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**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
February, 2022**

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committee on Public Safety submits the following monthly report.

On Wednesday, February 9, 2022, at 1:03 p.m., The Committee on Public Safety called the meeting to order, pursuant to applicable law, the Chairman determined that an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent. Accordingly, attendance at this virtual meeting was held by remote means only.

The following members were present: Sawyer (6), Lopez (15), Ervin (28), Reboyras (30), Sposato (38), Nugent (39), Mitts (37), Napolitano (41), Smith (43), Tunney (44), Gardiner (45), Martin (47), Vice-Chairman Osterman (48), Chairman Taliaferro (29), and **President Pro Tempore Reilly** (42).

The following members were absent: Mitchell (7), Thompson (11), Curtis (18), Scott (24), and Silverstein (50).

The following additional Aldermen were present: La Spata (1), King (4), Quinn (13), Brookins (21), Tabares (23), Sigcho-Lopez (25), Burnett (27), Cardona (31), Rodriguez-Sanchez (33), and Hadden (49).

Chairman Taliaferro called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm. The Chairman instructed protocol to be used in the virtual forum. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was established. The Chairman opened the floor for public comments. The following speakers were each given three minutes for public comment: Remel Terry, Joe Duplechin, Kevin Graham, Marty Preib, Pastor Ira Acree, and Carlos Yanez. Public speaking was concluded and Chairman Taliaferro asked for a motion to accept the January Rule 45 Report.

Rule 45 Monthly Report for January, 2021

Alderman Mitts moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for January 2021, 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.

Approved by Committee on February 9, 2022



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Item 1 A2021-172 - Appointment of Andrea Kersten as Chief Administrator of Civilian Office of Police Accountability

*Chairman Taliaferro introduced the agenda item before the committee. Chairman Taliaferro acknowledged that an item was sent to all council members on February 8, 2022 and accepted said item, **Amendment of Section 2-78-145 of the Municipal Code**, by direct introduction into the committee. The Chairman recognized the nominee, Andrea Kersten, who gave an opening statement. Chairman Taliaferro opened the floor for questions and comments by the committee and council members. The Chairman recognized Alderman Lopez who made a motion to “call the item to question.” Alderman Taliaferro stated that he wanted to allow those present to participate in discussion and asked that Alderman Lopez withdraw his motion. After being recognized, Parliamentarian Jeff Levine stated that he was not sure if that motion was permitted outside of City Council. The following committee members made comments while waiting for Mr. Levine to find the ruling; Vice Chairman Osterman, Alderman Lopez, and Alderman Ervin. Jeff Levine, based upon Rule 24, stated that Alderman Lopez’s motion was out of order. President Pro Temp Reilly then made a motion to put the item to a roll call vote. Chairman Taliaferro acknowledged the roll call motion and re-opened the floor for questions and discussion on the matter. The following committee members and non-members asked questions and made comments; Alderman Tabares, Alderman Sposato, and Vice Chairman Osterman. Chairman Taliaferro informed the committee that a roll call vote would be taken on President Pro Temp Reilly’s motion. The roll call votes of committee members were as follows:*

9 – **Yeas** – Osterman, Sawyer, Ervin, Reboyras, Mitts, Smith, Tunney, Martin, Taliaferro
6 – **Nays** – Lopez, Sposato, Nugent, Napolitano, Gardiner, Reilly

*Based on the roll call vote, the item passes. Chairman Taliaferro recognized Alderman Smith, who motioned to adjourn the meeting. There were no objections. The motion was so moved. The meeting was **adjourned** at 1:57pm.*

On Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 2:04 p.m., The Committee on Public Safety called the meeting to order, pursuant to applicable law, the Chairman determined that an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent. Accordingly, attendance at this virtual meeting was held by remote means only.

The following members were present: Sawyer (6), Mitchell (7), Lopez (15), Curtis (18), Scott (24), Ervin (28), Reboyras (30), Mitts (37), Sposato (38), Nugent (39), Napolitano (41), Smith (43), Tunney (44), Martin (47), Silverstein (50), Vice-Chairman Osterman (48), Chairman Taliaferro (29) and President Pro Temp Reilly (42).



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The following members were absent: Gardiner (45).

The following additional Aldermen were present: La Spata (1), Garza (10), Brookins (21), Rodriguez (22), Sigcho-Lopez (25), Burnett (27), Cardona (31), Rodriguez-Sanchez (33), Vasquez (40), and Hadden (49).

Chairman Taliaferro called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm. The Chairman instructed protocol to be used in the virtual forum. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was established. The Chairman opened the floor for public comments. The following speaker was given three minutes for public comment; Jennifer Jones. Public speaking was concluded and Chairman Taliaferro introduced the following items.

Item 1 A2022-12 - Appointment of Carla Orlandini as member of Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board

Chairman Taliaferro introduced the appointments. He stated that each appointee will give their opening remarks after which, Items 1-5 will be voted on, individually. Chairman Taliaferro introduced Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board nominee, Susie Park for her opening remarks. Nominee Susie Park gave her opening remarks and described the role of the Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board. Chairman Taliaferro opened the floor for questions by the committee and council members. The following member asked questions to the witnesses; Alderman Tunney. Chairman Taliaferro thanked the witnesses for their responses and recommended passage of this ordinance. Alderman Sposato moved to pass the item. Chairman Taliaferro heard no objections; The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum and would be reported out at the February 23, 2022 City Council meeting.

