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Page 2 1 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I've muted the phone call now. So this is unorthodox for 2 3 everyone, I recognize that. Because we, in 4 theory, could have hundreds of people on the 5 call and there is no way for us to know, right now we are trying to do the best we can 6 7 do, using the technology that currently 8 exists. 9 And so as a result, what we are 10 going to do is we are first going to have our 11 typical meeting. What I would like to ask, 12 everyone who has joined the call, members of 13 the public, as well as board members, if you 14 can mute your telephones. There potentially 15 could be hundreds of people on the call right 16 now and it would be really difficult for us 17 to have a cogent conversation if we're 18 hearing a lot of background noise and people 19 are interrupting. 20 So we can try to make sure that 21 we do this in the most neighborly way 22 possible for everyone, I would like to ask everyone if they can mute their phones. 23 24 Steve Flores? Steve Flores, did

Page 3 you join the call? 1 2 BOARD MEMBER FLORES: Yes, sir. 3 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Okay, we are going to get started. This is Ghian Foreman, 4 5 president of the Chicago Police Board. I am calling this meeting to order. 6 7 To protect the public's health in 8 response to the COVID-19 outbreak and as 9 permitted by Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, Section 6, this meeting is 10 taking place entirely via audio conference. 11 12 This conference call is open to the public. At this time, I ask members of 13 14 the public to place their phones on mute so 15 that we can cut down on background noise. 16 Throughout this call, I will also be able to 17 mute everyone on the call so that we can minimize noise. I will let you know when I 18 19 am muting and unmuting all the participants 20 but myself. I will now mute participants. 21 We have a court reporter on the 22 phone so that we can have a transcript of 23 this call. Because we are on the telephone, I will take attendance so we have a record of 24

Page 4 who from the Police Board is participating in 1 this call. If you are on the call, please 2. 3 say here. I will now unmute so those that those in attendance can respond. 4 5 Police Board Vice President Paula Wolff. 6 7 VICE PRESIDENT WOLFF: Here. PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Board Member 9 Matthew Crowl. 10 BOARD MEMBER CROWL: Here, Ghian. 11 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Board Member 12 Michael Eaddy. 13 BOARD MEMBER EADDY: Here. PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Board Member Steve 14 15 Flores. 16 BOARD MEMBER FLORES: Here. 17 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Board Member Jorge 18 Montes. 19 BOARD MEMBER MONTES: Here. 20 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Okay, again, in 21 order for us to get through this meeting, 22 it's very important that all participants on 23 the call mute their phones. There will be an 24 opportunity for questions and answers and

Page 5 1 statements after the Police Board gets through its regular business meeting. 2 3 So if we are going to get through this, I kind of need everyone to take their 4 5 time and let's go in the right order. I'm going to go back to taking attendance at this 6 7 point. 8 Board Member John O'Malley. 9 BOARD MEMBER O'MALLEY: Here. 10 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Board Member Rhoda 11 Sweeney. 12 BOARD MEMBER SWEENEY: Present. 13 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Board member Andrea 14 Zopp. 15 BOARD MEMBER ZOPP: Here. 16 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Executive Director 17 Max Caproni. 18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CAPRONI: Here. 19 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I will now mute 20 participants. We will now proceed to the 2.1 items on the meeting agenda. We will have 22 time at the end of the call for public 23 comments. Until then, I ask all members of 24 the public not to comment and to keep your

- 1 phones on mute in order to reduce background
- 2 noise. After comments from the public and we
- 3 adjourn the meeting, I will stay on the line
- 4 and respond to questions from the media.
- 5 As you know, when there is a
- 6 vacancy in the position of the superintendent
- 7 of police, as defined by City ordinance, the
- 8 Police Board is responsible for nominating
- 9 three candidates for consideration by the
- 10 mayor.
- 11 The board began a national search
- 12 for a new superintendent on November 21st of
- 13 last year. We developed a detailed job
- 14 description, which was posted on our website
- 15 and sent to a diverse array of organizations,
- 16 including many community groups and
- 17 professional law enforcement associations.
- We also asked individual board
- 19 members to circulate the description through
- 20 their networks. Some board members attended
- 21 professional meetings attended by potential
- 22 candidates to encourage highly respected
- 23 people in the field to apply. Our intention
- 24 was to get as many qualified people as

