

Draft Minutes Detroit Board of Police Commissioners

Date of Meeting: August 15, 2019 – 3:00 PM

Location: Detroit Public Safety Headquarters, 1301 Third Street, Detroit, MI 48226

BOPC Chairperson Lisa Carter called the BOPC Board Meeting to order at 3:00 PM (August 15, 2019)

Detroit Police Commission Membership / Attendance	Attend	Not-Attend
Lisa Carter, Chairperson	Yes	
Eva Garza Dewaelsche, Vice Chairperson	Excused	
Willie E. Bell	Excused	
Elizabeth Brooks	Yes	
Darryl D. Brown	Yes	
Shirley A. Burch	Yes	
Willie E. Burton	Yes	
William M. Davis	Yes	
Evette Griffie	Excused	
Jim Holley	Yes	
Annie Mae Holt	Yes	
Quorum (Yes)	8	

The Board acting in accordance with its rules approved the Agenda for August 15, 2019.

The Board acting in accordance with its rules approved the following Board Minutes: Thursday, August 8, 2019

BOPC Chairperson Lisa R. Carter: (Chairperson Carter said), “Good Afternoon! I am Police Commissioner Lisa Carter, I represent District #6. I serve as the Chair of the Board and will be conducting our meeting today. On behalf of the Board, for those in attendance, thank you for joining us. For people viewing this meeting on your government cable channel, thank you for viewing our meeting. Commissioners Eva Dewaelsche, Willie Bell and Yvette Griffie have asked to be excused from today’s meeting. Today, we have invited Chaplain Dan Hunt to provide the invocation.” Chaplain Hunt provided the invocation for the meeting. Chairperson Carter requested the introductions of the Board, Chief of Police James Craig, BOPC and DPD staff and other civic leaders and representatives.

Chairperson’s Report: Lisa R. Carter said, “On behalf of the Board, I want to express our concern and support for fallen and injured officers. Our concerns for officer safety and citizen protection is ranked as two of the most important priorities of the Board. Our Board receives a weekly report from the Department listing injured officers. I would ask the Chief of Police during his remarks to provide us with any additional information related to injured and fallen officers. The Board of Police Commissioners meets every week except for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday periods. We meet at Police Headquarters 3 weeks in the month on Thursdays at 3:00 PM. We also meet in the community every 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM. Under the Detroit City Charter, Article 7, Chapter 8, the Board of Police Commissioners is empowered to provide civilian oversight and supervisory control of the Police Department. Our citizens are justified in asking “How does civilian oversight of law enforcement help you as a citizen within our community?” Our answer is, we protect the civil rights of citizens. Oversight organizations like the BOPC are at the forefront of investigating, reviewing and auditing individual cases of citizen complaints and patterns of operations by police agencies to eliminate misconduct, discriminatory police practices and unnecessary use of force by police. Our work is based on developing and supporting effective policing. Mutual trust and respect between the police and the community is critical toward increasing the quality of life for residents and visitors to Detroit. The Board of Police Commissioners exists to provide civilian oversight for the work of the Detroit Police Department. As a Board, we receive and investigate non-criminal citizens’ complaints, monitor the operations of the Department and work with the Mayor and the Chief of Police to make or modify police policy.

I want to point to several important items for your consideration and information. The Board of Police Commissioners received a modified version of the Chief’s proposed directive on facial recognition and it has been referred to our Policy Committee. Again, copies are posted at our website. The Policy Committee will review and deliberate on the proposed directive. After their review they will propose modifications and submit the modifications to the Police Department. The Department will then take a review of the modifications and return the proposed directive to the FULL Board. It is after this process of exchange and evaluation that the FULL Board will schedule the final version of the policy for a vote. We will re-post the modified version of the directive at www.detroitmi.gov/bopc as well as notify the public of our intent to vote well in advance of a vote. We continue to receive

feedback on facial recognition related issues and encourage our citizens to express their concerns directly to the Board. You can send an e-mail, write a letter, talk with us directly or attend our meetings to express your concerns.

