

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, JUDICIARY AND HOMELAND
SECURITY**

August 12, 2026

C – Minutes from the July 22, 2026 meeting

MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, JUDICIARY AND HOMELAND
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Wednesday, July 22, 2026 – 11:00 a.m.
Hearing Room 704, Guardian Building, 500 Griswold, Detroit, MI 48226 and on
Zoom.us

- A. Roll Call 11:04 a.m.
- Alex Garza (Chair) - Present
Melissa Daub (VC) - Present
Cara A. Clemente - Present
Angelique Peterson-Mayberry - Present
Allen R. Wilson - Excused
- B. Chair's remarks
- C. Peterson-Mayberry/Daub **Approved.** July 8, 2026 meeting minutes.
Motion Carried.
- Yeas -- Commissioners Garza, Daub,
Clemente, Peterson-Mayberry -- 4
- D. Unfinished business
- E. New business
- The Committee moved items E.1-5 together.
1. Clemente/Daub **Forwarded to Full Board to receive and file.**
Communication from Brian Rinehart, Chief of
Staff, Executive's Office, forwarding a report on
the operations and activities of the Violent
Crimes Joint Task Force for the period of June
28, 2019 through June 30, 2026, pursuant to
Enrolled Ordinance No. 2025-659, page 8, item
18. (2026-03-001) Motion Carried.
- Brian Rinehart provided an overview.
2. Clemente/Daub **Forwarded to Full Board to receive and file.**
Communication from Venita A. Terry, Chief of
Administration, Sheriff's Office, forwarding a
report comparing the results from Fiscal Year

2024-2025 to Fiscal Year 2025-2026 on Road Patrol operations and funding, including which communities are receiving Road Patrol services, the total cost for salaries, fringe benefits, gun and uniform allowances, vehicle maintenance and fuel, the amount that each community is paying the County, the amount that the County has received from the State in grants and the amount that the County has received in ticket revenue, pursuant to Enrolled Ordinance No. 2025-659, page 14, item 3. (2026-69-054) Motion Carried.

Venita Terry provided an overview.

There was a discussion regarding the deputies who are performing road patrol duties on overtime. Ms. Terry indicated that a budget adjustment to cover the overtime costs will be submitted to the Commission soon. The discussion also included determining which Detroit roads are patrolled by deputies.

3. Clemente/Daub

Approved. A comparable-source purchase order between the Charter County of Wayne and Sparta Chevrolet, Inc. (of Sparta) in the amount of \$131,897 for the purchase of a Cimarron head-to-head horse trailer for the Sheriff's Office Mounted Unit; the term will commence upon Commission approval through September 30, 2026; the cost will be charged to Account No. 40101 902130 9710060 (Sheriff Jail Capital Projects). (2026-71-018) Motion Carried.

Venita Terry provided an overview.

4. Clemente/Daub

Approved. A cooperative purchase agreement between the Charter County of Wayne and Berger Chevrolet, Inc. (of Grand Rapids) in the amount of \$192,936, through Michigan Department of Technology, Management, and Budget (MiDEAL) contract No. MA240000001191, to purchase three 2026 Chevrolet Tahoes for the Sheriff's Office; it will subcontract 9.74%/\$18,795 to Mark's Body Shop (of Grand Rapids) for light bars, LED lights, sirens and speakers; the term will commence upon Commission approval through September 30, 2026; the cost will be charged to Account No. 40101 902130 9710060 (Sheriff

Jail Capital Projects). (2026-71-019) Motion Carried.

Venita Terry provided an overview.

There was a discussion regarding Berger Chevrolet being the only MiDEAL Chevrolet dealership and the Sheriff's Office executive leadership team's preference for Chevrolet Tahoes. It was explained that replacement vehicles are rotated into the Sheriff's Office fleet, while older vehicles are either auctioned or assigned to reserve deputies. Future vehicle purchases will be made through Wayne County dealerships as comparable- or sole-source procurements, including LaFontaine Chevrolet.

5. Clemente/Daub

Approved. Retroactive Amendment No. 1 to a subaward agreement between the Charter County of Wayne and the Thomas M. Cooley Law School (of Lansing) not to exceed \$188,710, extending the term, to continue its Innocence Project to screen and bring to conclusion up to 250 cold cases involving claims of innocence where biological materials may be available for testing or retesting; the term is extended through September 30, 2026; the original term was from October 5, 2023 through September 30, 2025; the total amount is increased from \$340,090 to \$528,800; the cost will be charged to Account No. 10110 228030 8170010 (Postconviction Testing DNA). (2023-93-009M1) Motion Carried.

Tony Guerriero provided an overview.

There was a discussion regarding the use of Wayne State University for some related services.

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6. An overview of the Prosecutor's Office Juvenile Division by Prosecutor Kym Worthy

There was a presentation by Prosecutor Kym Worthy and Bob Heimbuch, Chief of the Prosecutor's Office Juvenile Division, regarding the differences between a judge and a referee. The discussion also addressed the evaluation of children with special needs, efforts to address truancy, and the provision of guidance to schools in several languages. It was noted that the Talk It Out program does not cost the

County anything. Additional topics included the effectiveness of care maintenance organizations and the recipients of delinquent child support payments.

- F. Such other matters as may be properly submitted before the Committee
- G. Public comments
- H. Adjournment

Daub/Clemente
Adjournment at 12:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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