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10	BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
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- 3 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Today is May 15th. It's 3:00 PM
- 4 The Board of Police Commissioner meeting is called to
- 5 order. We have an invocation by Chaplain Roy Hill via
- 6 Zoom.
- 7 CHAPLAIN HILL: Good afternoon. Can you all hear me?
- 8 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, sir.
- 9 CHAPLAIN HILL: All right. Thank you all. Let us
- 10 pray. Most holy and righteous God, we come this
- 11 afternoon, first to say thank you for your grace. Thank
- 12 you for your goodness, and we thank you for your mercy.
- 13 Thank you for your kindness that you have shown all of
- 14 us. We pray for our Board of Commissioners, and not only
- 15 for our commissioner, but we pray for the City of
- 16 Detroit. We pray for the Detroit Police Department. Oh,
- 17 God, we ask that you give every officer guidance and
- 18 wisdom and protection. We pray according to Psalms 91,
- 19 that they dwell in the secret place of the highest. We
- 20 pray collectively for the City of Detroit. We lift her up
- 21 to you. And we pray that this will become a better place
- 22 of peace, as in moving in the right direction. We pray
- 23 for every family that dwells here, that they will be
- 24 prosperous and healthy and protected. This is our prayer.
- 25 We ask for prayer in the name of Jesus. And everyone says



- 1 in their heart. Amen.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Amen.
- 3 CHAPLAIN HILL: Thank you all, and have a good day.
- 4 God bless you all. Thank you.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you. So, we have
- 6 commissioners that's enroute. It looks like we will have
- 7 a quorum. But in the meantime, let's go into oral
- 8 communications pending the commissioners coming in.
- 9 MS. GARNIER: Mr. Chairman, currently for oral
- 10 communications, we have two persons in the audience. I'll
- 11 call Deborah McCray, followed by Bernice Smith.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you so much.
- MS. McCRAY: Good afternoon to each and every one of
- 14 you, to everyone here. God bless you all.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Good afternoon. God bless you.
- MS. McCRAY: Since last time I was here, which was on
- 17 the first, speaking on, how we say slumlords with
- 18 managers, how we call them office, not office manager,
- 19 but building managers; they are retirees who have family
- 20 members that break the law. They're now retaliating
- 21 against me since I wasn't here the last time. Speaking of
- 22 the building manager who came in on me with another perp.
- 23 I followed procedure and filed a police report on B&E,
- 24 but I didn't file one with the camera systems and
- 25 everything they had in my home. They had camera systems



- 1 and speakers. They removed some of them and I took
- 2 pictures of some of the areas where they had it. They
- 3 were in my bedroom, my bathroom, my living room, my
- 4 kitchen.
- 5 Right now, what I'm dealing with is other family
- 6 members coming in and out. Like they're probably in my
- 7 apartment right now, while I'm not there. It's the family
- 8 members of that person who came into my home, you know,
- 9 uninvited. And I did follow proper procedure. How do I
- 10 handle retaliation from other family members of a retired
- 11 officer who broke the law? But he's hired by the company
- 12 where I reside, Detroit Homes Property Management and
- 13 Real Estate Investments. And they're not here. They are
- 14 in Bangkok, Thailand, but they have offices here where
- 15 they hire people to manage their buildings and do
- 16 surveillance. Surveillance goes a little bit more past
- 17 what they should. Like I said, with cameras in your house
- 18 instead of in the hallways and in the washrooms. How you
- 19 handle that when people retaliate against you when you
- 20 stand up for what's right, and you haven't done anything
- 21 wrong. I'm just trying to protect myself from reckless
- 22 citizens.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Are you done?
- MS. McCRAY: Yes, sir.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. Well that's not in my



- 1 purview, you know, and I don't know if any other
- 2 commissioner want to respond to it, but, you know, if you
- 3 file reports and then you make complaints, if you're not
- 4 getting the service that you need from the police
- 5 department, the mechanism you could use is through the
- 6 Board of Police Commissioners or through OCI to file a
- 7 complaint concerning any type of problems you may have
- 8 with police officers. But we have no purview of over
- 9 retired officers, and we don't deal with criminal matters
- 10 either, you know? So, I'm not sure if we can help you
- 11 with anything, but if it's a complaint against a police
- 12 officer, if you filed a complaint, that complaint will
- 13 get investigated.
- MS. McCRAY: Thank you, sir.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Alright. Thank you.
- MS. MCCRAY: Thank you.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yep.
- MS. SMITH: Good afternoon to my police commissioners
- 19 and to my chief. Glad to see you. You did a good job the
- 20 other night on the TV, as usual. I'm not surprised. I
- 21 don't have too much to say. I wrote down what I wanted to
- 22 say so I can be very plain and let you know how I feel.
- 23 All right? We are living in a state of destruction.
- 24 Racial injustice is the black man's burden. We must pray
- 25 and love and be peaceful. We can be coworkers of God. We



- 1 must end the crime in our city. Enough is enough. We must
- 2 stop the shooting and killing of each other. There should
- 3 be love and peace not destroying our people. Parents,
- 4 check who your children associate with and know where
- 5 their whereabouts are. A lot of them, I know, they're not
- 6 at home, I understand that, but still interested in what
- 7 they're doing because it seems like they're running amok
- 8 here in our city by hijacking and shooting and doing
- 9 things that we are not used to having done in our city.
- 10 And all I have to say is you have the power, use it.
- 11 MS. GARNIER: We have an additional speaker in the
- 12 room, Minister Eric Blount.
- 13 MINISTER BLOUNT: Good afternoon Board. I'm Minister
- 14 Eric Blount from Sacred Heart Catholic Church.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Good afternoon.
- 16 MINISTER BLOUNT: Chief Hayes doesn't know where I'm
- 17 from. He grew up in the church, Sacred Heart that is.
- 18 Chairperson Woods, again, just the agenda shows the
- 19 corruption. Why? Why this Board honors any police officer
- 20 is beyond me. And I mean that with all sincerity. We
- 21 spend thousands of dollars each year sending most of you
- 22 to NACOLES, right? I funded myself on my own credit card
- 23 to see what NACOLES was all about. NACOLES is still
- 24 saying the number one priority, the most important thing
- 25 that an oversight Board can do is be independent. But



- 1 yet, you still can't seem to get there. Somehow the
- 2 police department has got you by the throat. That's the
- 3 only thing I can think of. And I know there was another
- 4 young man from Sacred Heart, a police officer was honored
- 5 as police officer of the month. They had a big to-do down
- 6 at Motor City. He got \$500 and a watch. They know how to
- 7 award and promote good officers. They do it more than you
- 8 and better than you. And they are not your employees. So
- 9 why? With NACOLES, you go there, there every year, the
- 10 number one pillar, the number one principle is
- 11 independence. And yet this Board says no.
- 12 For the HR report. Make some of it about police
- 13 officer misconduct. Who was suspended? For how long did
- 14 their suspension take? Did they get their back pay?
- 15 Because suspension really is discipline.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: You have two seconds.
- 17 MINISTER BLOUNT: And discipline is meant to correct
- 18 behavior. And if you don't know if the behavior is being
- 19 corrected, your discipline is useless.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Next speaker.
- MS. GARNIER: Kelly Wilson, and then I believe we'll
- 22 go into Zoom.
- MS. WILSON: Hello, commissioners.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Hello, how are you doing?
- MS. WILSON: I'm doing well. On March 19th, 2011, my



- 1 brother Tyrone Birch was shot and killed on the alley on
- 2 Fenkell and Prest. The investigation resulted in
- 3 conclusions, numerous factual inconsistencies, procedural
- 4 irregularities and ethical concerns that called for
- 5 another formal review. The initial lie to the police that
- 6 the shooter told was that my brother shot at him as he
- 7 was closing the barn. Once in the interview, he revealed
- 8 that he was in the alley, seeing my brother running at
- 9 him, and he shot. They said, did my brother say anything
- 10 to you? No. Did you see a gun on him? He said, no. He
- 11 said, well, why did you shoot him? He said, I don't know.
- 12 The officer coerced him to say, man, come on. I know you
- 13 had to feel something. Oh, yeah duh. I was scared that
- 14 was enough. The second is the disputed gunfire.
- The police continuously wrote in their reports that
- 16 Mr. Burch and Mr. Jones exchanged gunfire, even though
- 17 Mr. Birch did not have a gun. Second of all, they
- 18 explained that to the medical examiner who put in the
- 19 autopsy report that my brother died because of a gun
- 20 fight. It wasn't true. My brother's body was removed from
- 21 the scene before investigators got there. EMS did not
- 22 report or anything that there was a weapon on the scene.
- 23 The gun later found on the scene, that it was assumed to
- 24 be my brother's, had no prints on it, and it was not
- 25 operable. It took the Michigan State crime lab six months



- 1 to make it work just to find out what was going on with
- 2 it. The forensics, like I said, misled the medical
- 3 examiner. The only witnesses they had were his wife and
- 4 his friends. The video evidence by law MCL 780.651, it is
- 5 the police's responsibility to seize or inspect any video
- 6 equipment in which a felony is occurring for evidence.
- 7 They refused to do that. They didn't bag my brother's
- 8 hands. They didn't close off the crime scene. Other
- 9 bullets were found at the other end of the crime scene.
- 10 They said my brother had an Ever-Fresh bottle full of
- 11 gas. Well, that wasn't found either by the police
- 12 investigators.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: All right, ma'am. You are way
- 14 beyond time. But let me ask you this, have you been in
- 15 contact with the investigators or, is it a cold case now?
- MS. WILSON: Yes. Most of the investigators and
- 17 everyone is gone. Detective Olson was the lead detective
- 18 in the case.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: And so, you need an update on the
- 20 case that you ---
- MS. WILSON: No, I want the case to be reopened. I
- 22 want these inconsistencies and this ethics issue. I want
- 23 those taken up with. And I also want Mr. Paul Jones to be
- 24 --- it wasn't self-defense. You can't go out looking for
- 25 someone with a gun twice, and then play self-defense. He



- 1 initiated it.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: It's not in our purview to direct
- 3 an investigation. But you are in the right place for us
- 4 to connect you with people to have a conversation and if
- 5 you have something else to present to them; if you need
- 6 to communicate with someone Assistant Chief Hayes will --
- 7 –
- 8 MS. WILSON: I mean, I really don't understand why. I
- 9 have the FOIA and the interview. The evidence is in the
- 10 police officer's own records. If the man says the valet
- 11 went and knocked on the door, told the bar owner that the
- 12 guy is in the alley, and the bar owner go get his gun and
- 13 go out to the alley, I don't understand why you don't
- 14 look at your own evidence and understand that that was
- 15 not self-defense.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, ma'am. And so, you know, it
- 17 is way beyond my purview and our purview, but we want to
- 18 make sure that Assistant Chief Franklin Hayes have
- 19 someone to hear everything that you have to say regarding
- 20 this and have Homicide look into things if they --- I
- 21 don't know, if it had been looked into, or had not been
- 22 looked into.
- MS. WILSON: It has been looked into. I've spoken to
- 24 ---
- 25 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: I got you, ma'am. So, what we