- 1 possible to apply so we had a deep pool from
- 2 which to send candidates to the mayor.
- 3 Our application process was
- 4 designed to require each applicant to make a
- 5 detailed presentation of their experience and
- 6 leadership abilities based on the criteria
- 7 set out in the application. We wanted to
- 8 know as much about each applicant as we
- 9 could. What each had accomplished, what
- 10 obstacles they had overcome and what mistakes
- 11 they had made and what they had learned from
- 12 those mistakes.
- 13 An essential part of the search
- 14 process was a series of listening sessions
- 15 the Board held across the City. In addition
- 16 to three, two-hour town hall meetings we had
- in December on the south, west and north
- 18 sides of the City, board members and I met
- 19 with approximately 25 organizations.
- We heard directly from
- 21 Chicagoans, their views on the qualifications
- 22 and experience we should be looking for in
- 23 the next superintendent. And we brought this
- 24 invaluable community input into our

Page 8 interviews and deliberations.

- We set an application deadline of
- 3 January 13th and we received 25 applications.
- 4 As I mentioned at the January Police Board
- 5 public meeting, the applicants came from
- 6 within and outside of Chicago. And were
- 7 diverse in experience, gender and racial and
- 8 ethnic background.
- 9 The board members each reviewed
- 10 25 applications in which each candidate
- 11 addressed a series of questions about what
- 12 they had done in respect to the skills and
- 13 experiences the Board had determined, in
- 14 part, based on our community input, that are
- 15 essential to being a successful leader in the
- 16 Chicago Police Department.
- 17 These included building strong
- 18 community relations, reducing crime and
- 19 violence and developing strategies to build
- 20 the competence of the police force through
- 21 training and exposure to the most effective
- 22 policing practices.
- The board members then met in
- 24 executive session to discuss the 25

- 1 applicants and identify the most qualified
- 2 candidates. We conducted in-depth interviews
- 3 with nine candidates over several days in
- 4 late January. We then undertook a thorough
- 5 review of the candidates' professional
- 6 accomplishments and reputations.
- 7 We met and considered all of this
- 8 information as a group, blended it with our
- 9 personal insights, based on the interviews
- 10 with the candidates, and discussed how each
- 11 person fit the criteria that we had included
- in our original job description and what we
- 13 had heard from the community listening
- 14 sessions.
- We engaged in hours of
- 16 deliberations to identify the three
- 17 candidates best qualified for the position.
- 18 We will now take final action on the
- 19 selection of the nominees. I will now unmute
- 20 the participants.
- 21 Is there a motion to nominate the
- 22 following three candidates listed
- 23 alphabetically for the position of
- 24 Superintendent of the Chicago Police

Page 10 Department and to submit these nominations to 1 the mayor, David Brown, Ernest Cato III, 2 3 Kristen Ziman. VICE PRESIDENT WOLFF: This is Paula 4 5 Wolff, I would like to say so moved. BOARD MEMBER FLORES: This is Board 6 7 Member Flores. I second the motion. PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I will now call on 8 9 members of the Board for their votes. 10 Wolff. 11 VICE PRESIDENT WOLFF: Aye. 12 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Crowl. 13 BOARD MEMBER CROWL: Aye. 14 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Eaddy. 15 BOARD MEMBER EADDY: Aye. 16 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Flores. 17 BOARD MEMBER FLORES: Aye. 18 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Montes. 19 BOARD MEMBER MONTES: Aye. 20 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: O'Malley. 21 BOARD MEMBER O'MALLEY: Aye. 22 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Sweeney. 23 BOARD MEMBER SWEENEY: Aye. 24 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Zopp.

