item. I move that we cancel the July 2nd
- meeting due to the observation of (inaudible).
- 14 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So moved.
- 15 UNIDENTIFIED COMMISSIONER: Support.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: It has been moved and
- 17 supported that we not come to the meet- -- have a
- 18 meeting next Thursday, July the 2nd. Those in favor
- 19 of that motion?
- THE BOARD: Aye.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Those opposed? Okay.
- 22 The motion has passed.
- Thank you, Commissioner Bell.
- Now, Commissioner Burton?
- 25 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair, I have,



- 1 actually, a few motions. Okay. So, you know, I speak
- 2 for the 700,000 citizens that live in the city of
- 3 Detroit and the hundred thousand people that live in
- 4 the 5th District, you know, just -- I just wanted
- 5 to -- I just want to put this motion out there to -- I
- 6 move to end Detroit Police Department's use of facial
- 7 recognition.
- 8 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Point of order.
- 9 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Support.
- 10 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Support.
- 11 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Point of order. We
- 12 can't reconsider a motion. We already have a motion
- on the table to (audio dropped).
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I'm sorry, Commissioner
- 15 Griffie. I can't understand everything you're saying.
- 16 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Point of order.
- 17 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: The motion is --
- 18 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Excuse me, Commissioner
- 19 Burton.
- 20 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: -- out of order.
- 21 The motion is out of order because we already have a
- 22 motion on the table that was made by me to reconsider
- 23 the use after the pending (audio dropped).
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 25 Commissioner Brown.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BROWN: The motion was not out
- 2 of order. It's something totally different that -- I
- 3 believe what Commissioner Burton is (inaudible) is
- 4 just disbanding with it altogether. As we heard, the
- 5 motion was (indiscernible) evaluation of gathered
- 6 information. His is stopping the use of it.
- 7 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: No. My motion in
- 8 verbatim -- I have it written down -- was that we
- 9 re- -- that the DPD perform a full investigation of
- 10 the incident involving Mr. Williams and present it to
- 11 the board of the BOPC, and then at that time, the
- 12 board would reevaluate the continuation (audio
- 13 dropped). That is the same motion that we just voted
- 14 on.
- 15 COMMISSIONER BROWN: I don't think so.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Thank you,
- 17 Commissioner Brown.
- 18 Okay. Commissioner Burton, you can express
- 19 your motion.
- 20 COMMISSIONER BURTON: So it's two different
- 21 motions, and I actually --
- 22 (Interruption.)
- 23 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Can we have one at a
- 24 time?
- 25 COMMISSIONER BURTON: So I did say point of



- 1 order to Evette Griffie.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton,
- 3 may we please have your motion? May we please have
- 4 your motion?
- 5 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Okay. My motion,
- 6 once again, is I move to end Detroit Police
- 7 Department's use of facial recognition.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROWN: And I second the
- 9 motion.
- 10 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, point of
- 11 order.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, sir.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BELL: I think Commissioner
- 14 Griffie did a clear job of stating that this motion's
- 15 out of order. We have already addressed the matter,
- 16 and you must rule that this is out of order, and we
- 17 can move on.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 19 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: I call the question,
- 20 Madam Chair. I call the question.
- 21 COMMISSIONER BELL: The question would be
- 22 supporting the chair.
- 23 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: No.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Well, what we're
- 25 going to do is move on.



- 1 And, Commissioner Burton, you said you had
- 2 a second motion?
- 3 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Point of order, Madam
- 4 Chair. You are not following Robert's Rules of Order.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton,
- 6 we're going to move on.
- 7 COMMISSIONER BURTON: The motion was
- 8 properly supported, and it was seconded.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton --
- 10 COMMISSIONER BURTON: You are not following
- 11 the Robert's Rules of Order. You --
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton --
- 13 COMMISSIONER BURTON: And you are
- 14 prohibited from debating as the chair --
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, sir. Do you have
- 16 a second -- do you have a second motion?
- 17 COMMISSIONER BURTON: -- according to
- 18 Robert's Rules of Order.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Do you have a second
- 20 motion?
- 21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: His motion was --
- 22 COMMISSIONER BURTON: We're still on that
- 23 same motion, Madam Chair, and it was properly seconded
- 24 and supported, for the record.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: We're going to move on.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BURTON: We're not going to
- 2 move on. Point of order. No other business can come
- 3 forward.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: We have announcements.
- 5 We have announcements.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair --
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton --
- 8 COMMISSIONER BURTON: -- I would like to
- 9 call for the board attorney -- through the chair, I'd
- 10 like to call for the board of charter attorney to
- 11 weigh in on the motion, on the two motions. My motion
- 12 was not out of order. I would like for the -- since
- 13 we don't have a (indiscernible), I'd like to call on
- 14 the board of attorney, who is hired by the Detroit
- 15 Board of Police Commissioners, to weigh in on the
- 16 motion.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Attorney Wyrick, would
- 18 you please weigh in so that we can move on?
- 19 MR. WYRICK: Yeah. I would agree with
- 20 Commissioner Burton on this. It is two different
- 21 motions.
- 22 (Cross talk.)
- 23 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. So your first
- 24 motion was to suspend facial recognition. We had a
- 25 second motion. Is there a discussion?



- 1 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Madam Chair?
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Commissioner
- 3 Griffie.
- 4 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I am not saying that
- 5 I am, you know -- I am not necessarily in -- I do not
- 6 necessarily not support Commissioner Burton's motion.
- 7 (Audio dropped) tell what's happened so that we can
- 8 evaluate it (audio dropped) program, and that's why I
- 9 made the motion I did earlier today. I would inform
- 10 my colleagues to give it (audio dropped) so we can
- 11 make a vote with that (inaudible).
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: I'm sorry, Commissioner
- 13 Griffie. We're losing the meaning because of --
- 14 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: I'd just -- I'd like
- 15 for us to have more information by the next meeting
- 16 for my earlier motion, and I believe that at that
- 17 time, we'll be in the position to decide whether we
- 18 should (audio dropped) or not. I'm not saying I
- 19 completely disagree with Commissioner Burton, but I
- 20 would like for us to just hold off till the next
- 21 meeting and give the DPD (audio dropped) what happened
- 22 and why and evaluate it against the policy that was
- 23 put in place, that was voted earlier at some point
- 24 last year.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.