- 1 want to do is make sure he connects you with someone from
- 2 Homicide to deal with everything that you're talking
- 3 about. And you know, they are the police, and we want to
- 4 hear back in terms of what the response is to that within
- 5 a week. So, madam secretary, make sure we take note of
- 6 this. And you can also leave your --- if you can get my
- 7 contact information; it should be on one of those
- 8 pamphlets. You can follow up with me personally on this
- 9 as well.
- 10 MS. WILSON: I appreciate it. And the last thing I
- 11 wanted to just add is that the man who shot my brother,
- 12 the bar owner, was an ex-Detroit police officer.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. Assistant Chief, you got
- 14 that?
- AC HAYNES: Sure, absolutely. And ma'am, certainly on
- 16 behalf of the Detroit Police Department our hearts go out
- 17 to you for the tragic loss of your brother. There's an
- 18 officer standing by the door that will get your
- 19 information. And in addition, if I can ask you to hold
- 20 for about another five minutes and getting ready to have
- 21 the captain of the Homicide Section come down, get your
- 22 information so that we can begin asking the questions,
- 23 going over the facts for a follow up to sit down and let
- 24 you know where we are in this investigation, what has
- 25 been done, as well as the findings from the Wayne County



- 1 Prosecutor's Office.
- 2 MS. WILSON: Thank you.
- 3 AC HAYNES: Yes, ma'am.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Next speaker.
- 5 MS. GARNIER: Tricia Montgomery, followed by former
- 6 Police Commissioner, William Davis.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Ms. Montgomery, you may be heard.
- 8 Hello, Ms. Montgomery, are you there? No. Ms. Montgomery.
- 9 We can go with William Davis, possibly.
- MR. DAVIS: Good afternoon. Can I be heard?
- 11 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, sir.
- MR. DAVIS: You know, I would like to say that just
- 13 this past Tuesday, I was at the 12th Precinct Police
- 14 Community Relationship Council meeting, and they had an
- 15 outstanding memorial service for fallen officers. You
- 16 know, I think far too often, but perhaps that's what this
- 17 Board does, you know, like say, indulge the police more
- 18 than they probably should. They should be talking about
- 19 what they can do to improve it. But I think this is one
- 20 week when you can and should be recognizing the fact that
- 21 that's one of the few jobs that you could have that your
- 22 family never knows if you're going to come back home. So,
- 23 this is one week when I think you can and should be
- 24 recognizing police officers. Also, I think that we need
- 25 to be doing more to make sure that we don't have to go



- 1 through so many memorials. We should be doing more to
- 2 recognize that it is a very difficult job to have to do
- 3 it. And also, the fact that even retired officers go
- 4 through a lot. And that's all I have to say for today.
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you very kindly.
- 7 MS. GARNIER: That was the last speaker in Zoom.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: That's the last speaker on Zoom.
- 9 MS> GARNIER: We have an arrival who wants to make a
- 10 public comment.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay, not a problem.
- MS. GARNIER: Sir. If you could state your name for
- 13 the record.
- MR. LUND: Lund, Dana.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. You may be heard.
- MR. LUND: I just want to know, what is the thing
- 17 about dumping? What's illegal dumping? If you put it next
- 18 to a house next to you, is that illegal dumping? If it's
- 19 a one of those houses that's owned by the city, is that
- 20 illegal dumping if you put trash in front of that house?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Are you making a statement?
- MR. LUND: Yes. That's what I'm asking.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: I'm not a lawyer. I can't say
- 24 what is and what it's not.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Well, if you're putting trash in



- 1 front of another house that's not occupied.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: I can't speak to that. Chief?
- 3 AC HAYES: Through the Chair. Dumping, it sounds to
- 4 me that is illegal dumping what you described.
- 5 Taking items and putting them in a place, depositing them
- 6 in any place other than the rubbish or putting them out
- 7 during the scheduled trash bulk pickup day here in the
- 8 city. Based on what you've said thus far, that would
- 9 constitute illegal dumping.
- 10 MR. LUND: Because a homeowner next door at 19525,
- 11 keeps putting trash right there, but they didn't pick it
- 12 up yesterday, which is trash day. And I called the 9th
- 13 Precinct at 9:30 this morning, Sergeant Harper, and I
- 14 haven't got a call back and I called three times, and I
- 15 still haven't got a call back. And the other thing is why
- 16 is it that no one's taking any care of the business of
- 17 some of these officers that keep doing wrong? That they
- 18 have a problem of bullying all the citizens of Detroit.
- 19 Why is it that they can't handle that situation?
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Are you saying that you're being
- 21 bullied by officers?
- 22 MR. LUND: No, the people of Detroit, of Wayne
- 23 County, period.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Sir, are you being bullied?
- MR. LUND" Yeah, I would call it that because they're



- 1 not handling their business. I mean, because I feel that
- 2 they don't think that we are human. They only think if
- 3 something happened to "Them." That we should care more
- 4 about them than they care about us. We are still people
- 5 too. One incident when the officer fell through the
- 6 floor, you had everybody on the force wanting to run over
- 7 there because he's just fell through the floor. We are
- 8 people too. They should care about us just as well as we
- 9 are supposed to care about them.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: I think we all should care about
- 11 each other, correct, sir?
- MR, LUND: Well, they don't show that. That's what
- 13 I'm saying. They treat themselves better than they should
- 14 treat everyone else, we are human. So, they should have
- 15 consideration for the people as well as they want the
- 16 people to have consideration for them. That's all I'm
- 17 saying. They treat themselves as their own gang. But you
- 18 want the people to have care for you, but they don't have
- 19 care for the people.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: All right. So, you are well over
- 21 the time.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: I have no problem with that.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. And if that was in our
- 24 purview, if you have a complaint against the officer, you
- 25 can file that with the Office of the Chief Investigator,



- 1 but Assistant Chief Hayes, can you make sure that the 9th
- 2 Precinct gives him the response to his phone calls?
- 3 AC HAYES: Absolutely. There is an officer standing
- 4 behind you that will get the information from you. Go
- 5 ahead. And then from there we will address the issues
- 6 that you brought forth as it relates to dumping.
- 7 MR. LUND: I have no problem with that either, sir.
- 8 But I'm just saying, I've been complaining for years
- 9 about that situation.
- 10 AC HAYES: The work starts today, sir.
- MR. LUND: No problem.
- 12 AC HAYES. Thank you.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Alright. Thank you so much. So,
- 14 we are still waiting on a quorum to come in. Let me see
- 15 what we can do on the agenda. Can we do the HR report?
- DR. JACKSON: The HR person is someone who works for
- 17 the BOPC?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes. It's one of our appointees.
- DR. JACKSON: Staff member of the BOPC, then you can
- 20 do that report.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Through the Chair. I'll just
- 22 comment that I don't know that we've ever done that
- 23 before.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Without the quorum. You know, she
- 25 serves at pleasure.



- 1 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: I'm just providing
- 2 commentary, that's all.
- 3 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Through the Chair, how about we
- 4 just have the secretary's report, and then we'll just
- 5 take it from there.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Alright. Madam secretary. Is
- 7 Commissioner Burton still out there?
- 8 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Yes.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Alright.
- 10 MS. GARNIER: The report from today is as listed on
- 11 the agenda. Facial recognition report, ShotSpotter weekly
- 12 report. There are memoranda from the various committees,
- 13 which also, will be listed and spoken to and presented
- 14 during new business announcements for the week are: the
- 15 next Board meeting is next Thursday, May 22nd, 3:00 PM
- 16 here at headquarters. The June community meeting will be
- 17 held Thursday, June 12th, 6:30 PM. It will be held in the
- 18 7th Precinct at Sacred Heart Activities Building, which
- 19 is located at 3451 Rivard Street in Detroit. The next
- 20 committee meetings are as follows: The Policy Committee
- 21 will meet Tuesday, May 27th at 5:00 PM, here in Public
- 22 Safety Headquarters, and the Towing Committee will meet
- 23 the following day, Wednesday, May 28th, here at Detroit
- 24 Public Safety Headquarters. And those are the
- 25 announcements and reports for today's meeting.



- 1 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. We can get the chief
- 2 Investigator to update the community and where we are at.
- 3 CI WARFIELD: Thank you Mr. Chair. To the honorable
- 4 members of the Board and to the community. Thank you also
- 5 very much for being here today. As you all know, the
- 6 office of the Chief Investigator has been undergoing a
- 7 number of reorganizations and the changes in our office.
- 8 As you all know, we are fully staffed. We have close to
- 9 22 investigators in our rotation, and they are performing
- 10 excellently. Because of our new case management system,
- 11 they're still in the process of being able to mind the
- 12 numbers, but our preliminary reports say that for the
- 13 month of April, we've actually closed over 222 cases. And
- 14 if you do the year's aggregate, we've closed 836 cases.
- 15 That's important because last year we closed 900 and I
- 16 believe it was 47 cases.
- So, just in the first 4 months of this year, we've
- 18 closed almost as much as we did last year because of the
- 19 fact that, of our new technology, as well as being fully
- 20 staffed. And sir, if you want me to defer the rest of my
- 21 comments, I can.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: No, you can keep it up.
- 23 CI WARFIELD: In addition to that, we have come up
- 24 with an addendum to our standard operating procedures
- 25 that we reported to the Citizen Complaint Committee this



- 1 week, that will allow us to expedite our cases even
- 2 further, especially those cases that have been
- 3 significantly aged in our system. And obviously,
- 4 commission members, you have that report in your binders,
- 5 and I believe that by the end of this year, we will be
- 6 completely done with the backlog, based on the addendum
- 7 to the SOP that addresses very specifically backlog
- 8 cases. And the great thing about this addendum is that as
- 9 the Office of the Chief Investigator continues to go
- 10 forward, no matter who's sitting in this seat, this will
- 11 be part of their regular operations if a backlog should
- 12 creep up again. So, that is my report at this time, sir.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you so much. Any questions
- 14 to the chief investigator? There being no questions,
- 15 madam secretary, please call the roll.
- MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Woods Present.
- 17 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Moore Present.
- 18 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Hernandez Present.
- 19 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Dewaelsche Present.
- 20 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Smith Present.
- 21 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Burton Present.
- MS. GARNIER: Six present, sir.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Through the Chair?
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Could we just acknowledge if



- 1 any of the absent commissioners requested an excuse?
- 2 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes.
- MS. GARNIER: I do have a couple that asked to be
- 4 excused. However, they also said they may be coming in
- 5 prior to, which is one of the reasons I didn't mention.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: So, they are excused for right
- 7 now.
- 8 MS. GARNIER: Would you...?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, put it on the record,
- 10 please.
- 11 MS. GARNIER: I'm sorry.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Put it on the record.
- 13 MS. GARNIER: As...?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: If they asked to be excused, put
- 15 the excuse on the record.
- MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Banks excused.
- 17 Commissioner Bell excused.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. Alright. Thank you.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: I'd like to entertain a motion
- 21 for the approval of the May 15th, 2025 agenda.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: So, moved.
- 23 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Support.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Moved by Commissioner Hernandez,
- 25 supported by Commissioner Moore. Any discussion? All in



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- 1 favor, say, aye.
- 2 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is ---
- 4 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Discussion? Mr. Chairman, for
- 5 the administrative position, I noticed there's one
- 6 administrative position where one person is looking to be
- 7 moving through the process. But I like it if we can have,
- 8 you know, from a democracy standpoint, if we can have a
- 9 runoff where we can have a second or third name for that
- 10 position, as well as the second administrative position.
- 11 I think there are three applicants or whatever that's
- 12 moving forward to the full Board. I like to see the same
- 13 thing with the other administrative positions, where
- 14 there are more than just one name coming before the full
- 15 Board.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Commissioner Hernandez.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. I'll provide a
- 18 brief response based on my role as chairperson of the
- 19 Personnel and Training Committee. There was a consensus
- 20 amongst the committee for the administrative position to
- 21 move forward with the identified candidate, along with a
- 22 secondary candidate pending any open positions that may
- 23 be made available in the future. As a reminder, this is
- 24 more of a budget committee item, which I also sit on. We
- 25 were preliminarily approved for additional postings



- 1 beginning in July, and I put that out there
- 2 perspectively, because those postings are not yet up.
- 3 Therefore, in partnership with HR, they advised us that
- 4 we could actually identify, not select, an additional
- 5 candidate prospectively for that upcoming posting. So,
- 6 instead of having to come back and re-interview the same
- 7 pool of people for the same qualifications, that's why
- 8 we're doing it that way. For the administrator 3
- 9 position, the interviews were tight enough that the
- 10 committee felt the entire Board should be a part of that
- 11 interview process as well, which is why we have those 3
- 12 candidates present today.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the Chair.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, sir.
- 15 COMMISSIONER BURTON: I don't agree that the
- 16 committee didn't look at this or whatever. But what I do
- 17 understand is that we are not following the process that
- 18 we had in previous job postings. And I'd like to know
- 19 what's changing from this process versus the previous
- 20 processes. But I don't want to say that the committee
- 21 didn't have the best attentions in hand. I'm not going to
- 22 say that, but I don't agree with this process. I think
- 23 that would be fair, because the process did ---
- 24 DR. JACKSON: Mr. Chairman.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes.