Page 11 1 BOARD MEMBER ZOPP: Aye. PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I also vote in 2. 3 favor of the motion. Voting in favor are 4 Board Members wolf, Crowl, Eaddy, Flores, 5 Montes, O'Malley, Sweeney, Zopp and myself. The motion passes by unanimous vote. 6 7 A press release and information on the three nominees are available in the 8 9 news section on the Police Board website, 10 ChicagoPoliceBoard.org. As required by the Illinois Open 11 12 Meetings Act, we will now have time for comments from the public. I will call upon 13 14 those members of the public who signed up in 15 advance to speak. As I call your name, 16 please unmute your phone. Each speaker will 17 have up to two minutes to make comments. 18 I would like everyone -- I would 19 like to ask everyone to please mute your I'll call on the members of the 20 phones. 21 public who signed up in advance to speak. 22 A VOICE: People don't know how to mute 23 their phones. 24 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I don't know how to

- 1 tell you how to use your phone. I have an
- 2 iPhone so I know how to tell you how to do it
- 3 on an iPhone.
- In order for this to work, in
- 5 order for us to have a question and answer or
- 6 a comment period, we are going to have to be
- 7 respectful of each other, and so let's please
- 8 let's try this, otherwise I'm going to have
- 9 to adjourn the meeting and no one will have
- 10 an opportunity to speak.
- 11 So I'm going to ask us to work
- 12 together as neighbors, as Chicagoans. We
- 13 are -- this is a chance, a good opportunity
- 14 for us to work together right now as one
- 15 City. So let's please let's try to refrain
- 16 from comments while others are speaking.
- 17 The first speaker I'm going to
- 18 call on is Tyrone Muhammad. Tyrone Muhammad?
- 19 Okay. Next speaker Joelle Rodriguez. I'm
- 20 sorry, Joelle, I apologize, you are going to
- 21 have background noise. I will try to repeat
- 22 the question and put everyone on mute.
- 23 (Inaudible.)
- 24 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: So I just muted the

- 1 phone, just so I could repeat the question.
- 2 So the question was, based on the candidates
- 3 that we put forward, what is their experience
- 4 or what are their views on non-cooperation
- 5 with ICE as it relates to undocumented
- 6 residents of Chicago.
- 7 I'm going to ask Jorge Monte,
- 8 Board Member Montes to handle this question.
- 9 I am going to unmute now.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MONTES: This is member
- 11 Jorge Montes. With all our candidates that
- 12 was the first question I asked them each.
- 13 Can you hear me?
- 14 (Inaudible.)
- 15 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: If I mute everyone,
- 16 then they won't be able to hear you, I will
- 17 be the only one.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER MONTES: Can I speak
- 19 again?
- 20 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Yeah, can you just
- 21 say it again, please.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MONTES: Okay. This is
- 23 Board Member Jorge Montes and during our
- 24 interviews, we made sure to ask each

- 1 candidate what level of commitment they had
- 2 to insuring that Chicago's Sanctuary City
- 3 Ordinance be respected.
- 4 And so we went fairly in-depth
- 5 with each candidate and we got a great sense
- 6 of commitment from all three of the finalists
- 7 that they would be engaged with this issue
- 8 and that they were committed to respecting
- 9 our City's status as a Sanctuary City.
- 10 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
- 11 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Thank you. Next
- 12 speaker, Sandi Schneller.
- 13 MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: This is Sandi
- 14 Schneller --
- 15 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: We can hear you,
- 16 but it is going to be really difficult, you
- 17 have to kind of shout.
- 18 MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: I have no
- 19 background noise. There is no noise in my
- 20 background.
- 21 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: We have potentially
- 22 hundreds of calls.
- MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: Okay, here is my
- 24 question. I had an opportunity to converse

- 1 with many of the residents from 10 of the 50
- 2 wards of Chicago. Now the common concern
- 3 indicated was to decrease crime.
- 4 Now, with shelter in place
- 5 because of COVID-19, there is a reduction in
- 6 crime across our City. But once we return to
- 7 our lives (inaudible). That said, in the
- 8 first 120 days on the job, what is your plan
- 9 that would be at the (inaudible).
- 10 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: So the question
- 11 was, has there been a reduction of crime
- 12 right now, as a result of the shelter in
- 13 place. We're not in a position to answer
- 14 that. Our responsibility of the Police Board
- is to identify three candidates for the mayor
- 16 to ultimately select the superintendent.
- 17 So that probably would be a
- 18 better question for current Interim
- 19 Superintendent Beck or the new
- 20 superintendent, but I don't know that the
- 21 Police Board is in a position to answer that
- 22 question.
- MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: That was not my
- 24 question. That was not the question.

