

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2-80 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby amended by deleting the language struck through and by inserting the language underscored, as follows:

2-80-010 Definitions.

(Omitted text unaffected by this ordinance)

“Areas” shall refer to the five Chicago Police Department Detective Areas

2-80-040 Commission – Composition and qualifications.

(Omitted text unaffected by this ordinance)

(c) *Appointment.* Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, addressing an interim Commission, Commissioners shall be appointed by the Mayor from among candidates nominated by the Nominating Committee. ~~At least two of the seven Commissioners shall reside on the North Side of Chicago and have resided on the North Side of Chicago for at least 365 days immediately preceding their appointment; at least two Commissioners shall reside on the South Side of Chicago and have resided on the South Side of Chicago for at least 365 days immediately preceding their appointment; and at least two Commissioners shall reside on the West Side of Chicago and have resided on the West Side of Chicago~~ At least one member of the Commission will be nominated from each Area, from a total of five areas. The two remaining positions can reside anywhere in the city for at least 365 days immediately preceding their appointment. Each appointment shall be subject to City Council approval.

2-80-070 District Area Councils – Establishment, purpose, composition and duties.

There is hereby established, within each District Police Detective Area, an District Area Council.

(a) The purpose of the District Area Councils is to: (1) build connections between the police and the community; (2) collaborate in the development and implementation of community policing initiatives; (3) ensure regular community input for Commission efforts; (4) ensure that within each District Area there is a forum where District Area

residents can raise and work to address any concerns about policing in the District Area, including but not limited to police interactions with youth and people of all immigration statuses; (5) ensure the independence and increase the legitimacy of the Commission by participating in the selection of its members; (6) participate in the selection of Commissioners who will fulfill the purposes listed in Section 2-80-030 of this Chapter; and (7) assist the Commission in fulfilling the purposes listed in Section 2-80-030.

(b) Each District Area Council shall be comprised of ~~three~~ five members who are elected to serve four-year terms. No person may serve more than a total of 12 years on a any District Area Council in their lifetime. A candidate for District Area Council membership shall:

(1) satisfy the qualifications for elected office under the Illinois Municipal Code, codified at 65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5;

(2) on the day of the election, have resided in the District Area in which they seek to serve for at least the previous 365 days, and be registered to vote in the District Area they seek to serve;

(3) not be a member of the Commission; and

(4) not have been an employee of the Department, Independent Police Review Authority, COPA, or the Police Board in any of the three years immediately preceding the date on which their term begins.

(c) Each District Area Council shall be elected by residents of the District Area. Persons wishing to appear on the ballot, either as a candidate or a slate of candidates, for District Area Council shall file a statement of candidacy with the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners and submit petitions for nomination; the signature requirements for the petitions for nomination of District Area Council candidates shall be ~~equal to the lesser of: (i) 250 registered voters in the District Area; and (ii) 0.5 percent of the total number of registered voters in the District Area who voted in the next preceding Presidential election, but in no event fewer than a minimum of 25 registered voters in no~~ less than 500 registered voters and no more than 1,500 registered voters from within the District Area. Petitions for nominations under this subsection may contain the names of two or more candidates. If a petition for nomination contains the names of two or more candidates, the signature of a registered voter on such petition shall count towards the minimum signature requirement for each candidate whose name appears on the petition.

Beginning in ~~2023~~ 2027, and every four years thereafter, District Area Councils shall be elected in a nonpartisan election coinciding with the consolidated primary election held in odd-numbered years on the last Tuesday in February. The five candidates in each District Area receiving the ~~greatest, second greatest, and third greatest~~ number of votes shall take office on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May following their election.

In all District Area Council elections, voters may vote for up to ~~three~~ five candidates.

Between the day established by law for the commencement of the circulation period for nomination petitions for District Area Council election and the day after the District Area Council election, District Area boundaries shall not be altered, unless necessary to address a public safety emergency, in which case the Superintendent shall publicly post the reason for the alteration.