- 1 DR. JACKSON: The parliamentarian advises that the
- 2 report of the Personnel Committee is on the agenda.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, and we did ---
- 4 DR. JACKSON: Therefore, this is not an amendment to
- 5 the agenda because that report is already on the agenda.
- 6 The commissioner can certainly bring up this issue when
- 7 that committee report is presented, and make a motion to
- 8 refer this matter back to the committee, if the
- 9 commissioners are not satisfied with the process. But at
- 10 this time, what is before the Board is approval of the
- 11 agenda, and what the commissioner is discussing is not a
- 12 change or an addition to the agenda.
- COMMISSIONER BURTON: Sure. And I'd just like to add
- 14 this really quick briefly. I'm not saying that the
- 15 committee didn't have the best intentions or anything,
- 16 for this Board or for the committee. It's more so about
- 17 the process that ---
- 18 DR. JACKSON: The parliamentarian believes she
- 19 understands the commissioner's issue. But what is before
- 20 the Board is approval of the agenda, and what the
- 21 commissioner is discussing is a committee report that is
- 22 going to come up; and at that point, a full presentation
- 23 of the commissioner's concerns would be appropriate. But
- 24 at this time, since what the commissioner's discussing is
- 25 not an amendment to the agenda, it is not part of what is



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- 1 before the Board at this time.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Absolutely. All in favor say aye.
- 3 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motions
- 5 carried. I entertain a motion for the approval of the
- 6 minutes for May 8th, 2025.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: So, moved.
- 8 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Support.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Moved by Commissioner Hernandez,
- 10 supported by Commissioner Moore. Any discussion? All in
- 11 favor say aye.
- 12 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 14 carried. You have a resolution honoring the retired
- 15 Deputy Chief Mary ---
- 16 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Introduction.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Oh, I skipped, I'm sorry.
- 18 Introduction of BOPC staff and Chief of Police and all of
- 19 the above. Say it one more time.
- 20 MS. GARNIER: Through the Chair. BOPC staff present
- 21 today are as follows: Attorney Dante Goss. Jerome
- 22 Warfield, Chief Investigator; Drew Fries, Felicia Tyson,
- 23 Mary Barber, Teresa Blossom, Candace Hayes, Artemisia
- 24 Joshua, Jonya Underwood, Supervising Investigator Elgin
- 25 Murphy and Dr. Francis Jackson, parliamentarian. DPD HR



- 1 Director Katrina Patillo. For Police Chief Todd
- 2 Bettison's Office is Assistant Chief Franklin Hayes. Our
- 3 interpreters today are Ms. Yakata and Dr. Stephanie
- 4 Beatty; court reporter Don Handyside, Enrique Jackson for
- 5 Audio Visual. Charles Henry, Media Services Video.
- 6 Elected officials or representatives registered at this
- 7 time are as follows: Marie Overall for State
- 8 Representative Tyrone Carter's Office. LaDon Davis,
- 9 Office of Council member Fred Durhal. Ron Thomas,
- 10 president, DPOA, Detroit Police Officers of America, and
- 11 former Detroit Police Commissioner William Davis. Those
- 12 are all that are registered at this time.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. Thank you very kindly.
- 14 Alright. We have the resolution, honoring retired Deputy
- 15 Chief Mary Jarrett-Jackson. Who offered this resolution,
- 16 madam secretary?
- 17 COMMISSIONER MOORE: I can read it, Mr. Chairman.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Oh, okay. Because I'm not
- 19 familiar with who requested this?
- MS. GARNIER: The DPD as well as Commissioner Bell.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Oh, okay.
- MS. GARNIER: And I do know, the family also was ---
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yeah, I have no problem with it,
- 24 but I wasn't aware of it. Okay, go ahead, Commissioner
- 25 Moore.



- 1 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Memorial resolution honoring
- 2 retired Deputy Chief Mary Jarrett-Jackson.
- 3 WHEREAS Mary Jarrett-Jackson was a born scientist
- 4 with a destiny that racial prejudice and sexual
- 5 discrimination in America and law enforcement could not
- 6 derail. Following in the footsteps of her father, a River
- 7 Rouge police officer, Mary wanted to pursue her dream of
- 8 working at the Detroit Police Department Crime Lab.
- 9 Against constant obstacles, she became one of the first
- 10 black female Detroit police officers in 1958. She later
- 11 became the first female president of the Black Police
- 12 Organization, the Guardians of Michigan in 1977, the
- 13 first black female deputy chief in the world in 1986, and
- 14 a forensics legend from Detroit to Scotland Yard during
- 15 her 35-year career; and.
- 16 WHEREAS A true trailblazer, she used her innate
- 17 skills and impeccable credentials to make groundbreaking
- 18 achievements. Despite graduating from the prestigious
- 19 Howard University with majors in chemistry and physics,
- 20 and her experience in hospital labs in Washington, DC and
- 21 Detroit, Officer Jarrett-Jackson found herself passed
- 22 over for lab assignments by men with no education or
- 23 training.
- The white male dominated department leaders, under
- 25 pressure about blatant discrimination, gradually gave her



- 1 a special test. She naturally aced it, and went to the
- 2 Scientific Bureau in 1964, making her the first woman and
- 3 first black in the crime lab. Six years later, she was in
- 4 charge as the lab director; and.
- 5 WHEREAS Time revealed how fate needed her in the
- 6 crime lab, when in March, 1973, it fell to Sergeant
- 7 Jarrett-Jackson to process evidence in a fatal officer
- 8 involved shooting. Her forensic tests exposed undeniable
- 9 facts. A white officer had killed an unarmed black man
- 10 and then planted a knife to cover up the murder. Faced
- 11 with her ironclad evidence, the officer admitted to
- 12 planting the weapon, and pulled back the curtain on the
- 13 brutal DPD campaign against black residents causing
- 14 stress, stopped the robberies, and enjoyed safe streets.
- 15 A majority white jury refused to convict the corrupt
- 16 officer.
- 17 However, Sergeant Jarrett-Jackson's work had exposed
- 18 heinous practices inside DPD, which made her and her
- 19 family targets of death threats. She stood firm, rallied
- 20 other officers committed to professionalism and justice,
- 21 and worked for police reforms with the community,
- 22 including State Senator Coleman A. Young; and.
- WHEREAS Mary, with Mayor Young in 1974, the new
- 24 Board of Police Commissioners began working with Sergeant
- 25 Jarrett-Jackson as she continued to rise through the



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- 1 ranks to Deputy Chief. She engaged with the Board of
- 2 Civilian Oversight goals for years after her 1994
- 3 retirement. In 2019, the Board honored her fearless
- 4 commitment to facts, justice and police accountability
- 5 with a special award. On April 25th, 2025, at age 94,
- 6 retired Deputy Chief Mary Jarrett-Jackson passed away.
- 7 Therefore, forever remains a notable figure in history
- 8 and science.
- 9 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
- 10 The Board of Police Commissioners awarded this
- 11 resolution, posthumously in honoring Mary Jarrett-
- 12 Jackson, who in pursuit of her dream job faded to forever
- 13 change the police department in the City of Detroit.
- 14 Motion to approve Mr. Chairman
- 15 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Support.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Motion made by Commissioner
- 17 Moore, supported by Commissioner Hernandez. Any
- 18 discussion? I'll just say, what a remarkable lady.
- 19 Absolutely. all in favor say aye.
- 20 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 22 carried. Alright. We did oral communications. Chief of
- 23 Police report
- 24 AC HAYES: Sorry. Good afternoon to this honorable
- 25 body, those in attendance, as well as those joining



- 1 remotely. My name is Franklin Hayes, Assistant Police
- 2 Chief, and I will be providing Chief Bettison's, Chief of
- 3 Police Report. I want to start off with our crime
- 4 numbers. We continue to trend historically low in our
- 5 part one violent crimes. Homicide, year-to-date, we are
- 6 down 9; 65 last year, this year we are at 56, for 14%
- 7 reduction; non-fatal shootings. We have 6 less shootings.
- 8 183 2024, 119, 2025. With those two numbers alone, there
- 9 are 73 different families that have been impacted by gun
- 10 violence here in the City of Detroit. Our robberies are
- 11 down 15%. We have 356, happened this time last year,
- 12 year-to-date, we are at 304 for 52 less. Carjackings 33
- 13 last year, 22 this year. That's 11 less for 33%
- 14 reduction. Overall, we are down 10% in part one violent
- 15 crimes. We had 3,815 incidents last year; this year we
- 16 are at 3,453 for a total of 362 less violent crime
- 17 incidents happening in the city year to date.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Let the record reflect that
- 19 Commissioner Pressley is present.
- 20 AC HAYES: I want to transition to a couple of
- 21 significant events that have happened since this body
- 22 last convened. We want to start with Saturday May 10th,
- 23 where officers were called to the 1000 block of Woodward
- 24 for a reported stabbing. Officers located the victim who
- 25 received treatment and was taken to the local area



- 1 hospital. Through the hard work of the officers, about 40
- 2 minutes later, the suspect was located and she was taken
- 3 into custody. The suspect was charged with felonious
- 4 assault. This was an isolated incident between two
- 5 juveniles. And we certainly want to remind this
- 6 community, and certainly all parents to be responsible
- 7 for their children. And we also want to remind them that
- 8 we have many officers deployed in the downtown area and
- 9 anywhere that we know large groups will be. We want to
- 10 encourage our youth to enjoy everything our city has to
- 11 offer in our downtown areas, and again, certainly that
- 12 parental responsibility, but we want to encourage, not to
- 13 make bad decisions committing a crime, because you
- 14 certainly will be apprehended and held accountable.
- I want to talk about an incident that also happened
- 16 this past weekend at a gas station on Detroit Eastside at
- 17 6-Mile in Conant, where a clerk made a decision to pull a
- 18 firearm and point it at a customer, discharging the
- 19 firearm. There was a bulletproof glass barrier between
- 20 the both of them. However, a shard of the glass struck
- 21 the victim in this incident. We swiftly placed that clerk
- 22 into custody. And within 48 hours, actually 24 hours,
- 23 Chief Bettison ensured that his commitment to this
- 24 community holding those that offer services to our
- 25 residents, they will treat them humanely with dignity and



- 1 with respect to our residents here in the City of
- 2 Detroit. And anyone in our city for that matter, not just
- 3 residents, those that may come and visit or recreate as
- 4 well.
- 5 And for that we swiftly close the location and now
- 6 they have the process of explaining why they should
- 7 continue to enjoy the privilege of serving the residents
- 8 as well as, again, those that work in and also visit our
- 9 city as well. Because based on those actions that is not
- 10 anyone that we want again, having a business here in our
- 11 city. The business was also a Green-Light. And it is
- 12 important that the partnership with Green-Light, we've
- 13 worked very hard to build that program. And we will not
- 14 lose credibility by continuing relationships with bad
- 15 partners that make those decisions. So, they have also
- 16 been suspended from the Green-Light program as well. So
- 17 again, we will work to keep this body informed of
- 18 incidents like that in the future. Hopefully, there are
- 19 few and far in between, hopefully non-existent, but in
- 20 the event that that happens, we'll certainly take the
- 21 charge to keep this body informed of those incidents,
- 22 that certainly we can address those and hold those
- 23 accountable.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: And let the record reflect that
- 25 Commissioner Carter is present.