Page 16 1 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Can you repeat question? We are having a really difficult 2 3 time hearing you, so we're trying our best. 4 MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: In the first 120 5 days of the job, what is your plane to mitigate crime in our 77 communities? 6 7 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I'm sorry, I can't understand -- we're going to have to go to 8 9 the next question. 10 A VOICE: Excuse me, is there a way --11 excuse me. I know that this is difficult, 12 but the only way that this is going to work 13 and people are going to be able to hear is if 14 everybody is muted and the only person that 15 is not muted is the person that is speaking. 16 Is there a way to do that through 17 the conference call system that you're using? Usually they tell you how participants can 18 19 mute and unmute and you don't do it by your 20 phone. But if everybody is unmuted at the 21 same time, you're never going to hear 22 everybody. It should be the exact opposite, 23 where the only person that is speaking is 24 unmuted.

- 1 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I agree with you
- 2 fully. This is only our second time trying
- 3 this system we are using. I do not have that
- 4 as one of the instructions, allowing people
- 5 to mute and unmute. They have to use their
- 6 individual phone to do it.
- 7 A VOICE: The conference call tells you
- 8 what to do, usually it's star 6 or 7. I
- 9 tried it and it doesn't work.
- 10 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Once again, again,
- 11 I am currently looking at the instructions
- 12 from the conference call system. I only have
- 13 options to mute and unmute everybody but
- 14 myself, so we are going to have to work
- 15 together.
- I recognize that this is new for
- 17 us. We have all been on Zoom calls all week
- 18 and Face Time. So right now, we are going to
- 19 have to use old fashioned courtesy, cover
- 20 your phone with your hand, put it on mute,
- 21 somehow, for us to be able to get through
- 22 this. I am going to unmute again and I am
- 23 going to call on speakers.
- 24 Carol Maher.

- 1 MS. CAROL MAHER: Hi, it's Carol Maher.
- 2 I was wondering if you have a timeline on
- 3 when the mayor will be making this decision
- 4 and is this time of crisis, is this the right
- 5 time to be considering such a large change to
- 6 our structure?
- 7 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: So the question was
- 8 do we know the time of when the mayor is
- 9 going to make her final decision from the
- 10 three candidates and is this the right time?
- 11 When we originally set out, Mayor
- 12 gave us a big task, to have this done by
- 13 March. That was absolutely what our plan was
- 14 when the pandemic struck. It was our
- 15 intention to release names at our board
- 16 meeting a couple of weeks ago. But because
- 17 this has been -- everything was kind of
- 18 breaking with the pandemic, we decided to
- 19 have the meeting via telephone conference,
- 20 much like this one.
- 21 At the time nobody knew how long
- 22 this thing was going to last or anything like
- 23 that. So we made a decision to postpone it
- 24 and let's see what happens and there would be

- 1 an opportunity for us to actually have a
- 2 press conference.
- 3 Time went by and we saw that this
- 4 thing wasn't going to end and we thought that
- 5 this was an important decision enough that we
- 6 should make the announcement now, for the
- 7 mayor and the Police Board to try to solidify
- 8 the plans for picking -- CPD to identify the
- 9 leader for the future.
- 10 MS. CAROL MAHER: Thank you. I hope
- 11 this is a good transition time with the
- 12 interim superintendent, who seems to be doing
- 13 a rock star job, for the handoff and
- 14 especially because of, you know, it being in
- 15 the middle of the summer and all the
- 16 pandemic, so I hope that you do get a good
- 17 handoff time, transition from one to the
- 18 other. And thank you for taking my question.
- 19 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Thank you, very
- 20 much. Next speaker, LeVon Stone.
- MR. LEVON STONE: Thanks again to the
- 22 police board for this opportunity. My name
- 23 is LeVon Stone, Senior. I'm the CEO and
- 24 founder of a 501(c)(3) non-for-profit

