

Approved Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners
Date of Meeting: Thursday, February 2, 2023 – 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.** Chaplain Mohammed Ali 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		Excused
Jesus Hernandez	Yes	
Rev. Jim Holley, PhD.	Yes	
QuanTez Pressley	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	10	

- IV. **Chairperson Ferguson** requested the approval of the Agenda for Thursday, February 2, 2023. The Agenda was amended to add after Item XIII a closed session in accordance to MCL 15.268 (h) to discuss a legal matter. The motion was accepted and adopted.
- V. **Chairperson Ferguson** requested that approval of the Meeting Minutes for January 26, 2023, with any corrections. The minutes were adopted as presented. Chairperson Ferguson requested the approval of the Closed Session Minutes for January 26, 2023, with any corrections. The closed session 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 and provided updates, and reports for the Board and the community.
- VIII. **Chief of Police Report: Chief of Police's Summary of CompStat Data and other Crime Information/DPD Information: Deputy Chief DeShaune Sims and Deputy Chief Franklin Hayes** 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.

The following inquiries require responses from the BOPC and/or DPD: **Commissioner Pressley** discussed the release of the video this past Friday that had reverberating impact on the nation and inquired if there was anything unique done by the DPD since the release of that video. Also, what is the police priority in making runs doing a suicide in progress? He asked if a weapon or medication was used is an investigation performed. **DC Sims** stated that the Chief put out a message to the executive team and command staff to ensure that the department is following DPD policies and procedures. She mentioned that the department recently implemented their citywide CIT Response Program that those trained officer will respond. If the person is in a crisis they will help them get the service they need. **Commissioner Bernard** questioned whether DPD has a unit similar to the Scorpion Unit in Memphis, Tennessee. Requested the department to publish on their website the use of force policy for DPD and requested a copy of the police report of the carjacking reported earlier. **DC Sims** stated the department doesn't have a unit like scorpion. **Commissioner Burton** inquired on behalf of District 5 constituents what the police department is doing to service their community. **DC Sims** mentioned that she will get with the Commander and Captain of that precinct to address those concerns. **Commissioner Holley** also inquired what the Chief said to his command staff regarding the Memphis situation. He

discussed the mental health updates, and inquired about the carjacking and wanted to know if there is a difference in the prosecution and the courts regarding these arrests. **DC Sims** stated the department has noticed that there are younger teens involved in these carjacking. She will provide the Board with a more comprehensive report on the bonding out process. **Commissioner Banks** discussed on January 13th a Detroit Police Officer was caught in corruption by the feds and inquired about the status of the case. **DC Sims** stated she does not have any information on this case, but will look into it. **Vice Chairperson Holt** discussed the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training, Team Wellness and facilities that are there to help citizens.

IX. Oral Communications / Public Comments.

Lieutenant Mark Young, Minister Eric Blount, Ms. Victoria Shah, Ms. Martha Calloway, Grassroots Detroit, Ms. Joy Tina Taylor, Former Commissioner William Davis, and Mr. Scotty Boman offered public comments.

**X. Presentations to the Board – Use of Force Qtr. #4 – Captain Dietrich Lever, Civil Rights, Risk Management Division
– DPD Budget FY24 Review – Agency Chief Financial Officer (AFCO) Nevrus Nazarko**

A. Use of Force Qtr. #4 – Captain Dietrich Lever, Civil Rights, Risk Management Division provided a summary of statistical data for the Department's Use of Force Qtr. #4 Report – January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

The following inquiries require responses from the BOPC and/or DPD: **Commissioner Banks** asked when officers' use a Taser are they designed to hit pressure points on a citizen, and how long are they neutralized? **Captain Lever** stated when using the Taser the focus point is center mass, and if the Taser neutralize at all it about 5 seconds. **Commissioner Pressley** requested clarification on arrest and count detainment and what is the rationale of increase in use of force category 1 and 2 over the year. **Captain Lever** stated the officers are facing more resistance from citizens. **Commissioner Bell** commented on the culture of policing. **Commissioner Carter** also commented on the culture of policing in the black community. **Commissioner Bernard** commented on the increase in category 1 use of force and inquired about the review of use of force investigations categories 1 through 4. **Captain Lever** stated 2-4 is investigated by the Command Staff at the precincts, and category 1 is investigated by Force Investigations which falls under Professional Standards. **Commissioner Holley** inquired what is Civil Rights role when it comes to training officers. **Captain Lever** stated that his team gathers information and do the research for the training. **Commissioner Burton** discussed the support of officers' interaction with residents and asked the Captain will he support the officers having a scorecard on their performance when policing the community. **Captain Lever** stated he will support any tool that will benefit the community.

