



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: August 24, 2026

AGENDA ITEM: Consider vacating one seat on the Police Community Advisory Board and support efforts to fill the vacancy

PREPARED BY: Police Chief Andy Morgan

BACKGROUND:

In 2016 the City of Grand Rapids established the Police Community Advisory Board (PCAB) with the purpose of establishing and enhancing communication between Grand Rapids residents, the Police Department and City Council. The goal of the collaboration is to identify and focus on public safety issues and then partner with community leaders, community organizations and stakeholders in developing solutions to multi-faceted community concerns.

Sadly, PCAB Tom Neustrom passed away on July 5, 2026. Tom served on the board since its inception in 2016 and was always a strong supporter for advancing policing in Grand Rapids Community. Tom certainly fulfilled his duties as a PCAB member and will be greatly missed.

Keeping the PCAB roster accurate allows the board to meet quorum requirements set forth by Police Community Advisory Board Bylaws.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion to vacate the one seat on the Police Community Advisory Board and support efforts to fill the vacancy.