- 1 organization that does violence prevention
- 2 work at five level one trauma centers and we
- 3 work in two communities, which is Washington
- 4 Park and Grand Crossing. And we are in
- 5 support of the mayor, whichever one the
- 6 Mayor's decision is on who is going to be the
- 7 next superintendent.
- 8 But I would like to ask, I think
- 9 that one of the qualities that we are hoping
- 10 that either one of the candidates is, is
- 11 going to have a ground base on working with
- 12 communities and community partners to prevent
- 13 violence on the front end. Thank you.
- 14 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Thank you very
- 15 much. So just to kind of follow-up, the same
- 16 way we did with Rodriguez, Board Member
- 17 Eaddy, would you like to comment on that?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EADDY: Could you restate
- 19 it?
- 20 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I'll do it, I'll do
- 21 it Reverend Eaddy.
- 22 So basically yes, that was one of
- 23 the major questions that we had. We heard --
- 24 I'm going to mute so everyone can hear.

Page 21 1 During our community listening session, the building a relationship between 2. 3 the police and community is one of the major 4 things that we heard. As well as the police 5 department rebuilding its culture and trust and that kind of thing, we heard that from 6 7 police officers. And so that is one of the 8 9 questions that we absolutely heard. We think 10 that there is a possibility -- I mean, we know for a fact that all of them do have 11 12 current experience with dealing with 13 community and outreach organizations, as well. 14 15 I just got a text message from 16 Alderman David Moore, he said he just tried 17 this. So I'm going to ask everyone, if you can press star 6 on your phone, that will 18 19 mute you. And then if I call your name, you 20 can press star 6 to unmute. Thank you, very 2.1 much, Alderman Moore. So we are going to try 22 that, I am going to unmute everyone right 23 now. 24 Can we have everyone star 6 mute?

- 1 Thank you.
- 2 MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: I want to ask my
- 3 question again.
- 4 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Absolutely, we can
- 5 do that.
- 6 MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: Thank you.
- 7 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I am going to give
- 8 everybody an opportunity. So it's a lot more
- 9 quiet. Sandy Schneller, can you ask your
- 10 question again, please.
- 11 MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: Thank you, very
- 12 much for revisiting this.
- As I was saying, just prior to
- 14 COVID-19 I had an opportunity to converse
- 15 with residents from 10 of the 50 wards of
- 16 Chicago. The primary thread concern emanated
- 17 was to decrease crime.
- 18 Now, the shelter in place since
- 19 COVID-19 has seen a reduction of crime across
- 20 our city. Now, once when we return to our
- 21 lives we may be filled with crime. That
- 22 said, here is the question: In the first 120
- 23 days of the job, what will be the plan that
- 24 will be at the crux to mitigate crime in our

Page 23 1 City? 2 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Is the question 3 what is the plan to keep crime at a lower 4 rate? 5 MS. SANDI SCHNELLER: Yeah, to reduce this crime, not to keep it at the rates we 6 7 have now. But we need to be cognizant of overall. Because that is one of the major 8 9 concerns that is threading through our 10 communities. 11 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Similar to the way 12 I answered before, I'm not sure that the 13 Police Board is in a position to answer that. 14 That probably is a question that is better 15 suited for Interim Chief Beck or whoever the 16 superintendent is. I would have to make an 17 assumption. 18 We asked the question about how 19 would you develop your plan to reduce crime? 20 As well as some other things, other than just 2.1 crime. What's your plan to build 22 relationships? What is your plan to provide 23 resources and training to the CPD? 24 So I'm not sure the Police Board

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is prepared to answer the question about what

- 2 the superintendent's plan will be, but I
- 3 think that when the mayor makes her
- 4 selection, we will all, as residents of the
- 5 City of Chicago, get to hear from the new
- 6 superintendent on what their plan is.
- 7 And hopefully we all get an
- 8 opportunity to work with the new
- 9 superintendent to make sure we all do our
- 10 part in keeping crime down. Thank you very
- 11 much for your question.
- 12 Next speaker is Reagan Peabody.
- MR. REAGAN PEABODY: That's me, I'm
- 14 right here, I got it. My question is, 60
- 15 percent of the time between 2005 and 2015 the
- 16 superintendent of the City of Chicago
- 17 recommended that police officers be fired.
- 18 You, the Police board, turned
- 19 around 60 percent of the time and rehired or,
- 20 in fact, kept that officer on. Why is it
- 21 that the superintendent's decision is not the
- 22 one you go with? Why turn around 60 percent
- 23 of the time?
- 24 And one more question, too. It

