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## COMMITTEE ON WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT April 13<sup>th</sup> 2026

**Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committee on Workforce Development submits the following Monthly Rule 45 Report for April 2026**

**Date, Time & Location of Meeting:** April 13<sup>th</sup> 2026 in City Hall, Room 201A at 11AM.

**Member Attendance:** The following members were present: Chairperson Rodriguez (22), Vice Chairperson Gutierrez (14), Alderman Yancy (5), Alderman Hall (6), Alderman Chico (10), Alderwoman Ramirez (12), Alderman Quinn (13), Alderman Coleman (16), Alderman Taliaferro (29), Alderman Quezada (35), Alderman Sposato (38), Alderperson Vasquez (40), Alderwoman Clay (46)

**Non-Member Attendance:** Alderman Martin (46), Alderman Silverstein (50)

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Chairperson Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 10:35AM. There were two items on the Agenda.

- 1) Approval of the October Rule 45 Report
- 2) SO2025-0015584 – an Amendment of Municipal Code Title 2 by adding new Section 2-152-165 prohibiting any City officer granted access to sensitive locations from participating in any extremist activity

Chairperson Rodriguez conducted a roll call to establish a quorum.

After determining a quorum existed of present members, the Chair asked those members present to allow by Rule 59 for the remote participation of Alderwoman Ramirez (12), Alderperson Gutierrez (14), Alderman Coleman (16), Alderperson Vasquez (40), and Alderwoman Clay (46)

Chairperson Rodriguez then noted that there were many people signed up to speak and that we would use the first thirty minutes to allow those members of the public to speak.

The following members of the public spoke during public comment: Sully Peterson Quinn spoke to the importance of passing the ordinance to prevent extremism in government, Jessica Jackson spoke about supporting police, John Catanzara spoke in opposition to the ordinance, George Blakemore spoke about various government issues.

### **Agenda Item 1 – Rule 45 Report**

Following public comment, the Chairperson moved for approval of the October 2025 Rule 45 report. Alderman Sposato moved to accept the report and it was approved by a voice vote of the members present.

### **Agenda Item 2) – SO2025-0015584 – an Amendment of Municipal Code Title 2 by adding new Section 2-152-165 prohibiting any City officer granted access to sensitive locations from participating in any extremist activity**

Chairperson Rodriguez then moved to the second item of the agenda with an overview of the ordinance provided by Alderman Martin. Before starting discussions the Chair asked for a motion to accept the substitute ordinance from sponsor Ald. Martin which was moved by Alderman Coleman (16) and seconded by Alders Ramirez (14) and Clay (46).

The Chair then turned the floor over to Ald. Martin for a brief outline of the substitute ordinance the Chair then turned the meeting over to Loren Jones from Impact for Equity who spoke in favor of the ordinance.

The Chair then opened the floor up for questions, noting that in the room additionally to answer questions were Chief Administrator White from COPA, Deputy Chief Walker from CPD, and Director Patterson from OPSA as well as Justin Edge from the Department of Law.

After a lively discussion with Alders Sposato, Curtis, Yancy, Quitm and Quezada asking questions about the impact of the ordinance, the Chair called for a roll call vote. The substitute ordinance advanced by a vote of 6-3.

Following this vote the Chair noted that as there was no further business before the Committee he asked for a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Ald. Chico.