- 1 (Cross talk.)
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Madam Chairperson?
- 3 Reverend Holley.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Reverend Holley.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: Madam Chairperson,
- 6 just to the -- I don't have a problem with the motion
- 7 that Mr. -- Commissioner Burton -- the problem is that
- 8 it's -- it's -- as important as this motion is, that
- 9 the chief of police is not there to -- to defend this
- 10 and the president of the -- president's not there, I
- 11 think the motion can be voted up and down at the right
- 12 time, but because the chief is not there, who -- who
- 13 basically is -- is responsible for this, and the
- 14 chairman of the commission is not there, I just feel
- 15 like it's too important for us to just -- to do this
- 16 without these principal players in this.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 18 Holley.
- 19 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair?
- 20 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair?
- 21 Commissioner Bell speaking. The attorney is not
- 22 binding on the chair of this board. You can still
- 23 state that it's out of order. And I think
- 24 Commissioner Holley raised two very important points
- 25 in reference to the chair is not here, Chief Craig is



- 1 not here, and Commissioner Griffie's motion has
- 2 already spoken to that. So we don't have to abide by
- 3 Attorney Wyrick. We as an independent chair can make
- 4 that decision that this (indiscernible) is out of
- 5 order.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the chair.
- 7 We're on discussions?
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Let's -- let's --
- 9 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the chair,
- 10 we're on discussions; right? So I want to -- before I
- 11 go into my discussion, I want to say happy belated
- 12 birthday to Commissioner Darryl Brown out of
- 13 District 1, by the way. And, secondly, going to --
- 14 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, point of
- 15 order.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Point of order.
- 17 (Cross talk.)
- 18 Commissioner Burton --
- 19 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Going to
- 20 discussion --
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: You've been warned.
- 22 You've been warned. You've been warned.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Under discussion,
- 24 Madam Chair -- you did call on me, so under
- 25 discussion --



- 1 COMMISSIONER BELL: There's no discussion.
- 2 We're still dealing with the chair ruling.
- 3 COMMISSIONER BURTON: The board attorney
- 4 already weighed in, so we must follow the direction of
- 5 our attorney that represents the Detroit Board of
- 6 Police Commissioners.
- 7 (Cross talk.)
- 8 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: The question has been
- 9 called, Madam Chair.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. Thank you
- 11 so much.
- Ms. White, may we have a roll call vote?
- MS. WHITE: Yes, Madam Chairperson.
- 14 Commissioner Bell?
- 15 COMMISSIONER BELL: Nay.
- MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks?
- 17 Commissioner Brown?
- 18 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yes.
- 19 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch?
- 20 COMMISSIONER BURCH: I don't know.
- 21 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton?
- 22 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Yes
- MS. WHITE: Commissioner Davis?
- 24 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.
- MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie?



- 1 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: No.
- 2 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez?
- 3 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: No.
- 4 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: No.
- 6 MS. WHITE: Chairperson Holt?
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLT: No.
- 8 MS. WHITE: The motion failed.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- Now, the next item on the agenda --
- 11 COMMISSIONER BURTON: I did have another
- 12 motion, Madam Chair. I did state that I had a few
- 13 motions, Madam Chair, in the beginning.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton,
- 15 we're going to move on.
- 16 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair --
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: The next item on the
- 18 agenda --
- 19 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Point of order, Madam
- 20 Chair. I did state that in the beginning I had a
- 21 couple of motions. I did state that in the beginning,
- 22 Madam Chair. I do represent a hundred thousand people
- 23 that live in the --
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Burton,
- 25 what's your second motion?



- 1 COMMISSIONER BURTON: My second motion, I
- 2 am ready -- actually, I am ready to present out on the
- 3 1033 program with the Department of Defense that the
- 4 Detroit Police Department's part of. Since they were
- 5 not prepared, I want on the record to speak that I am
- 6 properly prepared to speak out on it, and I still
- 7 call -- I still come forth today with my motion to --
- 8 to prohibit the Detroit Police Department from
- 9 participating in the 1033 program with the Department
- 10 of Defense.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. So what was your
- 12 motion? I'm sorry.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BELL: Madam Chair, we already
- 14 have a ruling. The chair must take charge of this
- 15 meeting here. We already have a ruling that --
- 16 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair, it was
- 17 on the agenda for today's meeting for discussion. The
- 18 Detroit Police Department was not prepared to speak
- 19 out on it. I am prepared, but I still put the motion
- 20 on the table. I move to prohibit the Detroit Police
- 21 Department from participating in a 1033 program with
- 22 the Department of Defense.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Is there a second?
- 24 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Second.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Discussion?



- 1 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Madam Chair, I think
- 2 we should be mindful of the fact that --
- 3 Commissioner Burton, they did -- they
- 4 weren't prepared to speak, but we did get a
- 5 correspondence from AC Stair about all of the
- 6 equipment and everything we had, and we just -- I
- 7 think it would be pertinent for us to take time to
- 8 read and digest what we have received and communicate
- 9 our questions back to the DPD, if any, that we have,
- 10 because I saw some things on there that I would have
- 11 some questions about. Rather than jumping into a
- 12 motion, an issue like this, to just stop -- because I
- 13 think the 1033 program, it is a valuable resource for
- 14 the police department.
- 15 Let's not forget that we are on a border
- 16 city, and the first responders to handle anything on
- 17 this border city is going to be the Detroit Police
- 18 Department, Detroit Fire Department. So I would just
- 19 like to just, if we can -- we can vote the motion up
- 20 and down, but I need just more information and digest
- 21 what they have and how they're using the program and
- 22 the equipment and materials that they're getting from
- 23 the military.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 25 Brown.



