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**COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND FIRE
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
March, 2024**

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

On Monday, March 18th, 2024, at 1:10 p.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: Vice-Chairman Robinson (4), Hall (6), Mitchell (7), Lee (11), Curtis (18), Taylor (20), Nugent (39), Knudsen (43), Clay (46), and Chairman Taliaferro (29).

The following members were absent: Tabares (23), Cardona (31), and Silverstein (50).

The following members participated by remote means: Mosley (21), Ervin (28), Sposato (38), Napolitano (41), and Gardiner (45).

The following additional Aldermen were present: Dowell (3), Burnett (27), Waguespack (32), and Manaa-Hoppenworth (48).

Chairman Taliaferro called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm. The Chairman Taliaferro instructed protocol to be used in the forum. Chairman Taliaferro read out the "Rules of Conduct for Public Meetings." Roll Call was taken and a quorum was established. The following members requested remote participation; Mosley (21), Napolitano (41), and Gardiner (45). The motion to let the members participate remotely was so moved by Vice Chair Robinson. The Chairman opened the floor for public comments. The following public speakers were each allowed 3 minutes to speak; Tiwon Sims and George Blakemore. Public speaking was concluded.

Rule 45 Monthly Report for February, 2024

Vice-Chairman Robinson moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for February 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.



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Item 4 Appointment of Adrienne M. Johnson as member of District Council 001 (A2024-0007824)

Chairman Christopher Taliaferro indicated that he would go out of order and that the fourth item will be heard first. The Chairman introduced the appointee. Appointee Adrienne M. Johnson gave a brief introduction and background of her as a candidate. The Chairman opened the floor for questions and the following committee members and non-members asked questions to the candidate; Alderwoman Lee, Alderman Knudsen, Vice-chair Robinson, and Alderwoman Dowell. Alderwoman Lee made a motion due pass. Chairman Taliaferro called for a voice vote on the item. All in favor indicated 'ay.' All against would indicate 'nay.' There were no 'nays.' The item passes. The item will be reported out for the March 20th, 2024, City Council meeting.

Item 1 Civilian Office of Police Accountability's 2023 Annual Report, released February 15, 2024

Chairman Chris Taliaferro indicated that this item will be called second. The following witnesses were present to speak on behalf of the COPA Report; Chief Administrator Andrea Kersten and First Deputy Chief Administrator Ephraim Eddy. Chief Administrator Andrea Kersten provided her opening statement. Chairman Taliaferro asked the Chief Administrator multiple questions then opened the floor for members and non-members to also ask questions. The following member asked questions, Alderwoman Taylor. Chairman Taliaferro thanked the witnesses for their expert testimony.

Item 2 Appointment of Duane M. DeVries as member of Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board (A2024-0007285)

Item 3 Reappointment of Mary Sheridan as member of Chicago Emergency Telephone System Board (A2024-0007286)

The following items were called together, Item 3 and Item 4. Chairman Christopher Taliaferro introduced the appointees, Chief Duane M. DeVries and Deputy Chief Mary Sheridan. The Chairman opened the floor for question by committee members and non-members. The following members asked questions to the appointees; Alderwoman Taylor, Vice-Chair Robinson, Alderman Sposato, and Alderwoman Nugent. Alderman Sposato made a motion due pass on Item 3. Chairman Taliaferro called for a voice vote on the item. All in favor indicated 'ay.' All against would indicate 'nay.' There were no 'nays.' The item passes. The item will be reported out for the March 20th, 2024, City Council meeting.

Alderwoman Nugent made a motion due pass on Item 4. Chairman Taliaferro called for a voice vote on the item. All in favor indicated 'ay.' All against would indicate 'nay.' There were no 'nays.' The item



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passes. The item will be reported out for the March 20th, 2024, City Council meeting. The Chairman thanked the witnesses for providing their testimony. Chairman Taliaferro indicated no further business was before the committee and requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Curtis motioned to adjourn the committee meeting. There were no objections. The motion was so moved. The meeting was adjourned at **2:10 pm**.