7/27/23

**Meeting Minutes** 

Start: 6:35 PM

Roll Call: Councilors Sanchez, McBroom, Vogel all present. Qurom made

**Public Comment** 

Resident 1: Treatment not Trauma. Positive comments for treatment not trauma, especially for veterans.

Resident 2: Thanks for having the meeting in my neighborhood. Safety is important. It's important to act on the problems we are facing. Other solutions to policing. Our traditional method has been a top-down affair. We need to listen to officers and our community. We need to develop resources and to reach out to the community.

Resident 3: Support our police officers. They need our support. Man murdered in Chinatown. Our officers tracked this guy down. Our community feels much safer with police in the neighborhood. I can only speak for Beat 914. Community works with the police officers and as a CAPS facilitator, we need more collaboration and discussion between the community and officers. It's time to support our police officers; they get bashed too much. Beat 914 does safety walks – usually the third Sunday of every month.

## COPA Guest Speaker – McKenzie Thurman

- We investigate police misconduct and use of force incidents
- Context from 56<sup>th</sup> and Shields and how we responded to the scene to see if there was use of force by officers
- We are a partners along with the police department
- We are responsible for releasing videos, too
- Any questions, please feel free to ask & I'll be around after the meeting
- Come to our office
- Why are you only at 5% for Consent Decree compliance was a question from a woman asking for a consent decree representative at the first meeting

Nominating Committee Update regarding meetings and small group meetings and the new commissioner application process – Denise

Community Engagement – 63 people sleeping in the 9<sup>th</sup> District station

- Give dignity to the migrants and to storing supplies for the migrants
- We need new underwear and state and federal support
- We don't want them in the police department
- Illinois Supreme Court ruled to end cash bail coming September

- Erin gives her survey results of the top 3 issues: violence prevention, mental health, Youth and wellbeing support services.
- Resident raised her hand to speak of the migrant issue and would like help for the police officers and although she feels for the migrants, the police need help
- The police do their job, but when they do their job, they get attacked, and it's getting kind of old.

## **New Business**

- National Night Out announcement
- Police Vs. Fire Baseball at White Sox Park next Wednesday, game starts at 6:30, while doors open at 4:00

Meetings will always be the last Wednesday of every month. St. Gabriel will be the location until it is otherwise determined.

Moving Forward – Motion to End the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM