

#### **Board of Commissioners of Cook County**

#### Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

11:30 AM

Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

#### NOTICE AND AGENDA

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

#### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have registered to speak, with the Secretary, 24 hours in advance of the meeting. To register as a public speaker, go to the meeting details page for this meeting at https://cook-county.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx to find a registration link. Duly authorized public speakers may speak live from the County Board Room at 118 N. Clark Street, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL or be sent a link to virtually attend the meeting and will be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. After each speaker has completed their statement, they will be removed from the meeting. Once removed, you will still be able to follow the proceedings for that day at:

https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/watch-live-board-proceedings or in a viewing area at 69 W. Washington Street, 22nd Floor Conference Room F, Chicago, IL. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony. Written comments will not be read aloud at the meeting, but will be posted on the meeting page and made a part of the meeting record.

# <u>23-5320</u>

# **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 7/19/2023

# <u>23-4897</u>

Presented by: VELISHA HADDOX, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

# PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Kanako Ishida Musselwhite

Position: Budget and Management Services Director

Department/Board/Commission: Department of Budget and Management Services

**Effective date:** 09/24/2023

**Expiration date:** N/A

Legislative History: 9/21/23 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

# <u>23-4089</u>

**Sponsored by:** KEVIN B. MORRISON and SCOTT R. BRITTON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

#### PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

# AN AMENDMENT PROTECTING CURRENT ELECTORAL LANGUAGE ACCESS

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 22 - Elections, Article III - Language Access In Elections, Section 22-37 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

#### Sec. 22-37. - Policy.

- (a) By March 1, 2020, the Office of the Cook County Clerk shall deliver fully translated ballots and voting materials in Korean and Tagalog, in addition to qualified languages required by Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 52 U.S.C. § 10503 as the first phase of this program.
- (b) By November 1, 2020, and at least every three years thereafter, the Office of the Cook County Clerk or their designee shall review data on limited-English-proficient populations in Cook County and shall determine, in consultation with community leaders of limited-English-proficient populations, each single language that has 10,000 or more limited-English-proficient Cook County residents. The Office of the Cook

County Clerk will then provide all translated voting materials in those determined languages in the following elections <u>until and</u> unless it is determined in a future evaluation that the group <u>has fallen below a minimum threshold of 2,000 residents</u>. <del>does not reach that threshold.</del> The Cook County Clerk shall analyze relevant data and shall consult community leaders and organizations to determine prioritized precincts where voting materials shall be provided on Election Day. The Cook County Clerk shall make voting materials available for all qualified languages at all Early Voting sites and "Super Sites."

- (c) By February 1, 2021, and at least every three years thereafter, the Office of the Cook County Clerk or their designee shall review data on limited-English-proficient populations in Cook County and shall determine, in consultation with community leaders of limited-English-proficient populations, each single language that has 13,000 or more limited-English-proficient Cook County residents. The Office of the Cook County Clerk will then provide a fully translated ballot, print ballots and all translated voting materials in those determined languages in the following elections until and unless it is determined in a future evaluation that the group has fallen below a minimum threshold of 2,000 residents. does not reach that threshold. The Cook County Clerk shall analyze relevant data and shall consult community leaders and organizations to determine prioritized precincts where fully translated ballots, print ballots and voting materials shall be provided on Election Day. The Office of the Cook County Clerk shall make this determination by referring to the best available data from the United States Census Bureau, the American Community Survey, voter registration and language assistance requests for materials in languages other than English, or other sources the Clerk considers relevant and reliable. The Cook County Clerk shall file a report of this determination per Section 22-39, [Reporting].
- (d) For all elections administered by the Office of the Cook County Clerk, the Clerk shall prepare voting materials and a fully translated ballot where applicable, to the extent not already provided by the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State, in languages determined through the process described in Section 22-39, [Reporting] of this Ordinance, in addition to those languages required by Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 52 U.S.C. § 10503, and those languages for which Cook County is covered in the Federal Register of Covered Areas for Voting Rights Bilingual Election Materials.

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

Legislative History: 7/20/23 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

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Lynne M. Surner

Secretary

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