



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Minutes of the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee**

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

1:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

SECOND REVISED AGENDA

ATTENDANCE

Present: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Aguilar and Anaya - Excused (2)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman Suffredin asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code.

No Public Speakers

[21-2591](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 03/17/2021

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, to approve 21-2591. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Aguilar and Anaya (2)

[21-2592](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 03/29/2021

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, to approve 21-2592. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry,
Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Aguilar and Anaya (2)

[21-1395](#)

Presented by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Jennifer (Sis) Killen

Position: Superintendent

Department/Board/Commission: Department of Transportation and Highways

Effective date: 3/1/2021

Expiration date: N/A

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner Daley, to accept as amended 21-1395. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry,
Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Aguilar and Anaya - Excused (2)

[21-1395](#)

Presented by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE ITEM 21-1395
(Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee 4/14/2021)**

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the Office of Superintendent of Highways, Cook County, Illinois due to resignation of the incumbent Superintendent of Highways, John Yonan, P.E., which occurred on March 18, 2021, and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board by resolution dated March 18, 2021, submitted the name of Jennifer (Sis) Killen, P.E., PTOE, to the Illinois Department of Transportation to take the examination for the Office of Superintendent of Highways, and

WHEREAS, Omer Osman, Acting Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation, certified to the County Clerk of Cook County on April 8, 2021, that Jennifer (Sis) Killen, P.E., PTOE, made a satisfactory grade and is eligible for appointment to said office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and the Cook County Board that Jennifer (Sis) Killen, P.E., PTOE, is hereby appointed, Superintendent of Highways for Cook County for a term of six (6) years effective April 15, 2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Cook County Board that the salary of the Superintendent of Highways be fixed as follows:

Salary

Date From	Date To	Amount of Salary
04/15/2021	11/30/2021	\$179,750
12/01/2021	11/30/2022	TBD, subject to annual appropriation
12/01/2022	11/30/2023	TBD, subject to annual appropriation
12/01/2023	11/30/2024	TBD, subject to annual appropriation
12/01/2024	11/30/2025	TBD, subject to annual appropriation
12/01/2025	11/30/2026	TBD, subject to annual appropriation
12/01/2026	11/30/2027	TBD, subject to annual appropriation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to transmit two (2) certified originals of this Resolution to the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Highways, through its District Engineer’s Office at Schaumburg, Illinois.

A motion was made by Commissioners Sims, Degnen, Gainer, and Miller, jointly moving for approval, and seconded by Vice Chairman Britton, and Commissioners Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Johnson, Lowry, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri, and Suffredin, to recommend for approval as substituted 21-1395. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Aguilar and Anaya (2)

[21-2125](#)

Presented by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Mayor Sheila Y. Chalmers-Currin

Position: Director

Department/Board/Commission: Cook County Land Bank Authority

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: Three years from date of approval or until a successor is appointed

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Vice Chairman Britton, to recommend for approval 21-2125. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Aguilar and Anaya (2)

[21-1218](#)

Sponsored by: BRANDON JOHNSON, ALMA E. ANAYA, LUIS ARROYO JR, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, KEVIN B. MORRISON, DEBORAH SIMS and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONDEMNING THE ACTS OF DOMESTIC TERRORISM AT THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL ON JANUARY 6, 2021.

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, January 6th, 2021, a joint session of the United State Congress convened at the United States Capitol to certify the results of the 2020 presidential election; and

WHEREAS, on that same day, President Donald Trump held a rally dubbed “March to Save America” and declared that “the 2020 election was stolen from him”, that the outcome of the election was an “egregious assault on our democracy,” and declared that “we will never concede” and that “you will never take back our country with weakness.”; and

WHEREAS, a mob of armed White supremacists, neo-Nazis and domestic terrorists forcibly entered and marauded through the United States Capitol Building, the first-time an enemy group has breached the building since 1814. They attacked Capitol Police Officers, desecrated federal property, destroyed multiple offices, searched for Congresspeople, placed explosive devices around the building; and

WHEREAS, they replaced the United States flag with Trump and Confederate flags, stole property-including electronic devices and critical government documents and attempted to sell the stolen materials to potential foreign enemies; and

WHEREAS, during the sedition by domestic terrorists, President Trump restated via social media that the election had been stolen and told his supporters to “go home,” and “I love you”; and

WHEREAS, at least five individuals died during the insurrection, including a U.S. Capitol Police Officer; and

WHEREAS, after several hours, the mob of White Supremacist and domestic terrorists, were overwhelming peacefully escorted from the Capitol Building; and

WHEREAS, lawmakers reconvened and certified the 2020 president election, declaring Joseph R. Biden, Jr. the winner; and

WHEREAS, throughout his presidential campaign and during his administration, President Trump has encouraged and politically profited from discrimination, bigotry, and violence toward the most vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, President Trump referred to Haiti and African nations as "shithole countries," claimed that Mexican immigrants are drug dealers and rapists in many cases. He also responded on social media to protesters in Minneapolis following George Floyd's death, that "when the looting starts, the shooting starts."; and

WHEREAS, during his presidential campaign, Donald Trump bragged about directly performing an act of violence when he stated that, “I could stand in the middle of Fifth Avenue and shoot somebody, and I wouldn’t lose any voters”; and

WHEREAS, due to the complete disregard for human life and democracy, all individuals that incited or participated in the domestic terrorist attack at the United States Capitol Building should be held criminally responsible; and

WHEREAS, if any Cook County employee incited or participated in the domestic attack at the United States Capitol Building, immediate disciplinary actions should be taken; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Cook County Commissioners vehemently condemns the acts by former President Donald Trump and other lawmakers that incited the violent insurrection on January 6, 2021

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Daley, to recommend for approval 21-1218. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (14)

Absent: Aguilar, Anaya and Gainer (3)

ADJOURNMENT

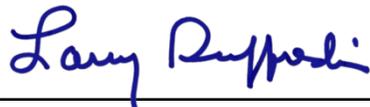
A motion was made by Vice Chairman Britton, seconded by Commissioner Daley, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Suffredin, Britton, Arroyo, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri and Sims (15)

Absent: Aguilar and Anaya (2)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

A complete record of this meeting is available at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>.