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**COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
FOR ALL MEETINGS HELD IN SEPTEMBER 2020**



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**COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2, 2020**

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations submits the following Monthly Rule 45 Report for September 2, 2020.

**Date, Time &
Location of
Meeting:**

On September 2, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations held a meeting via video conference, in Chicago, Illinois.

Attendance:

The following members were virtually present at the September 2, 2020 Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting: Chairman Dowell (3), Vice-Chair Silverstein (50), King (4), Hairston (5), Sawyer (6), Mitchell (7), Harris (8), Sadlowski-Garza (10), Thompson (11), Quinn (13), Moore (17), Curtis (18), O'Shea (19), Brookins (21), Rodriguez (22), Tabares (23), Scott (24), Burnett (27), Ervin (28), Taliaferro (29), Reboyras (30), Waguespack (32), Austin (34), Ramirez-Rosa (35), Villegas (36), Mitts (37), Sposato (38), Napolitano (41), Reilly (42), Smith (43), Tunney (44), Cappleman (46), and Osterman (48).

The following member(s) were not present at the September 2, 2020 Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting: Cardenas (12)

The following non-members were virtually present at the September 2, 2020 Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting: Lopez (15), Coleman (16), and Cardona (31).



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The Committee on the Budget and Government Operations addressed the following items:

Approval of the July 2020 Monthly Rule 45 Reports for the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations.

APPROVED IN COMMITTEE 09/02/20

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE DURING THE JULY 22, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

- 1. An ordinance concerning an allocation of Neighborhood Opportunity Fund grant to Little Village Business Incubator LLC for Xquina Business Incubator at 3523-3525 W. 26th St. (O2020-3939) 22nd Ward**

**PASS COMMITTEE 09/02/20
PASS CITY COUNCIL 09/09/20**

- 2. An ordinance authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement with the Chicago Housing Authority regarding the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to conduct environmental reviews. (O2020-3946)**

**PASS COMMITTEE 09/02/20
PASS CITY COUNCIL 09/09/20**

- 3. A substitute ordinance concerning an amendment to the Annual Appropriations Ordinance Year 2020 within fund No. 925 for Office of the Mayor, Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, Department of Public Health, Department of Family and Support Services, Office of Emergency Management and Communications, Department of Fire and Chicago Public Library. (SO2020-3913)**

**SUBSTITUTE PASS COMMITTEE 09/02/20
SUBSTITUTE PASS CITY COUNCIL 09/09/20**



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REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE DURING THE AUGUST 21, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

- 4. A substitute resolution, introduced by Alderman Raymond Lopez – 15th Ward, concerning the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations to hold subject matter hearings on public safety in the City of Chicago. (SR2020-594)**

**SUBSTITUTE PASS COMMITTEE 09/02/20
SUBSTITUTE PASS CITY COUNCIL 09/09/20**



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Chairman Dowell called the virtual meeting to order pursuant to applicable law and determination that attendance by remote means is necessary because an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent due to the declared public health disaster cause by COVID-19, the meeting is conducted by video conference. Chairman Dowell took a roll call to establish a quorum and a quorum was established. Chairman Dowell opened the floor to begin the public comment period and explained the procedures for public comment. With no public speakers signed up to speak, Chairman Dowell closed the public comment period.

Alderman Dowell called for review and approval of the July 2020 Monthly Rule 45 Reports for the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations. There were no questions from committee members or non-members. Alderman Reilly made a motion to approve the reports which was approved by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum.

Chairman Dowell moved to item number 1 on the agenda, an allocation of Neighborhood Opportunity Fund Grant for Xquina Business Incubator at 3523-3525 W. 26th St. (O2020-3939) in the 22nd Ward. Chairman Dowell recognized Robert Bumpers from the Department of Planning and Development. Mr. Bumpers explained the ordinance that would allocate up to \$1.5 million of Neighborhood Opportunity Fund assistance to Xquina to develop a café, coworking space and commercial space in Little Village at 3523-3525 W. 26th St. Total project costs are estimated \$3.5 million to redevelop the vacant property. Alderman Rodriguez explained the history of the project in the context of the revised Little Village Quality of Life Plan. Alderman Tunney congratulated Alderman Rodriguez on the project and asked about ownership of the property and the property tax implications, which Mr. Bumpers answered that the Little Business Incubator would own the property and property tax information would come through the chair. Alderman Thompson asked about the industry focus for the property, Juan Saldana from Xquina answered that it's retail and commercial kitchen space. Alderman Osterman asked about operational funds from the City in this project. Mr. Bumpers answered no. Alderman Scott moved to approve item 1 on the agenda by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Motion is approved and this due pass recommendation was reported out at the September 9th City Council meeting.

