

Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, March 3, 2022 – 3:00 PM
Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, Michigan 48226

- I. **Chairperson Jim Holley called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.**
- II. **Invocation.** Commander Chaplain Charles Clark provided the invocation.
- III. **Mission Statement of the Board of Police Commissioners.**
- IV. **Introduction of Police Commissioners. A roll call was held, and a quorum was declared.**

Detroit Board of Police Commissioners' Membership / Attendance		
	Attend	Not-Attend
Rev. Jim Holley, PhD, Chairperson	Yes	
Bryan Ferguson, Vice-Chairperson	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.	Yes	
Cedric Banks	Yes	
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
Lisa Carter	No	
Ricardo Moore	Yes	
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Annie Holt	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	9	

- V. **Chairperson Holley** called for any additions to the Agenda for Thursday, March 3, 2022, the motion was accepted and adopted.
- VI. **Chairperson Holley** called for any corrections to the Meeting Minutes for February 24, 2022. The minutes were adopted as presented.
- VII. **Introductions of Board administrative and investigative staff, Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives.**
- VIII. **Chair's Report.** Chairperson Holley reported on the following information:

(1) Today marks our first meeting during Women's History Month, and we pay special honor and recognition to those women whose work made it possible for us to benefit from tremendous advancements in social justice, civil rights, social equity, labor and workplace standards, and much more. As I previously shared, "since 1987, we have celebrated women's achievements and contributions to culture, society, and history each March as part of Women's History Month. The Detroit Board of Police Commissioners is just one of the countless beneficiaries of the activism and leadership by women in the fight for equality and civil rights. We must never forget that the same reforms that led to the Board of Police Commissioners also ensured equal opportunity for women to become police officers and to serve in the highest levels of command. Detroit and Detroiters created many outstanding firsts in law enforcement stemming from those reforms. Beginning with Police Commissioner Susan Mills Peek in 1974 through today with Police Commissioners Linda Bernard, Lisa Carter, and Annie Holt, Detroiters also can be proud of and celebrate many achievements and contributions to civilian oversight and police accountability by women. While March brings special awareness, including International Women's Day, we recognize and celebrate the impact of women in history and on our lives each day."

Also, in honor of Women's History Month and closing out the month of February, which was Black History Month, I must also acknowledge President Biden's recent historic Supreme Court nomination of federal Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson whose impeccable work, record, and legal ability will expectantly seat her as the first African-American woman to serve on the United States Supreme Court. This nomination and anticipated confirmation is truly historic and serves as a continued example to all regarding women leadership, expertise, and depth delivered in all facets of life. We applaud President Biden's nomination of Judge Brown Jackson and we know she will be an excellent addition to the U.S. Supreme Court. Further, we recognize the women leaders who serve in public safety, particularly within the Detroit Police Department. There are so many women police leaders who we have observed lead by example and work to ensure the Department serves as a model example to other law enforcement agencies and jurisdictions with their innovative and creative ideas, compassion and understanding for the people they serve, and the dedication and discipline it takes to lead and serve. We commend you and Chief White for your leadership. Again, we pay honor during this Women's History Month and ask you to continue to honor those women, past, present, and future who have created, are creating and will create a better life for us all.

We thank Mr. Nikhil Patel, Senior Advisor to the Mayor, regarding the presentation he gave on the Judicial System Gun Case Backlog Reduction Project. We now have a better understanding of the background that led to the court case backlog and the current activities taking place to help resolve and eliminate the gun case backlog. Moving forward, we look forward to future updates from the Mayor's Office regarding this initiative and also working with the Mayor's Office to address some long-standing issues within our criminal justice system locally.