Again, I remind the Board, we are continuing to work with NACOLE (National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement) to host the National Conference on September 22 thru 26, 2019 in Detroit. During the same time, Detroit will be celebrating our 45th year as a civilian oversight organization. The BOPC has secured an exciting keynote speaker for our 45th Anniversary Dinner to be held, Tuesday, September 24, 2019. Christy E. Lopez is a former member of the U. S. Department of Justice in the Special Litigation Section as well as a visiting Professor at Georgetown Law School. Professor Lopez's work has centered on criminal justice reform and constitutional policing. Professor Lopez led the Division in conducting pattern-or-practice investigations of local police departments and negotiated settlement agreements in Ferguson, Chicago, New Orleans, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Newark, New Jersey and several other important oversight initiatives across the country.

Again, the planning process is well underway, and again we invite your participation. We also invite you to volunteer to help with the conference and dinner. Volunteer forms are located on the back table. Finally, I want to send out our support to the Police Officers and civilians impacted by the Philadelphia barricaded gunman standoff. I understand after an eight-hour standoff the suspect involved surrendered. I also understand 6 Officers were wounded and released from the hospital. We wish them and the City a speedy recovery.

Today, we have one presentation scheduled on drug enforcement. The presentation will be from Lieutenant Andrew Guntziller of Major Violations Section.

Under the Chief's Report, I am requesting an update on our crime statistics and any critical issues facing the Police Department.

Again, at the end of the meeting we will have public comments from the audience. Please make sure you print your name on a speaker's card. Cards are located in the back on the table or can be obtained by seeing Ms. Blossom. She will need your card before the end of the Chief of Police Report.

We will hold each speaker to the allotted 2 minutes. I ask that everyone place your cell phones and other electronic devices on vibrate to make sure that they are not interrupting the meeting.

COP Police Report: Chief of Police James Craig reported crime and statistical data utilizing DPD Department report dated August 15, 2019. Chief Craig reported year-to date data by category including, 10% increase in Criminal Homicides, Sexual Assaults 3% increase, Aggravated Assaults -0% decrease, non-fatal shootings 6% increase, Robbery -4% decrease, Carjacking -29% decrease, Burglary -8% decrease, Larceny -3% decrease, Stolen Vehicle -0% decrease and Part 1 offenses -4% decrease. Chief Craig acknowledge additional tours of DPD's Real Time Crime Center including tours conducted by the Department for members of the Board of Police Commission, local clergy, Greenlight business owners, Comcast company representatives and youth organizations. Chief Craig indicated that during the tour he demonstrated the efficacy of the Department's facial recognition software citing several anecdotal cases wherein facial recognition software was used as an element in investigating and identifying suspects. The Chief also acknowledged the 10 year anniversary of the discovery of 10, 000 Rape Kits found in an abandoned DPD facility. The Chief indicated as a result of the work of the Department and Prosecutor Kym Worthy all of the Rape Kits have been process and various investigation are underway.

Presentation to the Board: (A) Drug Enforcement – Lieutenant Andrew Guntziller – Major Violations Section.

(A) Drug Enforcement – Lieutenant Andrew Guntziller – Major Violations Section, indicated that the section previously know as the Central Narcotics Section was renamed Major Violations. Guntziller outlines the structure of Major Violations focusing in on the raid Teams (1, 3, 4, and 5), DEA Task Force – Opioid Initiative, MSP Western Wayne Task Force, Planning and Analysis, 224-DOPE and Prisoner Processing Unit. Guntziller also provided information on the 2019 year-to-date Major Violations Enforcement Activity including the raids executed (338), street enforcements (29) Arrests for Felony (242), Misdemeanor (306) and firearm recovered (207 and vehicles seized (52). Guntziller also reported on narcotics seized Cocaine (10,249.82 grams), Heroin (17,683.18 grams), Marijuana (206,046.5 grams), and 2433 pills. Guntziller estimated the street value of the above drugs at \$38,035,647 and Cash/Narcotics proceeds seized as \$1,069,175.00.

Guntziller also discussed strategies and direction of the unit including challenges related to the recent decriminalization of recreational marijuana, intelligence gathered from other operation in the Department including Ceasefire, Crime Mapping and ID mapping. Guntziller indicated that the focus within the Department is on the most violent offender's city-wide and

those trafficking in opiates. Guntzviller also discussed human trafficking and enforcement related to Opioids in Detroit (Supply and Demand) and vice enforcement.

