20TH DISTRICT COUNCIL

COMMUNITY COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Notice of Public Meeting

- Meeting Type: Regular
- Date: 08/10/2026
- Start Time: 6:10 PM
- End Time: 7:34 PM
- Location: Swedish Hospital Anderson Pavilion – 2751 W. Winona St.

District Council Member Name	Attendance
Chair: Anna Rubin	Present: **X** Remote: ☐ Absent: ☐
Community Engagement: Deirdre O'Connor	Present: ☐ Remote: ☐ Absent: **X**
Nominating Committee: Darrell Dacres	Present: **X** Remote: ☐ Absent: ☐
Quorum (2 out of 3 Members): Yes: **X** No: ☐	

Attendance	
# of attendees in person	18
# of attendees virtual	0
# of CPD attendees	1
CPD rank of attendees	Commander

Agenda for the Public Meeting

I. Call to Order, Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM.
Quorum established (see above).

II. Approval of Remote Attendance of Councilor

Not applicable.

III. Approval of Agenda

Not applicable.

IV. Approvals of Past Minutes

The Council will vote on past meeting minutes.

Date of Minutes	Approved by
June 27, 2026	Chair: **X** Nominator: **X** Community Engagement: N/A

V. Public Comment

- Commenter 1 (DC 020 Councilor Bielecki): Appreciation for Public Safety Inspector General Tobara Richardson, Commission special meeting to decide on CPD Superintendent search firm lacked quorum, encourages residents to fill out the community input form.

- Commenter 2: Concern regarding high number of alerts related to flooding from storms; Police District should be sure to have a safety plan in place.

VI. Public Discussion on Trends and Concerns in the District

Skipped due to lack of time.

VII. Reports from the Councilors

Skipped due to lack of time.

VIII. Update from the Commission

Skipped due to lack of time.

IX. Report from the Police District

Skipped due to lack of time.

X. Presentations

Public Safety Inspector General Tobara Richardson

- Ms. Richardson delivered a presentation on the work of the Public Safety Section of OIG and the recently published 2025 Public Safety Annual Report.
- Community members discussed OIG's review of COPA's timeline for investigations, how the OIG investigatory unit works, transparency measures for Welcoming City Ordinance violations, and accountability around CPD Rule 14, which governs the issue of false reporting.

XI. Hearings and Discussions

1. **Superintendent search listening session**

   The DC delivered a presentation on the 2026 CPD Superintendent Search and gathered community input from attendees.

   - Main takeaways on what qualities, characteristics, skills, and/or experiences to look for:
     - Fourth Amendment expertise
     - Ability to improve management of data and archiving
     - Vision for areas to increase/decrease operation, scope and coverage
     - Experience with technology and modernizing systems
     - Also mentioned: Deep experience in Chicago, awareness of what other police departments are doing, experience working in NYPD or LAPD
   - What worked and what didn't work well under former Superintendent Snelling:
     - One comment: Generally, CPD seemed to work better, but CPD was not prepared for Operation Midway Blitz; commenter noted that it might be hard to expect CPD to be prepared for that, but many civilians were prepared to organize and respond.

- Main takeaways on what public safety and policing issues the next Superintendent should prioritize:
    - Expansion of crisis prevention training
    - Making use of the workforce allocation study
    - Resolving Consent Decree issues
    - Also mentioned: Overall vision for policing in Chicago and operations of CPD
- Other reflections or themes:
    - Importance of a Superintendent having a vision
    - Question: Is the search firm publicly funded?
    - Question: Will there be callbacks to applicants from the 2023 search?
    - Question: Will the next Superintendent only serve until the next Mayor takes office?

2. **Resolution on alternative responses as an priority issue for the next Superintendent**
   Councilors presented on a draft resolution under consideration by the Council that would call upon the Commission to look for a Superintendent who demonstrates a clear understanding of the role of alternative responses and a commitment to supporting alternative response measures in Chicago's public safety system; the resolution also calls for the Commission to ask Superintendent candidates during their interviews to discuss what responsibilities can be transitioned to other professionals and how the Superintendent can help build and strengthen those alternatives.

   More information available in the accompanying meeting materials, available for download at the CCPSA website.

XII. Final Actions, Resolutions, Recommendations

1. Council votes (e.g. resolutions)
2. Individual recommendations

Councilor Rubin and Councilor Dacres support the resolution and recommend that the issue of alternative responses be a focus of the search, including during interviews. The resolution itself was not on the agenda for a vote.

XIII. Final Announcements and Adjournment

- Next Meeting Date: Monday, September 14, 2026
- Next Meeting Time: 6:00 PM
- Location: Margate Park – 4921 N. Marine Drive, Chicago, IL 60640