- 1 Are there discussions?
- 2 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: Through the chair.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, Commissioner
- 4 Griffie.
- 5 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: At the last meeting,
- 6 I believe Commissioner Burch made a request to the
- 7 department and asked that he follow up via e-mail in
- 8 writing with all the questions that he (audio dropped)
- 9 so we could come back and discuss it and have a full
- 10 discussion with (inaudible) about what this program is
- 11 and how it's being used in the Detroit Police
- 12 Department. I'm not sure if there was (inaudible) or
- on DPD's side, but I would either urge one of the two
- 14 parties, either Commissioner Burch, who has
- 15 (indiscernible) posing the question, or the DPD to
- 16 follow through.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Okay. Thank you,
- 18 Commissioner Griffie. And I think earlier Deputy
- 19 Chief Marlon Wilson did allude to the fact that First
- 20 Assistant Chief Stair might, but --
- 21 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the chair.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HOLT: -- it has been noted.
- 23 We all have the response to the questions in our
- 24 e-mail.
- So call the question.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the chair.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Call the question.
- 3 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Under discussion,
- 4 Madam Chair.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Call the question.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair, we were
- 7 still on the discussion. I would like to add -- weigh
- 8 in on the discussion. I have not been properly -- I
- 9 have not been -- I have not weighed in on the
- 10 discussion. I would like to weigh in on the
- 11 discussion representing the 5th District of a hundred
- 12 thousand people that live in my district, Madam Chair.
- COMMISSIONER HOLT: Ms. White, may we have
- 14 a roll call vote?
- MS. WHITE: Commissioner Bell?
- 16 COMMISSIONER BELL: Nay.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Point of order, Madam
- 18 Chair.
- 19 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Brooks?
- 20 Commissioner Brown?
- 21 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Yes.
- 22 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burch?
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURCH: No.
- 24 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Burton?
- 25 COMMISSIONER BURTON: I support my motion,



- 1 Madam Chair.
- 2 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Davis?
- 3 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.
- 4 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Griffie?
- 5 COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: No.
- 6 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Hernandez?
- 7 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: No.
- 8 MS. WHITE: Commissioner Holley?
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLLEY: No.
- 10 MS. WHITE: Madam Chairperson Holt.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HOLT: No. Okay. The motion
- 12 failed.
- We're going to go on with the next item on
- 14 the agenda, which has to deal with when do we have our
- 15 next meeting, which is Thursday, July the 9th, at
- 16 3:00 p.m., and it will be a virtual meeting. Our next
- 17 community meeting is Thursday, August the 13th, at
- 18 3:00 p.m. It, too, will be a -- it will be a virtual
- 19 meeting.
- 20 So at this time, we'll have -- oh, I'm
- 21 sorry.
- 22 Commissioner Burch?
- COMMISSIONER BURCH: Yeah, I'm sorry, too,
- 24 but you did say new business. I just wanted to --
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Well, we're on



- 1 announcements. We're on announcements.
- 2 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Oh, so it's proper
- 3 now?
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, please.
- 5 COMMISSIONER BURCH: Okay. Thank you. I
- 6 just wanted to announce there will be a peaceful March
- 7 on this side of Ferndale, Eight Mile and Dequindre, on
- 8 this Saturday at 1:00 o'clock, for Black Lives Matter.
- 9 So I just want people to understand this is peaceful,
- 10 and if you would like to come with us, you can carry
- 11 our sign that says "Love Where You Live." And, again,
- 12 I'm waiting for the meeting with Mayor Duggan and
- 13 Chief Craiq. Thank you.
- 14 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair. Madam
- 15 Chair.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Commissioner
- 17 Burch.
- 18 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Commissioner Griffie?
- 20 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Madam Chair. Madam
- 21 Chair.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Do you have an
- 23 announcement, Commissioner Burton?
- 24 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Before we get to
- 25 announcements, I want to -- I want to appeal your



- 1 ruling.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: This is out of order,
- 3 Commissioner Burton.
- 4 All right. We're going to move on, please.
- 5 The next item on the agenda is oral communication.
- 6 Ms. White, Mr. Brown is going to conduct
- 7 the oral communication?
- 8 MS. WHITE: Yes. We are preparing.
- 9 MR. BROWN: Yes, ma'am. Madam Chair, I
- 10 currently have 18 speakers, and I'll call them by
- 11 threes. Your first speaker will be Mr. Eric Blount,
- 12 followed by Ms. Diana Feeley (phonetic), followed by
- 13 Ms. Fredia Butler.
- Mr. Blount?
- 15 (Pause in meeting.)
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Can we come back to
- 17 Mr. Blount?
- MR. BROWN: Ms. Feeley?
- 19 MR. BLOUNT: Hello, board. Can you hear
- 20 me?
- 21 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Who are we speaking --
- 22 oh, Mr. Blount? Yes, we can.
- MR. BLOUNT: This is Mr. Blount. Thank
- 24 you.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: We can hear you.



- 1 MR. BLOUNT: Thank you, board. For the
- 2 record, my name is Mr. Eric Blount from Sacred Heart
- 3 Catholic Church in Detroit, where our peak pastor is
- 4 Father Norman Paul Thomas. This board's support of
- 5 facial recognition technology is a clear measure of
- 6 the outside influence this board is under. A no vote
- 7 is just plain and simple common sense, especially in
- 8 people of color. Today's news article of a black man
- 9 misidentified by DPD using facial recognition
- 10 technology is no surprise to the community. For a
- 11 year before this board voted to approve facial
- 12 recognition technology, the community, joined with
- 13 experts from around the country, cried out in a loud
- 14 voice at these weekly board of police commissioners
- 15 meetings. The board still voted yes.
- We, the citizens of Detroit, are demanding
- 17 that each board member who voted yes on facial
- 18 recognition technology resign immediately.
- Do not act upset now, Commissioner Griffie.
- 20 The research and results of other cities using this
- 21 system should have been demanded before the
- 22 commissioners voted.
- Next, we are demanding the board of police
- 24 commissioners who are remaining demand the complete
- 25 shutdown of Real Time Crime Center now, henceforth,



