

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

**MEETING MINUTES**

MEETING TYPE:  Regular  Special  Closed

MEETING DATE: 6/22/2024

MEETING LOCATION AND ADDRESS: 3763 Wabash Ave, Chicago, IL, 60653 YMCA

MEETING START TIME: 2:00pm

**Attendance & Quorum**

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

<b>District Council Member Name</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
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: Julia Kline	Present: <input type="checkbox"/> Remote: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent: <input type="checkbox"/>

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

**Public Comment**

The following public comment was submitted via email and read aloud by the chair:

**Sheron Shapiro** – Good evening, Neighbors and Councilors

### Approval of Minutes

Councilor Perez asked if there are any corrections to the March minutes. There were none. A vote on the minutes was taken. Councilors Lee, Perez and Kline voted to approve the March minutes

### District Council Member Updates

#### **Chair (Ephraim Lee)**

- Councilor Perez spoke about the work being done in the Transparency and Accountability working group, and upcoming events regarding a parentship between the 2<sup>nd</sup> District Council and Coffee Hip-Hop and Mental Health.

#### **Community Engagement (Alexander Perez)**

Councilor Kline spoke about the following topics:

- Regarding Dexter Reed and the allegations of misconduct into the five officers involved in his killing, Councilor Kline submitted a FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request to COPA on 4/12, asking for any other allegations that these officers have been involved in before their interaction with Mr. Reed. She received the data on 4/14 and emailed her findings to all citywide District Councilors on 4/23.
- Her investigation discovered that out of the five officers involved in Reed's shooting (Thomas Spanos, Gregory St. Louis, Victor Pacheco, Aubrey Webb, Alexandra Giampapa), only 4 were recommended for suspension by COPA Chief Andrea Kersten. It was also learned that Officer Spanos was recently exonerated on a technicality for an allegation of use of force that happened while he was an officer in training 18 months ago and has been involved in six active COPA investigations since that action took place.
- Additionally, Councilor Kline's deep dive revealed that FOP President John Catanzara has called for CPOA Chief Kersten's firing, while CPD Superintendent Larry Snelling has expressed dismay about how quickly COPA released the videos.

#### **Nominating Committee (Julia Kline)**

- Councilor Lee spoke about the process of submitting 15 names to the mayor's office for consideration for the commission and that he hopes that the mayor's office will get the nominees seated as soon as possible.

### Discussions

- The Illinois Network for Pretrial Justice presented on the SAFET Act.

Old Business

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New Business

Votes

Summary of Votes taken: 3

- To approve the March meeting monthly meeting minutes
- To support Freedom2move coalitions mission to end pretextual traffic stops
- A vote to switch positions clockwise (Councilor Lee as new Chair, Councilor Perez and new Community Engagement, and Councilor Kline and Nominating Committee)

Announcement of the next 2<sup>nd</sup> District Council meeting

NEXT MEETING DATE: 7/25/24

NEXT MEETING LOCATION (if available): 5141 S State St. Chicago IL, 60609

District Council ended the meeting at: \_\_\_ 8:05pm \_\_\_\_\_