

CAPITAL OUTLAY AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 2, 2026
7:00PM

A Capital Outlay and Infrastructure Committee meeting was held on March 2, 2026, in the Council Chambers at Livonia City Hall.

Committee Members Present: Robin Persiconi, Chair
Martha Ptashnik, Vice Chair
Brandon McCullough, Member

Committee Members Absent: None

City Council Members Present: Kayleigh Reid, President
Patrick Brockway, Vice-President
Carrie Budzinski
Eileen McDonnell

**City Officials
and Others Present:** Maureen Miller Brosnan, Mayor
Aarica Smith, Dir. Govt. Affairs
Carter Fisher, City Attorney
Eric Goldstein, Interim City Attorney
Dave Varga, Chief of Staff
Benjamin Grier, Finance Director
Tom Goralski, Police Chief
Mark Taormina, Planning & Econ. Dev. Director
Tyler Vines, LPOA President

Additional attendees: See the attached list.

1. The subject matter of the construction of a new police station. (CR 38-26)

The meeting was convened at 7:00 PM and discussion was led by Robin Persiconi, Committee Chair.

This item is new. A motion was put forth in January 2026, to have the Administration offer a report and recommendation on the construction of a new police station.

Mayor Brosnan presented a plan to construct a new police station to replace the current 50+ year old facility. The location would be adjacent to the 16th District Court to enable officer-court proximity and would allow for continued operations of the current station during construction. The project scope, including costs and funding of the project, and a proposed timeline were presented and the presentation deck is a part of this packet for reference. The highlights of this presentation included a project cost of approximately \$48 million dollars to be funded through a general bond, monies in the capital improvement fund balance, a tax administration fee, and county, state and federal grants. Desired add-ons to the building itself include but are not limited to a parking garage and the demolition of the current facility. This would be at an additional cost of \$8.7 million dollars that could be secured via the above-described funding for a maximum cost of \$56 million dollars.

Police Chief Tom Goralski discussed concerns with the current facility, citing the buildings age and condition, foundational issues, and operational inefficiencies. He further discussed his participation in the new building design features, that highlighted four key design elements:

1. Better, more adaptable spaces with enhanced work environment including natural light and windows,
2. Efficient workflow layout organizing related functions in proximity,
3. Modern security and safety design with all-sight-line jail facility, and
4. Future-ready infrastructure with room for technology expansion.

Specific design improvements were also discussed including:

- A fitness area with proper ventilation
- A centralized property room with a single access point with proper security, and crime scene unit adjacent for efficient processing,
- Integrated property processing where officers bring prisoners in through locker facility, and officers transition out of a separate door near the property room, enabling efficient processing flow;
- Consolidating specialized units;
- Addressing female officer facilities,
- Creating a separate kitchen/break area, a separate report writing area, community room, and dedicated training area.

Police Chief Tom Goralski further discussed the overall benefit of a new building for officer retention and officer health and wellness on various levels and the positive impacts it would have for continued community engagement opportunities.

Livonia Police Officer Association President Tyler Vines discussed top priority areas of improvement based on officer feedback.

Director of Finance, Benjamin Grier spoke about the general bond process explaining the debt service amount, anticipated interest rates, and duration of bond.

City Attorney Carter Fisher spoke about the bonding process timeline and the resolutions that would be needed by council to move forward.

Residents spoke about their concerns and asked questions. Some of the topics discussed were site selection, access points, wetlands and environmental concerns.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

No committee recommendations were made.

Note: This item will remain in Committee for further discussion on March 11, 2026, at 7:00pm.

This meeting will be reported at the **Regular Meeting of March 23, 2026.**

Robin Persiconi

Robin Persiconi, Chair

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