BOPC Standing Committee Reports: None.

Report from Secretary to the Board: Mr. Hicks indicated that on the agenda five items have come into the Board (see list below). He summarized two of the items.

1. Correspondence from Ms. Marie Thornton dated 8-8-2019 requesting proposed Facial Recognition Directive 307.5 under the Michigan Open Meeting Act.
2. Two e-mails dated 8-12-2019 requesting a Hardship Waiver and Car Towing concerns forward to Captain Parrish.
3. Article on behalf of Commissioner Bell re: Facial Recognition, Detroit Free Press, John Wisely dated 8-12-2019.
4. FOIA Request: Deadline Detroit, 8-5-2019
5. Commentary of Christy E. Lopez, JD – Here's Why Jeff Sessions' Parting Shot Is Worse Than You Thought, (Guest Speaker for BOPC 45th Anniversary Dinner, September 24, 2019.

Old / New Business: Commissioner Willie Burton asked if the Facial recognition policy has been referred to the Policy Committee would the public be notified and allowed to attend the Policy Committee meeting. **Chairperson Carter** indicated that the policy is under review by staff and no meeting of the Policy Committee have been scheduled. **Commissioner William Davis** inquired if a letter has been generated to the attention of the Detroit Building Authority on their policy on allowing attendance into DPD HQ without showing identification. Chairperson Carter indicated that such a letter was transmitted on August 8, 2019. Commissioner Davis also requested that someone from the DBA appear before the Board to discuss their policy on building admittance. **Chairperson Carter** directed staff to make such arrangements. **Commissioner Davis** also suggested the scheduling of a public hearing on facial recognition before the Board take a vote. **Chairperson Carter** indicated that the Board has already scheduled public meeting and will in the future notify the public of any vote. **Mr. Hicks** also indicated that the Board has held one public hearing exclusive to Facial Recognition and has hear from better than 110 individuals as part of public comments over the course of the past five meetings. Hicks also indicated we continue to receive e-mails on the subject.

Commissioner Jim Holley entered the following statement into the record, **CRIME PREVENTION FORUM**. Several weeks ago, I expressed the need to have a crime summit. The objective of the crime summit is to bring together some of our best thinking so that working with the Chief of Police we could access and evaluate “best practices” and apply them to our situation in Detroit. As you can see, from the statistical report given by the Department earlier in this meeting, the need to access and evaluate what we are doing to fight crime still exist. My hope is to return to convening the crime summit in November. This will be after the National Conference on Police Oversight to be held in Detroit in September. I also want to request that the Chief of Police provide me with a stripped down version of his Annual Improvement Plan so we can use it in the crime summit to discuss and answer how citizens and leadership can devise meaningful plans to fight crime. By meaningful plans, I include important aspects of crime fighting and a serious understanding of who and where crime exists so we can look at methods toward crime prevention. We are told that a large percentage of people in our jails and prisons suffer from mental health, narcotics addiction and substance abuse related disorders. I want to see specifically what resources are we devoting to address these concerns and the best place to obtain that understanding is in a stripped down version of the Chief's Annual Improvement Plan.

Commissioner Shirley Burch acknowledged the work of several artist in connection with the City of Highland Park Water Reservoir and requested that people drive by and see the great works of art applied to the reservoir as a testimony to our community.

Commissioner Burton inquired into the notification of the public on facial recognition. **Chairperson Carter** indicated that the public will be informed in advance of any vote on facial recognition. Carter indicated that the Board has only removed the facial recognition item from the table one time, at the request of the Chief of Police, and indicated that she does not operate in secrecy and will not put facial recognition on the agenda for a vote without notification and an opportunity to the public to voice their opinions.

Announcements: The next meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2019 at 3:00 PM at Police Headquarters, 1301 Third Street, Detroit, MI. Chairperson Carter indicated that no vote on facial recognition will be taken at this meeting. The following month community meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2019 at 6:30 PM at Kemeny Recreation Center, 2260 South Fort Street, Detroit, MI 48217 (4th Precinct). Chairperson Carter indicated that no vote on facial recognition will be taken at this meeting.

