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**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
April, 2023**

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

On Friday, April 14th, 2023, at 1:05 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: Mitchell (7), Lee (11), Lopez (15), Scott (24), Ervin (28), Reboyras (30), Mitts (37), Nugent (39), Napolitano (41), Smith (43), Tunney (44), Gardiner (45), Martin (47), Silverstein (50), Vice-Chairman Osterman (48) and Chairman Taliaferro (29).

The following members were absent: Sawyer (6) and Curtis (18).

The following additional Aldermen were present: Burnett (27).

Chairman Taliaferro called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm. The Chairman Taliaferro 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. There were no speakers present for public comment. Public speaking was concluded and Chairman Taliaferro asked for a motion to accept the February Rule 45 Report.

Rule 45 Monthly Report for February, 2023

Alderman Lopez moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for February 2023, 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 April 14, 2023

Item 1 Direct Introduction - Appointment of Andreas G. Safakas as member of Chicago Police Board

Prior to addressing the agenda items Chairman Taliaferro gave the floor to the Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability Executive Director Adam Gross, to discuss the selection process for the next Chicago Superintendent. Director Gross then explained the search and



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selection process. There was a brief discussion regarding this topic. Chairman Taliaferro then introduced the agenda item before the committee. Chairman Taliaferro introduced the Police Board nominee, Andreas G. Sanfakas, to give his opening statements. The Chairman then introduced the Police Board nominee, Aja Favors, to give her opening statements. The Chairman opened the floor for questions and comments by committee members and non-members. The following committee members and non-members asked questions, Alderman Sposato and Alderman Lopez. Alderman Lopez makes a motion to lay the appointment items on the table.

The roll call votes of committee members on the motion were as follows:

4 -- Yeas Votes – Lopez, Sposato, Napolitano, Gardiner

10 -- Nays Votes -- Osterman, Lee, Scott, Reboyras, Mitts, Nugent, Tunney, Martin, Silverstein, Taliaferro

The motion fails. The question-and-answer period continued for the two appointees. The following committee members and non-members asked questions, Alderman Martin and Vice-Chairman Osterman. Vice Chairman Osterman made a motion for the passage of these items, which will be passed separately. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The following members wished to be recorded as a “no” vote, Alderman Lopez and Alderman Sposato. The item passes and will be reported out for the April 19, 2023, City Council meeting.

Item 2 Direct Introduction - Appointment of Ajalteria Carr-Favors as member of Chicago Police Board

Vice Chairman Osterman made a motion for the passage of this item. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The following members wished to be recorded as a “no” vote, Alderman Lopez and Alderman Sposato. The item passes and will be reported out for the April 19, 2023, City Council meeting.

Item 3 O2022-2993 – Intergovernmental agreement with Commuter Rail Division of Regional Transportation Authority to accept Metra donation of historic rail car for conditional use at City’s Joint Public Safety Training Campus

The Chairman introduced the item before the committee. Chairman Taliaferro introduced Max Riordan from the Department of Assets, Information, and Services to provide testimony regarding the ordinance. Alderman Ervin asked a question regarding the ordinance. Alderman Lopez issued a motion due pass of the item. Alderman Ervin seconded the motion. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion



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*carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the April 19, 2023, City Council meeting. The Chairman thanked the witnesses for their time, testimony, and discussions. There was a brief question-and-answer period with Director Gross regarding procedure and District Councils. Chairman Taliaferro indicated no further business was before the committee and requested a motion to adjourn. Vice Chair Osterman motioned to adjourn the committee meeting. There were no objections. The motion was so moved. The meeting was adjourned at **1:52pm.***