

# 19<sup>th</sup>

**POLICE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Maurilio Garcia  
Jenny Schaffer  
Sam Schoenburg**

**Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, October 22nd  
Sulzer Library**



**19<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COUNCIL**

COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY



# Agenda

- Roll Call & Quorum Determination
- Votes
- Public Announcements
- District Council Member Updates
- Discussion:
  - **WFA Study Updates**
  - **CPD Community Conversations**
  - **ICE Watch**
- Public Comment
- Reminders & Calls to Action
- Announcement of Next Meeting(s)

# Votes

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# Public Announcements



# Welcoming Community Groups

- If you are a part of a community group in the 19th District, please let us know:
  - Who you are, your position within the group
  - About any events coming up
  - How can neighbors reach you



## KIDICAL MASS

MEET ON THE FIELD @ WATERS  
ELEMENTARY BY 10:25 AM

WE TAKE OFF AT 10:30 FOR A KID-PACED RIDE TO CHECK OUT THE SPOOKIEST  
HALLOWEEN HOUSES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD! AFTER THE RIDE WE CLOSE  
A GREAT SEASON OF FAMILY BIKING WITH A CELEBRATION WITH  
WATERS GARDEN VOLUNTEERS!

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES ENCOURAGED

## GARDEN GATHERING

11:00AM - 1:00PM @ WATERS GARDEN

LIVE MUSIC FROM THE GARDEN JAMMERS.  
BRING AN INSTRUMENT AND JOIN IN!

PIZZAS FROM THE OVEN & OTHER DELICACIES.  
SNACKS FOR THE SHARING TABLE WELCOME.

KIDS ACTIVITIES/ GROWN UPS CHILL

## BIKE REPAIR CLINIC

WATERS GARDEN ADJACENT

10:00AM - 11:00AM

OPEN CLINIC HOSTED BY GRO

12:00P - 1:00PM

YOUTH CLINIC: FIXING A FLAT TIRE

BRING YOUR BIKE AND LEARN SOME SIMPLE  
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS.

Greater Rockwell Organization -  
Sunday at Waters Elementary



SCARCE



# PUMPKIN SMA

GREEN YOUR HALLOWEEN

Don't trash it,  
smash  
it!!

Compost your pumpkin  
at this location:



LAKE VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

4015 N Ashland Ave., Chicago, IL 60613



Saturday, November 8th



10AM - 2PM

Find more locations near you:

[scarce.org/pumpkins](https://scarce.org/pumpkins)

\*Remove candles and decorations.



Graceland West Community Association

# Fall Neighborhood Clean Up!



Sunday, November 2nd



10 am - 12 pm



1247 W Argyle St



Social to follow at Fat Cat



Connect with neighbors!

*Scan for more  
info on the clean  
up and how to  
get involved  
with NUNA!*



# Neighborhood Group Networking Event





# District Council Member Updates

# Community Police Mediation

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# Introduction



Beth Rochford  
17<sup>th</sup> District Councilor for CCPSA  
[Elizabeth.Rochford@CityofChicago.org](mailto:Elizabeth.Rochford@CityofChicago.org)



Hannah Flint  
Chicago Police Detective  
*All opinions are my own and not those of The Chicago Police Department*

# Agenda

1. Program Overview
2. Conversation
3. Next Steps

# Chicago Police Department Accountability Structure

## COPA INVESTIGATES ALLEGATIONS OF:

- Bias-based verbal abuse
- Coercion
- Death or serious bodily injury in custody
- Domestic violence
- Excessive force
- Improper search and seizure
- Firearm discharge
- Sexual misconduct
- Taser discharge that results in death or serious bodily injury
- Pattern or practices of misconduct
- Unlawful denial or access to counsel

## CPD'S BUREAU OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS INVESTIGATES:

All other complaints of police misconduct,  
including but not limited to:

- Criminal misconduct
- Operational violations
- Theft of money or property
- Planting of drugs
- Substance abuse
- Residency violations
- Medical roll abuse

# Consent Decree Requires Mediation


## E. Community Mediation of Complaints

510. Mediation can be a valuable tool for expediting the resolution of complaints, building trust between community members and police, and fostering mutual respect.

