



CITY OF CHICAGO

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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT  
CITY COUNCIL  
CITY HALL - ROOM 300  
121 NORTH LASALLE STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602

## **MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT MAY 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 May 5, 2025.

### **Attendance**

The following committee members were present at the January 18 meeting: Chair Martin (47), Vice Chair Hadden (49), Lee (11), O'Shea (19), Taylor (20), Waguespack (32), Sposato (38), Nugent (39), and Reilly (42).

The following non-members were also present: Sigcho-Lopez (25), Burnett (27), and Cardona (31).

### **Meeting Opening**

Roll call was taken and a quorum established. The committee voted in favor of allowing Aldermen Taliaferro, Vasquez, and Lawson to attend remotely. The Chair opened the floor for public comments, and there was one public speaker.

### **Rule 45 Monthly Report for March 2025**

O'Shea moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for March 2025, which reflected the last committee meeting held on March 18, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote. Approved by Committee May 5, 2025.

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

- 1. Appointment of Cindy Medina-Cervantes as a member of the Board of Ethics.**
  - Chair Martin introduced Items 1 and 2 before the Committee. He introduced Board of Ethics appointees Cindy Medina-Cervantes and Paul Berks who each gave their opening remarks.
  - Chair Martin opened the floor for Alderpersons to ask questions and provide comment on both Items 1 and 2. The following committee members asked questions or made comments: Taylor and Waguespack.

- Alderwoman Lee moved to pass the appointment of Cindy Medina-Cervantes, which passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote.

**2. Appointment of Paul Berks as a member of the Board of Ethics.**

- Alderwoman Lee moved to pass the appointment of Paul Berks, which passed unanimously by an affirmative voice vote.

**3. Subject Matter Hearing: Quarterly Report: First Quarter 2025.**

- Chair Martin introduced the following witness to provide testimony:
  - Inspector General Deborah Witzburg; and
  - Deputy Inspector General Darwyn Jones.
- Chair Martin opened the floor for Alderpersons to ask questions and provide comment. The following committee members asked questions or made comments: Martin, Sposato, Reilly, O’Shea, Taylor, Waguespack, Lee. The following non-committee members asked questions or made comments: Sigcho-Lopez.

**4. Subject Matter Hearing: Office of Inspector General Audit and Program Review Section 2025 Annual Plan**

- Chair Martin held this item in committee.

**Meeting Closing**

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