



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Police Commissioners
FROM: Beverly J. Watts, Chairperson Policy Committee
DATE: April 21, 2026
RE: Policy Committee Meeting Summary

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners (BOPC) Policy Committee, please find a summary of key updates from the Committee meeting held on April 21, 2026:

Policy Committee Members Present: Committee Chairperson Beverly J. Watts, Commissioner Victoria Camille, Commissioner Henrietta Ivey

Additional Commissioners in Attendance: Commissioner Darryl Woods, Sr.

BOPC Staff/DPD Staff: BOPC Board Secretary Lydia Garnier; BOPC Executive Policy Manager Felecia Tyson; BOPC Executive Fiscal Manager Drew Fries; BOPC Administrative Assistant Candace Hayes; DPD Deputy Chief Michael Parish; Lieutenant James Wiencek; Officer Dylan Tappo (DPD Planning Research and Accreditation).

Community/Committee Attendees: Several members of the public attended virtually.

Public Comment:

- Molly Moening expressed concerns regarding 304.9 (Pepperball Launcher), specifically related to verbal warning language, de-escalation, and giving individuals an opportunity to comply which is consistent with other less-lethal tools (e.g., BolaWrap).

Committee Actions and Recommendations:

- **Policy Workflow:** The Committee directed that the updated workflow be posted on the BOPC website for public transparency and internal clarity. Additionally, moving forward, each Policy agenda will include the current workflow stage of each directive for clarity. The Committee affirmed that Steps 4–6 (executive and legal review) shall be completed within thirty (30) days, with any extension requiring Board approval.
- **102.10 Brady-Giglio Disclosure Requirements:** Approved to advance to stage 7 (Full Board review and vote). The Policy Committee approved the directive and requested that Section 5 (page 3) be amended to include notification to the BOPC and to clarify reporting requirements related to impeachment of testimony. Revised language will be brought back to the Policy Committee for consideration and vote within 2 weeks after Board approval and re-enter workflow for updates.

- **202.3 Search Warrants and Execution:** Approved to advance to stage 7 (Full Board review and vote). The Committee requested future amended language to establish a timeframe for repairs when the wrong residence is damaged. This revision will be brought back to the Policy Committee for consideration and vote within 2 weeks after Board approval and re-enter workflow for updates.
- **202.4 Case Preparation:** Approved to advance to stage 7 (Full Board review and vote). The Committee requested amended language to Section 202.4-7.1 (page 3) regarding notification to complainants on case progress to improve victim communication practices (e.g., follow-up after voicemail, especially for sensitive crimes). DPD will consult with the Major Crimes Commanding Officer regarding appropriate follow-up procedures. Revised language will be brought back to the Policy Committee for consideration and vote within 2 weeks after Board approval and re-enter workflow for updates.
- **305.3 Detainee Registration:** Approved to advance to stage 7 (Full Board review and vote).
- **102.13 Personal Protection Orders Against Members:** Requires further revision, including clarification of notification requirement to BOPC.
- **201.12 Station Security:** Requires further revision related to credentialing requirements.
- **304.9 Pepperball Launcher:** Requires further revision to incorporate verbal warning language aligned with de-escalation principles and existing less-lethal force policies.
- **BOPC Website (Policy Section):** The Committee identified the Policy section of the BOPC website as outdated. To address this, the Committee requests that the website administrator attend the next meeting to discuss the update schedule. Additionally, the Committee has directed the distribution of all current policy directives to the Board of Commissioners.
- **Body-Worn Camera (BWC) Release:** The Committee discussed current practices and noted current limitations related to pending litigation. It was also clarified that the 30-day public briefing requirement applies to officer-involved shooting (OIS) incidents.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully,

Beverly J. Watts
Chairperson, Policy Committee
Board of Police Commissioners