511. In order to develop a new mediation policy governing the resolution of disciplinary actions by the agreement of the CPD member and non-CPD member complainant, the City will solicit public input, through community engagement efforts, regarding the methods by which mediation will most effectively build trust between community members and police and foster mutual respect.

512. The City will ensure that within 365 days of the Effective Date, COPA and BIA have developed parallel policies regarding the mediation of misconduct complaints by non-CPD members. The policies will govern mediation of misconduct complaints involving non-CPD member complainants. The policies will specify, at a minimum, (a) the criteria for determining incidents eligible for resolution through mediation; (b) the goals of mediation, including efficiency, transparency, procedural justice, restorative justice, and strengthening public trust; (c) the steps in the mediation process; and (d) methods of communication with complainants

regarding the mediation process and the opportunity to participate. Items (a) through (d) above will be consistent between the CPD and COPA mediation policies.



“The City will ensure that... COPA and BIA have developed parallel policies regarding the mediation of complaints by non-CPD members.”

# How Community-Police Mediation Works

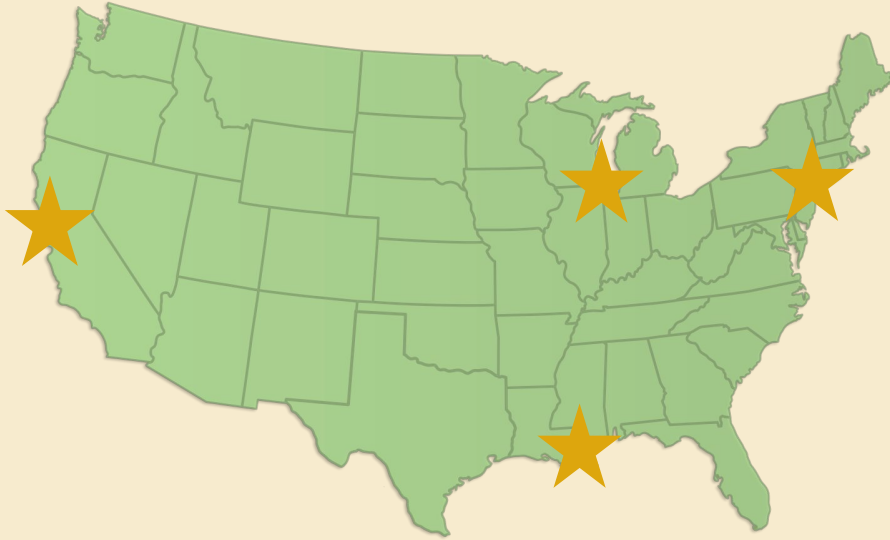
Voluntary for both parties

Not offered for all complaints

Parties do not have to reach an agreement

Mediation results in the closure of the complaint

# Do Officers Want to Participate in Mediation?



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| Chicago       | 82% |
| New York City | 89% |
| San Francisco | 94% |
| New Orleans   | 97% |

# Conversation #1: October 9th 2025

In-person Community Conversations are the only input CPD allows the public to help form our district's Strategic Plan.

## Session #1 Summary:

- ~10 residents in attendance
- Residents want 019 to be adequately staffed so that officers can spend time out on foot getting to know our neighborhoods
- Neighbors expressed their desire for expanding CARE and the situations their team can address
- Need for more strategic CAPS/Beat meetings