- 1 AC HAYES: Just a few last things. As summer is
- 2 rapidly approaching, we are on a campaign to encourage
- 3 and quite frankly insist on responsible driving
- 4 throughout our city. With that campaign, we are focused
- 5 on speeding as well as license plates and vehicles being
- 6 properly registered when driving through our city
- 7 streets. That is an active campaign, and all of our
- 8 precincts are focusing on this.
- 9 And from that, we've made several arrests, recovered
- 10 several firearms and ordinances have been issued, as well
- 11 as vehicles that have been impounded that do not have a
- 12 license plate on them at all. You'd be surprised, some
- 13 may fold up a piece of paper and just write a date on it
- 14 to do that as well and drive on our streets. We are
- 15 having a zero tolerance as we address these issues as our
- 16 youth. As I talked about downtown, while there's an
- 17 encouragement for youth to make better decisions and
- 18 enjoy downtown responsibly, there's also an onus to
- 19 adults, and those that are operating these vehicles, they
- 20 too need to make responsible decisions as well and
- 21 operate these vehicles lawfully registered and within the
- 22 speed limits. As former Commissioner Davis, I certainly
- 23 appreciate his empathy and recognition, although this
- 24 body as well does that. This is National Police Week.
- So, across the nation, police departments are



- 1 recognized during this week, remembering those who have
- 2 given the ultimate sacrifice. At our precincts across the
- 3 city, officers and members of the community are currently
- 4 holding events to remember our fallen officers. We
- 5 encourage those to stop by any of our precincts and enjoy
- 6 their food, and certainly refreshments. Some of the
- 7 families of the fallen officers are there as well. Please
- 8 come meet them as it relates to, you know, their tragic
- 9 loss was done for the safety of this city. So again, we
- 10 encourage everyone to come out. Tomorrow's the last day.
- 11 But please, if your schedule allows, it would mean a lot.
- 12 And then lastly recruiting. We are continuing to bolster
- 13 our numbers. We are almost at a hundred percent in our
- 14 sworn positions. And above 90 in our non-sworn, or
- 15 professional positions. On May 15th, the police
- 16 recruiting team is at Asher School Career Fair in
- 17 Southgate. Next Wednesday, May 21st., they will be at the
- 18 City Employee Resource Fair at KMAC, the Matrix career
- 19 fair on 13560 in East McNichols and the Detroit
- 20 Leadership Academy at 5484 Auburn Street. Mr. Chair, that
- 21 concludes my report and I will gladly answer any
- 22 questions this body may have of me, sir.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Commissioner Hernandez. Thank
- 24 you.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Through the



- 1 Chair. I think I have more of a delayed comment given my
- 2 absence, my excused absence last week. 4th Precinct. Two
- 3 weeks ago, I had obviously the hefty responsibility of
- 4 Cinco de Mayo activations in Southwest Detroit. I prayed
- 5 enough for rain and somehow it rained all day. So, I
- 6 think that was a good factor. Regardless though, I was
- 7 there for several hours with a number of different
- 8 officers, including Commander Holderbaum as well. They
- 9 did a phenomenal job that entire weekend. And on actual
- 10 Cinco de Mayo on Monday, I was out as well with the 4th
- 11 Precinct. So, I just want to recognize, even if it's
- 12 delayed. There were disturbances, which I think naturally
- 13 are always going to happen when you have that volume of
- 14 activities in residents and entertainment and so forth.
- 15 But there was a partnership, I think, that began or
- 16 was reinforced last year with local businesses and
- 17 community organizations to make sure that this year was
- 18 much different. And I think the results reflect that
- 19 partnership that's ongoing. I don't want to forget
- 20 anyone, but I'm just going to say a couple names of
- 21 officers that definitely stepped up in a lot of big ways.
- 22 Obviously, Commander Holderbaum, Captain Star Gonzalez,
- 23 who has newly moved into the 4th Precinct and was
- 24 recently promoted. NPO Rodriguez, Officer Luna, Officer
- 25 Sears, well now, Sergeant Sears, Officer Lopez, and



- 1 Officer Rios. All of them, again, including the rest of
- 2 the 4th Precinct, did a phenomenal job, but they
- 3 definitely stood out that day. And then one final
- 4 comment. I actually, in my entire tenure of being on this
- 5 Board, and I'm kind of sad to say it attended my very
- 6 first graduation on Monday, and actually was given the
- 7 task a couple minutes before speaking at this graduation.
- I was very impressed that there were, obviously, so
- 9 many families. I just would encourage any commissioner or
- 10 any resident who has never been a part of a promotional
- 11 ceremony to actually go out, take the time and see how
- 12 supportive, obviously, the community and families are of
- 13 those that get promoted. And obviously we have our very
- 14 own Assistant Chief Hayes, who was a part of that
- 15 promotional ceremony as well. So, congratulations again
- 16 to everyone. The expectations are high, the
- 17 accountability is even higher, but I was just really
- 18 happy to be able to attend on your behalf.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you so much, and thank you
- 20 for the great job you did. Yes. Commissioner Dewaelsche,
- 21 and then Commissioner Moore.
- 22 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you, Mr. Chair.
- 23 Actually, I was going to start my comments exactly the
- 24 way Commissioner Hernandez did. I was also excused last
- 25 week and did not get an opportunity to comment on the



- 1 great job. And I'm not going to repeat or say any names
- 2 because Commissioner Hernandez already did. But I do want
- 3 to say that I gave AC a call the night before the parade
- 4 because I was getting calls from several leaders. I got
- 5 like 4 calls from leaders who had said there was a rumor
- 6 going around in the community that ICE and DPD were
- 7 working together, and they were going to be rounding up
- 8 people to take them in, you know, to get them deported.
- 9 And so, my cell phone was ringing constantly. So, I
- 10 called AC right away.
- 11 And I told him, I said, there's this rumor, and once
- 12 it starts, it's like wildfire in our community. Everybody
- 13 will hear this rumor. And so, he assured me, he was very,
- 14 very deliberate in his comment, and he said, absolutely
- 15 not. We are not working with the border patrol to round
- 16 people up. Absolutely not. The chief is going to be in
- 17 the parade, and so is the mayor. So, please call your
- 18 people back and tell them they have nothing to worry
- 19 about. And so, you know, as far as I know, I was at the
- 20 parade as well all day. And there was nothing that
- 21 happened during the parade other than it rained. It was
- 22 cold rain; people were coming into where I have the
- 23 newspaper and even the Chief came and AC came to stop by
- 24 and visit. So, I just want to thank everyone who worked
- 25 so hard in the department to make sure that this was a



- 1 very, very nice event for our community, because our
- 2 people still came out. Even with that threat, you know,
- 3 the thought that it might happen. And with the rain, we
- 4 still had about 8,000 people that came out to the parade.
- 5 So, thank you so much for allowing us to have that
- 6 celebration of our culture. Thank you.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yep.
- 8 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Thanks, Mr. Chair.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, sir.
- 10 COMMISSIONER MOORE: I said initially I wasn't going
- 11 to ask any questions, but two popped up, so forgive me.
- 12 The first one deals with carjacking. If a citizen walks
- 13 into a precinct and they don't have any proof of
- 14 insurance, can a carjacking report still take place?
- 15 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you.
- AC HAYES: Through the Chair. Yes, it can.
- 17 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Okay. Second question is noise
- 18 complaints. I know that there's a task force, a group of
- 19 folks, DPD, that are in position to handle large scale
- 20 noise complaints. What is the citizen to do, if it's the
- 21 neighbor that's playing their radio loud in the car or
- 22 something like that? Can they sign a green ticket like
- 23 they used to do back in the day? What would you advise a
- 24 citizen to do if their neighbor constantly plays loud
- 25 music?



- 1 AC HAYES: Through the Chair. There are a couple
- 2 different avenues that the resident can take. They can
- 3 certainly call 911. They should have a relationship with
- 4 their precinct commander, as well as their NPO. They can
- 5 feel free to use that as well and do that. We have a
- 6 group of members dedicated to those quality-of-life
- 7 issues. Several are in attendance today, our NPOs. So
- 8 again, noise ordinance, whether it be from a venue,
- 9 whether it be from a car there are things that are in
- 10 place and there are tools that the city charter/code has
- 11 given us to hold them accountable and not be disruptive
- 12 to the peace and tranquility of our neighborhoods.
- 13 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Through the Chair, a citizen
- 14 can't sign the green ticket if the officer is not present
- 15 to hear the noise.
- 16 AC HAYES: No, sir.
- 17 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Okay. Thank you.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Alright. Thank you. Thank you.
- 19 AC.
- 20 AC HAYES: Yes, sir.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: We're going to go to the Human
- 22 Resource Bureau Report. Ms. Patillo, how are you doing?
- DIR. PATILLO: Good afternoon, Chair. Through the
- 24 Board.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: You don't have to take 10-minutes



- 1 either.
- DIR. PATILLO: I won't. The HR report for the month
- 3 of April. You all should have been provided the packet.
- 4 So, for the report for the department, and this is for
- 5 the month of April. The department was filled at 97%. For
- 6 sworn, we were filled at 99%. 2,641 positions were
- 7 filled. We had 33 vacancies at a 1% vacancy rate. For
- 8 civilian professional staff, we were filled at 764
- 9 positions, 93% and 59 vacancies, 7% vacancies. For the
- 10 sworn recruiting. For the fiscal year until April 30th,
- 11 we had received a total of 1,990 applications. 559 were
- 12 in processing, 3 withdrew, 592 were archived. 142 members
- 13 have been hired during the fiscal year. 249 was
- 14 temporarily disqualified, 179 were permanently
- 15 disqualified, and 266 are waiting on MCOLES testing. For
- 16 the testing for April, for the written exam we had 72
- 17 that was scheduled. 40 appeared, 25 that passed, 62%
- 18 passing rate, 15 failed. That was a 38% failure rate; one
- 19 rescheduled, 31 no-shows. For the physical agility. 69,
- 20 schedule. 34 appeared, 21 passed, 62% passing rate 13
- 21 failed, 38% failure rate, 3 rescheduled and 32 no-shows.
- 22 We do not have any graduates for the month of April. For
- 23 new hires, we had a total of 48. That was 19 sworn 29
- 24 professional staff. For the Detroit residency, for
- 25 Detroit, we have a total sworn 603, police assistant 15,



