

City of Chicago
COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

MEETING MINUTES

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| MEETING TYPE | Special Meeting |
| MEETING DATE | Tuesday, March 21, 2023 |
| MEETING LOCATION | Virtual |
| TIME CALLED TO ORDER | 5:39 pm |

ATTENDANCE:

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

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes.

Acronyms:

CCPSA = Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability
ECPS Ordinance = Empowering Communities for Public Safety Ordinance, the name of the Ordinance that established CCPSA; codified under Municipal Code of Chicago 2-80.
OMA = Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120.

AGENDA

- I. President Driver called the meeting to order.
- II. President Driver called the roll and established the quorum.
- III. President Driver cited the Governor’s disaster proclamation regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and announced, pursuant to Section 7(e) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act (OMA), his determination that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent. The meeting was therefore conducted virtually via Zoom.
- IV. The Commission held a public comment session. 3 speakers offered comments. Public comment may be viewed at the Chicago CCPSA YouTube page:
www.youtube.com/@chicagoccpsa.
- V. Police Board Nominations

Commissioner Troncoso explained the process for police board nominations. He described the Commission’s role in conducting the application process and nominating candidates for each vacancy to the Mayor’s office, and the Mayor’s role in selecting a candidate from the list provided by the Commission. He noted that at the last Commission open meeting in February, the Commission had said that it was near a decision on which individuals to nominate but was awaiting the completion of background checks. He then described the process taken by the Commission for the nominations. The process began shortly after the

Commission was appointed. The Commission held an open application and performed two rounds of interviews. Four Commissioners took part in the interviews.

ACTION ITEM #1: POLICE BOARD NOMINATIONS

Commissioner Troncoso made the motion to nominate the following individuals for the Police Board and submit their names for consideration to the Mayor, in accordance with the Commission's duties under MCC 2-80-080(c):

Aja Carr-Favors
Rebecca Cook
Cathryn Crawford
Andreas Safakas

Vice President Gomez seconded the motion. President Driver asked for debate. There was none. President Driver called for a vote.

Aye: Brown, Driver, Gomez, Loizon, Nellis, Troncoso
Nay: /
Motion carries.

Commissioner Troncoso then explained that he and Commissioner Loizon had previously hoped that the Commission would be in the position to make a motion about the reappointment status of a Police Board member whose term ended in August 2022. However, that member chose not to complete the interview process. The Commission therefore will repost the application to fill a vacancy on the Police Board and will begin a search for qualified candidates. By law, when a Police Board member's term expires, that member is permitted to continue to serve until a replacement is chosen and seated.

Commissioner Troncoso also noted that he and Commissioner Loizon are currently developing a vetting process specifically for reappointments of Police Board members, which will be more streamlined than what new applicants face but will incorporate the key components of what they used in the process that led to the four names submitted by the Commission today. They intend to provide an update at the Commission's regular meeting in April or May.

VI. Announcement of the Next Meeting

President Driver announced that the next regular meeting will be on Thursday, March 30, 2023, at 6:30 pm at Truman Community College, 1145 W. Wilson Avenue.

VII. Adjournment.

TIME MEETING WAS ADJOURNED: 5:52 pm