Oral Communications – 17 individual comments

Ms. Bernice Smith: Good afternoon Chief and the Commissioners. Today I'm not gonna elaborate or discuss the embarrassment display of Commissioner Willie Burton. Public behavior is not tolerated in our meetings. But you show your ignorance by resisting the police when they asked you to leave when the meeting was in session. We have one example in our lifetime, Martin Luther King, he did not do this. He did it in a peaceful way and I suggest you learn that. Again the world truly respected him when he did his being arrested. To your supporters, I'm not going to discuss your disorderly conduct since they have been attending our police meetings. First this is not the charter meeting, but the Detroit police commission. We report about drug houses, squatters, and Detroit and crime. Anything else is not necessary. Why worry about this facial camera BS. If you are not doing anything wrong why you worry about it. Crime is in our city on an uproar. We have the power to conduct ourselves as decent respectful citizens. I am very disgusted when I come to this meeting now. It was a pleasure to use to come. But we have some outsiders that have been coming in here disarranging our meetings. So I hope that it won't happen again and if they have anything to say to me personally I'll be outside.

Karen Gordon: Hi my name is Karen Gordon. Again, I don't know if I'm understood or misunderstood but I try to be clear as possible. The Michigan penal code act 32A of 1931 75.411 state if its a flaw police report put on you that you could charge the person with it. I have proof that I was lied on to the police and I also have proof that the police lied on me. So when am I gonna be able to press charges against the people that lied on me. And I'm asking to use the law that state that's what I can do. I was assaulted, I was arrested, I asked, I made charges from being assaulted and still and yet the police did not give the prosecutor the statement that the police lied in his police report. So I've been assaulted, been arrested and nothing still have been done. And then this is the funny thing, and I don't mean ha ha, a police officer came, and then where do you go when the police don't know the law. A police officer came out in that neighborhood and gave a man a ticket for giving false information about somebody. Which I don't know how she can determine that when he had a witness. But he got a ticket on two people word; one said they did, both of them had witness and he had a rock that the boy threw at him. And yet and still all they had to do was get the DNA off that rock. And so when?

Valerie Glenn: Hello I'm Valerie Glenn, citizen of Detroit. Regarding the facial recognition technology, that should never have been on the agenda in the beginning for city of Detroit that is 80% African American and with the technology at the state at which it is right now. So that's about all that I can add to that. The public hearing, Chair Lisa Carter, the one public hearing that I attended was at a church and I believe it was in district 1 which would be your district commissioner brown. I believe, it was very hot in there, you couldn't hear in there. You couldn't hear anything in there. I had to go home and look at the actual hearing to even understand what was going on. The mics didn't hardly work, there were fans going on, and it was also promised by this commission that we would have another hearing on September. Prior to taking the vote. So I'll consider that, I'll have to go back and look at all the videos to get that exact date and remind this commission of that. As far as the Bangladeshi exchange program, I'm curious to find out the percentage of citizens we have in the city of Detroit. When I worked other political campaigns or any political campaign most of the community is in Hamtramck, Dearborn and Dearborn Heights. I would really be interested in finding that out and I really would have to look at the cultural differences, there attitudes about women, their attitudes about African Americans. In a city that is predominantly black and we can't seem to find enough African Americans, let me suggest that we consider going to the African continent and looking for one of those countries to see what kind of exchange program we might be able to come up there because that seems to be the one area that we are really missing applicants that can be approved as part of the academy, thank you.

Ralph Simpson: Hello I'm Ralph Simpson, I'm an attorney amongst other things. I'm a former chair of the criminal law section of the state bar and the civil liberties committee of the state bar. A couple of things I wanted to address very briefly. One is I would suggest that the procedures that have been developed, if you were to consider adopting the facial recognition policy, are completely inadequate and don't address a wide range of the issues including sharing the technology with the public, with law enforcement agencies. One thing that really struck me from a criminal just perspective is this discussion of how we might go through and someone might be on page 5 of the report but we find out that that's actually the right person. Well wouldn't any defense attorney want to be interested in who were on those other pages who were better subjects according to your technology? It seems like it might ac be counterproductive. The second issue I wanted to address with regard to the opens meeting act. I was a person who was brought to the attention of the commission there was a, what I see is a clear violation of the open meetings act. I offered to speak with your attorney and that offer was met with a fair amount of condescension from the former chair but I'm still willing to discuss it if you have legal analysis or opinions it would change my view or prevent litigation I'm happy to discuss it but I think the time is running out otherwise. Thank you.

