



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Police Commissioners
FROM: Linda Bernard, Esq., Chairperson Policy Committee
DATE: November 5, 2025
RE: Policy Committee Meeting Memo

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners Policy (BOPC) Committee, please find the key updates from the committee meeting held on November 5, 2025:

Board Attendees: Committee Chairperson Linda Bernard, BOPC Chairperson Eva Dewaelsche, Vice Chairperson Darryl Woods, Sr.

BOPC Staff/DPD Staff: Lydia Garnier – BOPC Secretary, Felecia Tyson – BOPC Executive Policy Manager, BOPC Administrative Assistant – Armani Arnold, BOPC Administrative Assistant – Candace Hayes, BOPC Administration - Teresa Blossom, Deputy Chief Michael Parrish, Deputy Chief Mark Bliss, Lieutenant Michelle Averill, Sergeant Antonio Walker, Lieutenant Melanie O'Rourke, and Captain Marcus Thirkill.

Community/Committee Attendees: Jahdonte Smith, Victoria Camille, and Reuben Crowley

Action Items: The Policy Committee, led by Chairperson Linda Bernard, moved and approved the following items to be presented before the full Board for a vote on Thursday, November 6, 2025.

- **Surveillance Technology Specification Report (STSR) [See tab 5]**
- **Motion for Extension of Special Orders**

Significant progress has been made toward reviewing the 32 outstanding Special Orders [see attached listing]: 25 have been approved by the Board, 1 has been eliminated, and only 5 directives remain under review. This reflects the ongoing commitment to accuracy, thorough analysis, and timely completion.

It is the recommendation of the Policy Committee that an additional extension of thirty (30) days is needed for the five (5) special orders listed [and copies provided in your binders today] to allow for further internal analysis, interdepartmental coordination and to ensure the inclusion of current legal standards, operational best practices and community expectations.

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 5:00 pm.