- B. DPD Budget FY24 Review – ACFO Nevrus Nazarko** provided a summary presentation to the Board regarding the Department's proposed FY 24 Budget.

	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Request	Variance
General Fund Revenue	\$64,948,167	\$71,565,493	\$6,671,326
Special Revenue	\$7,479,908	\$7,617,000	\$137,092
Narcotics Forfeiture Revenue	\$1,187,719	\$1,211,000	\$23,281
Grant Revenue	\$6,406,662	\$6,583,628	\$176,966
Total Revenue	\$80,022,456	\$86,977,121	\$6,954,665
General Fund Expenditures	\$351,707,914	\$406,985,483	\$55,277,569
Grant Expenditures	\$6,406,662	\$6,449,150	\$42,488
Forfeiture Expenditures	\$1,187,719	\$1,211,000	\$23,281
Special Fund Expenditures	\$7,479,908	\$9,044,622	\$1,560,714
Total Expenditures	\$366,782,203	\$423,686,255	\$56,904,052

Commissioner Holley requested to have a Board attorney and financial personnel for the next year budget. **Commissioner Banks** spoke about the increase in spending and what is the significant impact of new Tasers versus the old Tasers? What is the wattage of the new Tasers? **Deputy Chief Hayes** stated he will get an answer before the meeting concludes. **Commissioner Bernard** discussed the increase in DPD budget and inquired whether DPD could fund some activities for the Board. **ACFO Nazarko** stated that the Board Agency CFO is Mr. James George who can assist your request. **Commissioner Hernandez** inquired about the capital expenditures preliminary schedule of upgrades or renovations, emphasizing the Ninth Precinct has an archaic feel. **ACFO Nazarko** stated the funding for improvements to the Ninth Precinct is coming from another source. **Commissioner Burton** discuss armored vehicles, ShotSpotter, and reviewing the budget it is unclear on how the budget is dedicated to military equipment compared to general public safety equipment, please provide clarity? Also the Board did not receive an amendment when the department decided to utilize this budget to fund ShotSpotter. **ACFO Nazarko** stated that 2.1 million dollars is for body armour and not armored vehicles. **Commissioner Bell** commented on the budget process. **Vice Chairperson Holt** inquired about the budget non-general status, Tasers and vehicles. **ACFO Nazarko** stated the non-general amount is 29 million dollars, and the Taser contract will go out for Bid.

XI. Report on Communications Submitted to BOPC as Incoming Information:

XII. Announcements.

Mr. Robert Brown announced the following:

Next Community Meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., at Ford Resource Engagement Center (FREC), 15491 Maddelein St., Detroit, MI 48205.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 16, 2023, at 3:00 p.m., at Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third St., Detroit, MI 48226.

Monthly Committee Meetings Schedule for February 2023

Budget Committee Meeting	Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.
Policy Committee Meeting	Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.
Citizen Complaints Committee Meeting	Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.
Personnel & Training Committee Meeting	Friday, February 10, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

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

Committee Report - Commissioner Hernandez provided an update on the Personnel & Training Committee, the status of Human Resource hiring process for the Secretary of the Board and Chief Investigator positions.

XIII. New Business.

XIV. Closed Session:

Vice Chairperson Holt moved that “the Board go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meeting Act, MCL 15.268 (h) as it relates to a legal matter. (2/3 roll call required) (Time: 5:52 p.m.). The motion was adopted.

VOTE: YES = 9 NO = 0 Motion: ADOPTED

Yes: Chairperson Ferguson, Vice Chairperson Holt, Commissioners Banks, Bell, Bernard, Burton, Hernandez, Holley, Pressley

XV. Commissioner Bernard moved to “Reconvene the Public Meeting.” (Time: 6:32 p.m.) The motion was adopted.

VOTE: YES = 9 NO = 0 Motion: ADOPTED

Yes: Chairperson Ferguson, Vice Chairperson Holt, Commissioners Banks, Bell, Bernard, Burton, Hernandez, Holley, Pressley

XVI. Adjournment.

Chairperson Ferguson adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.