

**MELROSE PLACE CRIME PREVENTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Tuesday, July 28, 2026, 6:00 p.m.
EBRPL - Eden Park Branch Library
5131 Greenwell Springs Rd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
 - a. The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call/ Confirmation of Quorum
 - a. Commissioners Present: Amy Pirtle Danageozian, Heather Devitt, Heidi Guercio, Alex Keys, and David West
 - b. Commissioners Absent: Robert Johson and Gerald Dean Scott
 - c. Members of the Public Present: Detective Jordon Lear (Managing Officer for the MPCPD patrol), Jim Culpepper, Arshag Danageozian, Erica Wells, Cliff Lewis, Harold Walker, Todd Turpin, Lynette Jackson, Annette Jackson, Valerie Spencer, David Pearce
3. Adoption and Approval of Minutes from the April 14, 2026 Meeting
 - a. The minutes were adopted and approved with no corrections or additions.
4. New Business
 - a. Consideration of the installation of additional stop signs throughout Melrose Place
 - i. Commissioner David West made a motion to take the discussion of the additional stop signs out of order. The first set of stop signs would be installed at the intersection of Parlange and Rosedown, creating a three-way stop. The second set of stop signs would be installed at the intersection of North Afton and North Leighton, creating a four-way stop.
 1. Commissioner Alex Keys seconded.
 2. The motion passed unanimously by members present.
 - ii. Commissioner David West reported that East Baton Rouge City/Parish rejected the installation of additional stop signs in Melrose Place subdivision.
 - iii. Commissioner David West moved to postpone the discussion of the installation of an additional stop sign at Parlange and Rosedown indefinitely.
 1. Secretary Heather Devitt seconded.
 2. Commissioner Alex Keys objected.
 3. The Board voted. Commissioner Heather Devitt voted yes. Commissioners Amy Pirtle Danageozian, Alex Keys, and David West voted no.
 4. The motion failed.
 - iv. Commissioner David West made a motion to postpone the discussion of the installation of an additional stop sign at North Afton and North Leighton until the October 22, 2026 MPCPD Board of Commissioners meeting.

1. Treasurer Heidi Guercio seconded.
 2. The motion passed unanimously by members present.
 - v. Commissioner David West made a motion to reconsider the postponement of the discussion of the installation of an additional stop sign at Parlange and Rosedown previously discussed by the Board.
 1. Secretary Heather Devitt seconded.
 2. The motion passed unanimously by members present.
 - vi. Commissioner David West made a motion to postpone discussion of the installation of an additional stop sign at Parlange and Rosedown until the October 22, 2026 MPCPD Board of Commissioners meeting.
 1. Secretary Heather Devitt seconded.
 2. The motion passed unanimously by members present.
5. Managing Officer Report
- a. Detective Jordon Lear reported that since March 1, 2026, there were 19 calls for service within the subdivision itself and 10 arrests, including 1 civil, 2 suspended, and 7 pending.
 - b. When asked about the effectiveness of license plate readers installed within the subdivision, Detective Lear reported that the readers helped solve three crimes. He noted that on average, the two readers scan 1,500 scans a day, 500 of which are unique.
6. Open Forum
- a. Commissioner Alex Keys, as well as some members of the public expressed concerns about speeding.
 - i. Detective Lear clarified that the readers were not capable of checking speeds.
 - ii. Members of the public suggested speed/radar signs, as well as “slow down” signs.
 - iii. Detective Lear noted that in his estimation, 95% of speeding violations in the subdivision were for residents.
 - b. A member of the public questioned what data from the license plate readers were shared to Flock Safety.
 - i. President Amy Pirtle Danageozian referred the member to the MPCPD Data Access Policy.
 - ii. Commissioner David West asked Detective Lear the value in the license plate readers.
 1. Detective Lear noted that if a crime would occur, the camera would be likely to have pictures of suspected vehicles.
 - iii. President Amy Pirtle Danageozian asked Detective Lear of the value of having a third license plate reader on Waverly.
 1. Detective Lear said the installation of two license plate readers (on Hermitage and North Afton) are likely enough of a deterrent.
 - c. The Board requested information about the patrol hours, as the officers on patrol appeared to be taking fewer shifts.
 - i. Detective Lear noted it was likely the pay rate but expressed that he was actively recruiting and not asking for a pay increase.

- d. A member of the public questioned whether adding a third camera would reduce the amount of patrol hours available to officers.
 - i. Treasurer Heidi Guercio noted that the budget would likely accommodate it due to the already reduced patrol hours.
- 7. New Business
 - a. President's report
 - i. President Amy Pirtle Danageozian reported that MPCPD was required to pay the East Baton Rouge Tax Assessor's Office for their services in placing the MPCPD fee on the East Baton Rouge tax rolls. President Danageozian signed the acceptance for the fee service request on June 8, 2026, and the District would be billed at \$1 per assessment in November.
 - b. Treasurer's report on 2nd Quarter of 2026
 - i. Treasurer Heidi Guercio reported that the MPCPD spent \$16,268.33 in the second quarter of 2026 and \$3,897.85 so far in this third quarter. Treasurer Guercio reported that the MPCPD currently had \$86,079.15 in its account.
 - c. Consideration of Flock Safety License Plate Reader Service contract renewal or expansion
 - i. Renewal of the Flock Safety License Plate Reader Service for existing two license plate readers
 - 1. Commissioner David West made a motion to approve the renewal of the MPCPD contract with Flock Safety for the existing two license plate readers on North Afton and Hermitage for an additional two years beginning in 2027.
 - a. Treasurer Heidi Guercio seconded.
 - b. The Board voted unanimously by members present in favor of renewing the contract.
 - ii. Expansion of the Flock Safety License Plate Reader Service for additional license plate reader
 - 1. Commissioner David West expressed fiscal concerns and motioned to postpone discussion of contracting with Flock Safety for an additional license plate reader on Waverly for two years beginning in 2027.
 - a. Commissioner Alex Keys seconded.
 - b. The motion passed unanimously by members present.
- 8. Announcements
 - a. The next MCA's Neighborhood Coffee & Donuts with BRPD Detective Jordon Lear on August 15th at 10 a.m. at 5342 N. Afton Pkwy.
 - b. The next MPCPD meeting: October 22, 2026.
- 9. Adjournment
 - a. The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

President

Date