



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Police Commissioners
FROM: Eva Garza Dewaelsche, Chairperson Budget Committee
DATE: November 18, 2025
RE: Budget Committee Meeting Memo

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners Budget Committee, please see the key follow-up from the committee meeting held on November 18th, 2025:

Board Attendees: Committee Chairperson Garza Dewaelsche, Vice Chairman Woods, Commissioner Bernard

Staff Attendees: Board Secretary – Lydia Garnier, Executive Fiscal Manager – Drew Fries

- **BOPC is building the budget draft for the 2026-27 fiscal year:** The Board of Police Commissioners, looking forward to the upcoming 2026-27 fiscal year has set the goal to maintain the current size of BOPC staff at 43 full-time employees. This continuation of staff size and ensuring the current capacity to provide Civilian Oversight to the City of Detroit is not reduced has been identified as the top priority by the BOPC Budget Committee in our budget's development. Other budgetary initiatives include: OCI TASS workers and the enhancement media equipment for BOPC Meetings. The Budget Committee is gathering feedback and seeking other budgetary ideas from fellow commissioners, as the FY2026-27 BOPC budget draft will be sent out to Commissioners this week. Please review and send along your ideas for budgetary initiatives in the upcoming fiscal year. We thank you for your partnership and insight.

The next BOPC Budget Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 1st.

Sincerely,

Eva Garza Dewaelsche
At-Large
Chairperson, BOPC Budget Committee