

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

City of Detroit

Mayor's Office 313-224-3400
 City Council 313-224-3443
 City Clerk 313-224-3270

Board of Police Commissioners 313-596-1830

Complaints against Police/DPD Staff ... 313-596-2499

Police/Fire/Health Emergency 911
 Police Telephone Crime Reporting 313-267-4600
 • Chief of Police 313-596-1800
 • Detroit Detention Center 313-596-2242
 • Prisoner Info Hotline 313-267-4601
 • Detroit Police Victim Assistance 313-833-1660
 • Vehicle Tows/impoundments 313-596-8832
 • Abandoned Vehicles Use **Improve Detroit** app
 or **Report to Precinct**

• Downtown Services 313-237-2850
 • 2nd Precinct 313-596-5200
 • 3rd Precinct 313-596-5300
 • 4th Precinct 313-596-5400
 • 5th Precinct 313-596-5500
 • 6th Precinct 313-596-5600
 • 7th Precinct 313-596-5700
 • 8th Precinct 313-596-5800
 • 9th Precinct 313-596-5900
 • 10th Precinct 313-596-1000
 • 11th Precinct 313-596-1100
 • 12th Precinct 313-596-1200

Animal Control 313-922-DOGS (3647)

Board of Ethics 313-224-9521

Buildings, Safety, Engineering & Environmental

• Main 313-224-2733
 • Business License 313-224-3179
 • Dangerous Buildings 313-224-3215
 • Environmental Affairs 313-471-5115
 D-DOT 313-933-1300 or 313-224-4400

Employment (City Jobs) www.detroitmi.gov

Finance Department

• Citizen Tax Help Center 313-224-3315
 • Property Tax Division 313-224-3560
 Illegal Dumping 313-267-4600
 Institute for Population Health 313-309-9350
 • COVID/Diseases/HIV 313-876-4000
 Inspector General 313-964-TIPS (8477)
 Municipal Parking 313-221-2500
 Ombudsman Office 313-224-6000

Parks & Recreation 313-224-1100
 Potholes/Sidewalk/Street Repair 313-224-0033
 Street Light Outage/Installation 313-324-8290
 Trash Pickup (weekly & bulk)

• Westside 844-233-8764
 • Eastside & Southwest 844-464-3587
 Tree Removal (Emergency) 313-871-5461
 • 24-Hour Line 313-590-3336
 Traffic Signal (outage/malfunction) 313-267-4100
 Water Main Break 313-267-7401
 Water Bill Assistance (WRAP) 313-267-8000

Community Programs

CrimeStoppers 1 800-Speak UP 800-773-2587
 THAW (Heat Assistance) 800-866-8429
 United Way of Southeast Michigan 211
 Community Help Line 311
 Birth/Death Certificates 313-224-0270
 Mental Health/Opioid Crisis/Trauma 988

Civilian Public Safety Training Programs

CERT Community Emergency Response Team
 313-596-2590
 Citizens Police (DPD) Academy 313-596-2520

WEBSITE/APPS



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BOPC Administration

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BOPC Office of the Chief Investigator

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POLICE COMMISSIONER

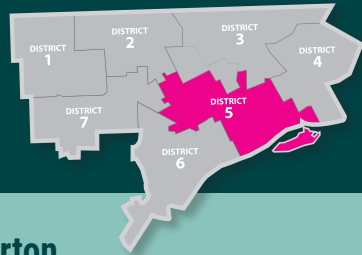
**Willie E.
 BURTON**



**BOARD OF
 Police Commissioners**

ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT

POLICE COMMISSIONER Willie E. Burton



Willie E. Burton

became the youngest police commissioner the U.S. when he took his seat in 2014 following his election by District 5 voters. He chairs the Promotions Appeals Committee of the Board and serves on the committees for the Budget and for Public Relations.

Nationally, he serves on the Finance and Newsletter Subcommittees of NACOLE, a national association for civilian oversight of law enforcement. Prior to election to the BOPC, he served a two-year appointment on the Detroit Public Schools Police and Public Safety Oversight Committee, and later as Director of Community Relations for Wayne County Commissioner Martha G. Scott. He also was the Detroit and Wayne County Field Director for the 2016 Bernie Sanders for President Campaign. His team was largely responsible for Sanders winning the state. He attended Central State University and majored in Business Administration.

Commissioner Burton's district includes most of the 7th Precinct and parts of the 3rd, 5th, and 10th Precincts.

About the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners

The Board of Police Commissioners

(BOPC) is comprised of 11 members. Seven (7) are elected by districts like City Council members, and four (4) are at-large mayoral appointees approved by the Council. All 11 Board members serve without compensation as a vital civilian board to help ensure police powers and practices comply with Constitutional protections and community policing standards.

The 1974 City Charter first established a civilian oversight board. The BOPC derives its current powers and duties from the 2012 Charter, which strengthened independent, citizen oversight.

Authority: The Board has supervisory control and oversight of the Police Department.

Meeting Schedule: The Board is required to meet at least once each week but may vote to recess during the Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year holidays. All meetings are held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Specific Duties:

- Establish policies, rules and regulations in consultation with the Chief of Police, and with the approval of the Mayor
- Review and approve the departmental budget before its submission to the Mayor
- Receive and resolve any complaint concerning the operation of the Police Department except those involving criminality
- Act as final authority in imposing or reviewing discipline of employees of the department
- Make an annual report to the Mayor, the City Council, and the public of the department's activities during the previous year, including the handling of crime and complaints, and of future plans

Other Board Responsibilities:

Staff*: The Board appoints a Board Secretary and a Chief Investigator, along with other investigators to handle citizen complaints against police/DPD.

Chief of Police: Whenever the Chief of Police position becomes vacant, the Board is responsible for conducting a professional search to identify qualified candidates. The Board submits a list of the final candidates to the Mayor, who makes the appointment subject to City Council approval.

Police Personnel: The Board appoints a civilian as Director of Police Personnel. The Board also approves all promotions made within the Police Department.

Office of the Chief Investigator (OCI): OCI investigates citizen complaints against police and other DPD staff and reports findings to the Board.

Contact OCI to file a complaint against police officers or any other Police Department employee:



313-596-2499



www.detroitmi.gov/BOPC



900 Merrill Plaisance Street
Detroit, MI 48203

The Board of Police Commissioners meets weekly on Thursday at 3 p.m. at Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third Street, except for the second Thursday of the month when the BOPC holds community meetings at 6:30 p.m. at various locations. The BOPC may hold committee meetings. For meeting schedules, videos, Zoom ID and other information, visit

www.detroitmi.gov/BOPC

* All Board appointments are civilian and serve at the pleasure of the Board.