- 1 those are Detroit residents, and 438 professional staff.
- 2 For the non-Detroiters, 2038, total sworn, 12 police
- 3 assistants and 327 civilians. Of those new hires that we
- 4 had, for the civilian professional staff, 18 of Detroit
- 5 residents, 34 sworn, for Detroit residents for the
- 6 academy. For the attrition, we had a total of 25, 10
- 7 police officers, 13 professional staff, and two police
- 8 assistants. For our leave of absence, for sworn and
- 9 civilian. For FMLA continuous, we had 13 sworn, 3
- 10 civilians. For FMLA intermediate 129 sworn, 74 civilians.
- 11 Paid parental leave, we had 9 sworn, 1 civilian, medical
- 12 leave, 4 civilians, restricted, 154 sworn, 11 civilians,
- 13 disabled, 14 sworn, 4 civilians, sick, 19 sworn 5
- 14 civilians, 4 suspensions.
- We had a total of 14. 13 police officers, 1
- 16 sergeant. For monthly separations, we had a total of 10;
- 17 breakout was 8 police officers, 2 lieutenants. And then
- 18 for our deferred retirement program, we have a total of
- 19 490. From January, 2023 to the present, we have a net
- 20 gain of 348 police officers. We have hired during this
- 21 time, 713, 365 are separated. For this calendar year, we
- 22 have a net gain of 10. We've hired 85, 75 are separated.
- 23 This past Friday, we graduated a class of 39 student
- 24 police officers. We currently have 5 academy classes
- 25 going right now, 118 students. We expect to conduct



- 1 another hiring on May 29th. And for the ELPAC, SPAC and
- 2 DPAC graduation, we had over 800 in attendance of guests.
- 3 Those promotions and appointees were one assistant chief,
- 4 one assistant chief, one commander, one deputy chief, 11
- 5 lieutenants, 28 sergeants, and 18 detectives. Pending any
- 6 questions that concludes my presentation.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Commissioner Dewaelsche.
- 8 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Yes. Thank you. Just a
- 9 quick question, since we're close to 100% mark and I know
- 10 that could change every month. What happens if we reach
- 11 100%? Do you continue recruiting and collecting or
- 12 starting a wait list of some kind? What is the process?
- DIR. PATILLO: So, I would say, and this is me
- 14 speaking. I would say that we would continue to need to
- 15 recruit. And the reason why is because we attrit every
- 16 month. And so, if I just stand idle and do nothing, the
- 17 numbers can creep up when you're on the vacancies. So, I
- 18 think once we get to a hundred and I do believe it's
- 19 possible that I would need to have a conversation with
- 20 the chief, the Board of police, commissioner, the mayor,
- 21 to determine how to go forward at that point. But, yes.
- 22 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: And just a couple of more
- 23 comments, Mr. Chair. I've been on the commission; this is
- 24 my third term, and I have never seen the numbers this
- 25 high ever. So, you know, the department is to be



- 1 commended. Also, the number of separations is also very
- 2 low. I recall when we would have as many separations as
- 3 we had graduates, you know, for that month. So, you know,
- 4 again whatever you're doing is working and thank you,
- 5 thank you for that.
- 6 DIR. PATILLO: I would say it's a team effort. So,
- 7 from the unions to the city council passing the economic
- 8 package that they passed, to the governor, passing the
- 9 bill where there's a repayment if you graduate from our
- 10 academy class, and if it's less than 4 years, you have to
- 11 pay back a portion of that. We haven't seen that many
- 12 that fall into the category, but I think it's a
- 13 collective effort from everyone taking part in doing
- 14 what's needed and what's necessary.
- 15 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Any further questions? No other
- 17 questions. Thank you very kindly. Thank you for the great
- 18 job you're doing.
- 19 DIR. PATILLO: Thanks.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: So, where are we at, new
- 21 business?
- 22 COMMISSIONER MOORE: unfinished.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Unfinished business. Okay.
- 24 There's none. So, we had new business. So, the Citizens
- 25 Complaint Committee Report. Yes, sir. Commissioner



- 1 COMMISSIONER PRESSLEY: Thank you. Through the Chair.
- 2 I encourage my colleagues to take the moment to review
- 3 the memorandum that comes from the Citizens Complaint
- 4 Committee meeting that was held this past Tuesday. May
- 5 13th, 2025. But there is one action item that comes out
- 6 of the committee, relative to the standard operating
- 7 procedure addendum that was provided and presented to us
- 8 by the chief investigator. And the committee moved that
- 9 forward for the Board. And so, by direction of the
- 10 Citizens Complaint Committee, we moved to adopt the
- 11 addendum to the standard operating procedures for the
- 12 Office of the Chief Investigator Expedited Backlog
- 13 Guidelines.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: By recommendation by the Citizens
- 15 Complaint Committee to move their item forward. Is there
- 16 any discussion? All in favor say aye.
- 17 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 19 carried. Thank you.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Did I do it right?
- DR. JACKSON: Yes. Mr. Chairman.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, I was looking at you Yeah.
- 24 So, the Budget Committee goes to Commissioner Dewaelsche.
- 25 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chair.



- 1 There was a Budget Committee meeting held on May 13th and
- 2 present were myself and Commissioner Bernard. And we also
- 3 had staff attendees. And from that budget committee,
- 4 there is an action item. And that action item is that I
- 5 want to propose by the direction of the Budget Committee,
- 6 I move to extend the length of time in which the OCI
- 7 investigator task workers will serve the Board from the
- 8 end of this fiscal year, June 30th, 2025 to November
- 9 21st, 2025, which is the expiration date of the
- 10 memorandum of understanding between the City of Detroit
- 11 and the Michigan Association of Public Employees local
- 12 number 214.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: By recommendation of the Budget
- 14 Committee, they move to recommend extending the task
- 15 workers to the end of November 2025, which is outlined in
- 16 the memorandum of understanding. Any discussion? All in
- 17 favor say aye.
- 18 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 20 carried. And the Policy Committee you are going to handle
- 21 that?
- 22 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Mr. Chair, I'll handle the
- 23 policy committee as well. On behalf of Commissioner
- 24 Bernard, who is the Chair, we met on May 13th as well.
- 25 And we had a lot of discussion about various proposed



- 1 policy directives. And I have, by the direction of the
- 2 Policy Committee, moved to adopt the following policy
- 3 directives: Directive 102.6, Citizens Complaints;
- 4 Directive 2010.3, Domestic Violence. Directive 202.1,
- 5 Arrests. Directive 204.7, Special Events, and Escorts.
- 6 Directive 205.4, First Amendment. Directive 301.1, Radio
- 7 Procedures. Directive, 303.5 Uniforms and Appearance.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the Chair.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: You want to wait until I make the
- 10 motion?
- DR. JACKSON: Mr. Chairman, you need to first state
- 12 that motion and then you can open it up.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yeah. Thank you. By direction of
- 14 the Policy Committee, they moved to adopt a policy
- 15 directive of 1.2.620, 1.3202. 204.7, 205.4, and 30.1, 30
- 16 3.5. Any discussion?
- 17 DR. JACKSON: The parliament would remind the
- 18 commissioners that without a motion, any one of these can
- 19 be pulled and voted on separately.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. Any discussion?
- 21 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the Chair.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BURTON: For discussion, I think it's
- 24 very important that the Policy chairperson be here to put
- 25 forth what policies that she would like to see move out



- 1 of committee today and brought to the table. But also,
- 2 it'd be nice if I'm not sure if, if everyone saw all of
- 3 the policies that's coming out of committee or have
- 4 recommendations of their concerns. But it'd be nice if it
- 5 came from the policy chairperson. I believe she's enroute
- 6 now, but I'm not sure if she was bringing all of this
- 7 today.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Well, she's very familiar with
- 9 what's going on right now. These are the policies that
- 10 she helped to put together. And we have a policy member
- 11 here as well. We have the policy manager here. They have
- 12 done a phenomenal job in bringing these policies to bear.
- 13 And from my understanding, these policies were sent to
- 14 the Board for any type of input. So, if you have any
- 15 input on any of these policies, that's one thing. But we
- 16 are not going to sit them and hold up the business of the
- 17 Board of Police Commissioners, until Commissioner Bernard
- 18 gets here. Any further discussion?
- 19 COMMISSIONER MOORE: I was just going to say, through
- 20 the Chair, that the Chairwoman did submit a letter. There
- 21 is a letter in our packets echoing what Commissioner
- 22 Dewaelsche just stated. That's all.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, absolutely.
- COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Mr. Chair, if I may. Maybe
- 25 the secretary can confirm. These are online on our



- 1 website.
- 2 MS. GARNIER: Yes, they are online. And they did go
- 3 with the agenda on Tuesday and again today, yes.
- 4 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yeah. And from my understanding,
- 6 were they sent to all the commissioners?
- 7 MS. GARNIER: At the committee, posting the documents
- 8 were all sent, as well as, once they were revised, as I
- 9 said, when the packet went out, electronic packet went
- 10 out on the posting on Tuesday. And yet again today,
- 11 together with the memorandum from the committee with the
- 12 actual documents. We'll forward it again.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes. so again, all in favor say
- 14 aye.
- 15 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 17 carried. We have a Closed Door Session, pursuant to
- 18 Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(a) the
- 19 department's request for the Board to consider
- 20 administrative leave without pay but with medical
- 21 benefits for Probationary Police Officer Alicia Kilgore,
- 22 Badge 24 91, assigned to the 5th Precinct.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: So, moved.
- 24 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Support.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Moved by Commissioner Hernandez



- 1 to go into closed session and supported by Commissioner
- 2 Moore. Any discussion? All in favor, say aye.
- 3 COMMISSIONERS: Aye. This is a 3-minute recess.
- 4 (Whereupon the Board Entered into Closed Session)
- 5 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Today is May 15th at 4:27. The
- 6 Board of Police Commissioners is called back to order.
- 7 Please call the roll.
- 8 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Woods Present.
- 9 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Smith Present.
- 10 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Banks is excused.
- 11 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Bell Present.
- 12 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Burton Present.
- MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Carter Here.
- MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Moore Present.
- 15 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Hernandez Present.
- 16 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Pressley Here.
- 17 MS. GARNIER: Commissioner Dewaelsche Present.
- 18 MS. GARNIER: We have a quorum?
- 19 MS. GARNIER: Nine present.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yep. What is the pleasure? Yes.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Have we moved on to
- 22 Personnel and Training?
- 23 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: If there's no action.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Alright. So, yeah, we will go



- 1 there. Let's go to the Personnel and Training Committee.
- 2 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. I'll call a 2-
- 3 minute recess if we can, just to allow for staff to set
- 4 up an interview table and a bunch of other things we need
- 5 to do and get our packets to us.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. This is a 2-minute recess.
- 7 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Mr. Chair. I think it should be
- 8 noted clearly that the Board did not take action on that.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay. Alright. Go ahead, put it
- 10 on the record.
- 11 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Just for community awareness,
- 12 the Board did not take action on the item number D. The
- 13 closed session that we came out of. Thank you.
- 14 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: The meeting is back to order at
- 16 4:39, May 15th. And let the record reflect that
- 17 Commissioner Bernard is present.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Sorry. Through the Chair,
- 19 welcome, sir.
- MR. JACKSON: Good afternoon everyone.
- 21 COMMISSIONERS: Good afternoon.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Good afternoon. So, item E.,
- 23 on the agenda, Personnel and Training Committee. Just for
- 24 the entire body's awareness, this is round 2 of
- 25 interviews for the administrative assistant, level 3, not



- 1 to be confused with the administrative assistant posting
- 2 that is separate to this. We have 3 candidates scheduled
- 3 to be interviewed today. Our first candidate, the
- 4 gentleman who joined the room, is Mr. Jerome Jackson. As
- 5 a reminder, you have the applications and resumes of each
- 6 of the 3 candidates in the back of your binders, along
- 7 with the questions that are going to be asked by a few
- 8 commissioners. If you could please read the summary of
- 9 the job description.
- 10 MS. BLOSSOM: This is a summary of the job
- 11 description for administrative specialist 3, Board of
- 12 Police Commissioners. Under general supervision, plan,
- 13 organize, coordinate, and exercise responsibility as an
- 14 administrative assistant 3, to the Board of Police
- 15 Commissioners, Board Secretary, and other staff.
- 16 Additionally, leads and assists in business operations,
- 17 including clerical and related work.
- 18 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. If I could kindly
- 19 ask very quickly that each commissioner introduce
- 20 themselves, starting with Commissioner Bell, just so that
- 21 our candidate knows who you are.
- 22 COMMISSIONER BELL: District 4.
- 23 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Commissioner Eva Garza
- 24 Dewaelsche, At-Large.
- 25 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Ricardo Moore, District 7.



