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# MONTHLY REPORT – DECEMBER 2023 COMMITTEE ON PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC SAFETY

Pursuant to the Rule 45 of City of Chicago Rules and Order, the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety submits the following monthly report for December 2023.

## **Date, Time, & Location of Meeting:**

On Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 11:00am the Committee on Pedestrian and Traffic Safety held a meeting at City Hall in Council Chambers.

#### **Members in Attendance:**

Chairman La Spata (1st Ward)

Alderman Robinson (4<sup>th</sup> Ward)

Alderman Yancy (5<sup>th</sup> Ward)

Alderman Chico (10th Ward)

Alderman Quinn (13th Ward)

Alderman Moore (17th Ward)

Vice Mayor Burnett (27th Ward)

Alderman Ervin (28th Ward)

Alderman Knudsen (43<sup>rd</sup> Ward)

Alderman Lawson (44th Ward) (virtual)

Alderman Martin (47th Ward)

<u>Absent Members:</u> Vice Chairman Cruz (30<sup>th</sup> Ward), Alderman Hopkins (2<sup>nd</sup> Ward), Alderman Curtis (18<sup>th</sup> Ward), Alderman Manaa-Hoppenworth (48<sup>th</sup> Ward)

**Non-Members in Attendance**: Alderman Sigcho-Lopez (25<sup>nd</sup> Ward)

The Chairman accepted a motion from Ald. Martin to allow for remote participation by Ald. Lawson (44<sup>th</sup> Ward), which was approved by the same role call as was used to establish quorum.

Public Comment: There was no written or spoken public comment for this meeting.

#### Approval of November 2023 Rule 45 Report:

Ald. Yancy moved to approve, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

## **Agenda of Matters Considered:**

The Agenda of Matters Considered consisted of 9 pages and included the following matters:

- 48 ordinances related to disabled parking permits,
- 34 ordinances related to traffic warning signs and/or signals,
- 13 ordinances related to parking restrictions,
- 8 ordinances related to residential parking permit zones, and
- 1 ordinance amending the municipal code

Upon the request of the sponsoring alderman, the Committee held items 12 and 13 on page 1 of the Direct Introductions. Items 1-11 and Item 14 on page 1 Passed without Department recommendations. Ald. Martin moved to approve Items 1-11 and Item 14 on page 1 of the Direct Introduction ordinances, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

Direct Introductions on page 2 Passed without Department recommendations. Ald. Knudsen moved to approve all Direct Introduction ordinances, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

The Direct Introduction on page 3 was a Mayoral introduction amending Municipal Code Section 9-48-050 and associated Municipal Code provisions regarding requirements for intercity buses and penalties for noncompliance.

- Jeffery Levine, Deputy Corporation Council from the Department of Law presented the ordinance. Tom Carney (Commissioner, Chicago Department of Transportation), Thomas Doran (Chief Assistant Corporation Counsel, Legal Information and Prosecutions Division, Department of Law), and Glenn Lyman (Deputy Director, Office of Emergency Management and Communications) were also available for questions.
- Ald. Quinn asked who would enforce the penalty. Jeff Levine responded that CPD would write citations.
- Ald. Moore asked about the logistics of enforcement, particularly how CPD would be able to enforce
  this and whether there are cases where CPD may not be able to enforce the penalty. Jeff Levine
  responded that in the cases where CPD is not present to enforce the penalty, if the bus information is
  recorded on camera, the ordinance would allow them to prepare and mail a citation to the company and
  seek the fine listed in the ordinance.
- Ald. Moore asked whether drivers of the buses would also be arrested as part of the enforcement of the ordinance. Jeff Levine stated that drivers will not be detained or arrested.

Ald. Martin moved to approve the ordinance, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

All matters on pages 4-5 Passed as Recommended by the appropriate Department(s). Ald. Yancy moved to approve all Recommended ordinances, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish quorum.

All matters on pages 6-9 Passed with No Recommendation. These items were submitted as aldermanic overrides or received no recommendations from City Departments. Ald. Chico moved to approve all No Recommendation ordinances, which was approved by the same roll call as was used to establish guorum.

All actions taken at the meeting were by viva voce vote.

Having no further business before the committee, Chairman La Spata requested a motion to adjourn. Ald. Knudsen so moved, and hearing no objections, Chairman La Spata adjourned the meeting at 11:12 a.m.