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JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
& ECONOMIC, CAPITAL, & TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
MAY 2026
(Unapproved)

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committees on the Budget and Government Operations (CBGO) AND Economic, Capital, & Technology Development (ECTD) submit the following Monthly Rule 45 Report for May 2026 Meeting.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH

Date, Time & Location of Meeting: On May 13, 2026, at 11:30 A.M., the Committee on the Budget and Government Operations held a meeting in City Hall, Council Chamber, 121 N. LaSalle Street, 2nd Floor.

Attendance: The following members were present: Chairman Ervin (28), Vice Chair Lee (11), Chairman Curtis (18), Vice Chair Mosley (21), La Spata (1), Yancy (5), Hall (6), Mitchell (7), Harris (8), Chico (10), Quinn (13), Gutierrez (14), Moore (17), O'Shea (19), Rodriguez (22), Tabares (23), Scott (24), Sigcho-Lopez (25), Burnett (27), Taliaferro (29), Cardona (31), Waguespack (32), Rodriguez-Sanchez (33), Villegas (36), Sposato (38), Nugent (39), Napolitano (41), Knudsen (43) and Hadden (49).

The following members attended virtually: Harris (8), Cruz (30), Quezada (35), Mitts (37) and Reilly (42).

The following members were absent: Dowell (3), Robinson (4), Beale (9), Ramirez (12), Lopez (15), Conway (34), Vasquez (40), Martin (47), Manaa-Hoppenworth (48), and Silverstein (50).

Internal witnesses present: **Chicago Department of Technology and Innovation (DTI):** Nick Lucius, Commissioner and CIO and Melissa Clark, Head of Planning; **Department of Finance (DOF):** Michael Belsky, Comptroller, Joel Flores, First Deputy, Filiberto Almendarez, Deputy Comptroller; **Department of Procurement Services (DPS):** Sharla Roberts, Chief Procurement Officer.

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

1. **Overview of Q1 ERP Report**
NO VOTE WILL BE TAKEN.

Chairman Ervin called the joint subject matter hearing to order, took roll call, and recognized a quorum was present. He then made a Motion to allow Committee Members Aldermen Robinson, Harris, Reilly, Silverstein, Cruz, Mitts, Vasquez, Dowell and Quezada to join virtually pursuant to Rule 59, so moved by Vice Chair Lee. Chairman queried all in favor to signify by saying Aye, any opposed? Hearing no objections, the Chairman decreed the Ayes have it, duly recorded the Aldermen added to the roll for quorum and verbally checked to confirm Alders' presence. Aldermen Mitts, Harris, Cruz, Quesada and Reilly confirmed their attendance. He then opened the floor for public comments. The following speakers were acknowledged and given three minutes each for commentaries:

- Dr. Sandie Norman
- George Blakemore
- Jessica Jackson
- Tiwon Sims
- Zoe Leigh
- Qoshona Harris

The Chair took a moment to recognize Commissioner Rachel Arfa of the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities, who has been joined by students from Whitney Young High School's Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program. He then concluded the public comment period, then proceeded to confirm the Committees on the Budget and Government Operations (CBGO) AND Economic, Capital, & Technology Development (ECTD) hosting a Joint Subject Matter Hearing with the Department of Finance and Department of Technology & Innovation on the Q1 ERP Report. He conveyed all materials had been distributed electronically to members, and that no votes would be taken. The Chair introduced Comptroller Michael Belsky and Commissioner Nick Lucius, and members of their respective teams stated their names and titles for the record: Melissa Clark, Head of Planning, DTI, Filiberto Almendarez, Deputy Comptroller, DOF, Joel Flores, First Deputy Director, DOF. Sharla Roberts, Chief Procurement Officer, DPS also confirmed her presence. The hearing then commenced with opening remarks by Comptroller Belsky followed by a Power Point Presentation by Commissioner Lucius, which covered the following content:

Citywide Timekeeping/Payroll System:

- **Citywide IT Assessment Modernization**
- **DTI's Modernization Strategy**
- **Time and Attendance Efforts 2025-2026**
- **Phased ERP Approach**
- **Technology Related to Cost Efficiencies**
- **Completed Milestones**
- **Program Timeline**
- **RFP for Time/Attendance and Payroll Implementation**
- **Implementation of Time/Attendance and Payroll System**

Commissioner Lucius concluded the presentation and welcomed questions from the Committee Chairs and Body. Chairman Curtis proceeded with a through-the-chair request from Commissioner Lucius, then concluded and opened the floor for Q&A, which included questions/comments from committee members: Vice Chair Lee, Chairman Curtis, Chairman Ervin, and Aldermen Villegas, Gutierrez and Waguespack. At the conclusion of the Q&A, Chairman Curtis thanked the Finance Department Team, Comptroller Belsky, CIO Lucius, DTI Team and CPO Roberts for their participation and warmly offered hopes that all parties can continue to move forward together.

The Joint Committees on Budget & Government Operations and Economic, Capital & Technology Development, having no further business, on Motion made by Vice Chair Mosley for adjournment, acknowledged all Ayes and no Nays, and the meeting was adjourned.

(A video recording of the full meeting with committee members, internal and external experts, as well as any/all public speaking content can be reviewed on the Chicago City Clerk website under Committee Meeting Videos, Joint Committees dated May 13th.)

Respectfully submitted by:



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