- 1 COMMISSIONER BERNARD: Attorney Linda Bernard,
- 2 District 2.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Darryl Woods. Chair of the Board
- 4 of Police Commissioners.
- 5 COMMISSIONER SMITH: Good afternoon. Tamara Liberty
- 6 Smith, District 1.
- 7 COMMISSIONER PRESSLEY: QuanTez Pressley, At-Large.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Commissioner Willie Burton,
- 9 District 5.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: This is Hernandez. Thank you
- 11 for joining us, sir, for the second round of interviews.
- 12 The format that we're going to follow is similar to what
- 13 you experienced in committee earlier this week. Was it
- 14 last week? It was last week.
- 15 MR. JACKSON: Last week.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: My colleagues and I are
- 17 going to ask a series of 3 questions. These are going to
- 18 be different questions from what you were asked in
- 19 committee. We ask that you be as thorough as possible,
- 20 taking the approach of answering the question again with
- 21 as much detail as you might have in mind. And we'll start
- 22 with question 1. Each of these are going to follow a
- 23 similar format also in the sense of having a category
- 24 assigned to them. Question 1: The dimension or category
- 25 is around technical experience. If you could please



- 1 briefly explain how your previous experience and or
- 2 education have prepared you for this position. And tie to
- 3 that, if you could just elaborate on some software
- 4 applications you may be familiar with and your level of
- 5 expertise.
- 6 MR. JACKSON: Well, I've had much experience. I have
- 7 worked for several executives.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BERNARD: Can you speak up, please?
- 9 Mr. JACKSON: Can you hear me now? Okay. I have a lot
- 10 of experience. I have worked for many different
- 11 executives, including the director of the Detroit
- 12 Institute of Arts. I have worked for the director of
- 13 marketing for General Motors, and I worked at Sinai Grace
- 14 Hospital, where I worked as the director of nursing. So,
- 15 I am great with computers, Word, PowerPoint, Edge. And
- 16 I've also worked with Acela. I currently work for the
- 17 City of Detroit, where we service many different
- 18 customers. We have 400 employees, and we also have 38,000
- 19 customers that we service. I'm a former school teacher
- 20 and have a lot of administrative experience. And I'm also
- 21 a singer. I play organ and piano, and I'm vice president
- 22 of the Whitfield Company. And this is a group known all
- 23 over the country.
- So, I have a lot of experience with computers and
- 25 being in charge. And as a school teacher, I was also



- 1 department head of the math and science department. I was
- 2 in charge of 20 teachers. And I was responsible for
- 3 discipline and for the evaluation of the teachers. So, I
- 4 have dealt with people being diplomatic. I have a very
- 5 calming personality. And being in charge is something
- 6 that I've done my whole life. And it started with my
- 7 mother when I was left watching my brothers and sisters.
- 8 And from there being a department head and being minister
- 9 of music at a church, I was in charge of 6 choirs. So, I
- 10 had over 200 choir members that I was responsible for.
- 11 So, diplomacy and the technical acumen just make me a
- 12 great candidate. Thank you.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you so much. Next
- 14 question by Commissioner Moore.
- 15 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Thank you, sir. Question number
- 16 4 comes from the area of dimension initiative and self-
- 17 management. Please describe a situation in which you saw
- 18 a problem at work and decided to correct it yourself,
- 19 rather than wait for someone else to correct it, with the
- 20 following issues. What was the situation and problem? Why
- 21 was it a problem? How did you go about correcting the
- 22 problem? Why did you correct the problem yourself? What
- 23 steps, if any, did you take to ensure that it was okay
- 24 for you to correct the problem? And lastly, what happened
- 25 as a result of your actions?



- 1 MR. JACKSON: Well, I've had many situations where I
- 2 had to take charge and correct some things. First of all,
- 3 being a minister of music, I had choir members all the
- 4 time that wanted to sing solos. And sometimes I had to
- 5 tell them, you probably would be better on the usher
- 6 Board. The one that sticks out to me is working for the
- 7 City of Detroit. When COVID hit, then all of us went
- 8 home. So, all I had to do was work 4 hours a day, but I
- 9 decided that I was going to work 40 hours a week, 8 hours
- 10 a day with my team. And my rationale was, well, why in
- 11 the world would I just sit 4 hours and let my team do the
- 12 rest of the work? So, I decided to work every day, and I
- 13 worked with my team.
- I was on Zoom calls with the team, and I did this
- 15 until we went back to work. And then consequently, I
- 16 started working remotely. So, I've worked remotely for
- 17 about the last 4 years. We had another situation where we
- 18 had a bunch of files that we had to get done, and I
- 19 decided to work overtime and complete those files. And
- 20 just many, many times I've decided to work above and
- 21 beyond because that's what I enjoy doing. I like to get
- 22 the job done. So, that's a quick synopsis of some of the
- 23 things that I've done.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner
- 25 Dewaelsche.



- 1 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you. This dimension
- 2 is going to be on teamwork and building a coalition. And
- 3 so, I'm going to ask that you please describe a time when
- 4 you worked with a negative person, but were able to make
- 5 it a positive working relationship. When you answer,
- 6 please answer what the situation was, who was involved,
- 7 and what was your role? What makes you say that the
- 8 person was negative? What did you do? How did you create
- 9 a positive working relationship, and what happened as a
- 10 result?
- 11 MR. JACKSON: Well, I've had many situations,
- 12 particularly when I was teaching school. I taught
- 13 elementary and middle schools, and I had students where I
- 14 had interesting situations and I had to deal with them
- 15 with discipline and correct them, and yet not be too
- 16 harsh. And recently, I had a situation where, working for
- 17 the City of Detroit, I worked for buildings and safety,
- 18 and we were a part of implementation for the Cherwell
- 19 system. And anybody that knows anything about Detroit, we
- 20 have a Do it system. It's a ticketing system. So, our
- 21 department decided we wanted to implement this, and so we
- 22 put it in place. And finally, my boss asked me to train a
- 23 couple of my colleagues. So, while training one of my
- 24 colleagues, I was telling her some things that I wanted
- 25 her to do. And after she typed certain things into the



- 1 system, I told her, you have to sign your name.
- 2 She told me she was not going to sign her name. So,
- 3 of course I was immediately disgusted, because with my
- 4 teaching and training background, I always felt like, you
- 5 know, the teacher, when they give you something to do,
- 6 you have to listen to them and you have to do it. So,
- 7 then I confronted her and asked her, well, why is it you
- 8 don't want to sign your name? She just didn't want to do
- 9 it. So, I explained to her why she should do it. And I
- 10 told her it would benefit the entire program if she would
- 11 follow directions. So, I've had many different situations
- 12 dealing with people and correcting people and being
- 13 diplomatic, and yet trying to be friendly and get the job
- 14 done in a clear and succinct fashion.
- 15 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. That'll conclude
- 17 the 3 questions that we have. I do have a fourth question
- 18 that I'll ask if it's okay. What is your understanding of
- 19 the Board of Police Commissioners responsibility as a
- 20 Board?
- 21 MR. JACKSON: Well, I did a little research. I went
- 22 online and I saw some things online that gave me an idea.
- 23 I know that you meet weekly, and that was surprising to
- 24 me because when I worked at the Detroit Institute of
- 25 Arts, I also worked with the Board of directors there.



- 1 So, I have experience doing that and gathering
- 2 information. And I wondered what in the world could be
- 3 going on, but then I found that you deal with issues
- 4 within the community when people have problems with the
- 5 police department, when they need to make changes, when
- 6 they need to hear from the citizens. And so basically, I
- 7 know that you work together with the police department
- 8 trying to make it better for the citizens and for the
- 9 police as well, basically.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. And do you have
- 11 any questions of us that you would either like to ask our
- 12 current staff, any commissioners as a collective body or
- 13 even individually by district?
- MR. JACKSON: Well, I would like to know, when you
- 15 meet weekly, do you meet here all the time or do you go
- 16 out within the community?
- 17 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Pretty simple question that
- 18 I think I can answer. Three times a month, we're in this
- 19 building at 3:00 PM, Eastern Standard Time might I add.
- 20 The fourth time, which is typically the second week of
- 21 the month, we rotate by district in the community,
- 22 typically at different recreational centers or churches
- 23 or just spaces of community gathering.
- MR. JACKSON: I have two quick questions, please.
- 25 Number 1; if I'm afforded the opportunity to work with



- 1 your group here, this is an appointed position. So, does
- 2 that mean that if something happens, then I need to go
- 3 back to my department? Do they allow you to revert?
- 4 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Phenomenal question. That's
- 5 a technical question that I think Human Resources would
- 6 have to ask. I don't know if we have Mr. Tipton on the
- 7 line, but by chance we don't, I'm more than happy to take
- 8 that item away and have an answer provided to you.
- 9 MR. JACKSON: And the last question. In this
- 10 position, would I be responsible for other workers under
- 11 me? Would I be in a supervision type situation or not?
- 12 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: So, I think there's more to
- 13 be discovered with this role. Currently that
- 14 responsibility or the responsibility for this position
- 15 has been distributed out naturally. So that the work can
- 16 continue to flow. In terms of structure, I think that's a
- 17 pending decision that needs to come after the fact.
- 18 Historically, though, I believe, and correct me if I'm
- 19 wrong, but historically there has been some level of
- 20 supervision in this role.
- 21 MR. JACKSON: And my last question would be; I am
- 22 currently trying to finish my dissertation. I've been
- 23 trying to complete my PhD for the longest. And it's an
- 24 interesting topic. It's why males don't go to the doctor.
- 25 So, might I be able to get some information within the



- 1 police department or would you know?
- 2 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Could you clarify your
- 3 question as it relates to your dissertation? What do you
- 4 mean?
- 5 MR. JACKSON: Well, I have to do research. So, some
- 6 of the research I'm doing is why men don't go to the
- 7 doctor. And I know a lot of men suffer with this issue.
- 8 So, I don't know if that would be allowed or not.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: I'm not sure that you would
- 10 be able to cross pollinate, if you will. There would be a
- 11 separation of employment and subsequent research that
- 12 you're doing outside of this job. We can get an answer
- 13 though --- a concrete answer from Human Resources and
- 14 Legal. But I would anticipate that you would not be able
- 15 to do that.
- 16 Mr. JACKSON: Okay. And in conclusion, I thank you
- 17 all very much. I look forward to working with you, if
- 18 given the opportunity. And I appreciate your time.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you so much.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you very kindly. Can we
- 21 have the next candidate come?
- 22 COMMISSIONER BERNARD: That's a cold statement. Let
- 23 me apologize to everybody for being late. I was trying to
- 24 get here. I was in court. They just kept court going on,
- 25 even after everybody was supposed to be gone.