Eric Blount: Good afternoon board and chief, for the record my name is Eric Blount a lifelong Detroiter. As you can tell here from my t shirt I'm not giving up. I appreciate the fact that you sometimes list detail the fallen and injured. But we also need to know

the suspended officers, in detail for Corporal Jones, who viscosly beat a naked woman In the hospital. Commissioner Holley, you talked about the opioid addiction and no one seems to really care because they're poor. I think that woman that was viciously beat in the hospital, no one care because she's poor and she's black here in the city of Detroit. Former chairperson commissioner Bell even went on tv and apologized for this board, sayin that this board got the discipline of Corporal Bell wrong and he apologized for all of you for it. So if there's apology at least follow up and see what other type of discipline can happen In this very serious issue. My other concern is on facial recognition. Chief Craig in one of these meetings not long ago you mentioned the fact that you didn't know why other cities had banned facial recognition. And there was no really attempt to find out why. On page 2 of the presentation today the drug enforcement team seem to have it right when they say hey "we looked at standard operating procedures, we understand the best practices." Let's at least do this for facial recognition. So your support is still bewildering. Thank you.

Amanda Hill: Hello, Amanda with Force Detroit and BYP 100 Detroit. I am again speaking on my opposition to facial recognition technology and project green light. These reactionary measures are a reaction to crime and I don't believe that they prevent crime as we get the numbers on crimes that are perpetuated we see that they are still high. And that is because these reactionary measures that lock people away they do not get to the root of why crime exists in the first place. And I can't beat this enough, when people don't have what they need when we have such exorbitant poverty rates in the city. People have to resort to crime to live because no one is going to just lay down and die, they're going to do what they need to do to feed their families. So it'd be really great if instead of, before investing millions of dollars in facial recognition technology without consulting the public, we ask the public hey what could you use to better you lives, what would you need to not commit a quality of life crime like theft? And those things, because BYP 100 recently had a community meeting on the subject asking community members what they think could solve these issues; and those things include moratorium on water shut offs, making sure people are not illegally foreclosed upon and getting those who have been illegally foreclosed upon restitution, and then also making sure that we have investments in community centers, proper investments in schools. So all these millions of dollars that we keep throwing at policing, could be better spent in community resourcing which actually prevents crime.

Nicole Small: Hello to the Board of Police Commissioners. A few things I want to speak on about the former chair of this commission discussed, I believe it was at your first meeting in June, that you were gonna have a retreat and during that retreat you were gonna talk about the provisions that you may want to see within the Detroit charter. I don't know if that retreat has actually happened but if so I would ask that you share that publicly because we do have a citizen focus group that is working on some revisions to present to the committee of the whole for the Detroit charter commission regarding civilian oversight. Two, I too am opposed to facial recognition for a couple of reasons. One is that I really question the level of accuracy that comes along with this application that's being proposed. And it seems that there is precedent that continues in the city of Detroit that it's just ok to give us something that's less than. I don't think that this would be proposed in the predominantly white suburban community where you know that there was such a low accuracy rate amongst white people, I don't think that they would take it. So I also think that we should trying consider if there is some other technology out there, why we couldn't get a better version that would make sure that we have a higher rate of accuracy to identify our people. In addition to that, I too believe this is reactionary. And there's a false narrative out in the community, people really think this is gonna lessen crime. Now while I do believe that it could in fact maybe help to solve a lot of unsolved crimes and to reduce the number of cold cases that we have. What we really need to be talking about and what I would like to see this board come together and propose is a solution to how we can get more police officers and actually increase their pay. We have so much development in this Cory, and we talk about community benefits, why is that an e you come into district 1, you come into distinct 2,3,4,5,6 & 7. If Dan Gilbert is gonna come in there then you know what he needs to do he needs to make sure that a part of the community benefits agreement needs to be that he hires some more police officers. Something needs to be done about that.

Lakita Carter: Hello well my mother is not coming up, I'm Lakita Carter. I'm Paris Cameron sister and I just want to speak about the whole situation like the face recognition thing. I feel like half and half. I feel like I like it because they caught the person that did the things to my brother and Tay and Tim. You know, like so I feel like I like it and I just want this to keep going and I want him to get exactly what he did to them. Like I ain't even gone tell y'all what i want him to get bit at the end of the day I feel like I like that because we wouldn't have member knew. If y'all wouldn't have had that at that gas station when that guy walked in they would still be tryna find out who they killers was or the video or whatever. Oh because they talking to me. Well the video or whatever it was. I'm happy that they did that. And I just want y'all to keep them, like I want this to be updated so much you know. So they can get down to wherever that's gotta get down to and it won't be no hold up about anything with this whole situation cause three young men lost their life. All because of who they was. That's not right to me.

Kimberly Ramon: My name is Kimberly Ramon, I'm Timothy Blancher's mother. Paris and Lante was just like a son to me because they always was together and I just want just and they need to keep on using that. However, y'all did it, y'all caught them quick.

And when I go to court and I want to know that. I just want to know why. Whatever they was, gay or whatever they still human beings.

Tawanna Petty: First of all I want to give my condolences to you and your family. No community member that's resisting facial recognition wants our communities unsafe or anyone harmed. I've been a victim, a survivor, I'm a survivor of crime. Several times and I've lost relatives to murder so this is not about not wanting crime solved and I'm very sympathetic to anyone who loses a loved one. I voiced my opinion around many scenarios about facial recognition the last several months, but I want to change the scenario today. Let's pretend that we are not interested in the impact that facial recognition is going to have on black Detroiters, children and women in general. And let us put something else up for law enforcement and board of police commissioner consideration. If this technology is not banned in the state of Michigan and voted down here, it will end up on the streets. Amazon and other tech companies do not care amount anything but money. They will market this to whoever want wants to buy it. What happens when they fix their inaccuracies, because they will, and someone walks up on one of your undercover officers because they're wearing facial recognition goggles, a vest or have installed a ring doorbell. What happens to the safety of your officers? What about the people in witness protection and those running from abusers? If you cannot see the dangers of this technology for us, then see it for yourselves. In Hong Kong this is already the scenario. Regular everyday people have access to this technology. They are able to identify whoever they want, if you don't believe me look it up. Do not turn Detroit into minority report. We see the future, we see China, we see London, we see Hong Kong, we see the expenses in the court cases, we see the misidentification, we see the law makers, the congressional candidates, all the children who have been misidentified. We have an opportunity to not only carve out history but be one right side of it. Please vote this technology down, thank you.

Ron Monts: Good afternoon, my name is Ron Motts, I am the campaign and outreach coordinator for ACLU of Michigan. I work downtown here with about 30 of my colleagues. Last week the ACLU and a group of 12 other organizations from the civil rights community, from the faith-based community, from the immigrant rights community and grass roots advocates sent the commission a letter stating our opposition for the use of facial recognition technology here in the city of Detroit. My colleague Phil Mayor was here last week outlining some of the highlights of that letter. You should know that a number of other organizations have approached us since we sent that letter because they perceive the facial recognition technology as a threat to their constituencies. You're aware of the privacy concerns particularly in our communities that are already feeling harassed by ICE patrolling their neighborhoods. The chief talked earlier today about our, well deputy chief, about our growing Bangladesh population here in the city of Detroit. I think that a further testament to the potential concerns that this flawed technology has. I question how you could ever conclude that subjecting a city made up mostly of black and brown people to this type of technology as being responsible. We oppose the use of facial recognition technology and we have fought our other allies across the country from Massachusetts to California with city leaders who want to ban this type of technology. I come here today to ask you to consider doing that as well or at least putting pause on this project until you have some additional time to truly consider the long term ramifications. If also like to touch on the fact that facial recognition technology and surveillance technology have been sold as crime fighting tools when that exactly is not the case. The chief did a great job at outlining how this works as an investigative tool but that's a lot different than preventing crime. One of the speakers came up here previously and did a really good job of talking about what we could spend our resources on. Our tax dollars support the purchase of this technology and the pay for the salaries of the people who use it and we just ask that you consider what other investments these dollars can be put into to truly address some of the things that lead people into crime in the first place so that we're getting in front of crime in a truly preventive way that makes our neighborhoods stronger and the people in those neighborhoods stronger. Thank you.