- 1 looks like Flores has not voted 28 percent of
- 2 the time. If he's not voting 28 percent of
- 3 the time, if he does not have time to be on
- 4 the police board, would he please step down
- 5 and give it to somebody who does have time
- 6 more. Because more than one out of every
- 7 four votes he's not voting.
- 8 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: So, first, I'm not
- 9 sure where you got the statistics from about
- 10 the one every four times. You know, there
- 11 are --
- MR. REAGAN PEABODY: That's on CPD --
- 13 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Let me answer your
- 14 question. There are times when board members
- 15 have to recuse themselves, right? And so
- 16 that could potentially be one of the reasons
- 17 why. Board members can only miss two board
- 18 meetings. So sometimes it could be because
- 19 of work or whatever the situations is.
- I can't necessarily recall times
- 21 when board members missed or haven't voted on
- 22 meetings and things like that. I'm not sure
- 23 where you got your information.
- MR. REAGAN PEABODY: It still has

- 1 Eva-Dina Delgado on there --
- 2 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Let me finish
- 3 answering. So as far as the ordinance, the
- 4 City of Chicago ordinance, it gives -- the
- 5 superintendent does not have the ability to
- 6 punish the police officers, it's the Police
- 7 Board's responsibility and it's very similar
- 8 to a trial, a court trial.
- 9 The Police Board gets information
- 10 from both sides. It could be from the police
- 11 department, it can be from a COPA
- 12 investigation. It can come from a lot of
- 13 different -- and that police officer also has
- 14 representation. He gets to tell his side of
- 15 the story, right? He has an attorney
- 16 representing him. The police officer has
- 17 somebody representing them as well.
- 18 And so evidence is presented.
- 19 Police Board --
- 20 MR. REAGAN PEABODY: I understand how
- 21 it goes. I understand how it goes. I'm
- 22 asking you, how come 60 percent of the time
- 23 you went against the superintendent's advice?
- 24 The superintendent --

- 1 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I would strongly
- 2 recommend going back and taking a look at
- 3 some of the decisions that the Police Board
- 4 has written. Those decisions that you have
- 5 questions about, they are clearly detailed
- 6 why we make the decision that we make.
- 7 MR. REAGAN PEABODY: I understand.
- 8 Honestly, I was asking for Judge Sweeney to
- 9 answer it, because the professor at
- 10 Northwestern said it's run amok, it's a due
- 11 run amok.
- 12 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Well, I don't know
- 13 that I would necessarily agree with that.
- 14 But so thank you very much.
- 15 MR. REAGAN PEABODY: I'm not saying you
- 16 are, I'm asking Member Sweeney, Judge
- 17 Sweeney.
- 18 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: We are going to
- 19 keep moving for the purpose of time. So
- 20 thank you.
- 21 The next question is Anthony C
- 22 Hawkins. Okay, the next is not a name, but
- 23 it's a name of an organization, I guess. I'm
- 24 going to ask if you would like to ask your

- 1 question now or if you would like to ask your
- 2 question during the media time, Chicago PD
- 3 Transparency.
- 4 A VOICE: Hi, I'm here. Can you hear
- 5 me?
- 6 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I can hear you.
- 7 Would you like to ask your question now or
- 8 would you like to ask during the media time?
- 9 A VOICE: I'll just ask now. Just
- 10 listening to the names of the next
- 11 superintendent, my only thought is civilian
- 12 oversight is the only answer.
- I wanted to read a speech I wrote
- 14 to you years ago. And as you know, CPD
- 15 targeted people just for signing up to speak.
- 16 Instead, I'm just going to post it on my You
- 17 Tube channel and invite you to take a look.
- 18 My you tube channel is Chicago PD
- 19 Transparency. Thank you very much. That's
- 20 my comment.
- 21 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Thank you. Next
- 22 speaker Frank Spizz. Next speaker, Aaron
- 23 Gottlieb.
- MR. AARON GOTTLIEB: My question is, I