- (2) **BOPC APPOINTEE VACANCY FILLED - APPOINTEE REV. QUANTEZ PRESSLEY - AWAITING CITY COUNCIL CONFIRMATION:** Mayor Duggan has recently appointed Rev. QuanTez Pressley as Police Commissioner - At Large, which will complete our Board composition with 7 Elected and 4 Appointed Members. We look forward to Rev. Pressley's City Council anticipated confirmation as we prepare to welcome and officially onboard Commissioner Pressley to the Board of Police Commissioners. More information is forthcoming. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.
- (3) **OCI INVESTIGATOR INTERVIEWS:** Board Members, today we will hold our last four (4) interviews in preparation for selecting seven (7) candidates for the current vacant Investigator positions. We will vote next week on the seven (7) candidates to fill the investigator positions. We look forward to completing this process and we thank City HR Mr. John Tipton who facilitated all of the interviews and our staff who worked to organize and assist us in completing this process.
- (4) **DPD FY 22-23 BUDGET DETAILED REPORT:** Today, we are prepared to take action on the Department's FY 23 Budget Report. Agency CFO Mr. NAZARKO will join us today. He has already answered our inquiries that we submitted last week about the budget, and he will answer any additional questions we might have today in preparation for Board action today.
- (5) **OCI OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INVESTIGATOR:** Interim Chief Investigator Akbar will present the OCI's Monthly Report today sharing updates on patterns and trends in OCI Complaints and Investigations. We also look forward to hearing a status update on some of the key initiatives and projects Chief Akbar and OCI are working on to enhance the complaint process to service the residents and visitors of the City of Detroit.
- (6) **BOPC POLICY (PUBLIC FORUM) ON SEARCH AND SEIZURE:** Today, Interim Board Secretary Ms. White will provide a presentation on the Department's Search and Seizure Manual Directive. The Policy Committee, chaired by Commissioner Linda Bernard, and Committee Members Annie Holt, Lisa Carter, and Willie Burton will provide a recommendation for Board action regarding the policy. We previously received the policy 30 days ago and provided all Commissioners and the public the directive to review and share any questions or recommendations.
- (7) **BOPC COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** As an update, you received a copy of the BOPC Committee Assignments with the proposed meeting schedule slated to begin next week. The guidelines and criteria are included on the handout. Meeting notice and agenda will be shared with the public in advance for their information and attendance. If you have any questions, please contact Interim Board Secretary Ms. White.
- (8) **CHIEF'S REPORT:** We also look forward to receiving the Department's report today on vital crime updates, critical incidents and the Graduation ceremony scheduled for tomorrow. We also received the invitation to attend the debriefing regarding the recent OIS incident, and we plan to attend that as well.
- (9) **BOPC COMMITMENT STATEMENT:** Lastly, I have included in your packets this week BOPC internal operational reminders and the BOPC Commitment Statement. I am asking for a Board vote to include the Commitment Statement as part of our Standing Rules. Thank you for your professionalism and cooperation as we handle the important work of civilian oversight.

A. Commissioner Bell motion to adopt the Board of Police Commissioners' Budget Resolution DPD FY 2022-2023.

BOPC RESOLUTION APPROVING DPD'S FY 2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

Whereas The City of Detroit is required to generate a budget to forecast revenues and plan the orderly implementation of a balanced budget in the interest of the health and safety of the citizens of Detroit, and that one of the critically important budgets in the city government is for police service and law enforcement.

Whereas And that the Detroit Police Department's Agency Finance Office DPD Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is required to develop a budget summarizing the revenues and projected expenses for the Department in cooperation with the Chief of Police; and

Whereas The Detroit Board of Police Commissioners is required by the charter of the City of Detroit, Section 7-803 to review and authorize the transmittal of the Detroit Police Department budget to the Mayor who will in turn receive recommendations from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Department and Finance, and that the Mayor will then submit his recommendations to the Detroit City Council for approval and subsequently to the Financial Review Commission.

Now, therefore, be it resolved

That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, having reviewed the proposed budget from the DPD CFO, authorizes the transmittal of the fiscal year 2023 budget in the amount of \$72,812,626 in total revenue and \$395,235,898 in total expenditures to the Mayor of the City of Detroit, inclusive of the new initiatives recommended by the BOPC and department.

VOTE: Yes = 9 No = 0 Motion: ADOPTED

B. Board of Police Commissioners' Statement of Commitment.

Commissioner Bell motion to approve the Board of Police Commissioners' Statement of Commitment.

VOTE: Yes = 8 No = 1 Motion: ADOPTED

IX. Resolutions.

Commissioner Moore read the resolution honoring Corporal Kenneth A. Staples (Retirement).

**RESOLUTION HONORING
CORPORAL KENNETH A. STAPLES**

WHEREAS Kenneth Staples was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on February 22, 1993. Upon graduating from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, Police Officer Staples began his career at the Housing Support Division; and

WHEREAS He dutifully served the Housing Support Division, Tactical Service Section, Twelfth Precinct, Western District, and the Forfeiture Unit at Management Services. Officer Staples displayed tremendous diligence and aptitude in his assignments. In February 2013, he earned promotion to the rank of Corporal and continued to serve at the Forfeiture Unit at Management Services until his retirement; and

WHEREAS During his law enforcement career, Corporal Staples was the deserving recipient of the Perfect Attendance Award, both Consent Judgment Awards, the Major League Baseball All-Star Recognition Award, the Rosa Parks Funeral Recognition Award, the Ford Fireworks Award, and the Super Bowl XL Recognition Award, as well as commendations from supervisors and numerous letters of appreciation from citizenry; and

WHEREAS Corporal Staples has tirelessly served the Detroit Police Department, the citizens of Detroit and its neighboring communities for 29 years. His professionalism, commitment to public service, integrity, and dedication have been a credit to the Detroit Police Department. He is highly respected as a consummate professional.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this resolution in recognition of Corporal Kenneth Staples' 29 years of dedicated and diligent public service. His professionalism, integrity, and lifelong commitment to the City of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest regards.

We thank and congratulate you, Corporal Kenneth A. Staples.

Commissioner Moore moved adoption of a resolution, which was adopted as follows: “*Resolved*, That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, awards this resolution in recognition of Corporal Kenneth Staples' 29 years of dedicated and diligent public service. His professionalism, integrity, and lifelong commitment to the City of Detroit and its citizens merit our highest regards.”

X. Chief of Police Report: Chief of Police's Summary of CompStat Data and other Crime Information/DPD Information:

Chief James E. White reported on current CompStat Crime/Statistical Data for Violent Crime and Property; COVID19 impacts, and recent critical incidents impacting the DPD and the community. *See the attached Meeting Transcripts* and DPD Crime Reports for more information posted to the Board's webpage.

XI. Presentations to the Board – A. DPD Budget Report Qtr. #2 – ACFO Nevrus Nazarko

B. Office of the Chief Investigator - Interim Chief Investigator Lawrence Akbar

C. Manual Directive 202.2 Search and Seizure (Public Hearing) Interim Secretary to the Board Melanie White

- A. DPD Budget Report Qtr. #2 – Agency Chief Financial Officer Nevrus Nazarko** provided a summary of FY 2022 2nd Quarter budget Review & Other Financial Information regarding the following: Budget to Actual Revenues & Expenses as of 12/31/2021 Grant Activity Report (New Grants for the quarter ending 12/31/2021; Forfeiture Activity for the quarter ending 12/31/2021; GSD Capital Expenditures Report; and Vehicle Purchase report. *See the attached Meeting Transcripts* and DPD Quarterly Budget PowerPoint Presentation for more information posted to the Board's webpage.
- B. Office of the Chief Investigator – Interim Chief Investigator Lawrence Akbar** provided an overview of the OCI's Monthly Statistical Data for the month of January 2022 and February 2022 and shared key information regarding patterns and trends involving citizen complaint investigations. The presentation also included updates regarding OCI Initiatives and Projects for the public's awareness and education (i.e. OCI Monthly Forum – March 21, 2022, enhancing the complaint intake procedures, and other best practices for investigative operations). *See the attached Meeting Transcripts* and OCI Monthly PowerPoint Presentation for more information posted to the Board's webpage.
- C. Manual Directive 202.2 Search and Seizure (Public Hearing) – Interim Secretary to the Board Melanie White** provided general overview of the Department's Manual Directive on Search and Seizure 202.2 including but not limited to the general procedures/requirements for performing the exceptions to the search warrant requirement and the Department's proposed revisions, the Board's Policy Approval Process, and the Policy Committee's recommendation for an additional week to review the policy in connection with the Search Warrant and Execution Policy 202.3. *See the attached Meeting Transcripts* and BOPC Policy PowerPoint Presentation for more information posted to the Board's webpage.

XII. Oral Communications/Public Comments.

Lieutenant Mark Young, Ms. Bernice Smith, Ms. Joy, Minister Eric Blount, Former Police Commissioner William Davis, Overwith is Mr. Rhuben Crowley, Lakila Shea Salter, and Ms. Brenda Hill offered public comments.

XIII. New Business

Commissioner Bell motioned to create a commendation for the men and women of blue to place in their file for their extraordinary dedication during 2021.

VOTE:

Yes = 7

No = 0

Motion: ADOPTED

XIV. Announcements.

Ms. Teresa Blossom announced the following:

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., DPD Downtown Services at WCCC District - Downtown Campus, Hayden Room, 1001 West Fort St., Detroit, MI 48226.

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, April 14, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., 11th Precinct at WCCC District - Northwest Campus, Larry Lewis Bldg., 8200 West Outer Dr., Detroit, MI 48219

XV. Unfinished Business.

Mr. John Tipton, City of Detroit Talent Acquisition Specialist, conducted the OCI Investigator Interviews of three (3) candidates for the vacant positions for Police Commissioner Investigator.

XVI. Adjournment.

Chairperson Holley adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.