

City of Chicago NOTICE OF CCPSA NOMINATING COMMITTEE RESCHEDULED MEETING

The Nominating Committee for the Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability will hold its public meeting on the following date, time, and location:

Thursday, October 16, 2025, 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM Leonard M. Louie Fieldhouse 1700 S. Wentworth Ave, Chicago, 60616

MINUTES

I. Roll call & quorum determination

Total Quorum		Attendees: 13	
Name (DC #)	Attendance	Name (DC #)	Attendance
Adrienne Johnson (01)	Yes	Michelle D. Page (12)	Yes
Marquinn McDonald (02)	No	Ashley Vargas (14)	Yes
Kenya Franklin (03)	No	Karen Arewa Winters (15)	No
Gloria Jenkins (04)	Yes	Colleen Dillon (16)	Yes
Tom McMahon (05)	Yes	Beth Rochford (17)	Yes
Aisha Humphries (06),	Yes	Robert Johnson (18)	Virtual
Dion Mcgill (07)	Yes	Sam Schoenburg (19), Acting Chair	Yes
Al Cacciottolo (08)	No	Darrell Dacres (20)	Yes, late arrival
Denise McBroom (09)	Yes	Lee Bielecki (22)	Yes
Elianne Bahena (10)	No	Marilyn Pagán- Banks (24)	No
Jocelyn Woodards (11)	No	Angelica Green (25)	Yes

II. Public comment

- No public comment

III. For discussion and votes

A. Approval of July 19, 2025, minutes.

- a. DC05: Moves to approve
- b. All agree
- B. Approval of June 07, 2025, minutes.
 - a. DC19 (Chair) moves to table since they were not added to the notice and it is unclear if a vote is allowed per the OMA.
 - b. All agree
- C. Calendaring of upcoming special meetings.
 - a. Nov 15, at 10am is upcoming regular meeting
 - i. DC22 unavailable for next meeting on November 15, 2025.
 - b. Discussion on when to open application
 - i. DC06: We want to consider our own capacity. Opening in December would make it hard to jump back in. Opening in January would be similar to us. What is the best time for us to review applications?
 - ii. DC22: Not confident that youth would use December to apply. Outreach by staff needs to be better.
 - iii. DC19: We have an opportunity to be an early January story. We agreed to have nominators play a bigger role.
 - iv. DC25: We discussed doing special outreach to candidates in the fall.
 - v. DC05: Motion to open application on Wednesday, January 7, 2026, and close the application Friday, February 6, 2026. Deadline to nominate would be March 8, 2026.
 - 1. DC25 seconds.
 - a. In favor: 01, 04, 05, 06, 9, 12, 14, 16, 17, 19, 22, 25
 - b. Abstain: 7, 19,
 - c. Motion passes
 - vi. DC06: Create an Outlook Nominating Committee calendar to ensure that we are respecting the times we are setting. Also include the outreach dates, presentation dates, and any other relevant nominating committee.
 - 1. All agree.
 - vii. DC06: Motion to put a calendar hold on Wednesday, March 04, 2026.
 - 1. All agree
 - viii. DC06: Motion to have staff send us the application materials by February 11, 2026.
 - 1. All agree
 - ix. DC06: Motion to have closed meeting to decide on who to invite to interview on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 2 N LaSalle Ave. Hold February 19, 2026, as a back-up day.
 - 1. All agree

- x. DC19: Motion to set Wednesday evening of February 25, 2026, and morning Saturday, February 28, as days to hold interviews.
 - 1. All agree
- xi. DC19: Motion to set a closed meeting on evening Wednesday, March 4, 2026, to finalize nominations.
 - 1. All agree
- xii. DC19: Motion to set the morning of Saturday, March 07, 2026, as a public meeting to vote on the final list of nominees.
 - 1. All agree

D. Discussion on 2026 CCPSA vacancies process:

- a. Approval of application questions.
- b. Discussion:
 - i. DC19 (Chair): Working groups to meet between now and November 15, 2025, to discuss interview questions. Liaisons will meet to finalize application questions after reviewing previous
 - 1. Abstention: 07, 01
 - 2. All others in favor

E. Review of letter discussing further information from the CCPSA.

- a. No letter submitted
- b. Please provide any input as to how Nominating Committee should assess the work of the Commission to DC19.

F. Discussion on the CCPSA leadership elections.

- a. DC25: Northwest Working Group interested in discussing how the nominators can influence the selection of the CCPSA's leadership.
 - i. DC22: Might go against CCPSA's bylaws. Based on experience, the DCs already influence the Commissioners and their work, but that's up to each District Council.
 - ii. DC06: It is important to separate the accountability conversation between what is relevant to the Nominating Committee and to all District Councils. For example, the District Council Vacancy process. That process has been impacted by the Mayor's Office and all of us could be impacted.
 - iii. DC01: Given that the nominations to leadership have been made, what should our role be? Is DC25 looking for something where each Council votes to give the leaders of the Commission their approval?
 - iv. DC25: If we could see a report card, then we can have that conversation about the merits of each Commissioner to serve on the executive.



- v. DC01: I would have liked to see the product of the discussion generated at the last quarterly. That would have been helpful for us to have.
- vi. DC19: I think we would need to meet more often to be able to have any feedback to give to the Commission. As nominators, we are the only body of the District Councils that has hard power over who gets to be a Commissioners. I think that there needs to be more than a 2-minute public comment section for district councils to speak. Perhaps they can set time on the agenda to hear from the councilors. In general, I think we all do have a role to play in requesting more information.
- vii. DC17: I do think we clearly set priorities for them, and there has been little progress on these priorities. I do believe that we are the body who should call them out as to why they have not made progress. The executive should be particularly accountable.
- viii. DC14: I wonder if there is a world where nominators endorse a nominee to the role of the executive. I think Councils are often left in the dark as to what type of work the Commissioners are doing, and where they are spending their time.
 - ix. DC20: Can we table this and set more time in the future?
 - x. DC04: I think if the Commissioners are not supporting our need for more communication, then we might not have more to offer.
- xi. DC17: I think the issue is not which Commissioners are attending their monthly meetings, but rather what the attendance at the working groups looks like.
- xii. DC22: I have brought up the issue with Commissioner Minor not attending the hate crime working group. I brought this up during the last Commission meeting but got no answer.
- xiii. DC12: I think we did put these people in these positions. I think we could issue a letter of support or of no-confidence. Our constituents are telling us that we need to hold them accountable.
- xiv. DC14: I think we might not be able to enforce much, but they should at least hear our concerns and hear how our constituents feel.
- xv. DC25: To DC14's point, we are able to endorse and have influence over who is on the Commission's leadership based on the ordinance.
- xvi. DC06: We might be able to consider this and apply edits to the interview and application questions.
- xvii. DC19: I think folks in this body who are interested in the conversation need to have a separate conversation.
- xviii. DC06: I think that we can discuss the ordinance at the next meeting. We need to discuss if we (DCs) want to say something about it.

G. Update from CCPSA staff on outreach plan and next steps.

- a. DC14: Create a survey for what constituents want to see in future constituents.
- b. DC19: See the one that was used the first time. Let's use that for reference.
- c. DC22: I would like to see the list of organizations that staff will reach out to.



d. DC14: I think that the teachers Union would be another group I'd like to reach out to.

Additional announcements/announcement of the next meeting IV.

- Oct 25: The DC Annual Meeting
 November 15, next Nominating Committee meeting. Location is expected to be McKinley Park Fieldhouse but final location will be posted on the website.