# Please Attend Conversation #2!

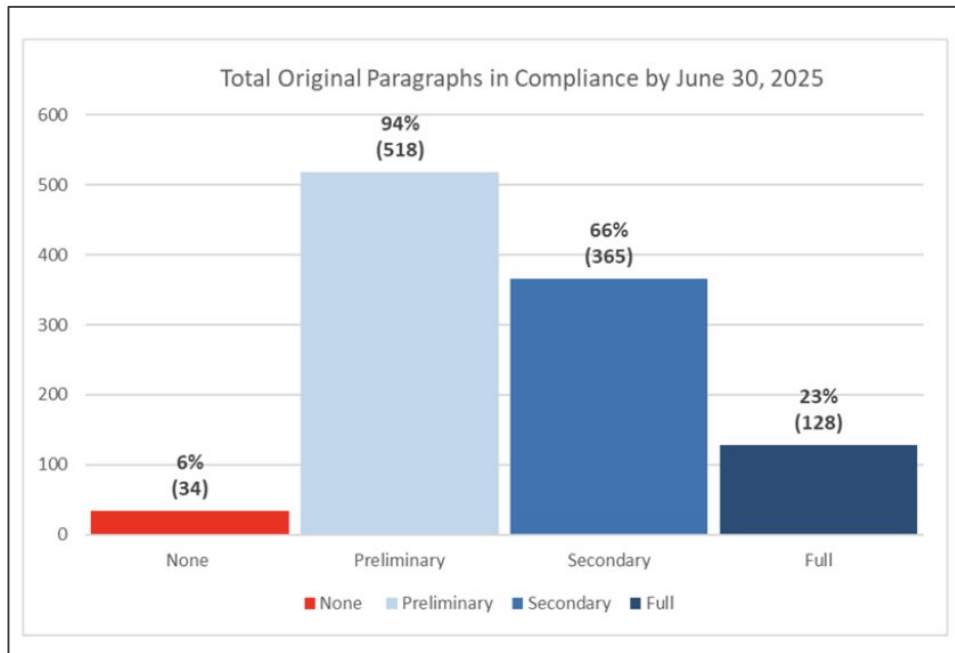
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**November 6, 2025 @6:00 p.m.  
Clarendon Park Community Center  
4501 N Clarendon Ave**

# Consent Decree: 23% Full Compliance

Independent Monitor Maggie Hickey and her team have [released their 12th report](#).

Achieving full compliance across all areas of the consent decree is critical to building a foundation for **effective, equitable, and constitutional policing** in Chicago.



# WFAS Update

The Department will host a Webinar on the Workforce Allocation on **October 23, 2025 at 5pm on Zoom.**

This webinar will include a presentation and a Q&A.

[Register Here](#)

[bit.ly/WFASwebinar](https://bit.ly/WFASwebinar)

# What's Included in the Public Webinar

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## Organizational Profile

- Comprehensive **overview of CPD's current structure** and staffing analysis across all bureaus and unites
- Serves as a “**current state**” foundation for analysis
- Developed collaboratively with Matrix Consulting Group and internal subject matter experts

## Interim Framework Report

- Details the methodology to be used in the **determine workload** in each position
  - Ratio based, workload based, fixed coverage

# WFAS Update

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At the Consent Decree hearing, the **Attorney General's Office** echoed a view shared by many District Council Members:

- The City increase **increase transparency** around the workforce allocation study.
- **Progress updates** need to be **shared more frequently**.
- The City promised multiple **community engagement opportunities**, but only one has occurred so far (in May).

# City Budget

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# City Budget Proposal - Key Public Safety Updates

## Creates a **Community Safety Fund**

- Revenue from a revived **head tax** would fund programs such as:
  - Violence Prevention
  - Youth Employment / Diversion Programs
  - Expand Recreational and Community Services
  - First Responder Wellness
- Projected to raise \$100 million in annual revenue

# City Budget Proposal - Key Public Safety Updates

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## Police Overtime Spending Capped

- Increased the budget for police overtime from \$100 million to \$200 million
- This year CPD exceeded this in the first 6 months
- City Council approval needed if the cap is to be exceeded



# City Budget Proposal - Key CARE Updates

## Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement Team (CARE)

- Funding will continue into 2026 - **WIN!!**
- Funding will be in the corporate budget - **WIN!!**
- CARE will not be expanded - **MORE WORK NEEDED**
- Proposed tax on social media companies - **WIN!!**
  - Estimated to create around \$31 million in revenue
  - Earmarked for free mental health clinics throughout Chicago and the expansion of mental health crisis response teams

# JOIN US:



**17TH DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**19TH DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**20TH DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**24TH DISTRICT COUNCIL**

COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

## CPD BUDGET ENGAGEMENT

Learn about the proposed CPD budget from Geoffrey Cubbage, a policy and budget analyst from the Better Government Association.

