

**City of Chicago**  
**DISTRICT COUNCIL # 017**  
**COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**MEETING MINUTES**

MEETING TYPE:  Regular  Special  Closed

MEETING DATE: 1/20/2024

MEETING LOCATION & ADDRESS: Independence Library

MEETING START TIME: 1:17 pm

**Attendance & Quorum**

OMA Meeting cannot take place without 2 out of 3 members present in-person.

District Council Member Name	Attendance
<b>Chair:</b> Steve Spagnolo	Present: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Remote: <input type="checkbox"/> Absent: <input type="checkbox"/>
Nominating Committee: Elizabeth Rochford	Present: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Remote: <input type="checkbox"/> Absent: <input type="checkbox"/>
Community Engagement: Anthony Tamez	Present: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Remote: <input type="checkbox"/> Absent: <input type="checkbox"/>

Quorum (2 out of 3 Members): Yes:  No:

**Public Comment**

How do you plan to handle complaints from the community when they express concerns?

Has there been any progress meeting with the district Commander?

If don't agree with Free to move campaign. Officers should be able to make stops because of the uptick of robberies/carjackings in our district. I don't want the officer's hands tied behind their backs.

I was pulled over three times in the same neighborhood for a broken taillight and wasn't sighted either time. I'm certain that I wasn't sighted because of how I look. (My race)



### Approval of Minutes

Minutes are approved by the second regular meeting after they are taken.

Approved minutes are posted online within 10 days after approval.

No minutes were motioned

### District Council Member Updates

The Nominator explained that Community Commission applications were on the city website and encouraged community members to apply.

District Council members have submitted a request to the Community Commission to set meetings up with each District Commanders.

In the November meeting Impact for Equity spoke about the free to move campaign. This should be revisited to inform the community of pretextual stops.

The chairperson mentioned that statistics show that most crime is down but it has been a spike in robberies.

The Community Engagement person expressed that by completing the district survey, it can help the DC's assist the district better.



#### Discussions

Sharlyn Grace from Pretrial Fairness Act educated the district about how the law works. Sharlyn explained how people didn't have money to bond out so they would have to sit in the county jail until their next court dates for misdemeanor offences. Sharlyn explained that the goal is to not arrest people for misdemeanors unless they pose a threat to public safety. And this is the reason for the new no cash bond system.



Votes

Motion to support the Free to move campaign made by Nominator (Elizabeth Rochford) Chair (Steve Spanola) second the motion. All DC members voted Yes.

Motion to revise annual meeting schedule by Community Engagement (Anthony Tomaz) second by Chair (Steve Spanola). All DC members voted Yes.

Announcement of Next District Council Meeting

NEXT MEETING DATE: 2/13/2024

NEXT MEETING LOCATION (if available): Belding Elementary 4257 N. Tripp Ave.

District Council ended the meeting at: 3:00 pm

