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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Police Commissioners

**FROM:** QuanTez Pressley, Chairperson Citizen Complaint Committee

**DATE:** March 11, 2025

**RE:** Citizen Complaint Committee Meeting Memo

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners Citizen Complaint, please see the key updates from the committee meeting held on March 11, 2025:

Board Attendees: Committee Chairperson QuanTez Pressley, Commissioner (Board Chair) Woods

**Community/Committee Attendees:** Chief Investigator – Rev. Jerome Warfield, Board Secretary – Lydia Garnier, Budget Fiscal Manager – Drew Fries, Chief of Police – Todd Bettison, Commander (*Professional Development DPD*)—Michael Parrish

 Reporting of Detailed Penalty and Disposition of OCI Closed Cases: Discussion centered on disciplinary outcomes of sustained citizen complaints. Chair Pressley emphasized the need for transparency in disciplinary data to rebuild public trust.

Some key concerns raised were lack of detailed feedback from DPD to OCI on disciplinary outcomes, sustained cases may be "no-case" due to delayed investigations making discipline infeasible under union contracts and incongruence between investigative findings and DPD's current manual or code of conduct.

Recommendations from the Board include better clarity on what "no-case" classifications mean, how disciplinary decisions are determined by DPD, what can be shared with the public without violating union rules.

There was a suggestion/proposal for a new standardized data template that includes: CCR number, type of sustained violation, recommended discipline, final action taken, and date of discipline and notation of any appeals or outcomes pending.

Chief Bettison reaffirmed commitment to officer accountability, while also considering union concerns and due process.

Final suggestion: Create a year-end report that reconciles initial vs. final disciplinary outcomes for

sustained transparency.

New Business - Office of Chief Investigator CMTS Data Update CMTS Data Update OCI's new Case
Management Tracking System (CMTS) has been implemented. Over 16,000 cases already loaded, with
an additional 16,000+ being processed. Data from 2003 onward will be integrated for comprehensive
tracking and research. CMTS will eventually replace manual and Tableau-based tracking for faster and
more efficient case reporting.

Committee Chair Pressley made a suggestion to begin monthly dashboard reviews during community meetings (May–October) to increase public visibility and to postpone immediate implementation until CMTS data is fully integrated and reliable.

The next steps are to initiate ongoing collaboration with DPD, unions, and OCI to finalize a public-friendly disciplinary reporting system.

The next Citizen Complaint Committee meeting is Tuesday, April 8, 2025 (time TBD) at Detroit Public Safety and Health Headquarters in the Skylar Herbert Room.

Sincerely,

QuanTez Pressley Commissioner, Member at Large Chairperson, BOPC Citizen Complaint Committee