

City of Chicago
COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING TYPE	Special Meeting
MEETING DATE	Sunday, October 15, 2023
MEETING LOCATION	Lincoln Park Presbyterian Church
TIME CALLED TO ORDER	4:15PM

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Name	Present or Absent / In-Person or Remote
Rev. Dr. Beth Brown	Present
Anthony Driver, Jr. – President, Chair	Present
Oswaldo Gomez – Vice President	Present
Yvette Loizon	Present
Cliff Nellis	Present
Remel Terry	Present
Isaac Troncoso	Absent

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes.

Acronyms:

CCPSA = Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability

AGENDA

- I. President Driver called the meeting to order.
- II. President Driver called the roll and established the quorum.
- III. Special Presentation:

Commissioner Brown introduced Xavier Ramey. Ramey will moderate a panel discussion with the Commissioners as part of the 8th Annual *Vigil Against Violence* at Lincoln Park Presbyterian Church.

 - A. Ramey asked Commissioners to evaluate how the first year of the CCPSA has gone and changes that have happened. Highlights included:
 - Safety is now in the hands of the community.
 - Community gets to come up with solutions, rather than experts and politicians.
 - The community has become a real participant in public safety and accountability. They have a voice.
 - There is a greater sense of hope.
 - We have been shown that if people are willing to do the work, they will see the changes.
 - This commission has demonstrated the power of people working together to achieve common goals. Even if those people come from different backgrounds and perspectives.
 - B. Commissioners were asked how the CCPSA has expanded the conversation around public safety and accountability. The Commissioners listed the following:

- There has been a shift in focus to the community.
- The Commission gets to be more forward thinking.
- Allows for change to happen before something becomes a problem.
- CCPSA doesn't serve the mayor, it serves the community. It is important to take community feedback into consideration.
- Although some people may not want another agency created to focus on policing, the CCPSA can save the city money by being more proactive in policing issues that tend to cost the city money.

C. Commissioners were asked to list CCPSA's priorities for the next several months. Priorities listed included the following:

- Workforce Allocation
- CPD Response Times
- Getting more Chicagoans engaged in CCPSA work and advocacy in all parts of the city.
- Building a strong relationship with the new Superintendent.
- Educating the public on the police oversight process including the roles of the Police Board & COPA.
- Better Mental Health for Officers
- Understanding the use of new technology in policing.
- Better regulation of traffic stops.

IV. Announcement of the next regular meeting:

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for October 26, 2023, 6:30pm at Malcolm X College.

V. Adjournment:

TIME MEETING WAS ADJOURNED 6:03PM.