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Andy Schor, Mayor

Board of Police Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Lansing Police Department – Headquarters
120 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933

The Board of Police Commissioners met in regular session and the meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Vice Chair Brewster.

Present: Commissioner Members: Bitely, Brewster, Cotton, Farhat, Milton and Omar. (Commissioner Omar arrived at 5:40 after roll call).

Also present: Chief Robert Backus, Deputy City Attorney Lisa Hagen-Lawrence.

Excused Absence: Commissioner Milton placed a motion to excuse the absence of Commissioners Jones and Watkins from this meeting; seconded by Commissioner Bitely.

By Vote: Yeas: 5 (Commissioner Omar was not present for vote)
Nays: 0

Public Attendees: 3

Roll call was taken and quorum was present.

Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Vice Chair Brewster.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None.

Additions To The Agenda:

Approval Of Agenda: Vice Chair Brewster moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Bitely made the motion to approve with Commissioner Farhat seconding the motion.

Consent Agenda: Vice Chair Brewster moved for approval of agenda items:

- a) Approval of Meeting Minutes: August 19, 2025.
- b) Approval of August Departmental Reports.

Vice Chair Brewster moved to approve the minutes. Commissioners Farhat made the motion with Commissioner Bitely seconding the motion.

By Vote:

Yeas: 6
Nays: 0

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION: Zencity

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT - Chief Robert Backus

LEGAL UPDATE – Deputy Assistant City Attorney, Lisa Hagen-Lawrence.

HUMAN RESOURCES – Commissioner Cotton.

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COMMISSION INVESTIGATOR REPORT: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Budget – No report.
- Government/Community Liaison Committee – No report.
- Awards and Incentives Committee – No report.
- Ad Hoc Committee – No report.
- Citizen Complaint Oversight Committee – No report.
- Recruitment and Hiring - No report.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS – (Informational)

PUBLIC COMMENT: One public comment.

ADJOURNMENT: Vice Chair Brewster requested to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Bitely made a motion and by Commissioner Farhat.

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