- 1 want to follow up on the issue of community
- 2 policing. This was a big thing that was part
- 3 of the selection process. I want to know if
- 4 you can share any specifics that the three
- 5 people that are moving forward in the process
- 6 said about how they would actually police the
- 7 community.
- 8 And also whether any of them
- 9 expressed ideas of how the public has a say
- 10 in the actual policymaking process for police
- 11 policy. Thanks so much for taking my
- 12 question.
- 13 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Thank you, great
- 14 question. We are not going to talk about any
- of the specifics of any candidate. But they
- 16 certainly all have relevant experience. We
- 17 will be putting out the resume, as well as
- 18 the videos that were submitted where some of
- 19 the questions -- where they answered the
- 20 questions to this.
- 21 And so you will be able to --
- 22 this is an interesting technology time, so
- 23 I'm not exactly sure when we will be able to
- 24 upload the videos, but we are going to get

- 1 the videos uploaded so you can hear directly
- 2 from the candidates their thoughts on
- 3 community relations, as well as a couple of
- 4 other issues.
- 5 Next speaker Esther Bloch.
- 6 MS. ESTHER BLOCH: My question is, you
- 7 had said that the Board has spoken with the
- 8 communities from where the different
- 9 candidates work. So I'm wondering if you
- 10 went out to marginalized communities in
- 11 Aurora and in Dallas and actually talked with
- 12 community members on what their thoughts were
- 13 on their -- on the two different candidates.
- 14 And who in Dallas and Aurora did
- 15 you all, at the Police Board, talk to to find
- 16 out more what their communities thought about
- 17 the candidates.
- 18 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Sure. I'm not at
- 19 liberty to say exactly who we talked with,
- 20 but absolutely we did due diligence and we
- 21 are able to speak with, you know, in a lot of
- 22 different places, not just in Dallas, Aurora
- 23 and Chicago, But other people who had
- 24 relationships with the candidates that we

- 1 ultimately selected.
- 2 And we felt good that these --
- 3 the candidates that we chose had relevant
- 4 experience, were qualified to actually deal
- 5 with some of the issues that we heard that
- 6 the City of Chicago said were some of the
- 7 most important issues for them.
- 8 MS. ESTHER BLOCH: And then if I could
- 9 just ask, did you actually speak to community
- 10 members who live in areas where these people,
- 11 you know, were policing? Or was it just
- 12 organizations?
- 13 Because everybody is talking
- 14 about community oversight is very important
- 15 in Chicago. And the way to find out how you
- 16 think a prospective superintendent has done
- 17 that and has worked with the community would
- 18 have been to have spoken with community
- 19 members, from the communities from where they
- 20 now currently work. So my question is, did
- 21 you reach out?
- 22 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: We did that.
- 23 Absolutely, we did that.
- Next speaker, Victoria Grace.

Page 32 1 MS. VICTORIA GRACE: Hi. Given the present pandemic crisis, we demand that you, 2 3 as a Chicago Police Board, stop the hiring process of the superintendent so public 4 attention is rightfully diverted. 5 We demand that the Chicago Police 6 7 Board call on Governor Pritzker to depopulate 8 our jails by taking the necessary executive 9 action to free Darrell Reed and all the 10 elderly, wrongfully convicted, tortured and 11 medically vulnerable people from jails 12 immediately. (Inaudible.) A VOICE: I second that motion. 13 14 A VOICE: Third. 15 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I am going to ask 16 someone to mute their phones. Someone has 17 their phone --Excuse me, can I just make a 18 A VOICE: 19 suggestion. If you mute everybody -- sir, if you mute everybody and just have the person 20 21 speaking unmute, it will not be a problem. 22 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: If I can do that, I 23 would have done that a long time ago. 24 A VOICE: If you can mute everybody,

- 1 just like the alderman said, they can
- 2 individually unmute themselves and then
- 3 speak.
- 4 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Next speaker is
- 5 Lucinda Hall.
- 6 MS. LUCINDA HALL: Hello?
- 7 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Yes, Lucinda Hall.
- 8 MS. LUCINDA HALL: Yes. Thank you for
- 9 taking my question. The superintendent will
- 10 have to make (inaudible). In my opinion, as
- 11 a Chicago resident, I believe that, from a
- 12 person that has been with the department
- 13 would be -- would have the authority and
- 14 knowledge of the Chicago Police Department to
- 15 appoint the right people to the right jobs.
- 16 Which candidate does the Board
- 17 think has the most intimate knowledge, in
- 18 your opinion, that can successfully implement
- 19 his or her policies appropriately?
- 20 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Well, the Police
- 21 Board's role is to select three candidates,
- 22 all right. We selected the three best
- 23 candidates that we think are the best
- 24 criteria for what we heard. The mayor now