Katy Heam: Good afternoon. I'm here today again to reiterate that facial recognition technology has much larger implications than what we are discussing today. Facial recognition technology has much larger implications than what we are discussing today. Also I have to note that it's really not acceptable to tell us that there was no national conversation about the harms and future state potentials about facial recognition technology simply because you didn't think to research it first. Simple google search for facial recognition technology in the year 2017 yield results such as how white engineers built racist code and now it's being used by law enforcement. Also I think it's important to note that this was critical funding, again that was dedicated to flawed technology, so before signing a contract you better make sure they have their facts straight on what they are selling you. Additionally i hear the numbers from the 500 + use cases and I think initially we were told that the technology wasn't being used so maybe that has biased how I hear that information of the 30 instances that came back as successes but I'm classifying those immediately as exceptions to what's happening when this technology is used, not the desired result. While I appreciate the department's renewed time of tolerance in regard to hearing our community concerns, it's still apparent that the issue is being simplified, minimized, and segmented. Additionally, just hearing the comments earlier and at previous meetings my impression remains. It's doesn't seem as though those in position of decision-making implementation and oversight to have a clear understanding of this scope of this issue. So. to reiterate Mr. Motts comments the responsible thing to do in this situation would be to hit pause and really take stock of what's really at stake. I say that not to insult but to caution. If the research and risks had been fully digested, the public response would be much less surprising today.

Scottie Bowman: A low tech solution to a high-tech problem. I did see some amendments to the idea of the facial recognition policy, and they are inadequate. First of all, regarding real time, this whole issue is not addressed accurately. In Wired magazine in May 17, 2018 it says according to a report Detroit first purchased facial recognition system capable of real time analysis in 2017 as part of a 3-year contract. Ok now I know there's statements that it will not be used, but the fact is the capability exists. It's not in the cameras it's in the system that includes the cameras. The other thing about the, while we can just have the still images, the problem on that is a separate problem but it's still a problem which is the misidentification matter. That does not go away with still images and that was already addressed here. And then of course there's the whole thing about we just need sound policies to prevent abuse. Well we have a board here that is still disobeying the law. I was carded downstairs and it was not optional that I show Id as a condition of entry which is direct violation of the open meetings act. The open meetings act is a law and violation of it is a misdemeanor. I am still pursuing avenues of legal action to see that justice is done. I'd rather do it right than early and so I'm still working on this, but it will happen. The person downstairs now has a little sign or a little sticker there citing the Patriot Act. The problem with that is it doesn't say where in the patriot act it says this. I'd sure like to see the actual wording in the patriot act. It does specifically cite the part of the Michigan open meetings act which they are violating, however. Finally, it didn't matter because if you can't legally have the meeting in this building then you need to go to another building where you can do it legally.

Shermone Freeman: I'm Shermone Freeman part of the Detroit people's task force. I was born in Detroit, raised in California. I'm a snowbird so I lived in Detroit in the summer time and I go back to Vegas in the winter time by way of California. So, I went to school typist clerical, after clerical they send you to different places to work volunteering. So, I worked at a police station. When I went out to the police station it was so strange how I got there, I just opened the door and walked in. Afterwards, I did my volunteer work, I open the door and I left. At that time, I was there a few years, a few officers passed away, Line of duty. Randy Simmons, one got shot, _____ in the back paralyzed from the waist down. All these people they had benefits after, policemen paid for their burial, benefits of them. So, I just want to know, when I come back here, I go to the police station, I can't get in the door is Locked. "What are you here for?" Can you open the door so I can come in and tell you what I'm here for? So I just want to know why are the doors locked and I want to know does the police get compensation for, or who pays for their death, do the police pay for it or do they have to pay for it they own self? So that's the only thing I'm here for, I want to know those questions. Thank you.

