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MAYOR EMANUEL APPOINTS THREE NEW MEMBERS TO THE CHICAGO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today introduced to City Council the appointment of three new members to the Chicago Community Development Commission (CDC), and has reappointed two members of the CDC. The CDC recommends actions to the City Council on the establishment of new Tax Increment Financing districts, Redevelopment Area designations, and appointment to the Community Conservation Councils.

"Throughout their careers, these individuals have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to serving communities across Chicago," said Mayor Emanuel. "Our new members and latest appointees have been tapped to play a key role in leading critical work and development that will both revitalize our city, and improve the quality of life for residents in every neighborhood."

The following people have been appointed or reappointed to serve on the CDC:

- Nicholas Delgado, Founder and Principal of Dignitas
- Mae Whiteside, Principal at CKL Engineers, LLC
- Dwight Curtis, Vice Chairman of Labelmaster (previously serving as President for 23 years) and President of the Peterson and Pulaski Business and Industrial Council
- Jorge Perez (reappointment), Executive Director of the Hispanic American Construction Industry Association (HACIA)
- Roxanne Ward (reappointment), Chief of Staff for the Women's Business Development Center

The new appointments will join the fellow members on the CDC in recommending actions on the sale of city-owned property located in TIF districts or redevelopment areas, and the provision of TIF financing to assist private redevelopment projects.

Mayor Emanuel also announced that Jorge Perez, the CDC's current Vice Chair, will take over as Chair, replacing Marina Carrott, who is stepping down from the position this summer.

The appointments introduced today will be considered by City Council at a later date.

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