- 1 has the hard job --
- 2 A VOICE: You have to mute everybody so
- 3 we can hear you.
- 4 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: So the question
- 5 was, who does the Police Board think has the
- 6 best probability of making the change that is
- 7 necessary inside the police department.
- 8 And so the answer is that the
- 9 Police Board -- our job is to select the top
- 10 three candidates and it's the mayor's job to
- 11 interview those candidates and look at their
- 12 background and think about where the
- 13 Department is going to go and then it's the
- 14 mayor's job to select the one candidate.
- 15 So we didn't have to get into a
- 16 question or answer period or deliberation
- 17 about which was the one best candidate, our
- 18 job was to select the three best candidates
- 19 and that was what we did. Thank you.
- Because we are on the phone, I
- 21 just want to go back and make sure I didn't
- 22 miss anyone. Tyrone Muhammad?
- MR. TYRONE MUHAMMAD: I'm here. Hello,
- 24 can you hear me?

Page 35 1 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Yes, I can hear 2 you. 3 MR. TYRONE MUHAMMAD: Thank you for 4 allowing me to speak. Historically, as we 5 all know, black communities haven't had the best relationship with CPD. And as someone 6 7 who has been on both sides of law, in my current vocation, it is imperative here that 8 9 the mayor and the City of Chicago get this 10 right. We have to get this right. Therefore, I support this 11 12 initiative and I would (inaudible) for 13 whomever the superintendent is, if only the 14 mayor, CPD and others would so see the value 15 of having men like myself at that table. And 16 like the other said, in order to stop this 17 violence, it's not coming from the police 18 department, it's coming from grass roots 19 organizations that is out in these streets 20 and communities and actually touching and 2.1 understanding the culture of these young men 22 and what's going on. 23 So at the end of the day, 24 violence needs to stop and that is one of the

- 1 ways that we will be able to do that. So I
- 2 be there to listen as well as support. We
- 3 have to get this right. Thank you.
- 4 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Thank you very
- 5 much. Mark Carter.
- 6 MR. MARK CARTER: Yeah, this is Mark
- 7 Carter. How are we to have any confidence
- 8 that the mayor is going to go --
- 9 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: This is not Mark
- 10 Carter.
- 11 MR. MARK CARTER: The last mayor turned
- 12 up his nose at everyone --
- 13 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: I know Mark
- 14 Carter's voice. He is a regular speaker at
- 15 the board meetings, that is not Mark Carter.
- The next and final speaker is
- 17 George Blakemore. George Blakemore.
- 18 A VOICE: Given the present pandemic
- 19 crisis we demand that you, the Chicago Police
- 20 Board, hold the hiring process of the --
- 21 (Cross talk.)
- 22 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: All members of the
- 23 public who have signed up in advance to speak
- 24 have been recognized. We will now adjourn

Page 37 1 the meeting. After we adjourn, I will stay 2. on the line and be available for questions 3 from the media. 4 Media, if the call -- if we are 5 unable to do this, please contact Max Caproni and we will set up an opportunity for us to 6 7 do a question and answer period. So I'm 8 going to unmute now. Do we have a motion to 9 adjourn the meeting? 10 VICE PRESIDENT WOLFF: So moved. PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Is there a second? 11 12 Board Member Flores. 13 BOARD MEMBER FLORES: Second. 14 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: All in favor? 15 (Chorus of ayes.) 16 PRESIDENT FOREMAN: Any opposed? The 17 motion passes and the meeting is now adjourned. As I mentioned, I will now stay 18 19 on the line, assuming that it's a civil 20 meeting and be available for questions from 2.1 the media. Thank you very much. 22 (End of meeting at 4:45 p.m.) 23 24

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