Share your input on budget priorities with your District Councilors so we can ensure your voice is heard by the Commission and considered in their budget report.

**WEDNESDAY**

OCTOBER 29, 2025 | 6:00 PM

*Swedish Hospital - Anderson Pavilion  
(5145 N. California Ave)*

**Zoom Link:**

**<https://bit.ly/2025NSCPDbudget>**



**RSVP:**  
**<https://bit.ly/19thDCMeeting>**

**District Council Joint Meeting:**  
**17th, 19th, 20th, 24th Districts**

# ICE Watch



# Supporting Migrants

Save this number in your phone and call it if you have a suspected ICE sighting or need assistance with an ICE detention: **855-435-7693**

**SPREAD INFORMATION, NOT PANIC**

When reporting or spotting potential threats: provide as much information as possible!

REMEMBER! → **S.A.L.U.T.E**

**S**ize/strength  
"5 to 6 law enforcement officers"

**A**ctions/Activity  
"harassing random people on the street"


**L**ocation/Direction  
"Chicago, West of Millennium Park, on Michigan Ave"

**U**niform/clothes  
"Dark Blue uniforms that say 'Police ICE' on the back"

**T**ime and date of observation  
"12:45 PM January 20"

**E**quipment and weapons  
"They have helmets, vests and batons"

Not a useful message: "URGENT!!! Potential ICE Raids on the west side!!!"  
"Where? When? What are they doing? How Many? What are they carrying?"





# PROTECTING OUR NEIGHBORS

## A COMMUNITY FORUM ON ICE & SOLIDARITY

Join the 46th Ward Office, local organizations, and community networks to support neighbors impacted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Learn how ICE activity is impacting our neighborhoods, what's being done to protect and meet the needs of our immigrant neighbors, and how you can take part in the work to keep our community safe. Together, we keep each other safe.

**OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup> | 11 AM – 1 PM**

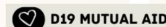
**Truman College | 1145 W. Wilson Ave  
(McKeon Lobby)**

**FREE PARKING IN GARAGE**

### SUPPLY COLLECTION!

D19 Mutual Aid will be collecting gently used winter coats (all sizes and genders) and new underwear and socks. Please bring these items to the event if you are able!

Use the QR code or this link:  
<https://tinyurl.com/58kvuwb> to register!



# Whistle Blasts

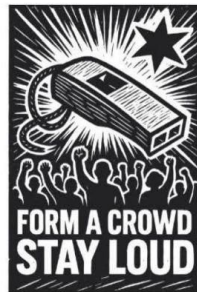
## ICE SEEN IN NEIGHBORHOOD:

Three short blows

## ICE SEEN DETAINING NEIGHBORS:

Three long blasts

Feel free to take a  
whistle, provided at  
sign-in table.



PROTECT EACH OTHER

## ROGERS PARK WHISTLE PROTOCOLS

### WHY A WHISTLE? ON THE STREETS

- A SIMPLE TOOL FOR FAST ALERTS.
- LOUD. RECOGNIZABLE. IMPOSSIBLE TO IGNORE.
- OUR VOICES ARE STRONGER TOGETHER.

### WHISTLES GUIDE PEOPLE TO:

- FOLLOW ICE CARAVANS
- CATCH UP WITH THE CROWD
- ALERT NEIGHBORS TO JOIN IN

**NOISE = VISIBILITY.**

### CODE 1:

#### ICE NEARBY

BLOW QUICKLY IN A  
BROKEN RHYTHM:

**PRE—PRE—PRE!**

→ ALERTS THE  
COMMUNITY THAT ICE  
AGENTS ARE IN THE AREA.

### CODE 2:

#### CODE RED

BLOW THREE LONG BLASTS:  
**PREEEE—PREEEE—PREEEE!**

→ ICE IS DETAINING SOMEONE.

