9TH DISTRICT COUNCIL

COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Notice of Public Meeting Minutes

DC 009 will be holding a public meeting. Below are the details:

- Meeting Type: Regular
- Date: Sep. 30, 2026
- Start Time: 6:30 PM
- End Time: 7:30 PM
- Location: Davis Square Park, 4430 S. Marshfield Chicago 60609

District Council Member Name	Attendance
Chair: Carlos Sanchez	Present: X Remote: ☐ Absent: ☐
Community Engagement: Erin Vogel	Present: X Remote :☐ Absent: ☐
Nominating Committee: Denise McBroom	Present: Remote :☐ Absent: X
Quorum (2 out of 3 Members): Yes: X No: ☐	

Attendance	
# of attendees in person	2
# of attendees virtual	0
# of CPD attendees	0
CPD rank of attendees	0

Agenda for the Public Meeting

Items on the agenda are subject to change. If you have questions regarding this agenda, please contact 312-742-8888.

I. Call to Order, Roll Call

The Council will begin the meeting and establish a quorum of at least two Councilors.

Chair: Carlos Sanchez - Present
Community Engagement: Erin Vogel - Present
Nominating Committee: Denise McBroom – Absent

II. Approval of Remote Attendance of Councilor

If applicable, the Council will vote to allow the third Councilor to participate remotely after establishing a valid basis for the absence from the meeting.

NA

III. Approval of Agenda

The Council may vote to approve the agenda. The Council may add or remove items. The Council cannot add new items to vote on. Even after deciding on the agenda, the Council may decide to add more items later on.

NA

IV. Approvals of Past Minutes

May meeting minutes were approved 08/26/2026

The Council will vote on past meeting minutes.

Date of Minutes	Approved by
08/26/2026	Chair: x Nominator: ☐ Community Engagement: ☐
	Chair: ☐ Nominator: Community Engagement: ☐
08/26/2026	Chair: ☐ Nominator: ☐ Community Engagement: x

V. **Public Comment:**

• A community member raised concerns about police officers frequently disregarding traffic laws, including running red lights, failing to stop at stop signs, and speeding.

• Commenter emphasized that most residents interact with police primarily through traffic behavior; violations negatively impact public perception and trust.

• Expressed frustration over officers using emergency lights to bypass traffic signals without cause and then turning them off immediately afterward.

• Suggested that leadership should strongly encourage officers to follow traffic laws to model good behavior and rebuild community trust.

• Noted that when officers ignore traffic rules, it gives the impression they believe they are "above the law," which harms community–police relationships.

• Added that younger drivers may imitate unsafe behavior when they observe officers modeling it.

• Stated that the issue is fundamentally about culture, accountability, and respect rather than solely traffic safety.

•Encouraged commanders and leadership to address these behaviors consistently to improve public perception of CPD.

VI. Public Discussion on Trends and Concerns in the District

The Council will facilitate a discussion with the room on the most prevalent trends and concerns in the district, share their own observations from community engagement, and record a summary for the minutes.

Trends and Concerns Summary

• Traffic, pedestrian, and mobility safety remain frequent community concerns, including

speeding, unsafe driving, and difficulty crossing streets safely.

• New concern raised: police officers' own driving behavior (running red lights, ignoring stop signs, speeding, blocking bike lanes) and the impact this has on public trust and perception.

• Reports from constituents about officers blocking bike lanes on Halsted and dismissing cyclists' complaints.

• Broader transit infrastructure concerns noted, including tension around bike lanes, bumpouts, and traffic calming designs, especially on Archer.

• Youth safety in public spaces continues to be a major recurring concern, including teen gatherings and identifying safe, non-criminalized spaces for youth.

• Policing capacity concerns highlighted, including officer allocation, staffing, and how workforce distribution affects visibility (e.g., lack of foot or bike patrols).

• Concerns raised about ICE presence or suspected activity near CPD lots, particularly in other districts but relevant to community fears and trust.

• Questions about transparency in CPD crime clearance rates and difficulty finding public data on how often crimes are solved.

VII. Reports from the Councilors

Each Councilor will provide an update. Councilors will discuss their updates with themselves and meeting attendees. The Council may or may not have time limits for these updates depending on what they previously agreed upon.

Updates from District Council – Erin Vogel

• Reported that the recent quarterly meeting resulted in two districtwide priorities being passed to the Commission:

– Development of a CPD general order for CARE (the alternative response program).

– Strengthening District Council engagement in District Strategic Plans.

• Explained the new process for submitting and voting on districtwide priorities, including proposal requirements and the two-thirds voting threshold.

• Noted that quarterly meeting data—including trends, concerns, and priorities—will be compiled into monthly reports sent to the Commission and published for public access.

• Shared top districtwide trends (June–September):
– Youth safety and access to safe public spaces.
– Mobility, transit, and pedestrian safety.
– Policing capacity, including staffing and allocation issues.

• Highlighted upcoming District Strategic Plan community meetings (Oct 28 and Nov 12), encouraging attendance to influence district goals.

• Provided updates on the Superintendent search:
– 44 applicants received; moving into interview stage.
– Community feedback is being collected and will inform commissioner interviews.
– Final three candidates will be forwarded to the mayor for selection.

• Noted that one commissioner's term is ending and the nominating committee must restart the selection process for a youth seat on the Commission.

• Gave updates from the most recent Commission meeting, including:
– Votes on non-citizen advisory council membership.
– Adoption of standard operating procedures for how the Commission works with District Councils.
– Quarterly hearings approved on CPD's interactions with federal immigration enforcement.
– A panel discussion held on officer wellness and its impact on policing outcomes.

• Clarified that officer wellness discussions were informational and not tied to a specific vote but may influence future CPD goals.

VIII. Update from the Commission

The Council may provide and discuss updates received from the Commission. If the Council has not received updates from the Commission, the Council will announce it.

NA

IX. Report from the Police District

The Council may call upon local District Command staff from the Chicago Police Department to provide updates from the last month. The Council may use this time to ask the District Command representative questions on behalf of the community.

NA

X. Hearings and Discussions

The Council will discuss any topics it decides to prioritize at the meeting.

NA

XI. Presentations

If the Council has arranged for a presentation from an outside organization, the Council will recognize the outside speaker to present to the community.

NA

XII. Final Actions, Resolutions, Recommendations

The Council will discuss items for voting. This may include resolutions calling upon the Commission, the Chicago Police Department, City Council, the Mayor's Office, or others to take action on a matter. Councilors may also share individual recommendations that are not formal, final actions of the Council. Individual recommendations do not require votes, and they may or may not be listed ahead of time.

XIII. Final Announcements and Adjournment

The Council will make final announcements, such as announcements about upcoming Council events and meetings, and then close the meeting.

- Next Meeting Date: October 28, 2026
- Next Meeting Time: 6:30pm
- Location: McKinley Park 2210 W. Pershing RD. 60609