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COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, CAPITAL, TECHNOLOGY & DEVELOPMENT RULE 45
REPORT – JULY 2026

Date, Time, & Location of the Meeting:

On Thursday, July 9, 2026 at 10:30AM, the Committee on Economic, Capital, and Technology Development (“ECTD”) met in-person at the City Hall, 121 N. Lasalle Street, Room 201A, Chicago, IL 60602.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Curtis (18) called the meeting to order.

The following members of the Committee were present:

Chair, Derrick G. Curtis (18), Vice-Chair Ronnie Mosley (21), Nicole Lee (11), Raymond Lopez (15), Daniel LaSpata (1), Scott Waguespack (32), Felix Cardona, Jr., (31), Jeylu Gutierrez (14), Leni Manaa-Hoppenworth (48), Anthony V. Napolitano (41), Peter Chico (10), Gregory Mitchell (7), Silvana Tabares (23),

Ald. Lopez moved allow remote participation by the following alderpersons pursuant to Rule 59. The motion passed.

Under Rule 59, the following members of the Committee participated remotely:

Brendan Reilly (42) and Emma Mitts (37),

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The following people were present and made public comments: George Blakemore, Dr. Sandie Norman, and Dennis Yen-Feng Lei.

APPROVAL OF MAY 2026 RULE 45 MONTHLY REPORT

Ald. Brendan Reilly moved to approve the June 2026 Monthly Report. The motion passed.

The Committee addressed the following items:

Items 1-13 were appointments and reappointments to Special Service Areas (SSAs) to their respective wards or service areas.

Ald. Gutierrez moved to accept the substitute Ordinance SA2026-0026359 for Jason Z. Caref's Reappointment as member of Special Service Area No. 79. The Motion passed.

The following individuals were appointed or reappointed to SSAs:

1. A2026-0026349 Appointment of Megan A. Radosevic as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 27 (West Lakeview) Wards: 32, 44, 46, 47 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Waguespack, Lawson, Clay, Martin

2. A2026-0026350 Appointment of Jeffrey A. Heider as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 23 (Clark Street/Lincoln Park) Ward: 43 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alder: Knudson

3. A2026-0026352 Reappointment of Emil C. Mahler as member of Special Service Area (SSA) Ward: 19 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alder: O'Shea

4. 2026-0026353 Appointment of Valerie A. Goodloe as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 69 (95th & Ashland Avenue) Wards: 17, 18, 19, 21 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Moore, Curtis, O'Shea, Mosley

5. A2026-0026355 Appointment of Andrea L. Brookins as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 69 (95th & Ashland Avenue) Wards: 17, 18, 19, 21 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Moore, Curtis, O'Shea, Mosley

6. A2026-0026356 Reappointment of Nicholas A. Yassan as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 60 (Albany Park) Wards: 33, 35, 40 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Rodriguez-Sanchez, Quezada, Vasquez

7. A2026-0026357 Reappointment of Nicholas A. Yassan as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 21-2016 (Lincoln Square) Wards: 40, 47 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Vasquez, Martin

8. A2026-0026358 Reappointment of Nicholas A. Yassan as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 79 (Lawrence/Pulaski/Elston) Wards: 33, 39 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Rodriguez Sanchez, Nugent

9. SA2026-0026359 Reappointment of Jason Z. Caref as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 79 (Lawrence/Pulaski/Elston) Wards: 33, 39 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Rodriguez Sanchez, Nugent

10. A2026-0026360 Reappointment of Christopher M. Murphy as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 28-2014 (Six Corners) Ward: 45 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alder: Gardiner

11. A2026-0026361 Appointment of Stefanie N. Roti as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 54 (Sheridan Road) Ward: 19 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alder: O'Shea

12. A2026-0026363 Reappointment of Ric Porrez as member of Special Serv No. 25 (Little Village) Wards: 22, 24, 25 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Rodriguez, Scott, Sigcho-Lopez

13. A2026-0026364 Reappointment of Yolanda Manuel as member of Special Service Area (SSA) No. 32-2024 (Auburn Gresham) Wards: 6, 17 Sponsor Mayor Johnson Alders: Hall, Moore

Chairman Curtis noted that the ECTD Team confirmed the support or non-objection from the following council members with appointments and reappointments within their respective wards: Angela Clay (46), Derrick Curtis (18), James Gardiner (45), William Hall (6), Timothy R. Knudsen, (43), Matthew Martin (47), Ronnie Mosley (21), David Moore (17), Samantha Nugent (39), Matthew O'Shea (19), Anthony Quezada (35), Brendan Reilly (42), Rossana Rodriguez-Sanchez (33), Monique Scott (24), Byron Sigcho-Lopez (25), Andre Vazquez (40), Scott Waguespack (32).

The following appointees were present and addressed the committee to express their gratitude:

Valerie A. Goodloe, Jeffrey Heider, and Yolanda Manuel were present in person and addressed the committee. The following appointees addressed the committee virtually: Stephanie Roti, Andrea Brookins, and Meghan Radosevic.

Ald. Waguespack (32) moved to accept the appointments and reappointments. The motion passed.

ITEM 15. AMENDMENT OF SSA 2026-0025332

Item number 15 concerned Ordinance No. SO2026-0026332 an amendment of Special Service Area No. 21-2016 (Lincoln Square) regarding 2026 budget and service provider agreement with Lincoln Square Ravenswood Chamber of Commerce. The amendment concerns Wards: 40, 47. The sponsor of this amendment was Mayor Johnson.

The Committee accepted the substitute Amendment of Special Service Area No. 21-2016.

Assistant Commissioner of Department of Planning and Development Mark Roschen presented a report to the committee supporting the Substitute Amendment.

Ald. Mosley moved to approve the ordinance. The Motion Passed.

ITEM 16. TAX INCENTIVES

Item 15 on the agenda concerned Ordinance No. O2026-0026380 which concerned a Class L Tax incentive for property at 2 N Riverside Plaza. The property is in Ward 42 and Ald. Reilly supports the tax incentive. This item was sponsored by Mayor Johnson.

The ECTD Committee received an oral report from Eiliesh Tuffy, Coordinating Planner for the Department of Planning and Development. Also present during her report was Bridget O'Keefe of Marshall Brown, Tyler Quaff, COO of Blue Star Properties, Paul Terillo Director of Projects at Blue Star Properties, and Steve Pearlman of Steve Pearlman and Associates.

Ald. Mitchell moved to approve the Class L Tax incentive for 2 N. Riverside Plaza. The motion passed.

ITEMS 17 & 18 DEFERRED ITEMS

Ald. Lopez moved to hold item 17 which addressed Ordinance No R2026-0026327 which calls for hearing(s) on application of Municipal Code Section 2-45-165 granting City Council authority to revoke tax incentives when purpose of such incentives is not fulfilled. The motion passed.

Ald. Lee moved to hold Item 18 which addressed Ordinance No. R2026-0025454 which is an expression of support for U.S. partnership with Taiwan and for formalized Trade and Tourism Office. The motion passed.

Ald. Lopez moved to adjourn. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Derrick G. Curtis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

Derrick G. Curtis

Chairman

Committee on Economic, Capital and Technology Development