Marilyn Jordan: Marilyn Jordan Detroit people's task force. I brought a concern to, actually my granddaughter did, a couple of week ago when she ran into an altercation that was going on 7 mile. She's 17 years old and she turned the corner and the police was investigating people for some shootings that had happened and they pulled her over. They searched her vehicle, they didn't find any drugs, any guns or anything illegal. They also searched her as well, and handcuffed her, and impounded the car, which costs us \$200 and something dollars. Now I brought that concern to the commissioners meeting, we did receive some information but there has not been any follow up from those phone numbers whatsoever and she needs her money because she's getting ready to go to college. Ok and reverend Holley, thank you for your concerns and for the community, the black community in the city as whole. Now a while ago maybe almost a year ago, you brought this concern to the meeting as well about the towing. About the cars that were being towed you wanted to know how many vehicles were being returned to the citizens. Did they ever give you any update on that?

Joanne Warwick: First of all, In the minutes from August 1st on page 7, there's a blank it says I don't approve of, it seems like facial recognition technology is co intel pro 2019, so that's what was missing from the notes. I heard you say you were sorry, that the person had the issue with their son; that's great but I kind of came up and told you how I got thrown down by police officer and forcibly stripped in jail and nobody said sorry to me. I'd like to talk with you police Chief Craig about some of the integrity insufficiencies on the force because one of the last times I got man handled by some police officers I was told there were no videos. Now this last assault and battery by a police officer I'm being told by Mr. Graveline that he doesn't have the video. Ok so what does that mean folks, it's just like let's look at the facial recognition technology, and just because you have a policy doesn't mean that people are going to follow it. Now there is a policy that when police officers have contact with citizens, they're supposed to have a camera on. But I've had several contacts with peace officers, illegal on their behalf, and they don't have a camera, they don't have a video recording. That's obstruction of justice, that's criminal. Again, we need to think about this. Let's talk about, I do appreciate what Commissioner Holley said, in terms of in the jails that's what I think we should have some very well trained health professionals and they can talk to people when they get into jail, Instead of forcibly strip me due to an order they can't even cite. A health care professional should have come to me to talk to me anyway. Your marijuana policy, you're not respecting the law, the will of the voters. So many times, I see that the officers don't even know their job, if they can't cite some authority, they look like they're acting arbitrarily and that creates great disrespect for the police officers and in turn makes society less safe and secure. We got a problem with this video and people not having the videos on them when they're supposed to and you should really take a look at that. Thank you. And this is my leg, and I'm still growing skin. My back is injured, and I like to swim

and I can't swim while I'm still growing back all this skin. How about the other missing evidence, when they took my medical marijuana they took a bottle, that was evidence. So that's another obstruction of justice maneuver here. Where is the property?

Greg Newsome: Good afternoon, Greg Newsome, I'm here, I'm going to break this up into a personal statement and into a statement based for my organization. I'm representing today Detroit People's Platform. We have members throughout the city, We have resisted project Greenlight since it was implemented. In fact, we have a policy not to meet in any areas where project green light is implemented and have been very vocal about resisting the facial recognition technology added into any of these systems. We believe the technology has a high potential for what we refer to as remote racial profiling. And we believe based upon the low accuracy rates for black and brown faces in the city that is majority black this is unfair and biased and could lead to biased practice. Putting a break there and speaking as a resident on the east side, I've lived on the east side of Detroit in my neighborhood since 2012. I have 3 children who are under 10, I feel that where money and importance need to be put on is addressing root causes here in our neighborhood. Helping out people with housing, putting money into infrastructure concerns. We're giving all this money away to large corporations who are coming in and actually doing more damage and increasing crime in my opinion in my neighborhood. So what we need to do is please, we need to do focus away from the surveillance and really get into good traditional crime fighting and really engaging in practices and policies that engage communities and address these root causes. That is apparent and as a citizen in the neighborhood is extremely important to me. So, I want to register both of those and we'll be back. I will say just very quickly, I am the only person on my team here who was willing to come down here today because we heard that we had to put our ID's in to get into the building. So, I really would like to recommend a hearing that's open following the open meetings act and making it so that all the folks who we work with feel comfortable to come here and make a comment about this. Thank you.

Motion to Adjourn, Darryl Brown, Second, William Davis.

Chairperson Carter adjourned the meeting at 5:18 PM.