**FORM A CROWD, STAY LOUD.**  
DON'T STAY SILENT. STAY NONVIOLENT.

### WHY IT WORKS

- INSTANT ALERT SYSTEM
- FASTER THAN SOCIAL MEDIA
- TURNS SILENCE INTO COMMUNITY ACTION

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

- WEAR YOUR WHISTLE AROUND YOUR NECK
- TEACH FAMILY & NEIGHBORS THE CODES
- USE IT WHEN ICE IS SPOTTED
- PROTECT EACH OTHER, ALWAYS

**TOGETHER, WE  
KEEP OUR  
COMMUNITY  
SAFE.**

**FORM A CROWD,  
STAY LOUD.**

ORIGINAL FLYER CREATED BY:  
@PILSENARTSCOMMUNITYHOUSE  
INFO@PILSENARTSCOMMUNITYHOUSE.ORG

THIS FLYER DISTRIBUTED BY:  
PROTECT RP  
@PROTECTRP\_

# 19th District Mutual Aid

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Fundraising to support with  
rental, utility and legal fees

Donate Supplies

Sort Supplies

Legal Aid Clinics

# School Patrols

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Many **local schools are organizing patrols** to ensure children and families can safely make their way to and from schools.

We can **help you connect** with your local school to see if you can join their efforts.

[Click here to join efforts at Lane Tech.](#)



# Support Ofelia Torres and Her Dad Ruben



<https://c.org/NpPgyJfMNR>

# Support Wilson and His Family



<https://gofund.me/d1c666239>

# Other Ways to Get Involved

## Know Your Rights

- [Protest](#): peaceful protest guidance from the Illinois Attorney General's Office
- [Filming](#): your right to film Federal law enforcement
- [Immigration Enforcement](#): know your rights immigration enforcement
- [Business Owners](#): a guide for employers
- [Family Support](#): assistance due to ICE detention

## Local Advocacy Organizations

- [19th District Mutual Aid](#): donations, errands, fundraising
- [Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights](#): court watching, fundraising, hotline, policy
- [ONE Northside](#): neighbor-to-neighbor support

[Check out our  
Resource Portal  
for more!](#)

# Community Partnership Plan: Monthly Update and Discussion



# Summary of Progress



[Link to  
CPP Found  
here](#)

|  | Last Month                              | This Month | Delta |
|--|---|------------|-------|
| In Progress                              | 15                                      | 15         | 0     |
| Ongoing                                  | 5                                       | 6          | 1     |
| Completed                                | 23                                      | 23         | 0     |
| Total In Progress/ Ongoing/<br>Completed | 43                                      | 44         | 1     |
| Total Goals                              | 50                                      | 50         | 0     |
|  | % In Progress/<br>Ongoing/<br>Completed | 88%        |       |

# We'd Like Your Help...

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- Which of the following do you see as a **high priority**?
- Do you have **any interest in helping** 019 PDC in completing any of these goals?
- Do you have **any ideas** to offer to help complete any of these goals?

# Discussion: Completed

| Public Safety Topic                        | Community Ideas & Concerns  | #    | 019PDC Action Items  | Status    |
|--|---|------|--|-----------|
| Police Visibility to Build Community Trust | meetings  |      |  |           |
|  | Increase Foot Patrol  | 6    | At next monthly meeting with 019 PDC Chair, ask Commander Jessani about the steps taken and potential bottlenecks impeding progress on the goal of increasing foot patrolling officers as outlined within 019 CPD Strategic Plan | Completed |
|  |   | 9.1  | Work with OEMC, CPD, Thresholds, and any other relevant parties to identify if diverting appropriate 911 calls to Thresholds is a workable solution  | Completed |
|  | Expand public safety entities that respond to emergency calls for service so Police can focus more on policing: | 10   | Provide an update within the 2 months to community on how CPD is making progress towards employing 400 more civilians  | Completed |
|  |   | 12   | Distribute 1,500 mental health palm cards to community members   | Completed |
|  |   | 13.1 | Submit CCPSA Policy Proposal to Elevate Alternative Response Models City-wide  | Completed |
|  |   | 13.2 | Lobby DCs to Help Pass CCPSA Policy Proposal Elevating Alternative Response  | Completed |
|  | Provide regular updates to the community on the progress of conducting a CPD WFA Study                          | 16   | Establish a main point of contact within Third Party Organizations selected to execute WFA Study   | Completed |