- 1 and forevermore, not just another report, motion,
- 2 resolution, and discussion.
- I yield my time. Thank you.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 5 MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, I don't see
- 6 Ms. Feeley, so we're going to go to Ms. Fredia Butler.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 8 MR. BROWN: Ms. Butler?
- 9 MS. BUTLER: Good afternoon. I'm Fredia
- 10 Butler, a community activist. Commissioners, your
- 11 meeting June 11th was a disappointment. These are
- 12 solemn times, and I believe more work should and can
- 13 be done to make improvements in our community. The
- issues that are in the news aren't new to us, but the
- 15 world is seeing what our country has been promoting as
- 16 democracy has not been realized for all of its
- 17 citizens, specifically people of color.
- 18 Policing is only one part of addressing
- 19 justice and liberty for all. You cannot change a
- 20 man's heart, but laws can be made that govern a man's
- 21 behavior. Think about it. I believe a former slave
- 22 owner will never accept a former slave as being his
- 23 equal. Commissioners, I have spoken to several
- 24 members about behavior during these meetings.
- 25 Commissioner Willie Burton, you have been



- 1 disruptive and made many, I believe, unnecessary
- 2 motions, and now it seems that others who have never
- 3 attended these meetings are encouraging you to make
- 4 even more.
- 5 Commissioner Holley, your statement and
- 6 laughter weren't helpful.
- 7 Commissioner Burch, we cannot meet as a
- 8 group because of the virus, but work is still being
- 9 done in the 2nd Precinct. Now is the time we need all
- 10 of our officials, in whatever capacity they are in, to
- 11 work and help to make a difference in our community.
- 12 The people need to know your initiatives and the
- 13 results of your efforts. We all can do something.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 16 MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, your next three
- 17 speakers will be Ms. Cindy Darrah, Ms. Liza Bielby,
- 18 Mr. Noah Greco.
- 19 Ms. Darrah?
- 20 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- MR. BROWN: I don't see Ms. Darrah. Let's
- 22 go to Ms. Liza Bielby.
- MS. BIELBY: Hello. Can you hear me?
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can very well.
- MS. BIELBY: Hello. My name is Liza



- 1 Bielby. I'm in District 3. I want to talk about the
- 2 Robert Williams case of mistaken identification
- 3 through facial recognition technology. I echo
- 4 Mr. Blount's statement. Shame on you for reacting to
- 5 a New York Times article, ignoring the people. Like
- 6 Mr. Blount and Tawana Petty and the BYP100 folks who
- 7 have come on for years and said this facial
- 8 recognition software is racist and will lead to false
- 9 arrests, this further indicates that you do not care
- 10 about the citizens of this city whom you are bound to
- 11 represent.
- 12 So there are issues with the technology.
- 13 It matched fuzzy surveillance camera pictures with his
- 14 driver's license photo. Black faces are misidentified
- 15 on top facial recognition software five to ten times
- 16 more than white faces. I've heard that number as big
- 17 as 10 to 100 times more. Concern over this major flaw
- 18 of facial recognition software was even brought up by
- 19 Assistant Chief James White, and according to the New
- 20 York Times, DataWorks, with whom we have our contract,
- 21 does not formally measure the facial recognition
- 22 tool's accuracy or bias created by outside vendors.
- 23 There's issues with how to use the
- 24 technology, and it was not used in the way that it was
- 25 supposed to be used, but -- but what I'm asking for



- 1 you is to stop using this bias to surveil our
- 2 community. Suspend the use of this technology today,
- 3 right now, at this meeting because DPD officers do not
- 4 know how to properly use it. And for your next
- 5 meeting, sure, bring in Chief Craig, if you want, but
- 6 you need to bring in someone who makes the software.
- 7 You need to bring in someone who studies the software,
- 8 and you as a board need to issue a written formal
- 9 apology from the board of police commissioners on
- 10 behalf of the City of Detroit to Mr. Williams.
- 11 And for Commissioner Burch, you have some
- 12 weird ideas about protestors and protesting, and as my
- 13 district rep, I would like you to come down to the
- 14 protests and see what's up or call the meeting with
- 15 the protestors from District 3 --
- MR. BROWN: I believe we lost the speaker,
- 17 Ms. Chair.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- MR. BROWN: Your next speaker will be
- 20 Mr. Noah Greco.
- 21 Mr. Greco?
- Mr. Greco? Mr. Greco?
- MR. GRECO: All right. Can you hear me?
- COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can.
- 25 MR. GRECO: Thank you. Good afternoon,



- 1 commissioners, specifically Davis, Burton, and Brown.
- 2 First of all, I would like to echo the comments said
- 3 about Commissioners Holt, Griffie, and Holley. Your
- 4 behavior on this board is both disgusting and
- 5 unprofessional. I can't believe people pay taxes for
- 6 this. Second, I want to show my support for
- 7 Commissioner Burton's motion to disallow the DPD from
- 8 participating in the 1033 program. We don't need
- 9 military-grade equipment on our streets. He thinks
- 10 they need military equipment. It means that they view
- 11 Detroit, and us people who live in Detroit, as a war
- 12 zone, as insurgents, as a force to be destroyed. The
- 13 city is not a war zone. It's beautiful, and it has a
- 14 remarkable history. The use of military equipment by
- officers will change the way that they see the people
- 16 that they are supposed to be protecting. In the eyes
- 17 of the DPD, we're not civilians going about our lives;
- 18 we're not people walking to our jobs; we're enemy
- 19 combatants. The continuation of the 1033 program
- 20 makes our streets less safe, and participation in this
- 21 program cannot continue.
- I would like to continue my previous
- 23 statements in support of Commissioner Willie Burton
- 24 and his two motions. Commissioners Burton, Davis, and
- 25 Brown seem to be the only ones that -- the only