Item 2 A2022-13 Appointment of Ernest Cato III as member of Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board

Alderman Sposato moved to pass the item. Chairman Taliaferro heard no objections; The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum and would be reported out at the February 23, 2022 City Council meeting.

Item 3 A2022-14 Appointment of Susie Park as chair member of Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board

Alderman Sposato moved to pass the item. Chairman Taliaferro heard no objections; The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum and would be reported out at the February 23, 2022 City Council meeting.



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Item 4 A2202-15 Appointment of Mary Sheridan as member of Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board

Alderman Sposato moved to pass the item. Chairman Taliaferro heard no objections; The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum and would be reported out at the February 23, 2022 City Council meeting.

Item 5 A2022-16 Reappointment of Daniel Casey as member of Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board

Alderman Sposato moved to pass the item. Chairman Taliaferro heard no objections; The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum and would be reported out at the February 23, 2022 City Council meeting.

Item 6 Direct Intro Amendment of Municipal Code 2-78 by amending language regarding the publication of all COPA final summary reports

Chairman Taliaferro introduced the item before the committee and stated Interim Civilian Office for Police Accountability Chief Administrator, Andrea Kersten, was on the call to answer questions regarding the ordinance. Chairman Taliaferro opened the floor for questions by the committee and council members. The following members and non-members asked questions to the witness; Chairman Taliaferro, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Martin, Alderman Ervin, and Alderman Hadden. Alderman Martin requested the item to be held in committee. After a brief discussion, Chairman Taliaferro asked the chief sponsor of the ordinance, Interim Chief Andrea Kersten, if they can continue discussion on the item at the next committee meeting, she agreed. Chairman Taliaferro moved to hold the item in committee.

Item 7 SO2021-4130 Amendment of Municipal Code Title 8 by creating new Chapter 8-6 titled "Victims Justice Ordinance" to create civil remedy against street gang predatory and profit-driven practices

Chairman Taliaferro requested a motion to accept the substitute ordinance. Alderman Curtis motioned to accept substitute. The substitute was accepted based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. Chairman Taliaferro introduced Deputy Mayor of Public Safety, John O'Malley, to further explain the ordinance. The Chairman requested further information from Chief Ernest Cato III, Deputy Chief O'Shea, and Deputy Director Elena Gottreich. Chairman Taliaferro opened the floor for questions by the committee and council members. The following members and non-members asked questions to the witnesses; Alderman Martin,



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Alderman Sawyer, Alderman Hadden, Alderman Ervin, Alderman Mitts, Alderman Smith, Alderman Vasquez, Alderman Tunney, Alderman Rodriguez-Sanchez, Alderman Sigcho-Lopez, Alderman La Spata, Alderman Ramirez-Rosa, Alderman Rodriguez, and Alderman Brookins. Alderman Lopez made a motion to lay the item on the table. Chairman Taliaferro called a roll call vote to lay the motion on the table. The roll call votes of committee members were as follows:

*13 – **Nays** – Osterman, Curtis, Ervin, Reboyras, Mitts, Sposato, Nugent, Napolitano, Smith, Tunney, Taliaferro, Silverstein, Reilly
3 – **Yeas** – Sawyer, Lopez, Martin*

*Based on the roll call vote, the item will not be laid on the table. Chairman Taliaferro recognized Alderman Ervin who motioned due pass to the item. Alderman Sawyer motioned for a roll call vote. The motion was so moved. The roll call votes of committee members on the item **SO2021-4130** were as follows:*

*10 – **Yeas** – Curtis, Ervin, Reboyras, Sposato, Nugent, Napolitano, Smith, Silverstein, Reilly, Taliaferro
4 – **Nays** – Osterman, Sawyer, Lopez, Martin*

Based on the roll call vote, the item passed and would be reported out at the February 23, 2022 City Council meeting.

Item 8 SO2021-3993 Amendment of Municipal Code Section 2-78-120 by defining sexual misconduct and modifying powers and duties of Chief Administrator of Civilian Office of Police Accountability

*Chairman Taliaferro introduced the ordinance and stated that the substitute was sent out to committee members on February 14, 2022. Alderman Martin motioned to accept the substitute. The motion passed and is now before the committee. The Chairman recognized Andrea Kersten and Alderman Martin who gave remarks regarding the ordinance. The following committee members asked questions regarding the ordinance; Alderman Lopez and Alderman Tunney. Chairman Taliaferro recommended the passage of this item. Alderman Martin moved to pass the item. Chairman Taliaferro heard no objections; The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum and would be reported out at the February 23, 2022 City Council meeting. Chairman Taliaferro indicated no further business was before the committee and requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Lopez motioned to adjourn the committee meeting. There were no objections. The motion was so moved. The meeting was adjourned at **4:58 pm**.*