



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

**Criminal Justice Committee**

**Tuesday, April 24, 2018**

**1:15 PM**

**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 submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall 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 be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. 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.

[18-3357](#)

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 3/14/2018

[18-2672](#)

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN, JERRY BUTLER, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER and PETER N. SILVESTRI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**COMPREHENSIVE GUN CONTROL**

**WHEREAS, According to national statistics, every year in our country, a firearm is used in nearly 500,000 crimes, resulting in the deaths and injuries of more than 110,000 people, and**

**WHEREAS, According to statistics from USA Today, between 2006 and 2017 there were mass shootings approximately every 16 days in the United States, with the most recent incident in Parkland Florida sparking a renewed and broad sweeping national conversation on the need for common-sense gun solutions to keep our citizens safe while protecting the 2nd Amendment, and**

**WHEREAS, In Chicago and Cook County, particularly minority communities that often have the greatest economic needs, gun violence is a traumatic and daily occurrence that has reached a crisis point, prevents economic growth and leads to increased incarceration and the perpetuation of the cycle of violence, and**

**WHEREAS, According to statistics in 2017, there were 743 homicides as a result of gun violence in Chicago and Cook County, and,**

**WHEREAS, Gun violence has taken a massive toll on Cook County, taking the lives of countless men and women, many young, leaving physical, psychology, emotional scars for the victims and their families that survive, and producing untreated and pervasive trauma in communities, individuals and children, and**

**WHEREAS, The effects and costs of gun violence can be seen throughout the county in our criminal justice system, included but not limited to the offices of the Sheriff, State's Attorney, and Public Defenders, the hospital system, and Medical Examiner's Office.**

**WHEREAS, The time is now for comprehensive gun control laws. It is time for our federal and state representatives to take a stand on this crisis, and**

**WHEREAS, Cook County echoes President Donald Trump's call for strengthened background checks, the ban of bump stocks and raising the age from 18 to 21 for the purchase of assault-style weapons, and**

**WHEREAS, Cook County calls upon its residents to reach out to their elected officials to urge the passage of a variety of common-sense gun control policies in Springfield, including but not limited to requiring gun dealers to be licensed, strengthened background checks, and banning the use of military-style weapons, high capacity magazines and the civilian sale of body armor , and**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, A step toward more comprehensive gun safety laws is a step in the right direction because every gun death, is one too many.**

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Cook County President and the Cook County Board Commissioners call upon Washington D.C. and the State of Illinois to pass comprehensive gun control laws immediately to protect all residents of our country.**

**Legislative History :** 3/14/18 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Criminal Justice Committee

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matthew B. DeLeon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'M'.

---

Secretary

Chairman: Garcia  
Vice-Chairman: Moore  
Members: Committee of the Whole