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- 1 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: That's okay.
- COMMISSIONER BERNARD: I was trying to help a 90-2
- 3 year-old.
- Ms. ROY: Good afternoon. 4
- CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Commissioner Hernandez. 5
- 6 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Good afternoon. Thank you.
- Through the Chair. We'll begin this similar to how we 7
- began the Personnel and Training Committee meeting. Just 8
- as a reminder, this is the second round of interviews for
- the administrative assistant position 3. Ms. Blossom. If 10
- we could have that same summary read for this position. 11
- 12 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Mr. Chair, if I could just
- --- could we have the name repeated? 13
- 14 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Could you state your name
- 15 please?
- 16 MS. ROY: Candace Roy.
- 17 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you.
- MS. BLOSSOM: This is a summary of the administrative 18
- specialist 3, for the Board of Police Commissioners. 19
- Under general supervision, plan, organize, coordinate, 20
- 21 and exercise responsibility as an administrative
- assistant 3, to the Board of Police Commissioners, Board 22
- Secretary, and other staff. Additionally leads and 23
- 24 assists in business operations including clerical and
- related work. 25



- 1 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. The format, just
- 2 for your awareness, will be similar to the first round of
- 3 interviews. They will be different questions that will be
- 4 asked by myself and colleagues on the Board. At the end,
- 5 we will allow for you to ask questions of the Board or of
- 6 current staff as well as appropriate.
- 7 MS. ROY: Okay.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Okay. Question 1: and each
- 9 of these questions again, are based on a dimension or a
- 10 category, is around the dimension of technical
- 11 experience. Please briefly explain how your previous
- 12 experience and or education have prepared you for this
- 13 position. What are some of the software applications that
- 14 you're familiar with and your level of expertise?
- MS. ROY: Can you repeat the first half of the
- 16 question?
- 17 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Absolutely. Please briefly
- 18 explain how your previous experience and or education
- 19 have prepared you for this position.
- 20 MS. ROY: So, my educational background is in
- 21 paralegal studies. I hold an associate's and a bachelor's
- 22 degree in paralegal studies. So, I have a firm
- 23 understanding of complex legal issues and matters. My
- 24 previous work experience has always been in the
- 25 government sector, both on the state and local level. I



- 1 worked with the State of Michigan Department of Health
- 2 and Human Services for a period of 11 years, as an
- 3 eligibility specialist. I was required to maintain a
- 4 caseload of approximately 900 cases, assisting families
- 5 within the State of Michigan. And now on the local level
- 6 with the City of Detroit and the Board of Police
- 7 Commissioners for the last two and a half years, I have a
- 8 familiarity with the day-to-day operations of the Board.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner
- 10 Moore.
- 11 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Thank you. This next question
- 12 deals with dimension, initiative and self-management.
- 13 Please describe the situation in which you saw a problem
- 14 at work and decided to correct it yourself rather than
- 15 wait for someone else to correct it, with the following
- 16 entities. What was the situation, the problem? Why was
- 17 this a problem? How did you go about correcting the
- 18 problem yourself? Why did you correct the problem
- 19 yourself? What steps, if any, did you take to ensure that
- 20 it was okay for you to correct the problem? And lastly,
- 21 what happened as a result of your actions?
- MS. ROY: Recently a citizen reached out to the
- 23 Board. She was looking for services to assist her with an
- 24 eviction. Drawing on my background working with the
- 25 State, I knew that the services that would best assist



- 1 her would be through the State. So, I spoke with the
- 2 customer and I let her know that the State of Michigan
- 3 does offer assistance with evictions. I walked out the
- 4 process for her on what she needed to do as far as
- 5 getting those services. And I took the initiative to help
- 6 her because again, I knew what the process is. The Board
- 7 doesn't assist with evictions, but I had the resources
- 8 and the knowledge to assist her.
- 9 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Thank you.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner
- 11 Dewaelsche.
- 12 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Yes, thank you. My section
- 13 is about teamwork and building a coalition. And the
- 14 question is, please describe a time when you worked with
- 15 a negative person, but were able to make it a positive
- 16 working relationship. And please answer, what was the
- 17 situation? Who was involved and what was your role? What
- 18 makes you say that the person was negative? What did you
- 19 do? How did you create a positive working relationship?
- 20 And what happened as a result?
- 21 MS. ROY: Can you repeat that? That was a very long
- 22 question.
- COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: The whole thing?
- MS. ROY: Yes.
- 25 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Okay. Please describe a



- 1 time when you worked with a negative person, but were
- 2 able to make it a positive working relationship. What was
- 3 the situation? Who was involved and what was your role?
- 4 What makes you say that the person was negative? What did
- 5 you do? How did you create a positive working
- 6 relationship? And what happened as a result?
- 7 MS. ROY: A negative person that I have worked with.
- 8 Okay. So, a lot of times working with the Board, we do
- 9 have conflicting personalities, wants, needs, desires,
- 10 but I think that it's important to remember that when we
- 11 are public servants, which you all are, as well as I am,
- 12 that we are working for the public. We are here to
- 13 assist; we are here to help. So, if we are working with
- 14 others that are negative and our personalities don't
- 15 necessarily mesh, the ultimate goal is to assist the
- 16 public. So, with that, when I do work with individuals
- 17 that I don't necessarily mesh with, I remember what the
- 18 end goal is. Our end goal is to help, to assist and to
- 19 serve.
- 20 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you.
- 21 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. I have one final
- 22 question for you, which is, what is your understanding of
- 23 the Board of Police Commissioners responsibility?
- MS. ROY: My understanding of the Board of Police
- 25 Commissioners responsibility is to be the official body



- 1 for the Detroit Police Department. Additionally, they are
- 2 to assist citizens when they bring matters before the
- 3 Board. And they're responsible for their districts and
- 4 whatever initiatives that they would like to see happen
- 5 within those districts.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Are there any
- 7 questions that you may have of current staff present to
- 8 any commissioners as a collective body or individually by
- 9 district?
- MS. ROY: No.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you so much.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Any final remarks?
- MS. ROY: No.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Okay.
- 15 MS. ROY: Thank you.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you.
- 17 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Good afternoon or good
- 18 evening, actually. If you could please state your name
- 19 for the record.
- 20 MS. UNDERWOOD: Good afternoon. My name is Jonya
- 21 Underwood.
- 22 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Ms. Blossom, if
- 23 you could do the honor of reading the summary for the
- 24 job.
- MS. BLOSSOM: This is the summary for administrative



- 1 specialist 3, Board of Police Commissioners. Under
- 2 general supervision, plan, organize, coordinate, and
- 3 exercise responsibility as an administrative assistant 3,
- 4 to the Board of Police Commissioners, Board Secretary,
- 5 and other staff. Additionally, leads and assists in
- 6 business operations, including clerical and related work.
- 7 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Just as a
- 8 reminder, this will take a similar format as the first
- 9 round of interviews. This is obviously wave two or the
- 10 second phase of interviews. Myself, along with a few
- 11 colleagues on the board, will ask you a series of
- 12 questions. At the very end, you'll be able to ask us a
- 13 question, should you have it.
- MS. UNDERWOOD: Thank you.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: These questions are based
- 16 similarly as your first round on different dimensions of
- 17 experience. The first dimension is around technical
- 18 experience. Please briefly explain how your previous
- 19 experience and or education have prepared you for this
- 20 position. What are some of the software applications that
- 21 you're familiar with and your level of expertise?
- MS. UNDERWOOD: Well, I am a dedicated, result driven
- 23 professional administrative assistant. I have been in
- 24 this field --- my career, and in my career, I have been
- 25 with several governmental agencies, including the US



- 1 military. I am proficient in Microsoft Suite. I do web
- 2 postings. I utilize gov delivery software. I'm using "I"
- 3 a lot. Excuse me. Well, I'm interested in this job
- 4 because it aligns with my background and my skillset. I
- 5 feel that this is an opportunity for me to contribute
- 6 meaningful assistance, as well as to grow professionally.
- 7 I do have a bachelor's degree and I'll end there.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner
- 9 Moore.
- 10 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Thank you. Next category is
- 11 Dimension Initiative and Self-Management. Please describe
- 12 a situation in which you saw a problem at work and
- 13 decided to correct it yourself rather than wait for
- 14 someone else to correct it. Please use the following:
- 15 What was the situation and problem? Why was this a
- 16 problem? How did you go about correcting the problem
- 17 yourself? Why did you correct the problem yourself? What
- 18 steps, if any, did you take to ensure that it was okay
- 19 for you to correct the problem? What happened as a result
- 20 of your actions?
- MS. UNDERWOOD: Oftentimes, we work as a team. So, we
- 22 were experiencing a problem in the office with our copy
- 23 machine. I came in one day and my settings were changed
- 24 completely and I wasn't able to utilize it the way that I
- 25 preferred. Several other staff members were having that



- 1 same issue. So, I decided to contact the sales
- 2 representative and get on the phone with the sales
- 3 representative, indicating what my problem was and how we
- 4 needed it to be resolved. I was able to work through
- 5 trial and error with them, and eventually they got my
- 6 machine working properly and I was able to also have the
- 7 other staff members' machines to work the same way that I
- 8 like mine to work..
- 9 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. Commissioner
- 10 Dewaelsche.
- 11 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you. My question has
- 12 to do with teamwork and building a coalition. Please
- 13 describe a time when you worked with a negative person,
- 14 but were able to make it a positive working relationship.
- 15 And when you answer this, please answer what was the
- 16 situation? Who was involved and what was your role? What
- 17 makes you say that the person was negative? What did you
- 18 do? How did you create a positive working relationship?
- 19 And what happened as a result?
- MS. UNDERWOOD: Would you repeat that one more time?
- 21 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Yes. Please describe a time
- 22 when you worked with a negative person, but were able to
- 23 make it a positive working relationship. Answer, what was
- 24 the situation? Who was involved? What was your role? What
- 25 makes you say that the person was negative? What did you



- 1 do? How did you create a positive working relationship,
- 2 and what happened as a result?
- 3 MS. UNDERWOOD: Well, I'm thinking about a time when
- 4 I was working with another member of the staff. I
- 5 wouldn't say that we're a negative person, but we just
- 6 perhaps did not agree on how to work together. And so, I
- 7 had to kind of present what I wanted to do and work in
- 8 the parameters of how they wanted to work. And even
- 9 though it wasn't perfect, we were able to do the task and
- 10 get the job done.
- 11 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. One final
- 13 question. What is your understanding of the Board of
- 14 Police Commissioners responsibility?
- 15 MS. UNDERWOOD: The Board of Police Commissioners
- 16 responsibility is an oversight of the police department
- 17 and our role, or what I think a part of our role is to
- 18 assist the citizens who have issues and concerns with the
- 19 police, yes.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you. So, that'll
- 21 conclude the interview. If you have any questions that
- 22 you'd like to ask, either current staff, the full body or
- 23 individual commissioners by district?
- MS. UNDERWOOD: No, I don't have any questions.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Any closing comments?



