



**CITY OF LAWRENCE
Police Merit Commission**

*****REGULAR MEETING***
AGENDA**

**George Keller
Public Assembly Room
Lawrence Government Center
9001 E 59th St**

**May 11, 2026
6:00pm**

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Determination of Quorum

Comments of Commission Members

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on April 13, 2026

Unfinished Business

New Business

A. Filing of the background results

- Five candidates will advance to the Chiefs interview.

B. Filing of the Chief's interview results

- Five candidates will advance to the DVSA, Medical, and Psychological Exams.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Ronald Christensen
Appointing Authority: LPS
Term expires: 3.31.2027

Karen Horth-Powers
Appointing Authority: LPD
Term expires: 3.21.2029

Robert Hendrickson
Appointing Authority: Mayor
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C. Establish an eligibility list

- a. Establish an eligibility list of five candidates who pass background checks and are deemed acceptable, then proceed to the next phase of the hiring process, including DVSA, medical, and psychological exams.
- b. Request to extend conditional employment offers to five candidates who still demonstrate “good character.”
- c. Request that applicants who pass an updated background check and meet all requirements of the INPRS 1977 Fund become Probationary Officers to fill all four vacancies within the Department.

Comments of the Police Chief (if applicable)

Citizens’ Comments

Adjournment

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