



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of Police Commissioners  
**FROM:** Eva Garza Dewaelsche, Chairperson Budget Committee  
**DATE:** December 1, 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 December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025:

**Board Attendees:** Committee Chairperson Garza Dewaelsche, Commissioner Bernard

**Staff Attendees:** Board Secretary – Lydia Garnier, Chief Investigator – Jerome Warfield, Executive Fiscal Manager – Drew Fries

- **FY2026-27 BOPC Budget Draft:** After review and analysis, the BOPC Budget Committee would like to recommend the approval of the 2026-27 fiscal year BOPC Budget Draft to full Board of Police Commissioners. In the building of this Budget, the following FY26-27 initiatives were submitted by Commissioners and BOPC Budget Committee members:
  - ❖ Maintain our fully staffed OCI & Administrative Teams
  - ❖ Enhancement of Media equipment for BOPC Board Meetings
  - ❖ 4 OCI TASS Workers

In total, these initiatives – based on need – would request to increase the current BOPC Budget from \$4,711,541 to \$5,018,259. This increase of \$306,718 would allow the Board of Police Commissioners to continue to advocate for the residents of Detroit as a Civilian Oversight body in the 2026-27 fiscal year.

We thank you for your consideration and the next Budget Committee meeting is to be announced.

Sincerely,

Eva Garza Dewaelsche  
At-Large  
Chairperson, BOPC Budget Committee