- 1 MS. UNDERWOOD: Thank you for the opportunity. I
- 2 really do want this job, but I really appreciate having
- 3 this chance. Thank you so much.
- 4 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Thank you.
- 5 MS. UNDERWOOD: Your welcome.
- 6 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: Thank you.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Have a nice one.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: So, that will conclude the
- 9 interview of all 3 candidates that made it forward,
- 10 obviously, first and second phase of interviews. I will
- 11 remind commissioners that there is no closed session for
- 12 this portion. Any discussion that you may have can take
- 13 place openly. Keeping in mind that this is obviously a
- 14 public forum. There isn't anything confidential that we
- 15 would share per se, regarding salaries or otherwise at
- 16 this moment, so I'll just gently remind each of us of
- 17 that. But if there is a motion for one of the three
- 18 candidates to move forward, you can exercise your vote up
- 19 or down to select the candidate.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes.
- 21 COMMISSIONER DEWAELSCHE: I have a motion to move
- 22 Jonya Underwood forward.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BERNARD: Second.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: There's a motion to move Jonya
- 25 Underwood forward by Commissioner Dewaelsche, and it's



- 1 supported by Commissioner Moore. Commissioner Bernard,
- 2 I'm sorry. Any discussion? Yeah
- 3 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Through the Chair. The only
- 4 discussion that I would provide is that we had 47
- 5 candidates for this posting, in particular. There was a
- 6 submission of all 47 of those candidates to the Personnel
- 7 and Training Committee. There was a thorough review and
- 8 partnership with City HR. You obviously saw the quality
- 9 of the 3 candidates, and that's all that I would ask you
- 10 to consider. Just know that this was a thorough process
- 11 from start to finish.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes.
- 13 COMMISSIONER BERNARD: Thank you, Commissioner
- 14 Hernandez for sharing that information with us. It's very
- 15 important for us to get 47 people that are good people
- 16 for the commission. It is very impressive. I want to
- 17 congratulate you and the members of the committee for
- 18 going through all those resumes, which I'm sure was a
- 19 challenge in and of itself, and coming up with 3 great
- 20 candidates; two of whom we were familiar with, which is
- 21 great. So, that means we're providing upward mobility and
- 22 upward opportunity here at the commission. So, thank you
- 23 very much, and for your presentation. It was excellent.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yep. Any other discussion?
- 25 Discussion I will have is that our expectation of anyone



- 1 coming, working for the Board of Police Commission, that
- 2 they step it up for the citizens of the City of Detroit,
- 3 and that we will not tolerate subpar work. And so, as an
- 4 appointee, we will be looking at whoever will come in
- 5 there making sure that the job is getting done for the
- 6 citizens of the City of Detroit. And so, whoever it is we
- 7 would take them through an evaluation process. And I'm
- 8 happy to support my commissioners in this motion.
- 9 However, you know, let's stay vigilant and make sure that
- 10 the citizens get the best product that they can get. And
- 11 I understand the reasons why people support this
- 12 particular motion. Ms. Underwood is a phenomenal person.
- 13 She has contributed a lot to the Board of Police
- 14 Commissioners for a number of years. But you know, the
- 15 interview was not the best interview. Alright.
- 16 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Through the Chair.
- 17 COMMISSIONER BERNARD: She is the only person that
- 18 comes to work every day.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Amen.
- 20 COMMISSIONER MOORE: I would just say this as it
- 21 relates to interviews, there's such a thing called style
- 22 versus substance. A person might not present the way
- 23 Barack Obama or somebody famous might present, or ---
- 24 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Or Ricardo Moore.
- 25 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Even me, because I don't give



- 1 the best interviews, believe it or not. So, therefore, I
- 2 can relate to the situation in which you're talking
- 3 about. Substance is there, because she's proven in
- 4 battle, because I've put her to the test personally as it
- 5 relates to my district, and she's upheld the gold
- 6 standard. So, that's why she's getting my vote.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Absolutely.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Through the Chair.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, sir.
- 10 COMMISSIONER BURTON: I agree with Commissioner
- 11 Moore, out of District 7.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yes, sir.
- COMMISSIONER BURTON: You know, I always talk about
- 14 substance, but I also want to talk about character. You
- 15 know Ms. Underwood has great character. She great
- 16 intellect, does the job well, shows up every day to do
- 17 the work that's assigned to her. Don't complain. You
- 18 talking about somebody that's dependable, dedicated, when
- 19 our office was shorthand staffed, she stepped up along
- 20 with other additional staff members, you know, in the
- 21 office. Candace Hayes stepped up in a big way. But that
- 22 just shows you that we have some really good talent in
- 23 this office. But I also want to acknowledge Commissioner
- 24 Hernandez for the hard work he and his team has done as
- 25 far as going through the screening process and things



- 1 like that.
- We don't always agree on everything, but when you go
- 3 through screening 47 people and you bring forward 47
- 4 names, you are looking at this. I know this man works
- 5 hard. I've sat next to him for many years on the Board.
- 6 He's a great guy. He has great character. He works hard.
- 7 Sometimes, you know, as a leader, you have to think
- 8 outside the box. You have to move forward. And that's
- 9 what Commissioner Hernandez does. He moves forward. And I
- 10 like the recommendations that he brought before the Board
- 11 today for us moving forward. And I like how we, as a
- 12 team, as a commission and how we are moving forward today
- 13 and how we are working together. I mean, this is great.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Thank you. We share those
- 15 sentiments. All in favor say aye.
- 16 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 18 carried.
- 19 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Through the Chair. What about
- 20 filling that position?
- 21 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: There you go.
- 22 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Thank you, sir.
- 23 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: We're on top of this. So, if
- 24 I can move forward to our recommendation. So, there was
- 25 also, as a reminder, an administrative assistant position



- 1 that we interviewed in committee for, keep me honest, Ms.
- 2 Board Secretary. I think we had 116 candidates for that
- 3 posting, which Commissioners Carter, Woods and myself
- 4 looked at line by line every single resume, and
- 5 application. Also, in partnership with City HR. We ended
- 6 up producing a list to interview. Those candidates were
- 7 interviewed by the committee. Subsequently, there was a
- 8 recommendation that came out for that posting. I will
- 9 remind the Board, which I began based on Commissioner
- 10 Burton's question in the beginning of this meeting. I
- 11 began to elaborate the rationale as to why we're
- 12 producing one firm candidate for that position, along
- 13 with a perspective. It was not in anticipation that we
- 14 would ultimately select current staff for the
- 15 administrative assistant 3 position.
- 16 It was under the premise that in the future,
- 17 beginning in July, the Board has preliminarily approved
- 18 through a budget increase to a higher additional
- 19 headcount at the same level as the administrative
- 20 assistant position. And I believe there are going to be
- 21 two postings. So, we were in partnership with City HR and
- 22 advised that we could pull from this same list of
- 23 candidates. So, we just made a proactive attempt with the
- 24 recommendation that you're going to see. So, we met for
- 25 several weeks, but on May 9th Board attendees were



- 1 myself, Commissioner Carter, Vice Chairperson, Tamara
- 2 Liberty Smith, and Chairperson Darryl Woods were in
- 3 attendance. Staff attendees, Board Secretary, Lydia
- 4 Garnie, Drew Fries, Fiscal Manager. There was again, an
- 5 interviewing of 4 candidates out of 5. I will note that
- 6 the fifth candidate did not show up, and we didn't
- 7 receive any additional communication from that
- 8 individual. For the administrative assistant vacant
- 9 position, the recommendation to the full board is to move
- 10 the named individuals to the full Board for appointment.
- 11 So, it would be for appointment to the administrative
- 12 assistant position, Jasmine Juarez Espinoza, to fill the
- 13 actual current administrative assistant position. And
- 14 then for prospective future posting, it would be Dior
- 15 Mathis full stop.
- 16 The second recommendation, based on the interviews
- 17 that we just held for administrative specialist 3. Again,
- 18 as a reminder, we interviewed 5 candidates in committee
- 19 out of 47 candidates. You just saw the second round. It
- 20 would be for the appointment to the administrative
- 21 assistant position 3, Ms. Jonya Underwood. That would be
- 22 the recommendation, moving forward. I believe we may need
- 23 a second, and I might need ---
- DR. JACKSON: Was the committee composed of more than
- 25 one person?



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- 1 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: I'm sorry.
- 2. DR. JACKSON: Was it a committee composed of more
- 3 than one person?
- 4 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Yes.
- DR. JACKSON: Then there would be no second required. 5
- 6 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: The nuance that I would need
- guidance on is; so, the first vacancy, the first 7
- candidate came out as a recommendation from the Board or 8
- from the committee. The second recommendation for
- appointment, we just decided. So, I don't think we have 10
- to include that, do we? 11
- 12 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: No, that should be a mute point.
- 13 DR. JACKSON: So, the question commissioner is, the
- second recommendation is not a motion from the committee? 14
- 15 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Correct.
- 16 DR. JACKSON: And that would require a second.
- 17 COMMISSIONER MOORE: We just did that though.
- DR. JACKSON: That's the motion you just got. 18
- 19 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: We just interviewed the candidate
- and we just chose the candidate by vote. 20
- 21 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: So, I guess what I'm saying,
- through the Chair, to level at us the original memorandum 22
- 23 from the committee included the listed candidates for
- appointments to the first level position. It also 24
- included a recommendation to interview the three that we 25



- 1 just did. So, that negates the motion we just adopted.
- 2 So, is there a second needed based on the edit of this
- 3 memorandum, is what I'm asking?
- 4 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: You can just uplift the item and
- 5 just move forward.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Then I will do that then.
- 7 Thank you for your support.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yeah.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Through the Chair, then I'll
- 10 make a motion for appointment to the administrative
- 11 assistant position, Jasmine Juarez Espinoza. And for a
- 12 prospective future position, administrative assistant
- 13 Dior Mathis.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Motion made by Commissioner
- 15 Hernandez.
- 16 COMMISSIONER BURTON: Second.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Second by Commissioner Burton.
- 18 Any discussion? Yes.
- 19 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Are these people present so we
- 20 can see who?
- 21 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: I don't believe so.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: No. These are what came out of
- 23 the Personnel and Training Committee interviews. So, they
- 24 never --
- 25 COMMISSIONER MOORE: -- So, the three we just



- 1 interviewed, they didn't go to the Personnel and Training
- 2 Committee.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yeah. But we made a motion to
- 4 move them forward for a second interview. There wasn't a
- 5 need for a second interview for the first.
- 6 COMMISSIONER MOORE: So, it's not a need for us to
- 7 even see. I'm just curious. I would just like to know who
- 8 we are getting. That's all. That's just me personally, as
- 9 we've done before, but push it to the vote.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Yeah. All in favor say aye.
- 11 COMMISSIONERS: Aye.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 13 carried. What is the pleasure?
- 14 COMMISSIONER HERNANDEZ: Motion to adjourn?
- 15 COMMISSIONER MOORE: Support.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: Motion by Commissioner Hernandez
- 17 to adjourn, and supported by Commissioner Moore.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON WOODS: All in favor say aye.
- 19 COMMISSIONERS: Aye. Anyone oppose? The motion is
- 20 carried.

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23 (Meeting Adjourned at 5:22pm)

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