# Discussion: In Progress

| Public Safety Topic                       | Community Ideas & Concerns  | #  | 019PDC Action Items  | Status      |
|---|---|----|--|-------------|
|   | on policing:  |    |  |             |
| Increase Sense of Safety in the Community | Find ways for CAPS meetings to help us feel safer in our community (vs. spread more fear) | 25 | <p>Work with CAPS Sergeant to help dispel feelings of anxiety and fear by providing more context and explanation of incidents that occurred in the beat. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Providing explanation of CPD terminology used in CAPS packets (ie. written explanation of robbery vs burglary vs theft)</li> <li>- Sharing number of violent crimes that have occurred to people randomly on the street</li> <li>- Sharing tips on how to stay protected, all in one clear sheet</li> <li>- Ensuring CAPS packet being share with community are relevant and up-to-date</li> <li>- Providing information about the next District Council meeting and how to sign up to receive our newsletters</li> </ul> | In Progress |
|   |   | 26 | At every beat meeting have each officer introduce themselves and spend 5 minutes engaging with the community as part of the agenda (e.g. how often do you work in this beat, who's your favorite Bears player, what is your favorite lunch spot in the district, etc.)   | In Progress |
|   |   | 27 | Start CAPS meetings by having everyone introduce themselves and sharing where they live in the community and any community events that are occurring   | In Progress |



# Discussion: Not Started

| Public Safety Topic   | Community Ideas & Concerns  | #  | 019PDC Action Items  | Status      |
|---|---|----|--|-------------|
| Police Visibility to Build Community Trust                                    | Understand how 019 Town Hall currently uses and deploys resources within the department                                 | 17 | Create a graphic explaining and visualizing how our Police Officer force is deployed within 019, in collaboration with Commander Jessani   | Not started |
|   |   | 18 | Explore, with CPD, the disconnect between receiving instructions to always call 9-1-1 in emergency situations, but businesses within our district note that their emergencies are often not addressed or acknowledged  | Not started |
| Increase Sense of Safety in the Community                                     | Organize more community walks across the district   | 24 | Voice neighbors' desire for more community building opportunities (neighborhood walks, trash pickups, etc.) to the district's Alder offices and block clubs so that neighbors can get to know one another and help deter bad actors from committing crimes in the area (i.e. selling drugs in alleyways) | Not started |
|   | Learn what other public safety tools would benefit the community and work to advocate and inform the community of those | 32 | Work with CPD and Elected Officials to identify highest priority areas in need of visibility improvements (e.g tree trimming, lighting, etc.)  | Not started |
| Accountability for those who have committed crimes and preventing future harm | Raise awareness of programs that support at risk youth  | 37 | Invite at least 1 organization that is dedicated to engaging underserved youth to 19PDC monthly meeting  | Not started |
|   | Hold States Attorney's Office accountable for putting people who have committed crimes in jail                          | 40 | Devote a 19PDC monthly meeting to CCSAO, allowing SAO representative to present and to explain prosecution process   | Not started |

# Public Comment

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# Public Comment - Rules & Follow Up

## Rules of Engagement

- 2 min/speaker = ~10 speakers (typically 20 minutes total)
- Request to make public comment must be submitted within 30-minutes of start of meeting
- Order of speakers randomly selected
- No disruption of speakers
- No harassment or disrespect will be tolerated (zero tolerance policy)

## Follow Up

- District Councilors and staff will take official minutes of public comments made
- District Councilors may address comments in real time or may follow up with community member at a later time

# 2-Minutes per Speaker

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# Reminders & Calls to Action

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## Coffee with a Councilor

19th District Council – Office Hours

### Office Hours

The 19th District Council wants to talk with you about building a policing and public safety system that is more holistic, effective, data-driven, and responsive to our community's needs! We want to hear your ideas and share more about the work we are doing to improve public safety in the community. If you cannot make this event, we still want to hear from you. Please reach out to us and we will find a mutually agreed upon time and place to meet.

**Thursday Oct. 23**  
**9:00 am - 10:30 am**  
**Botanical Cafe**  
**3740 N. Lincoln**

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# Thank you to our hosts!

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**Next Meeting:**

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4540 N Campbell Ave**



# Adjourn - Thank you!

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