- 1 commissioners on this board that actually know what
- 2 the people want, and, you know, maybe that has
- 3 something to do -- that the rest of you have been
- 4 given your jobs by a man from Livonia. Maybe that has
- 5 something to do with it. Maybe the fact that your
- 6 political careers ride on a man from Livonia and a
- 7 police chief who doesn't really care about the people
- 8 in the city. Maybe if you listen to the people in the
- 9 city, people would be happier with your board and we
- 10 wouldn't have to come on here for an hour every week
- 11 to yell at you-all.
- 12 I yield my time.
- MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, your next three
- 14 speakers will be Mr. Anthony Dellicolli, JW, and
- 15 Brenda.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 17 MR. BROWN: Mr. Dellicolli? Okay. Not
- 18 seeing Mr. Dellicolli. Let's go to JW.
- MR. DELLICOLLI: Hello? I'm here. Sorry.
- 20 My computer was having (indiscernible). Can you hear
- 21 me?
- COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can.
- MR. DELLICOLLI: Okay. Thank you. So I
- 24 said it last week, and I'm going to say it again this
- 25 week, 'cause I was glad to hear Commissioner Davis



- 1 bring it up after DC Wilson didn't do so himself. It
- 2 is time to end the Project Green Light and ban facial
- 3 recognition technology. As Commissioner Griffie said,
- 4 "One mistake is too many," but this is a reactionary
- 5 statement. Don't let DPD make excuses for their
- 6 mistakes. I'm with Commissioner Burton on this.
- 7 There's no need to reevaluate it. Ban it now. Do
- 8 your duty as the citizens' police oversight board.
- 9 This week we found out that a faulty facial
- 10 recognition match led to the arrest of Robert Williams
- 11 outside his home. This case may be the first known
- 12 account of an American being wrongfully arrested based
- on a flawed match from a facial recognition algorithm,
- 14 but, certainly, there will be more. He spent 30 hours
- 15 in jail because of this error. James White, an
- 16 assistant police chief in charge of the Detroit Police
- 17 Department's technology, previously said, quote, "On
- 18 the question of false positives, that is absolutely
- 19 factual, and it's well documented, " end quote.
- 20 (Inaudible) from this police chief have been elected
- 21 to provide oversight (indiscernible).
- 22 Robert Williams's five-year-old daughter
- 23 has since taken to playing cops and robbers and
- 24 accuses her father of stealing things, insisting on
- 25 locking him up in the living room -- his five-year-old



- 1 daughter. Imagine the scenario in which Robert
- 2 Williams was brutalized or even killed by the police
- 3 as they attempted to arrest a completely innocent man
- 4 in front of his wife and young daughters. Stop
- 5 wasting taxpayer dollars on Project Green Light and
- 6 facial recognition technology. This money could be
- 7 invested in black and brown communities through health
- 8 care, housing, and education in ways that directly
- 9 target the problems of public safety. I second
- 10 Mr. Blount's demand that any commissioners that voted
- in support of using facial recognition technology
- 12 resign immediately.
- Thanks. I yield my time.
- MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, your next speaker
- 15 will be JW.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 17 JW: Yes. Hello. May I be heard?
- 18 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can hear you.
- 19 JW: Okay. Thank you. First of all,
- 20 I'm -- I -- I hope that maybe the members of this
- 21 board can reach out maybe with -- city council got a
- 22 lot of complaints about the fireworks. There were so
- 23 many fireworks I had to go inside from my house
- 24 because of the amount of smoke. The next day the news
- 25 reported it was a very hot day and poor air quality,



- 1 and fireworks add to poor air quality, and I don't
- 2 like them for July 4th, Juneteenth, or Dogcatcher Day
- 3 or Santa Claus Day. They're militaristic. I think we
- 4 should make it a day of music instead.
- I also agree that there are issues with
- 6 Green Light. I know someone, and she has to put
- 7 something to block the green light from blinking in
- 8 her window all night.
- 9 The next thing I'd like to know regarding
- 10 the -- and, yes, I agree that we should not have voted
- 11 for racial -- facial/racial recognition technology
- 12 with all the evidence of the problems that could
- 13 happen, but maybe this error, unfortunate as it was,
- 14 will put an end to this. I would like to know did
- 15 anyone ever get any fingerprints on the railroad
- 16 spikes? And, also, Ms. Darrah is on the -- was
- 17 waiting to make her public comment, and maybe she's
- 18 back on the line. That's what that call was about.
- 19 In terms of -- I watched some of the film
- 20 about the protest when they were attempting to enforce
- 21 the curfew. That looked like a completely unnecessary
- 22 snatch-and-grab operation that will bring upon
- 23 litigation for the City that -- you can't have -- just
- 24 reinforce it one night, another not. Just because
- 25 there are a few bad actors that could have been



- 1 provocateurs is not a good reason to suppress people's
- 2 constitutional rights. Also --
- MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, the speaker time
- 4 is up.
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 6 MR. BROWN: Your next speaker will be
- 7 Brenda.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 9 MR. BROWN: Brenda?
- 10 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Looks like she's
- 11 muted.
- MR. BROWN: Brenda? Brenda?
- BRENDA: Hello? Can you hear me?
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can hear you.
- 15 It's sort of staticky.
- 16 BRENDA: I'm unmuted? Can you hear me now?
- 17 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can.
- 18 BRENDA: Yes. I think that all appointed
- 19 board members should resign right now. There was
- 20 never a reason for there to be more appointments on
- 21 this board than elected officials, and at that point,
- 22 our (audio dropped) is the citizens' rights have been
- 23 violated, and our voice cannot be heard. Every time
- 24 that Willie Burton spoke, it was to help the citizens,
- 25 and you-all have -- and that's just disrespectful for



