



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County
Minutes of the Asset Management Committee**

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

11:00 AM

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

Issued on: 3/3/2026

ATTENDANCE

Present: Miller, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore and S. Morrison (7)

Absent: Aguilar (1)

Excused Absence: K. Morrison (1)

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

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

1) George Blakemore - Concerned Citizen

2) Dennis White - Concerned Citizen

3) Jessica Jackson - Concerned Citizen

4) Zoe Leigh - Concerned Citizen

[26-0870](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 2/3/2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 26-0870. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Miller, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore and S. Morrison (7)

Absent: Aguilar (1)

Excused Absence: K. Morrison (1)

[26-0636](#)

Presented by: JAMIE MEYERS, Deputy Chief, Bureau of Asset Management

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Bureau of Asset Management

Vendor: Ameresco, Inc., Framingham, Massachusetts

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Energy Consultant Services for Natural Gas and Electricity for County Owned and Leased Facilities

Contract Value: \$619,902.96

Contract period: 4/1/2026 - 3/31/2029, with one (1), two (2) year renewal option

Contract Utilization: The vendor has met the Minority-and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Direct Participation.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$135,333.28, FY 2027 \$204,587.92, FY 2028 \$209,474.72, FY 2029 \$70,507.04

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Capital Improvement Program

Contract Number(s): 2521-03183

Summary: This contract will allow the Bureau of Asset Management to receive Energy Consultant services for natural gas and electricity at County owned and leased facilities.

The vendor's responsibilities will include:

1. Developing both short and long-term energy procurement strategies
2. Continuously monitoring and assessing market conditions and advising on potential purchase opportunities consistent with the agreed upon procurement strategies and risk profile.
3. Overseeing and managing a competitive bidding process for the County's electric, natural gas supply, and renewable energy agreements, including procuring and scheduling delivery for

electricity, natural gas, and renewable energy for County approval.

4. Identifying, documenting and providing research and analysis and current project availability on different types of renewable energy projects (Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs), Virtual PPAs, community solar, leasing, purchase, etc.) and the impact on the County's energy procurement and carbon emissions.
5. Meeting with the County's Energy Procurement Team monthly to provide status reports, recommendations, and market updates.

This contract is awarded through a publicly advertised Request for Proposals (RFP) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Ameresco, Inc. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner McCaskill, to recommend for approval 26-0636. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Miller, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore and S. Morrison (7)

Absent: Aguilar (1)

Excused Absence: K. Morrison (1)

[26-0677](#)

Presented by: EARL MANNING, Director, Office of Capital Planning and Policy

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Department of Capital Planning and Policy

Vendor: Trane, U.S. Inc.

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): HVAC design, products, installation, services, and related products and services for Board-approved Capital Improvement Projects.

Original Contract Period: 4/1/2023 - 8/31/2027, with one (1), five (5) year renewal option

Proposed Amendment Type: Increase

Proposed Contract Period: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$36,995,075.75

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): Board, 6/29/2023, \$36,995,075.75

Increase Requested: \$26,504,019.00

Previous Board Increase(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s): N/A

Previous Board Renewals: N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Renewals: N/A

Previous Board Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Extension(s): N/A

Contract Utilization: The Vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Direct Participation.

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$20,000,000.00, FY 2027 \$6,504,019.00

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Capital Improvement Program

Contract Number(s): 2311-03208

Summary: This increase will address time-sensitive additions to the vendor’s scope of work, which includes Countywide solar installation projects that need to be completed before the escalated sunset of Inflation Reduction Act green energy incentives and rebates. Additionally, the increase will address necessary restack projects at the County Building as end users prepare to vacate leased space at 161 N. Clark.

This is a Comparable Government Procurement pursuant to Section 34-140 of the Cook County Procurement Code. Trane U.S. was awarded the underlying contract through a competitive bid process with the national cooperative purchasing association, Omnia Partners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner McCaskill, to recommend for approval 26-0677. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Miller, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore and S. Morrison (7)

Absent: Aguilar (1)

Excused Absence: K. Morrison (1)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner McCaskill, that this was adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Miller, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore and S. Morrison (7)

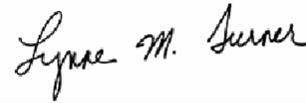
Absent: Aguilar (1)

Excused Absence: K. Morrison (1)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairwoman



Secretary

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