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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Police Commissioners

**FROM:** Linda Bernard, Esq., Chairperson Policy Committee

**DATE:** July 9, 2024

**RE:** Policy Committee Meeting Memo

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners Policy Committee, please see the key updates from the committee meeting held on July 9, 2024:

Board Attendees: Committee Chairperson Linda Bernard, Commissioner Darryl Woods

Community/Committee Attendees: Acting Secretary Robert Brown, Jasmin Taylor – Administrative Assistant, Professor Rebecca Robichaud – Wayne State Law School, Victoria Camille – District 7 Grandriver Community Block Club President, Coalition for Police Transparency and Accountability, Shea Howell - Coalition for Police Transparency and Accountability, Attorney Julie Hurwitz – President, Goodman Hurwitz & James, P.C.

- Legal Observers Draft Policy Review and Discuss Victoria Camille Coalition for Police Transparency and Accountability: During the June 25, 2024, Commissioner Bernard agreed to draft a letter drafted to the Corporation Counsel regarding legal observers. Commissioner Bernard read the draft letter during the meeting and requested insight from the community. Commissioner Woods reported that during the June 27, 2024 board meeting, the Board gave DPD a two-week time period for a response to these concerns and would like to follow up. Victoria Camille, Shea Howell from CPTA and Attorney Julie Hurwitz, agreed the letter is appropriately addresses the concerns. Commissioner Bernard and Commissioner Woods voted and approved the letter to be released.
  - CPTA (Coalition for Police Transparency and Accountability) agreed to bring a draft policy on Legal Observers to the committee for review. The committee reviewed and discussed some of the policy but did not get through the entire document. The committee agreed to review the rest of the policy independently, bring back edits, and provide it to DPD for their review and edits. Both edits will be discussed during the next policy meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.
- **278 Specification Report Surveillance Van:** Postponed for review and discussion until July 23, 2024 Policy Committee Meeting.
- 201.1 Patrol: Postponed for review and discussion until July 23, 2024 Policy Committee Meeting.

- 304.5 Training: Postponed for review and discussion until July 23, 2024 Policy Committee Meeting.
- 403.5 Drug and Alcohol Abuse by Department Personnel Policy: Postponed for review and discussion until July 23, 2024 Policy Committee Meeting.

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2024 at 5pm.

Sincerely,

Atty. Linda D. Bernard, J.D.L.L.M, Commissioner, District 2 Chairperson, BOPC Policy Committee