- 1 Willie Bell to be reading the paper while we're
- 2 speaking, but that's okay. That's more of the same.
- 3 He should resign as well.
- 4 Willie Burton has always been for the
- 5 people. Every motion he's made is to help the
- 6 citizens. We told you that facial recognition was
- 7 flawed up to 90 percent for black and brown folks.
- 8 You didn't listen. Now you have the evidence, and
- 9 this should be suspended right now, and let law
- 10 enforcement convince you-all to put it back as a
- 11 service.
- 12 This right here is the highest form of
- 13 disrespect to the -- to the voting public in the city,
- 14 a man -- and we don't know how many cases that this
- 15 institution of facial recognition has falsely
- 16 identified. He was handcuffed. He was arrested. He
- 17 was placed in jail. He can't get that time back.
- 18 But, also, that means that we have done something to
- 19 the citizen, made him equivocable [sic] to the
- 20 worst --
- 21 (Brenda was muted.)
- MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, your next three
- 23 speakers will be Ms. Ashley Smith, followed by
- 24 Mr. John Doe, followed by Mr. Gavin Buckley.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.



- 1 MR. BROWN: Ms. Smith.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 4 She's still muted.
- 5 MS. SMITH: Yes, ma'am. Can you hear me?
- 6 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can.
- 7 MS. SMITH: All right. Thank you very
- 8 much.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Sure.
- 10 MS. SMITH: Riddle me this, riddle me that.
- 11 How do you get promoted to sergeant in Detroit? You
- 12 commit criminal assault, AKA police brutality. I'm
- 13 Ashley Smith, the sister of Detroit Police Department
- 14 police brutality victim Shelby Smith. It's been
- 15 several months at this point. In all seriousness, we
- 16 have to stop ignoring the issue at hand of police
- 17 brutality being promoted in Detroit. Citizens of
- 18 Detroit have spoken up, and we're just asking you to
- 19 commit to what you said you would do. One, show us
- 20 the proper promotion documentation and give us an
- 21 update on your promise of obtaining legal counsel to
- 22 see what your next appropriate move would be to see
- 23 what we'll do. Please be on the right side of
- 24 history. If nothing else, please fire Officer Jones.
- 25 Again, show us proper documentation, and please stop



- 1 ignoring us also.
- 2 I yield my time.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you, Ms. Smith.
- 4 The next person, please.
- 5 MR. BROWN: Mr. John Doe. Mr. John Doe.
- 6 MR. DOE: A person shall be permitted to
- 7 address a meeting of a public body under rules
- 8 established and recorded by the public body. A person
- 9 shall not be excluded from a meeting otherwise open to
- 10 the public except for a breach of the peace actually
- 11 committed at the meeting. I have not committed a
- 12 breach of peace. I gave my name as John Doe because a
- 13 person shall not be required as a condition of
- 14 attendance at a meeting of a public body to register
- 15 or otherwise provide his or her name or other
- 16 information or otherwise fulfill a condition precedent
- 17 to attendance.
- 18 Once again, the Open Meetings Act was
- 19 violated, and this time no one can plead ignorance
- 20 because the topic came up last week about having to
- 21 provide e-mail or a phone number to participate and
- 22 only under the new format in the last couple weeks.
- 23 Secondly, today there were two motions put forth by
- 24 Commissioner Burton, and there were motion to -- to
- 25 call the question. At that point there is a vote on



- 1 ending debate. Both times the motion to end debate
- 2 failed; yet you never voted on the main motion. So,
- 3 currently, both those motions are still on the table.
- 4 This board does not know Robert's Rules of
- 5 Order. They need to get a parliamentarian, or they
- 6 choose to willfully ignore it under the strong-arm
- 7 tactics of Willie Bell. I'm talking about the man
- 8 from the 4th District, not to be confused with the
- 9 other person who has the first name.
- I yield.
- MR. BROWN: Mr. Buckley.
- 12 MR. BUCKLEY: Yes. Hello. Can you hear
- 13 me?
- 14 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can.
- 15 MR. BUCKLEY: Okay. Thank you. I would
- 16 just like to say that I find it extremely upsetting
- 17 that this board, because of the high-profile press
- 18 around the wrongful arrest on the basis of facial
- 19 recognition, would suddenly change its tune about
- 20 facial recognition and pretend that it has been
- 21 against this or pushing back against Project Green
- 22 Light from the beginning. Anybody who has had any
- 23 experience, both with this board and with the culture
- 24 of policing, in support of policing in this city,
- 25 would know that that's not true.



- 1 So I'm curious, also, given the vote and
- 2 the horrible discussion, I would add, about the --
- 3 Commissioner Burton's request to -- a motion to end
- 4 the 1033 contract, what if a citizen had been
- 5 wrongfully attacked, brutalized, possibly murdered by
- 6 DPD using Department of Defense equipment? Would then
- 7 we be suddenly jumping to the moment of ending the
- 8 militarization of the police? It's so much easier to
- 9 just say, both facially recognizing people wrongfully
- 10 based on software, that even people that make this
- 11 software acknowledge that it does not work for this
- 12 intended purpose. So we are violating anybody's
- 13 rights -- right? -- who is doing it.
- 14 On top of that, I agree with other people
- 15 who have said that militarizing a police force and
- 16 accepting the militarization of a police force is also
- 17 acknowledging that you see your own citizens as enemy
- 18 combatants in a war zone. Right? So that, again, is
- 19 another reason why we should absolutely vote to end
- 20 the 1033 contract. It's an unnecessary contract and
- 21 misuse of public funds. You should also end the
- 22 Project Green Light contract, which is coming up, and
- 23 your -- you as a group of commissioners should stand
- 24 up and say no to it or -- I agree with Mr. Blount and
- 25 Mr. Dellicolli -- you should resign immediately. And



