

City of Chicago
DISTRICT COUNCIL #2
COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND
ACCOUNTABILITY

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING TYPE: Regular Special Closed

MEETING DATE: 9/17/2024

MEETING LOCATION AND ADDRESS: XS Tennis & Education Foundation
5336 S State St. Chicago, IL 60609

MEETING START TIME: 6:30 pm

1) Roll Call & Quorum Determination

OMA Meeting cannot take place without 2 of the 3 members present in person.

District Council Member Name	Attendance
Chair: Ephraim Lee	Present: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Remote: <input type="checkbox"/> Absent: <input type="checkbox"/>
Community Engagement: Alexander Perez	Present: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Remote: <input type="checkbox"/> Absent: <input type="checkbox"/>
Nominating Committee: Vacant	Present: <input type="checkbox"/> Remote: <input type="checkbox"/> Absent: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Quorum (2 out of 3 members): Yes: No:

2) Vote to Approve Minutes from Prior Meeting/Month:

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Councilor Lee and Councilor Perz, voted to approve the minutes from the council's August's meeting.

3) Speaker(s): Maggie Hickey - Independent Monitor for Consent Decree Compliance, & Norma Ramos – Senior Associate Director for Policy and Civic Engagement at UIC.

- Maggie Hickey, the independent monitor for the current consent decree which was approved in 2019 by Federal Judge Robert M. Dow and placed upon the Chicago Police Department, due to incessant lawsuits brought about from acts of police misconduct.

Maggie spoke at length about the consent decree and CPD's current completion status, including Preliminary Compliance: 88% (policies in place), Full Compliance: ~8% (policies being effectively implemented) and Independent Monitoring Reports (IMRs): 9 completed.

She also provided documentation and a power-point presentation, laying out the challenges faced by the department in achieving their goals due to poor staffing levels and an inability to increase their participation in community engagement.

4) Community Reports from District Councilors:

Chair (Councilor Lee)

- Councilor Lee addressed the following topics:
- CPD's current budget was \$1.9 million for 2024-2025, with a per capita spending of \$736 per Chicago resident. Further review showed that the budget is divided among the following departments:
- Bureau of Patrol: 68%
- Bureau of Counterterrorism: 11%
- Office of Constitutional Policing and Reform: 9%
- Office of the Superintendent: 6%
- Bureau of Detectives: 4%
- Bureau of Crime Control Strategies: 2%

Councilor Lee also elaborated on the current state of affairs within the 002 District, and the ongoing struggles being faced with collaboration and engagement with leadership of the district,

Community Engagement (Councilor Perez)

- Councilor Perez addressed the following topics:
- Feedback Solicitation:
- Public hearings scheduled for CCPSA budget review in November with multiple digital participation options.
- His ongoing commitment to mental health through Coffee, Hip Hop, and Mental Health, whose mission is to engage men aged 18-25 in positive mental health initiatives/outlets. Future plans include continuing to expand mental health sessions and community surveys.

Councilor Perez also informed the audience of the district's commitment to filling the current vacant councilor position through a thorough application process, which yielded five potential candidates who will be interviewed by the current sitting DC's on Sunday, the 22nd of September 2024.

Nominating Committee (Vacant)

- There were no reports from the nominating committee this month.

5) Discussions/Audience Participation/Feedback

Councilor Lee read the public comment from Zhenya Polozova, who is a member of Chicago Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression. Her emailed comment focused on the referendum for Community Power Over Policing, which would make the CCPSA commission dedicate 9 elected positions and 2 appointed positions and allow for a stronger presence during contract negotiations, among other things.

Other comments focused on the slow progress of implementing the consent decree, lack of CPD engagement in district council meetings, need for internal CPD surveys similar to military DEOCS surveys, and the importance of public pressure and accountability.

Further suggestions focused on increasing CPD presence in community meetings, the implementation of anonymous officer surveys to gauge the internal climate of the district, and a push to provide public education on CPD's history and current initiatives.

6) Votes

- Summary of Votes Taken: 1
- Approval of August monthly meeting minutes

8) Announcement of the next 2nd District Council meeting

- NEXT MEETING DATE: **10/17/24**
- NEXT MEETING LOCATION: **Washington Park Fieldhouse 5531 S Martin Luther King Dr. IL60637**

District Council ended the meeting at: 8:14 PM