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### City Begins to Address Scaffolding and Other Concerns

Officials from the City of Chicago recently met with construction companies that are working in the Central Business District to review construction site safety procedures. Special attention is being given to sites along planned parade and demonstration routes, but all sites in the CBD should be reviewed. CDOT, the Department of Buildings and other agencies have been visiting sites to review potential security and safety issues.

BOMA/Chicago was informed that buildings with existing scaffolding and canopies will be asked to either remove them prior to the upcoming NATO Summit or demonstrate why the scaffolding must remain in place. Buildings that have canopies or scaffolding that must remain in place during the Summit must have a plan to secure them. Scaffolding that was erected to protect the public from an imminent danger such as a failing façade, or for public safety at a construction site will be permitted to remain, but must be properly erected, remain clean and safe, and secured. In some instances, security guards may need to be posted, particularly in construction areas. Temporary and portable scaffolding used for maintenance will need to be removed.

Scaffolding and canopies are a particular security concern because they can be used as ladders to access a higher vantage point over the crowds. This can present a danger to individuals on the scaffolding as well as to those below. Scaffolding and canopies are also attractive to protestors who are looking for opportunities for banner drops.

Security officers at these sites should be prepared to question and challenge anyone seeking access to them. Should there be any unauthorized breach of these areas, CPD will be allowing trespass complaints to be signed onsite.

Scavenger services were also informed that all roll off waste containers must be kept secured and free of debris. The City will show some leniency with timeframes usually enforced for collections and will be expecting containers to be emptied generally between 11:00 pm and

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5:00 am. More information will be available through the Host Committee website.

## CPD Asks Buildings to Be Vigilant for Graffiti



The Chicago Police Department is advising buildings managers and security personnel to be vigilant for the appearance of any recent graffiti.

Intelligence gathered at other events has shown that particular symbols have been used by various anarchist groups to identify rally areas and target specific facilities. Graffiti may appear on the exterior or interior of a building so all building personnel should be advised to report any graffiti.

Due to the changing symbols and methods used by these groups, cataloguing the symbols is problematic. CPD is advising that any recent graffiti be reported immediately and that properties be inspected with some frequency for graffiti and other markings as the Summit approaches.

## Critical Reminder: Register for CP3 and Send Word Now

With barely three weeks left before the NATO Summit, a number of buildings still have not registered with CP3 or BOMA/Chicago's Send Word Now system.

Buildings are advised that should any situation warrant the closure of an area, the City's Facility Incident Management System (FIMS) will be the basis for any access control measures implemented by City authorities. Failure to be properly registered may delay or prohibit critical access. Registration with FIMS is through the CP3 portal. Instructions are below.

### FIMS Registration

Designate an authorized person to register your property with the City's **Facility Incident Management System (FIMS)** database to ensure that your critical contact information is available to first responders, and to receive up-to-date information from the City of Chicago. Access the system by using the [Chicago Public Private Partnership \(CP3\) portal](#). This database will maintain building and contact information for key personnel. It will also be used to issue access credentials to secured areas should they become necessary. Follow this procedure:

1. Designate the authorized person to enter data into the data. Only one person per building should be responsible. There is an expedited vetting process that BOMA/Chicago has worked out with the Chicago Police Department.
2. Review the [CP3 Data Entry Worksheet](#) to determine what information will be necessary to enter into the CP3 system. Gather the information and use the [CP3](#)

[Instructions](#) to register your critical information.

**Send Word Now**

During the NATO Summit, BOMA/Chicago will be using the Send Word Now (SWN) system to relay critical information and updates to each building's managers, security director, and engineer. Download a copy of the [SWN Data Update Form](#), and return it to Ron Tabaczynski at [rtabaczynski@bomachicago.org](mailto:rtabaczynski@bomachicago.org).