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## **MONTHLY REPORT – APRIL 2025** **COMMITTEE ON PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC SAFETY**

Pursuant to the Rule 45 of City of Chicago Rules and Order, the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety submits the following monthly report for April 2025.

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

On Tuesday, April 8th, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety held a meeting at City Hall in Room 201A. The meeting was called to order at 12:36 p.m.

### **Members in Attendance:**

Chairman La Spata (1<sup>st</sup> Ward)  
Alderman Hopkins (2<sup>nd</sup> Ward)  
Alderman Robinson (4<sup>th</sup> Ward)  
Alderman Yancy (5<sup>th</sup> Ward)  
Alderman Chico (10<sup>th</sup> Ward)  
Alderman Quinn (13<sup>th</sup> Ward)  
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Alderman Knudsen (43<sup>rd</sup> Ward)  
Alderman Lawson (44<sup>th</sup> Ward) - virtual  
Alderman Martin (47<sup>th</sup> Ward)  
Alderman Manaa-Hoppenworth (48<sup>th</sup> Ward) - virtual

**Absent Members:** Alderman Curtis (18th Ward), Alderman Burnett (27<sup>th</sup> Ward)

### **Public Comment:**

There were two spoken and one written (see page 3) public comments for this meeting.

- **Mr. Blakemore:** Advocating against the existence of residential permit parking, stating that streets should be open to all people
- **Tiwon S.:** Looking for the cost of the so-called violent teen takeovers, stating that if this has happened every year since 2023, why aren't there provisions and plans for dealing with it

**Approval of March 2025 Rule 45 Report:**

Ald. Knudsen moved to approve, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

**Agenda of Matters Considered:**

The Agenda of Matters Considered consisted of 9 pages and included 145 matters:

- 119 ordinances related to disabled parking permits,
- 11 ordinances related to traffic warning signs and/or signals,
- 10 ordinances related to residential parking permit zones,
- 4 ordinances related to parking restrictions, and
- 1 ordinance related to parking meters

Direct Introductions on pages 1-2 Passed without Department recommendations. Ald. Robinson moved to approve all Direct Introduction ordinances, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

All matters on pages 3-4 Passed as Recommended by the appropriate Department(s). Ald. Quinn moved to approve Items 1-2 and 4-5 on page 3 and all items on pages 4-5, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

A Substitute Order [SOr2025-0015974] was submitted by the ward office for Item 3 on page 3. Ald. Moore moved to accept the Substitute Order, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum. Ald. Cruz moved to approve the Substitute Order, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum. Due to a clerical issue with this matter, the matter was held in committee and not reported out during the April 16, 2025 City Council meeting.

All matters on pages 6-9 Passed with No Recommendation. These items were submitted as aldermanic overrides or received no recommendations from City Departments. Ald. Yancy moved to approve all items on pages 6-8 and items 1-8 and items 10-11 on page 9, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

A Substitute Ordinance was submitted by the ward office for Item 9 on page 9 [SO2024-0013163]. Ald. Martin moved to accept the Substitute Ordinance, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum. Ald. Ervin moved to approve the Substitute Ordinance, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

All actions taken at the meeting were by viva voce vote.

Having no further business before the committee, Chair La Spata requested a motion to adjourn. Ald. Hopkins so moved, and hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

**Written Public Comment:**

Claire W., submitted April 2, 2025:

*Hi There,*

*I wanted to provide a comment that I think increased walkways would be a great addition to Western Ave. Drivers often drive into the walkway that's at W Lyndale and Western, and I think that could be improved.*

*Additionally, the turn from Lydnale onto Western on both the West and East sides of the street are very dangerous--it's very easy for cars to miss each other and I think accidents could happen.*

*Logan and Bucktown are both heavily residential, and while I understand that Western Ave is the major road in this part of the city to go North and South, I think the walkways to cross Western Ave need to be improved to make it safer as a pedestrian and biker.*

*Thank you!*

*Best,  
Claire*