- 1 especially those appointed by the mayor and especially
- 2 those who are said --
- 4 MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, your next three
- 5 speakers would be Tawana, Becca Coop, and Michelle
- 6 George.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 8 MR. BROWN: Tawana?
- 9 TAWANA: Can you hear me?
- 10 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can.
- 11 TAWANA: Okay. Since the last BOPC
- 12 meeting, we have not only learned of -- not only
- 13 learned of the false arrest of Detroiter Robert
- 14 Williams due to facial recognition misidentification
- 15 in front of his children, but we have also learned
- 16 that Boston City Council just voted to ban police use
- 17 of facial recognition, the second largest city to do
- 18 so. We also learned today that legislators have
- 19 introduced the Facial Recognition and Biometric
- 20 Moratorium Act, which, if it passes, will effectively
- 21 ban all law enforcement use of facial recognition in
- 22 the United States.
- The motion for an investigation is a good
- 24 first step, but what happened to Robert Williams
- 25 should be enough to ban it immediately. Join the



- 1 national call, and ban DPD's use of facial
- 2 recognition, and end Project Green Light today. Don't
- 3 wait for Detroit to become another national news story
- 4 because there is guaranteed to be more cases like this
- 5 one. We are literally the first in the nation to be
- 6 identified for misidentification, and that should be
- 7 embarrassing.
- Please also move back to allowing public
- 9 comment before you make votes on policies that will
- 10 impact the residents of this city, and move -- and
- 11 also please move out of DPD headquarters.
- I yield my time.
- MR. BROWN: Ms. Becca Coop.
- 14 MS. COOP: Hi, you guys. I just wanted to
- 15 say, as a new resident of Detroit, it's abundantly
- 16 obvious that you don't know Robert's Rules whatsoever,
- 17 and it's so embarrassing. It's, like, how can you
- 18 even pass any motions if your decorum is so far from
- 19 professional? And I think Willie Bell's conduct
- 20 throughout these meetings is rude. It's so rude. And
- 21 what's even more shocking to me is that Commissioner
- 22 Burton has presented the motion to ban facial
- 23 recognition before, and do you remember what you other
- 24 commissioners did, with the exception of a couple?
- 25 You laughed. You laughed in his face. How dare you?



- 1 How dare you? You should all resign.
- 2 You had an opportunity to rectify this,
- 3 but, no. You chose to laugh and spit on the face of
- 4 Detroit residents. You're in the wrong. History's
- 5 not on your side, and I'll let you know there are more
- 6 people participating in these meetings 'cause the
- 7 world is paying attention, and the time that these
- 8 appointed folks -- your job's going to be over soon.
- 9 Your job is going to be over soon. Do your job. Get
- 10 it together. Stop embarrassing the city of Detroit.
- 11 Stop embarrassing the American citizens.
- 12 Thank you, Commissioner Davis.
- 13 Thank you, Commissioner Burton.
- 14 Thank you, Commissioner Brown.
- 15 Evette, it's so great to see you changing
- 16 that energy this week, when you laughed at
- 17 Commissioner Burton last week. How dare you? How
- 18 dare you? Shameful.
- 19 But thank you for those that are here
- 20 working and doing their due diligence. We appreciate
- 21 you. We see you. Keep going. We're going to be
- 22 showing up to these meetings every single week.
- 23 And I yield my time.
- MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, your next three
- 25 speakers -- I don't see Ms. Susan Steigerwalt, so you



- 1 have two speakers left, Ms. Kasey Miller and
- 2 Ms. Cindy Darrah.
- 3 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- 4 MR. BROWN: Ms. Miller?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Can we pull someone
- 6 else in, Mr. Brown?
- 7 MR. BROWN: Okay. Let me see.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROWN: Steigerwalt is still
- 9 on the line.

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- 11 MS. MILLER: Hello? Can you hear me?
- 12 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes.
- 13 MS. MILLER: Hi. Hello. First, I would
- 14 like to make a comment on how upset I am with -- the
- 15 chair and other board members seem to want to not only
- 16 silence my elected official, Commissioner Burton, but
- 17 disrespect him. I, along with several thousands of
- 18 other people, voted for him to be there, unlike some
- 19 of y'all. Your disrespect in silencing, that's not
- 20 only directed towards him but other commissioners who
- 21 join in on his cries of injustice, is disgusting.
- 22 Second, I would like there to be more
- 23 respect shown to the public when they voice their
- 24 concerns in these meetings. Week after week, all I
- 25 see is laughing at public comments, eye-rollers,



- 1 commissioners and police officers having off-camera
- 2 conversations, reading newspapers, and members playing
- 3 on their phones. I'm sorry our concerns on police
- 4 brutality, injustice, and disdain for the Project
- 5 Green Light are not as entertaining as your game of
- 6 Candy Crush. If you would like for us to show you
- 7 some respect, I expect that same respect in return.
- 8 Remember, you-all work for us, the people.
- 9 Third, I want to know what this board plans
- 10 on doing if the police department, yet again, does not
- 11 come back with their involvement in the 1033 program
- 12 by next week. Time and time again I keep hearing
- 13 these reports will be made available next week, and
- 14 nothing happens. Fourth, I do not want to be any
- 15 clearer when I say end the Project Green Light right
- 16 now. If you disagree with this motion, resign now.
- 17 Lastly, stop trying to feed into the idea that we, the
- 18 protestors, are going to set the city on fire just
- 19 because. The only reason other cities burn is because
- 20 nobody's listening to their citizens. Start listening
- 21 to us, and start acting on our concerns.
- I yield my time.
- MR. BROWN: Ms. Susan Steigerwalt.
- 24 MS. STEIGERWALT: There we go. Hi. My
- 25 name is Susan Steigerwalt. I'm a retired physician.



