

5TH DISTRICT COUNCIL
COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

CITY OF CHICAGO
DISTRICT COUNCIL 005
COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING TYPE: X Regular ☐ Special ☐ Closed

MEETING DATE: April 27, 2026

MEETING LOCATION & ADDRESS: 11141 South Cottage Grove

MEETING START TIME: 6:11 pm

Attendance & Quorum

The OMA Meeting cannot take place without 2 out of 3 members present in person.

District Council Member Name	Attendance
Chair: Robert McKay	Present: x ☐ Remote: ☐ Absent: ☐
Nominator: Thomas McMahon	Present:x ☐ Remote: ☐ Absent: ☐
Community Engagement: Ponchita Moore	Present:x ☐ Remote: ☐ Absent: ☐

Quorum (2 out of 3 Members): Yes: x☐ No: ☐

Public Comment
None

Approval of Minutes

March 23rd, 2026, minutes from Chicago State University approved.

February 23rd, 2026, meeting minutes also reviewed and approved.

Discussions

Moment of silence - Purpose: To honor an officer from the 17th District killed on Saturday (April 25th, 2026) and another officer hospitalized and fighting for his life after being shot.

Introductions & Leadership Updates

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Introduction of Commander Jackson

Commander Jackson replaces Carla Johnson (Deputy Chief as of April 1st, 2026).

Background: Previously served in the area as a patrolman, thus knowledge of the neighborhood and beat maps.

Admin Sergeant Monica Scales: Recently promoted; previously worked with Cmdr. Jackson in Area 4 Property Crime Section.

Remarks from Commander Jackson

Emphasized continuity, experience, and strong collaborative intent.

Noted focus: “one team, one fight.”

Enthusiastic about future collaborations.

Consent Decree Compliance & District Operations

Discussion of Citywide Consent Decree Compliance

Robert McKay: Raised recent media report that City of Chicago is 22% compliant with consent decree (report released in April 2026; consent decree has been in force for seven years, since ~2019).

Concern about slow progress (~5% compliance gain per year).

Commander Jackson:

5th District compliance much higher (75–85%) in key operational areas: e-learning, training, court attendance, etc.

Can only speak definitively for 5th District (303+ assigned personnel, minus absences).

Confirmed ongoing compliance monitoring and training (including Crisis Intervention Training—CIT).

Admits citywide compliance varies by unit; not all areas may be at same compliance levels.

Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) / Employee Assistance

Both Cmdr. Jackson and Sgt. Scales are CIT-certified (focus: de-escalation).

Participation in Peer Support and Employee Assistance programs for officer wellness and mental health.

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Staffing & Scheduling Notes

5th District operates on a 10-hour day, two-watches schedule.

Challenges in scheduling and overtime to maintain full enforcement coverage and community safety.

Willingness to use additional budget for community safety prioritization.

Updates

Community Engagement and Initiatives

Beat 531 Meeting: Update shared with residents about today's council meeting; noted lower attendance possibly due to weather (normally 20–25 residents, sparse turnout this time).

April 18, 2026, Event: At 1300 block of Pulaski (school), attended with Stearns Foundation to distribute 200 bicycles to North Lawndale children.

Stearns Foundation is a philanthropic group active along the Roosevelt Road corridor.

Nominating Committee Activity

Councilor's Role: Member of nominating committee submitting six names to the Mayor for the police oversight commission (three selected).

Selected Candidates:

Antoinette (Anjanette) Young

Angelique Guzman (youth appointee, Mather High School senior)

Third candidate pending—awaiting expiration of another commissioner's term in May.

Overview of the commission: Seven members (five adults, two youth 18–24).

Notable: Anjanette Young is a high-profile new appointee (known for being a victim in the 2019 wrongful police raid, was top-ranked candidate in the process).

District Strategic Plan (DSP) & Community Involvement

DSP Committee is working on recommendations for Cmdr. Jackson; these will be delivered soon.

Fifth District: Already compliant, among the few that regularly reference strategic plans in beat meetings and in beat meeting logs.

Recognition for community engagement in DSP development, including tracking chronic crime locations/issues and including community feedback.

Quarterly meetings as required are being held.

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Cop House Project

Location: 120th and Indiana.

Mural Initiative: Collaboration with CCCS students (116th/Kensington/Indiana), KOB (Kids Off the Block), and two muralists.

Reminiscence: Previous successful mural with five high schools involved; CAPS officers participated.

Next Steps: As Cop House opening approaches, council will discuss and plan possible engagement and roles for outreach.

Police Commission Process Update

Anjanette Young's Appointment: Awaiting commissioner term expiration in May; Young's appointment pending.

Commission Meetings: April 30th, 6:30 p.m., DePaul College Prep, 3300 N. Campbell Ave.

Details: Meetings are public, can register via ccpsa.chicago.gov; meetings are recorded.

Councilor to invite Anjanette Young to share her perspective at a future meeting.

Crime Report & Statistics

Invitation for Commander Jackson to give district crime statistics/report (not detailed in transcript; possibly deferred).

Announcement of Next District Council Meeting

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 29, 2026

NEXT MEETING LOCATION 11141 South Cottage Grove

District Council ended the meeting at: 6:57 pm