



CITY OF CHICAGO



COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT
CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL - ROOM 300
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MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT MARCH 2026

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committee on Ethics and Government Oversight submits the following report for the meeting held on March 16, 2026.

Attendance

The following committee members were present at the March 16 meeting: Chair Martin (47), Lee (11), Waguespack (32), Sposato (38), Vasquez (40), Reilly (42), and Lawson (44).

Meeting Opening

Roll call was taken and a quorum established. Alderman Vasquez moved to allow Aldermen Hadden, Nugent, O'Shea, Taylor, and Taliaferro to attend remotely Nader Rule 59. The motion passed by an affirmative voice vote, with Alderman Sposato as the only vote against. The Chair opened the floor for public comments, and there was one public speakers.

Rule 45 Monthly Report for July 2025

Alderman Vasquez moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for July 2025, which reflected the last committee meeting held on July 14, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote. Approved by Committee March 16, 2026.

The Committee on Ethics and Government Oversight addressed the following items:

1. **A2026-0023419: Appointment of Esther Nieves as member of the Board of Ethics.**
 - Chair Martin introduced Items 1 and 2 before the Committee. He introduced Board of Ethics appointees Esther Nieves and Bob Glaves, who each gave their opening remarks, and Board of Ethics Executive Director Steve Berlin.
 - Chair Martin opened the floor for Alderpersons to ask questions and provide comments on both items 1 and 2. The following committee members asked questions or made comments: Waguespack, Vasquez, Reilly, Martin.
 - Alderman Lee moved to pass A2026-0023419, which passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote.

2. A2026-002320: Appointment of Bob Glaves as a member of the Board of Ethics.

- Alderman Lawson moved to pass A2026-0023420, which passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote.

3. Subject Matter Hearing: Quarterly Report for the Fourth Quarter of 2025.

- Chair Martin introduced the following witness to provide testimony:
 - Inspector General Deborah Witzburg.
- Chair Martin opened the floor for Alderpersons to ask questions and provide comment. The following committee members asked questions or made comments: Lawson, Vasquez, Lee.

4. Subject Matter Hearing: Audit of 311 Service Request Process.

- Chair Martin introduced the following witness to provide testimony:
 - Inspector General Deborah Witzburg.
- Chair Martin opened the floor for Alderpersons to ask questions and provide comment. The following committee members asked questions or made comments: Martin, Vasquez, Lee

Meeting Closing

The Committee having no further business, Alderman Vasquez moved to adjourn. Chair Martin adjourned the meeting.