- 1 I've lived in the city of Detroit since 1975. I have
- 2 three requests: Number one, immediately stop facial
- 3 recognition immediately. There's no reason, if you
- 4 still aren't sure about it, that you can't stop it
- 5 and then -- and then -- until the -- until the studies
- 6 are done. But I agree with the person who said there
- 7 have been plenty of studies done in other cities, and
- 8 cities like Los Angeles have pulled facial recognition
- 9 because it's so inaccurate and it discriminates
- 10 against people of color. That's number one.
- 11 Number two, defund Project Green Light --
- 12 which is, essentially, facial recognition but has
- 13 additional portions to it -- and get rid of it. There
- 14 is no data that says that it increases -- or decreases
- 15 crime. There's been no systematic study of that.
- 16 Lastly, demilitarize police. People -- as someone
- 17 said earlier, people who are, you know, dressed up in
- 18 body armor and soldier -- feel like soldiers are going
- 19 to act like soldiers, and we're the victims of those
- 20 soldiers. I think that I also concur with what people
- 21 have said about the general behavior of the board, and
- 22 I think that you are here to serve all of us, not to
- 23 serve the police department. This shouldn't be a
- 24 rubber stamp for whatever the police department wants,
- 25 and we need a lot more services than we have, and



- 1 moving some of the money from the police to other
- 2 services would undoubtedly be better for the people
- 3 than having to worry when you get up in the morning
- 4 that your son or daughter is going to be shot by the
- 5 end of the day. Thank you.
- I yield my time.
- 7 MR. BROWN: Ms. Cindy Darrah.
- 8 And, Madam Chair, Ms. Michelle George will
- 9 be your last speaker.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- MR. BROWN: Ms. Darrah?
- 12 MS. DARRAH: I attended the virtual charter
- 13 meeting -- committee meeting yesterday, and the
- 14 person -- and I'm so bad on names. I googled his name
- 15 when he was on screen, and he was fired by you. He
- 16 was working for the police commission and created a
- 17 special job for his buddy that paid \$25,000 more or
- 18 something, and yet the actual -- what he had to do was
- 19 about the same as what he did before in his earlier
- 20 job, and so he was caught lying by Inspector General
- 21 Ha, and it's documented on the Internet what happened.
- 22 So I -- I didn't get a chance to tell the charter
- 23 commission, but they're going to be voting on these
- 24 people on Saturday at 12:00 o'clock if you go to
- 25 detroitcharter2018.com. I wish you would alert them.



- 1 You also had another employee that's still
- 2 an employee that works for, I think, Precinct 10
- 3 that's applying for the same administrative assistant
- 4 job, and she actually sounded like a real person.
- 5 Wasn't too -- bragging or anything. So she's one of
- 6 the people still in consideration for that job. Now,
- 7 I asked my friend Casey, who used to be in the Navy
- 8 for more than just four years, and he said -- I said,
- 9 "Is there anything you would want me to say about the
- 10 police?" He said, "Fire them all. Get rid of the
- 11 whole department and start out hiring people with a
- 12 four-year professional degree."
- 13 Actually, when they laid off a lot of
- 14 police in Flint, the crime rate went down. Another
- 15 thing is the -- the safety. You're selling guns --
- 16 according to Casey -- he told me this a couple years
- 17 ago. If you sell your Glocks when you want to buy new
- 18 guns, sell them to the -- they get sold to the public,
- 19 so you put guns out in the public, but those Glocks
- 20 don't even have a good safety on them.
- 21 (Ms. Darrah was muted.)
- MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, Ms. Michelle
- 23 George -- she will be your last speaker.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you.
- MR. BROWN: Ms. George?



- 1 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Looks like she's still
- 2 muted.
- 3 MR. BROWN: Okay.
- 4 MS. GEORGE: Can you hear me?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HOLT: Yes, we can now.
- 6 MS. GEORGE: Okay. Thank you, Chairman
- 7 Holt.
- 8 And, to the board of police commissioners,
- 9 I wanted to comment on, also, Mr. -- and also to
- 10 Deputy Chief Wilson -- to comment on the --
- 11 Mr. Williams. Last year, the U.S. Congress had a
- 12 hearing at the time the former -- late Elijah Cummings
- 13 had shared the oversight committee about facial
- 14 recognition, and even in the Congress they were
- 15 talking about the disparity among people of color,
- 16 especially African-American women. Why is Chief
- 17 Craig -- and I do agree we have to vote that mayor out
- 18 of Livonia, Mayor Duggan. I'm gonna say his name. We
- 19 have to vote him out. That way we will vote out the
- 20 people that he appoints for this facial recognition.
- 21 It's a system of oppression that continues to be on
- 22 people of color, and I think, like the gentleman said
- 23 before me, I'm glad it did not wind up with
- 24 Mr. Williams getting killed.
- 25 So the issue is that -- of course, Chief



- 1 Craig gonna be on there, on the -- probably in two
- 2 weeks, but we have to vote out Mayor Duggan. If it
- 3 starts with Mayor Duggan, it takes care of the
- 4 appointees. So the issue is that they continue to
- 5 inspect us with that facial recognition. Even
- 6 Microsoft Corporation took it away. So what's the
- 7 problem with the City of Detroit, with this -- with
- 8 the contract?
- And, Ms. Griffie, I'm going to say this to
- 10 you -- Commissioner Griffie. The reason they're
- 11 disrespecting you, 'cause you're a black woman.
- 12 You're African-American. They don't care about you
- 13 having the report. That's what the citizens tried to
- tell you-all from the beginning, in all due respect.
- 15 So you didn't get that report because they didn't want
- 16 to give you that report. And so Chief Craig gonna
- 17 come in about two weeks, but the issue -- is this all
- 18 from city council? We need a whole makeover. This is
- 19 ridiculous. And my thing is filing a civil rights
- 20 department against the DPD.
- 21 Sorry, Chief Craig, but to you, too,
- 22 because you're disenfranchising our rights. You see
- 23 what's going on, and you got the blackest city with
- 24 black commissioners -- not all of you -- just going
- 25 against what we're saying.



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| 1 | MR. BROWN: Madam Chair, that was your last |
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| 2 | speaker. |
| 3 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. |
| 4 | Is there a motion to adjourn? |
| 5 | COMMISSIONER GRIFFIE: So moved, Madam |
| 6 | Chair. |
| 7 | COMMISSIONER HOLT: Thank you. Second. |
| 8 | We're outie. Thank you. See you July the 9th. |
| 9 | (Meeting concludes at 5:28 p.m.) |
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