

Approved Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, December 15, 2022 – 3:00 PM
Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, Michigan 48226

- I. **Chairperson Bryan Ferguson called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.**
- II. **Invocation.** Commissioner Cedric Banks provided the invocation.
- III. **Introduction of Police Commissioners.** A roll call was held, and a quorum was declared.

Detroit Board of Police Commissioners' Membership / Attendance		
	Attend	Not-Attend
Bryan Ferguson, Chairperson	Yes	
Annie Holt	Yes	
Linda D. Bernard, Esq.	Yes	
Cedric Banks	Yes	
Willie E. Bell	Yes	
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
Lisa Carter	Yes	
Ricardo Moore	Yes	
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Rev. Jim Holley, PhD.	Yes	
QuanTez Pressley	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	11	

- IV. **Chairperson Ferguson** called to approve the Agenda for Thursday, December 15, 2022, with corrections; removal of Secretary to the Board and Chief Investigator Interviews under Item XIII. The motion was accepted and adopted.
- V. **Chairperson Ferguson** called for any corrections to the Meeting Minutes for December 8, 2022. The minutes were adopted as presented.
- VI. **Introductions of Board administrative and investigative staff, Chief of Police, Elected Officials or Representatives**
- VII. **Chair Report: Chairperson Ferguson** reported on BOPC and DPD activities, updates, and reports for the Board and the community's awareness. A copy of the report will be placed on file. See the attached Meeting Transcripts for more information, which are also posted to the Board's webpage.

Commissioner Bernard moved "that the Board adopts the 2023 Meeting Calendar". The motion was adopted.

VOTE: YES = 7 NO = 3 Motion: ADOPTED

Yes: Vice Chairperson Holt, Commissioners Banks, Bernard, Burton, Hernandez, Moore, and Pressley
No: Chairperson Ferguson, Commissioners Bell and Holley

- VIII. **Chief of Police Report: Chief of Police's Summary of CompStat Data and other Crime Information/DPD Information:** **Assistant Chief David LeValley** reported on current CompStat Crime/Statistical Data for Violent Crime and Property; COVID-19 impacts; and recent critical incidents impacting the DPD and the community. See the attached Meeting Transcripts and DPD Crime Reports for more information, which are also posted to the Board's webpage.

Several inquiries require responses from the BOPC and/or DPD: **Chairperson Ferguson** stated he attended the CIT Training Seminar; and the Department will implement tools to save lives. **Commissioner Banks** inquired on the shoot-out incident with the CPL holder and was he in a self-defense mode. AC LeValley stated that the perp announced a