Chairman Dowell moved to item number 2 on the agenda – an ordinance authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement with the Chicago Housing Authority regarding the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to conduct environmental reviews (O2020-3946). Deputy Commissioner Kimberly Worthington from AIS introduced the ordinance, which reauthorizes for 5 years, AIS as the Responsible Entity on behalf of the CHA for environmental reviews. Alderman Moore asked about the flow of funding for the work performed through the agreement. Ms. Worthington explained that the City just tells HUD to release the funds to the CHA. The only money the City gets is for staff to



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administer the program. Alderman Thompson inquired about if the \$3.5 million in funding is sufficient. Ms. Worthington answered yes that the City spends about \$300,000 a year for the program. Alderman Thompson also asked the jurisdiction of AIS for this program. Ms. Worthington said they only perform this function for City properties, not private property. Alderman Curtis asked about the mobility zone program. Ms. Worthington will have to get that information through the chair. Alderman Thompson moved to approve item 2 on the agenda by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Motion is approved and this due pass recommendation was reported out at the September 9th City Council meeting.

Chairman Dowell then moved to item number 3 on the agenda – an ordinance concerning an amendment to the Annual Appropriations Ordinance Year 2020 within fund No. 925 for Office of the Mayor, Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, Department of Public Health, Department of Family and Support Services, Office of Emergency Management and Communications, Department of Fire and Chicago Public Library. Chairman Dowell called for a motion to accept the substitute ordinance by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Alderman Sawyer moved to accept the substitute ordinance. Chairman Dowell recognized Deputy Budget Director LaToya Vaughn who provided an overview of all the grants contained in the ordinance. Alderman Ervin asked if East and West Garfield Park communities are included in the Chicago family Connects pilot program. Jen Vidas confirmed both communities are included in the pilot. Alderman Burnett moved to approve item 3 on the agenda by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Motion is approved and this due pass recommendation was reported out at the September 9th City Council meeting.

Chairman Dowell then moved to item number 4 on the agenda – a resolution, introduced by Alderman Raymond Lopez – 15th Ward, concerning the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations to hold subject matter hearings on public safety in the City of Chicago. (SR2020-594) Chairman Dowell called for a motion to accept the substitute ordinance by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Alderman Moore moved to accept the substitute ordinance. Chairman Dowell discussed the changes to the substitute ordinance, which are as follows: strikes the clause requiring additional meetings in perpetuity and replaces it with a 2 year requirement, changes the required monthly meetings to quarterly meetings, removes the ask for meetings to be held before the yearly budget meetings begin, adds that the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations and Committee on Public Safety convene a joint hearing on police budget prior to the passage of the 2021 Budget, and adds that the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations hold a hearing on the police budget prior to the passage of the budget. Alderman Lopez spoke on the resolution, thanked Chairman Dowell, and asked committee members to vote in favor of the resolution. Alderman Ervin



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asked if as a committee has the authority to require another committee to hold joint hearings. Chairman Dowell said that is a question for the Department of Law, which reviewed and cleared the resolution. Alderman Osterman asked about the joint public safety meeting. Chairman Dowell clarified that the joint public safety meeting is separate and in addition to the normal public safety meeting held as part of the budget process. Alderman Moore asked about the date of the joint meeting, which Chairman Dowell clarified that it's scheduled for September 17th. Alderman Reilly moved to approve item 4 on the agenda by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Motion is approved and this due pass recommendation was reported out at the September 9th City Council meeting.

Chairman Dowell stated that there was no further business before the Committee and asked for a motion to adjourn by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Alderman Sposato moved to adjourn. The Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting adjourned at 12:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Pat Dowell

Chairman, Committee on the Budget and Government Operations



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Date: DECEMBER 4, 2020

**COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
SEPTEMBER 30, 2020**

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations submits the following Monthly Rule 45 Report for September 30, 2020.

**Date, Time &
Location of
Meeting:**

On September 30, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations held a meeting via video conference, in Chicago, Illinois.

Attendance:

The following members were virtually present at the September 30, 2020 Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting: Chairman Dowell (3), Vice-Chair Silverstein (50), Hairston (5), Mitchell (7), Harris (8), Sadlowski-Garza (10), Thompson (11), Quinn (13), Moore (17), Curtis (18), Brookins (21), Rodriguez (22), Tabares (23), Scott (24) Burnett (27), Ervin (28), Taliaferro (29), Reboyras (30), Waguespack (32), Austin (34), Ramirez-Rosa (35), Mitts (37), Sposato (38), Napolitano (41), Smith (43), Tunney (44), Cappleman (46), and Osterman (48)

The following member(s) were not present at the September 30, 2020 Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting: King (4), Sawyer (6), Cardenas (12), O'Shea (19), Villegas (36), and Reilly (42).

The following non-members were virtually present at the September 30, 2020 Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting: None.



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The Committee on the Budget and Government Operations addressed the following items:

Approval of the August 2020 Monthly Rule 45 Reports for the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations.

APPROVED IN COMMITTEE 09/30/20

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE DURING THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

- 1. An ordinance concerning an allocation of Neighborhood Opportunity Fund grant to American Antwan Land LLC for Huddle House restaurant at 9401 S. Stony Island Avenue. 8th Ward (O2020-4583)**

**PASS COMMITTEE 09/30/20
PASS CITY COUNCIL 10/07/20**

- 2. An ordinance concerning an amendment to the Annual Appropriation Ordinance Year 2020 within Fund No. 925 for Department of Fire. (O2020-4577)**

ITEM HELD IN COMMITTEE



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Alderman Dowell called for review and approval of the August 2020 Monthly Rule 45 Reports for the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations. There were no questions from committee members or non-members. Alderman Burnett made a motion to approve the reports which was approved by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum.

Chairman Dowell moved to item number 1 on the agenda – an ordinance concerning an allocation of Neighborhood Opportunity Fund grant to American Antwan Land LLC for Huddle House restaurant at 9401 S. Stony Island Avenue. 8th Ward (O2020-4583). William Gramm from the Department of Planning and Development introduced the ordinance, which would authorize \$1.1 million in Neighborhood Opportunity Fund grants to construct a 3,400 sq. ft. restaurant on a currently vacant out lot of the Mt. Claire senior residences. A portion of the funding will be used as a local hiring bonus. Alderman Thompson asked about the Huddle House franchise in Chicago and about the use of NOF funds. Mr. Gramm clarified that NOF funds can be 30% of the total project costs for new construction, 50% for rehabilitation. Multiple aldermen congratulated Alderman Harris on the project, and Aldermen Scott and Austin asked to be connected to the Huddle House franchise owners. Chairman Dowell asked about the number of new jobs created, which is 70. Alderman Taliaferro asked about the time for construction, which is 5 to 7 months. Alderman Mitts inquired about the restaurant's menu, which is southern with all-day breakfast. The City has not yet agreed to allow the store to be 24-hours. Alderman Curtis asked if Huddle House can go into an existing building, which Alderman Harris said the franchise prefers to go into their own free-standing building to protect the integrity of the brand, but anything is possible. Alderman Tunney asked about the number of franchisees nationwide and the number this franchisee owns. Alderman Harris answered that there are over 300 Huddle Houses nationwide and the franchisee owns 7. Alderman Tunney asked about the equity stake of the franchisee, which is \$1.17 million. Alderman Harris closed by recounting the history of the project. Alderman Sawyer moved to approve item 1 on the agenda by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Motion is approved and this due pass recommendation was reported out at the October 7th City Council meeting.



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Alderman Hairston inquired about item she introduced to the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations which was an intergovernmental agreement between the Department of Planning and Development and Chicago Park District. Chairman Dowell answered that the item was removed from the agenda and IGA will follow up directly with Alderman Hairston.

Chairman Dowell moved to item number 2 on the agenda, which is being held in committee and the committee is recessed to the call of the chair until 3:00 pm on Monday October 5th.

Chairman Dowell stated that there was no further business before the Committee and asked for a motion to recess by the same roll call vote as was applied to determine quorum. Alderman Mitts moved to recess the meeting. The Committee on the Budget and Government Operations Meeting recessed at 11:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Pat Dowell

Chairman, Committee on the Budget and Government Operations