

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT

CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL - ROOM 300

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MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT JULY 2025

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 July 14, 2025.

Attendance

The following committee members were present at the July 14 meeting: Chair Martin (47), Lee (11), O'Shea (19), Tabares (23), Taliaferro (29), Waguespack (32), Sposato (38), Nugent (39), Vasquez (40), and Reilly (42).

The following non-members were also present: Ervin (28), Gardiner (45).

Meeting Opening

Roll call was taken and a quorum established. The committee voted in favor of allowing Aldermen Lawson, Taylor, and Hadden to attend remotely. The Chair opened the floor for public comments, and there were six public speakers.

Rule 45 Monthly Report for June 2025

Alderman Reilly moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for June 2025, which reflected the last committee meeting held on June 9, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote. Approved by Committee July 14, 2025.

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

- 1. SO2025-0015583: Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 2-56 to modify powers and duties of the Office of Inspector General.
- Chair Martin introduced the following witnesses to provide testimony:
 - o Inspector General Deborah Witzburg;
 - o Former Inspector General for the Department of Defense Rob Storch; and
 - o Dave McClintock, Chair of the Association of Inspectors General Government Relations and Outreach Committee.

- Chair Martin opened the floor for Alderpersons to ask questions and provide comment. The following committee members asked questions or made comments: O'Shea, Taliaferro, Vasquez, Waguespack.
- The following non-committee members asked questions or made comments: Gardiner.
- Alderman Reilly moved to pass SO2025-0015583, which passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote.

2. Subject Matter Hearing: Updates to the Department of Human Resources draft policy on Ineligibility for Rehire.

- Chair Martin introduced the following witness to provide testimony:
 - o Department of Human Resources Commissioner Sandra Blakemore.
- Chair Martin opened the floor for Alderpersons to ask questions and provide comment. The following committee members asked questions or made comments: Vasquez, Sposato, Waguespack.
- The following non-committee members asked questions or made comments: Gardiner.

Meeting Closing

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