If a vacancy occurs on any District Area Council, then the vacancy shall be filled pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-51. When the Mayor is filling a District Area Council

vacancy, the remaining member or members of the District Area Council shall, within 30 days of the vacancy being created, identify three people who meet the qualifications established in this Chapter and submit their names to the Commission. From among the names submitted by the District Area Council, the Commission shall, within 60 days of the vacancy being created, select a person to recommend to the Mayor to fill the vacancy. If all of the positions on a District Area Council become vacant, the Commission shall, within 60 days of the creation of each vacancy, select a person who meets the qualifications established in this Chapter to recommend to the Mayor to fill the vacancy.

All laws in force in the City governing elections for municipal offices or applicable thereto and not inconsistent with the provisions of this section shall apply to and govern all elections held under the terms of this section.

(d) Each District Area Council member shall receive a stipend of \$500 1,000 per month while serving in this role. Each stipend shall be factored into the Commission's annual budget and shall be paid on an annualized pro rata basis to each District Area Council member.

(e) Each District Area Council shall:

- (1) Hold public meetings ~~at least~~ monthly to discuss policing issues;
- (2) Work with the Police District Commanders and community members to help develop and implement community policing initiatives;
- (3) Delegate one or more District Area Council members to attend quarterly meetings with representatives from each District Area Council to identify trends and concerns;
- (4) Delegate one or more District Area Council members to attend annual meetings with representatives from each District Area Council to propose priorities for the Commission;
- (5) Work to develop and expand restorative justice and similar programs in the District;
- (6) Encourage Department members to facilitate access to community resources;
- (7) Assist and engage with members of the public, including gathering input from the public regarding public safety, and policing, and community engagement in their District areas;
- (8) Report its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the Commission as requested; and
- (9) Exercise any other powers delegated to it by the Commission.

(f) District Area Council members may make policy recommendations to the Commission; respond to community members' questions and concerns by requesting information related to investigations from the Department or COPA, subject to applicable law and Department or COPA policy; and provide information to Department members and community groups on the work of the Commission and District Area Councils.

(g) Each District Area Council shall have a Chair, a member of the Nominating Committee, and a Community Engagement Coordinator. District Area Council members on each District Area Council shall determine which member shall serve as Chair, which member shall serve on the Nominating Committee, and which member shall serve as Community Engagement Coordinator. Within 30 days of members taking office, each District Area Council shall submit to the Commission a document identifying who has been selected to fill each of these positions. If, 30 days after taking office, members of

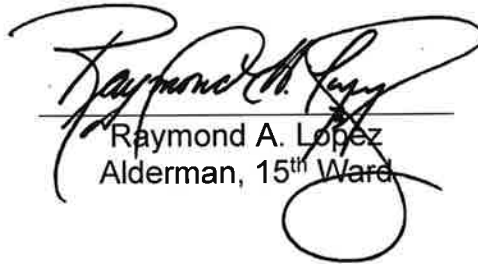
any District Area Council have not filled one or more of these positions, the Commission shall assign roles by a majority vote of the Commission.

(h) District Area Councils may enlist qualified volunteers to assist them in carrying out their duties, including but not limited to serving on committees, pursuant to this section. For example, District Area Councils may enlist volunteers to ensure that the perspectives and experiences of district area residents who are not United States citizens are reflected and incorporated in the District Area Council's work.

(i) Any Area Council member that has missed six meetings within one calendar year may be considered as vacating their position upon motion of the remaining Area Council members. Any motion to vacate shall require a simple majority vote of those eligible to vote. Any subsequent vacancy shall be filled by the Mayor in accordance with this Chapter.

(j) Unless otherwise specified by the Commission, all Area Councils shall operate under the Robert's Rules of Order, shall maintain the same agenda format, and utilize the same public comment guidelines.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately following passage and publication, immediately applying to the 2027 election cycle.



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