

Police Commission Special Meeting
Tuesday, May 26th, 2026
Remote via Zoom and In-person in Contois Auditorium, City Hall
Burlington, Vermont
DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present: Chair Depper, Commissioner Ginorio, Commissioner Fast, Commissioner Finneran

Members Online: Commissioner Cox

Staff Present: Interim Chief Burke, Attorney Hayley McClenahan, Council President Ben Traverse, City Data Analyst Jeff Nicholson, Community Support Supervisor Anna Wageling, Command Staff Assistant Shibe Couchman online.

1. Agenda

1.1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Commissioner Depper.

1.2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Required quorum present.

1.3. Motions for Additions or Modifications to Agenda (Time Limited: 15 Minutes)

N/A

2. Adopt Minutes

2.1. Motion to Adopt Draft Minutes from May 12th, 2026

Chair Depper moves to adopt the previous meeting's minutes. Commissioner Ginorio seconds. Unanimously passed.

3. Public Forum (Time Limited: 10 Minutes)

3.1. The Public is Invited to Address the Commission

Councilor Grant comments virtually regarding the March 11th event and reminds everyone of balance and that not all have the same experience.

4. Police Department Business (Time Limited: 20 Minutes)

4.1 Chief's Report

Data Analyst Jeff Nicholson goes over the final 2025 data slideshow. The presentation is regarding Use of Force data.

5. Commission Business (Time Limited: 90 Minutes)

5.1. Committee Reports from All Committees

Complaints Committee – General Info
Animal Control Committee

5.2. Bylaws Discussion, Finalization

Chair Depper moves to approve bylaws, Commissioner Ginorio seconds. Passes unanimously.

5.3. Invitation Letter to Mayor and Council President

Chair Depper moves to adopt the letter. Commissioner Ginorio seconds. Passes.

5.4. Council President Traverse

Council President Traverse offers his input on the discussion of accessing Body-Worn Camera footage in relation to the Police Department and Police Commission.

5.5. DD45 Discussion

BPD Community Service Supervisor Anna Wageling present for any questions regarding the CAIP Directive. Chair Depper moves to approve. Commissioner Finneran seconds. Passes.

5.6. Commissioner Cox

Commissioner Cox asks if the Commission would want to / be willing to hear from a Riverside, CA Police Department around their mental health clinical workers and officers on how they work with / handle calls regarding individuals with mental health aspects. Commissioner Cox moves to have Riverside, CA PD individuals speak to the Commission in June. Chair Depper seconds. Passes unanimously.

5.7. Resolution re: Commission Audit Authority Resolution

Discussed to change the third whereas to have “to collaborate with”. Chair Depper moves to approve with this addition. Commissioner Ginorio seconds. Passes unanimously.

6. Commendations

N/A

7. Announcement of Next Meeting Date - June 23rd, 2026

8. Proposed Executive Session

8.1. Proposed Executive Session

Discussion of Personnel Discipline Matter and Use of Force Complaint

9. Adjournment

9.1. Motion to Adjourn

The Commission adjourned the public meeting at 7:24pm.