

100 DAYS REPORT

25TH WARD



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Introduction

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In the 25th Ward, led by Alderman Byron Sigcho Lopez, we have worked tirelessly to achieve important milestones in key areas that directly impact the quality of life of our community. During the first 100 days in office, we have focused our efforts on key issues such as public safety, affordable housing, economic development, infrastructure and immigration.

It has been my commitment to always work with the community. We have developed on the ground strategies that allow us the ability to engage and attend to the needs and concerns of constituents. As part of this effort, we will implement the 25th Ward mobile office in La Villita, as a third space where residents can have further access to city services. We want to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to have their voices heard without further barriers of accessibility.

The milestones described are from our first 100 days into my second administration and below is a summary of these efforts.

PUBLIC SAFETY

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Community meetings were organized and focused on safety implementations where residents and stakeholders shared concerns and collaborated on crime prevention strategies.

Collaboration also included both local police departments of the 12th and 10th districts to strengthen & rebuild relationships between the community and the officers to ensure transparency and accountability.

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Meetings

Every 2 weeks a meeting with residents was held.

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Community

3 community meetings: May, August and September 2023

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Small Businesses

Safety meetings with small businesses in Pilsen and La Villita.

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Rollcall-detailed walkthrough

With all city departments in the following areas:

- 18th Street & Fairfield
- 21st Street & Washtenaw.



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AFFORDABLE HOUSING

01

18th & Peoria Affordable Housing

We have worked to promote policies and programs that facilitate access to decent and affordable housing. We understand the importance of having a safe and stable home, and we will continue to fight to guarantee this fundamental right for our community. For this reason we continue to move forward with the development of the Pilsen 18th & Peoria Affordable Housing project that is in the process of development for at least 432 and 100% affordable housing units.

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98 affordable housing units at Casa Yucatan.

Provided support for the Plan Commission to approve Casa Yucatan Affordable Housing project with 98 affordable housing units for our Community.

03

Active participation in property tax appeals

Demanded accountability from Assessor Fritz and the Cook County Board of Review for fair and equitable outcomes to protect residents from unfair evictions and abusive increases, while pushing for action and appeal workshops.

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Responsible Housing and Anti-Discrimination Waiting List

We support the Responsible Housing and Anti-Discrimination Waiting List Act by creating a database of affordable housing available to prospective tenants by requiring that all units financed by the city be included in a centralized database.

HOUSING AND REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE

The Committee on Housing and Real Estate held three regular committee meetings and one subject matter hearing since the Chairman took office in mid-May.

Across the board we have debated and passed 30 city ordinances that include land purchases, land sales, redevelopment agreements, and right of entry agreements.

Departments which had ordinances passed:

- Department of Assets, Information, & Services
- Chicago Department of Transportation
- Department of Planning & Development
- Department of Housing
- Chicago Department of Public Health

Report presents by:

- Department of Housing - Q1 2023 5 Year Housing Plan
- Subject Matter Hearing - City's Response to Homelessness/ Bring Chicago Home
 - Department of Family and Support Services & Department of Housing
 - Bring Chicago Home Advocates

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Promoted programs to support small businesses in Pilsen and La Villita as well as for local entrepreneurs. Fostered economic growth and job creation, through the financial assistance available with TIF money for local businesses.

Meetings with business owners in Pilsen and La Villita to strategize efforts to address the insecurity faced by small businesses.



Street vendors are a vital part of our community. Alderman Byron Sigcho Lopez visited each vendor to assess support resources to regularize their licenses and strengthen their businesses.

Local Enterprises: Latinos Progresando has opened a new location, to provide different services for the community.

PUBLIC SERVICES / INFRASTRUCTURE

The 25th Ward office worked in collaboration with the responsible city departments to improve services to constituents of the ward. This includes permanent infrastructure changes, improvement of garbage collection and street maintenance, and 311 services to ensure a cleaner and safer environment for our neighbors.

21 Alleys in the 25th Ward have begun construction in the last 100 days with the total cost at **\$378,000**

As well as street repavement on:

- Washtenaw from 19th St to 27th Street.
- S Whipple St From W 25th St to W. 27th St
- Wolcott Ave from 19th St to S. Damen Ave.



Speed humps Installation: **\$41,000** in investment on residential areas to reduce vehicle traffic.

New lights and poles have been installed on more than 11 blocks for a total of **\$165,000**

A total of **\$1,109,723** has been invested in construction and road improvement projects for residents of Pilsen and La Villita for 2023.

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2024 BUDGET FORECAST

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Housing

22 million for roofs and porches

22 millones para techos y porches

02

Incentive for new home buyers

10 million for new home buyers

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Public Safety

200 detectives adicionales y 400 posiciones serán llenadas por civiles para la seguridad pública.

An additional 200 detectives and 400 positions will be filled by civilians for public safety.

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PROPIEDAD**

**THIS BUDGET DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY
INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAXES**