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**COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND FIRE
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
January, 2025**

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committee on Police and Fire submits the following monthly report.

On Tuesday, January 14th, 2025, at 11:34 a.m., The Committee on Police and Fire called the meeting to order, pursuant to applicable law, the Chairman determined that remote participation was allowed in case of emergency, per the aldermen that requested. Accordingly, attendance at this meeting was in City Council Chambers, with some members participating virtually.

The following members were present: Mitchell (7), Lee (11), Curtis (18), Taylor (20), Mosley (21), Ervin (28), Cardona (31), Sposato (38), Nugent (39), Napolitano (41), Knudsen (43), Clay (46), and Chairman Taliaferro (29).

The following members participated by remote means: Robinson (4), Gardiner (45), and Silverstein (50).

The following members were absent: Hall (6) and Tabares (23).

The following non-members were present: Vasquez (40).

Chairman Taliaferro called the meeting to order at 11:34 am. The Chairman Taliaferro instructed protocol to be used in the forum. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was established.

Pursuant to Rule 59, Aldermen can request remote participation in extenuating circumstances. Alderman Gardiner requested to participate remotely. The motion to let the members participate remotely was so moved by Alderman Cardona. Additionally, Vice-Chair Robinson and Alderwoman Debra Silverstein requested to participate remotely. The motion to let the members participate remotely was so moved by Alderwoman Lee.

The Chairman opened the floor for public comments. The following public speakers were each given 3 minutes to speak; Paul Drabik, Terry Newsome, Jessica Jackson, and George Blakemoore. Public speaking was concluded.

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Alderman Clay moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for October 2024, there were no objections, and the motion was ordered based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum.

Chairman Taliaferro briefly explained the reason for the substitute appointment and requested a voice vote to accept the substitute into the committee. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The substitute appointment was accepted into the committee.

Item 1 A2024-0014222 - Reappointment of Steven A. Block as member of Police Board

Chairman Christopher Taliaferro introduced the agenda items before the committee. Chairman Taliaferro opened the floor for the appointees to make a brief introduction to the committee. The first appointee to speak was Arlette G. Porter. Arlette G. Porter introduced herself to the body and gave an introduction. The following appointee to speak was Cynthia Velasquez. Cynthia Velasquez introduced herself to the body and gave an introduction. The following appointee introduced himself before the body was Tyler C. Hall. The final appointee to introduce himself before the body was Steven A. Block.

The Chairman opened the floor for members and non-members to ask questions to the appointees. The following members asked questions and provided comments to the appointees; Alderman Taylor, Alderman Nugent, Alderman Ervin, and Chairman Taliaferro. Chairman Taliaferro thanked the appointees for providing their testimony.

The Chairman requested a motion for the approval of **A2024-0014222 - Reappointment of Steven A. Block as member of Police Board**. The motion was so moved by Alderman Ervin. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the January 15th, 2025, City Council meeting.

Item 2 A2024-0014223 – Appointment of Arlette G. Porter as member of Police Board

The Chairman requested a motion for the approval of **A2024-0014223 – Appointment of Arlette G. Porter as member of Police Board**. The motion was so moved by Alderman Clay. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the January 15th, 2025, City Council meeting.



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Item 3 A2024-0014224 – Appointment of Cynthia Velasquez as member of Police Board

The Chairman requested a motion for the approval of **A2024-0014224 – Appointment of Cynthia Velasquez as member of Police Board**. The motion was so moved by Alderman Knudsen. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the January 15th, 2025, City Council meeting.

Item 4 Substitute Appointment – Appointment of Tyler C. Hall as a member of the Police Board

The Chairman requested a motion for the approval of the **Substitute Appointment of Tyler C. Hall as a member of the Police Board**. The motion was so moved by Alderman Ervin. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the January 15th, 2025, City Council meeting.

Chairman Taliaferro indicated no further business was before the committee and requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Mosely motioned to adjourn the committee meeting. There were no objections. The motion was so moved. The meeting was adjourned at **12:21 pm**.