



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Police Commissioners
FROM: Eva Garza Dewaelsche, Chairperson Budget Committee
DATE: December 12, 2024
RE: Budget Committee Meeting Memo

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners Budget Committee, please see the key follow-up from the committee meeting held on December 3, 2024:

Board Attendees: Committee Chairperson Garza Dewaelsche, Chairman Woods

Staff Attendees: Board Secretary – Lydia Garnier, Drew Fries – Executive Fiscal Manager, Robert Brown – BOPC Staff Specialist

- **FY2025-26 BOPC Budget Draft:** After extensive review and analysis, the BOPC Budget Committee would like to recommend the approval of the 2025-26 fiscal year BOPC Budget Draft to full Board of Police Commissioners. In the building of this Budget, the following FY25-26 initiatives were submitted by Commissioners and the Chief Investigator:
 - ❖ Maintain our fully staffed OCI & Administrative Teams
 - ❖ Enhance OCI Staff headcount, increasing capabilities to field increased rate of Civilian Complaints
 - ❖ Additional Training for BOPC Staff

In total, these initiatives – based on need – would request to increase the current BOPC Budget from \$4,581,541 to \$5,429,544. This increase of \$848,003 would allow the Board of Police Commissioners to continue to advocate for the residents of Detroit as a Civilian Oversight body in the 2025-26 fiscal year.

We thank you for your consideration and the next Budget Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 14th, 2025 at 4:30pm.

Sincerely,

Eva Garza Dewaelsche
At-Large
Chairperson, BOPC Budget Committee