

City of Chicago

District Council Meeting Minutes 018

COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Public Meeting

Meeting Date: 01/28/2025

Meeting Location: 18th District Police Station 1160 N Larrabee

Meeting Start Time: 6:05pm (Councilor Kessler called meeting to order)

Attendance and Quorum:

Chair:	Councilor	Brad Kessler	Present
Community Engagement:	Councilor	Karen Kane	Present
Nominating Committee:	Councilor	Robert Johnson	Present

In person Community Attendees: 29

CCPSA members: 2– Alise Buford COC and Anna Mangahas Project Manager

Public Officials – 3 DC’s

Quorum: YES

Councilor Kessler called motion to **approve** the below listed meeting minutes:

Councilor Kane voted YES

Councilor Johnson voted YES

The “Yes” stands and the December 17, 2024 Regular Public Meeting has been properly approved and accepted.

Councilor Kessler Update:

- We did an assessment of the 7 task forces; we will not continue with the task forces for 2025
- review of CCPSA Annual Goals

Councilor Kane Update:

- update on 2024 Court Advocacy cases
- review of CPD Compstat
- review of crime stats in the city/compared to 18th District
- new 18th District crime trends

Q/A with Commander Barz:

- Robbery/Burglary deployment during high crime hours in the entertainment corridor: Hubbard Street Clark and Division and around the protest area
- Helicopter unit deployed to increase solve rate

Public Comments:

Dana Levingston – As a resident of Cedar Street and CFO of the city of Chicago, I've noticed an increase in the drug problem around Clark and Division.

Mel Jones -Regarding the Recidivist Action Program, we would like CPD to consider this program in relation to the retail theft crimes in the 18th District.

Commander response: Over the next 6-12 months I will meet with you and review this program as a crime reduction strategy...lets discuss further offline.

Neighbor #3: What are you hearing from the ASA changes about retail thefts? There are spikes in crime around

Commander response: There is a difference in the way they are prosecuting, there has been an increase in the number of retail theft arrest/prosecutions. which is in alignment with 18th Districts Arrest efforts.

Councilor Kessler announced that the next meeting will take place on February 25th. Location and guest speaker are still being identified.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm