



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Finance Committee**

Tuesday February 9, 2016

11:45 AM

**Cook County Building, Board Room, 569
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

Present Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Sims, Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Fritchey, Gainer, García, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Murphy, Schneider, Silvestri, Steele Suffredin and Tobolski (17)

Absent None

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman Daley asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speaker, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107 (dd):

1. Adrienne Alexander, Policy & Legislative Specialist AFSCME Counsel 31
2. Katy Welter, Senior Policy Analyst Chicago Appleseed
3. Lester Davidson, Act Ambassador

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Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN and JOHN P. DALEY, County Commissioners, TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, LUIS ARROYO JR, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, ROBERT STEELE and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, County Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

REQUEST FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE HEARING ON COOK COUNTY 2016 REVENUE SHORTFALLS CAUSED BY FAILURE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS TO FUND STATE GRANTS AND OTHER PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the most recent revenue report shows that the State of Illinois owes the County of Cook over \$90 million dollars in grants and other payments for services outside of the health care budget for the 2016 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois owes the Cook County Health and Hospital System various funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Finance Committee should hold a hearing and accomplish the following:

- (1) Have the Chief Financial Officer prepare a report on all state grants and other State of Illinois revenues that impact the 2016 Budget of Cook County. Such report will include the details of grant programs, the number of people served and the number of employees paid by such grants.
- (2) Have the Budget Director prepare a report on what actions can be taken to balance the 2016 budget of Cook County if state support is withheld.
- (3) Have the Cook County Health and Hospital System prepare a report on all state related funds owed and what impact nonpayment or late payment will have on the Cook County Health and Hospital System.
- (4) Develop a plan for keeping the 2016 Budget balanced despite the failure of the State of Illinois making essential payments.
- (5) Have the Cook County State's Attorney to review and research all existing court orders and consent decrees related to the 2016 Proposed State of Illinois Budget to determine if either they cover payments to Cook County or could be amended to cover payments to Cook County. Further, the Cook County State's Attorney should research any new cause of action that would cause a Federal or State Court to order payment owed to Cook County. The States Attorney shall report to the County Board as soon as practical.

The meeting shall take place on or before February 9, 2016.

Legislative History: 1/13/16 Board of Commissioners referred to the Finance Committee

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Resolution be Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Sims, Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Fritchey, Gainer, García, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Murphy, Schneider, Silvestri, Steele Suffredin and Tobolski (17)

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, that this Resolution be Approved as Ameded. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Sims, Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Fritchey, Gainer, García, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Murphy, Schneider, Silvestri, Steele Suffredin and Tobolski (17)

ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Commissioner Steele, seconded by Vice Chairman Sims, that this meeting be adjourn
The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Sims, Commissioners Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Fritchey, Gainer, García, Goslin, Moore, Morrison, Murphy, Schneider, Silvestri, Steele Suffredin and Tobolski (17)

Respectfully submitted,


Chairman


Secretary

Chairman: Daley
Vice-Chairman: Sims
Members: Committee of the Whole