

DISTRICT COUNCIL 001
COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Meeting Type: Regular

Meeting Date: Aug 5, 2025

Meeting Location: Maggie Daley Park Fieldhouse, 337 E Randolph

Meeting Start Time: 6:03 PM

District Council Member Attendance

Name	Role	Present	Remote	Absent
Sarah Kammerer	Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adrienne Johnson	Nominator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jamie Brown	Community Engagement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Quorum Met*: Yes

* In compliance with the Open Meetings Act (OMA), meetings require at least two members physically present to proceed.

Approval of Minutes

- N/A

Public Comment

- **Priscilla Mims:** Pris raised concerns about motorcycles in Lakeshore East Park on August 4 around 4PM. There were about 100 motorcycles that went East on Lower Wacker and ran a number of stoplights, including a number of bikes that went down the steps into the Park where families and children were playing. Called CPD and filed a report. Also raised concerns about Mexican Independence Day.
- **Tom Prenzno:** Tom is frustrated about traffic management in general, including gridlock around special events (named Lollapalooza) and increased volume of traffic. He is most concerned about pedestrian safety, both in crosswalks, as well as motorcycles and e-bikes and scooters.
- **Jim Hutchinson:** Jim notes that there are contractors that are parking illegally all day, on both sides of Harbor Drive and close to crosswalks, making it hard for drivers to see pedestrians. In addition, during Lolla, there was a contractor parked in Cancer Survivor's Garden, but never saw any workers around. Would like the parking enforcement rules to apply them.

District Council Updates

Sarah Kammerer, Chair

- DC Overview:
 - District Boundaries: Defined as the Chicago River South to 31st Street and from Lake Michigan to the highway.
 - Facilitates dialogue between the community and police to build trust, accountability, and transparency. Stressed the importance of community feedback.
 - Engagement Methods: Encouraged participation through monthly public meetings, community events, feedback forms, and direct communication (emails, phone calls, informal meetings).
 - Asked attendees to community facilitate introductions.
- Provided an overview of the police department's strategic plan, prioritizing quality of life issues, motor vehicle theft in specific regions, and robbery prevention.
- Activities included participation in condo board meetings, LSE Presidents Group monthly meetings, Chicago Loop Alliance Public Safety Group, and other stakeholder meetings. She also attended a number of community and building events.
- Biggest Issues: pedestrian safety, motorcycles, large event nuisance including traffic and noise

Adrienne Johnson, Nominating Committee

- Reminder: National Night Out is TONIGHT with Districts 001, 012 and 018 at Navy Pier
- Nominating Committee Updates:
 - Next Nominating Committee meeting is Saturday, September 6, 2025
 - Established calendar, internal protocol, outreach plans, and expectations for the next several months
 - Discussion on 2026 CCPSA vacancies process includes consideration for youth candidates
- Other Updates: Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability: Next CCPSA meeting: Thursday, August 28, 2025; Civilian Office of Police Accountability Administrator Search: no new updates
- Activities include National Night Out and Bud Billiken parade; continuing to meet neighbors in the neighborhood, community association manager(s) and local South Loop business managers/owners
- Outreach: contact council members by their individual email address, phone or our shared email of dc1@cityofchicago.org, FB page for District Council 001 now has 31 followers (3% increase, 57% increase of views), join us at [Facebook.com/DistrictCouncil001](https://www.facebook.com/DistrictCouncil001)

Discussion

Key Concerns Based on Community Feedback:

- Quality of Life: Large event traffic impacts, motorcycles

- Pedestrian Safety: bikes and scooter on sidewalks, speeding cars, cars not stopping for pedestrians

Traffic Stops Policy

- Interest in policymaking process
- Encouraged public comment on CCPSA website
- Sarah followed-up with the link to the policy, recordings and feedback form

Mexican Independence Day

- Concerns about disruption
- Want to know CPD plan including the routes in and out of the Loop

Next Meeting Details

- **Date:** Sept. 9, 6PM
- **Location:** Williams Park Fieldhouse, 2820 S State St.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:43 PM