robbery. **Commissioner Burton** stated for months he has been asking for the CORE Report conducted years ago and still has not received. I would like to see the names in the report and would like this body to review it. Also when it comes to the mental health new initiative that the department is implementing, is this based on anything taking place in any other urban cities? As well as police getting authorization to launch cameras into homes which is an electronic search. Would it be prudent for the police to get a court authorization to launch cameras into homes? According to a Free Press Article, the police want to launch cameras into homes responding to mental health crisis. Would the department seek authorization from a traditional court? I am just now learning about this through media outlet. It would have been nice if we had a presentation at the Board or in the community. Will the department be willing to give all of us a presentation? AC LeValley stated so one of the tools that we are looking at is a robot that is handheld and you would have the ability to throw it either into a room downstairs near somebody. **Commissioner Moore** stated he requested a report regarding the correlation between recruitment and the behavior of officers; specifically, the 128 high risk officers, and inquired on the status of the report. AC LeValley stated that is still being researched. So our risk management unit has to look through all of the recruiting files and see if there are any similarities or any flags that would have been in place. So that is still on way, and it'll be forthcoming. **Commissioner Bell** reiterated the Board through the Charter has oversight of the police department, and expressed he would hope in the future, that protocol would inform this Board before the big announcement to the public, etcetera. **Commissioner Bernard** indicated she echoes Commissioner Bell sentiment, there should be a presentation, and also a town hall with the community and also inquired on a presentation from the Homicide Task Force. She asked AC would that be okay. AC LeValley stated yes. **Commissioner Holley** indicated he is thankful that Chief White is proactive addressing mental health in the city. Also inquired if the bidding process new towing companies and are they from Detroit. AC LeValley stated so right now, I don't know if all seven tow companies that were approved off the top of my head, but I believe they're all Detroit based businesses. But in order to get to this point, so what just occurred is that the City Council approved the contract for the seven companies. **Vice Chairperson Holt** stated Chairperson Ferguson, Commissioner Moore and she was involved in the process. She stated the prerequisites for the towers were they had to be Detroit based. And also inquired about the new camera equipment and thanked the Detroit Public Safety Foundation for funds it secured to purchase the cameras. She asked if the board will be require to adopt a policy. Also addressed review of CCR's, policies, and violations of traffic signals. AC LeValley stated yes. **Commissioner Pressley** inquired you stated that the Chief may potentially offer a special order that will allow for the use of this technology while a policy is being determined. What then regulates the use of that technology, if an officer uses it? What policy is in place? AC LeValley stated it is the special order. If an officer violates the terms of special order from the Chief, they're still subjects to all the same discipline or corrective action that a policy would have. It's just a temporary situation, though it doesn't last forever. So the policy is more permanent. **Commissioner Bernard** stated I would like to indicate that this technology that you're talking about is the same technology that they used in Texas against an American honorable discharged veteran who had shot three or four people from posttraumatic stress disorder or wherever from a building in Dallas. They sent the little robot in there rather than using other police tactics like gator gas or something else. The little robot turned him into confetti. AC LeValley stated What 24- they used in Texas when there was that sniper inside of a parking structure in that building was killing people, it was a full-size robot that had a handgun and armed with a bomb. **Chairperson Ferguson** indicated for the record the Board of Police Commissioners has nothing to do with towing.

IX. Oral Communications / Public Comments.

Ms. Janice Water, Mr. James Ford, Ms. Victoria Shah, Minister Eric Blount, President Darlene Buffington, Former Commissioner William Davis and Mr. Scotty Boman offered public comments.

X. Report on Communications Submitted to BOPC as incoming information:

1. Correspondence from Chief of Police James E. White Re: BOPC Request for Reports of the Disciplinary Outcomes for OCI Sustained Cases
2. Correspondence from Chief of Police James E. White Re: DPD Basic Recruit Class 2022-H Graduation Friday, December 16, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at WCCCD, 8200 West Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48219
3. Correspondence from Chief of Police James E. White Re: DPD Promotional Ceremony Monday, December 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at WCCCD, 8200 West Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48219
4. DPD Applicant Appeal Rosa Alvarez
5. Weekly DPD Facial Recognition Technology Report 12/5/22 - 12/11/22
6. DPD ShotSpotter Report 12/5/22 - 12/11/22

7. Mental Health Related Calls for Services 12/12/22
8. Project Green Light Report 12/12/22
9. Staff Reports

XI. Announcement.

Mr. Robert Brown announced the following:

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 22, 2022, at 3:00 p.m., at Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, MI 48226.

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., at Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers Road, Detroit, MI 48235.

Monthly Committee Meetings' Schedule for January 2023 – Every 2nd Wednesday

Budget Committee Meeting	Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.
Personnel & Training Committee Meeting	Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.
Citizen Complaints Committee Meeting	Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.
Policy Committee Meeting	Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.

All Committee Meetings will take place in the Detroit Public Safety Headquarters

XII. Unfinished Business.

Commissioner Bell indicated clarity is needed on the end of compensation for interim positions; compensation for temporary positions; and Corporation Counsel's opinion on the Board's authority to appoint or disapprove. **Commissioner Holley** inquired salary considerations.

XIII. New Business.

Commissioner Carter provided the BOPC Policy Committee Report.

XIV. Adjournment.

Chairperson Ferguson adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.