



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County  
Minutes of the Criminal Justice Committee**

**10:30 AM**

**Wednesday, February 8, 2017**

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

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** García, Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Moody, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (14)  
**Absent:** Moore, Gainer and Goslin (3)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

1. Stephanie Kollmann, Policy Director, Children and Family Justice Center
2. George Blakemore, Concerned Citizen
3. Mary Hartsfield, Warriors on the Watch, Inc

Written Testimony added from Luis Carrizales- Community Renewal Society

**16-6312**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 3/2/2016

**A motion was made by Commissioner Moody, seconded by Commissioner Steele, to approve 16-6312. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** García, Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Moody, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (14)  
**Absent:** Moore, Gainer and Goslin (3)

**17-1639**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 11/17/2016-Public Hearing

**A motion was made by Commissioner Steele, seconded by Commissioner Moody, to approve 17-1639. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** García, Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Moody, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (14)

**Absent:** Moore, Gainer and Goslin (3)

**17-1126**

**Sponsored by:** RICHARD R. BOYKIN, SEAN M. MORRISON, JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER and GREGG GOSLIN, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION CALLING ON PRESIDENT-ELECT DONALD J. TRUMP TO SEND FEDERAL RESOURCES TO FIGHT VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO**

**WHEREAS**, at least 762 people were murdered in Chicago in 2016, which is nearly 300 more people than were killed in all of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 4,300 people were shot in Chicago in 2016, which is about 1,400 more shooting victims than in all of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Chicago had more people killed by gun violence in 2016 than New York and Los Angeles combined; and

**WHEREAS**, minorities are most often the victims of the rising violence in Chicago; and

**WHEREAS**, the incoming presidential administration has indicated that it will send additional federal resources to combat violence if leaders here request them; and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County government must be proactive in its anti-violence efforts by initiating the dialogue with the incoming presidential administration to develop strategies and request the needed resources to help tackle the epidemic of violence; and

**WHEREAS**, those resources should come in the form of economic investment in endangered communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the federal government can assist Chicago police by utilizing federal law enforcement officers to help local officers in curbing the violence and solving more homicides; and

**WHEREAS**, it is vital that elected officials in their leadership capacities provide the crucial moral and public support to law enforcement officials as they undertake the difficult and dangerous task of combating the epidemic of violence; and

**WHEREAS**, these measures will have an immediate and significant impact on reducing the violence in Chicago without utilizing the National Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, the issue of violence is not a political one, and every citizen of Chicago and Cook County should have a right to be safe in their neighborhoods and live without fear of being shot and killed; and

**WHEREAS**, elected officials must make every effort to fight the violence in Chicago to prevent 2017 from seeing even more people killed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners and President of the Board that this Resolution serve as a formal request to President-elect Donald Trump to provide additional resources to fight the violence plaguing Chicago and that the Cook County Administration, under the leadership of President Toni Preckwinkle, take the necessary steps of communication to initiate this most critical appeal for assistance.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, to recommend for receiving and filing 17-1126. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** García, Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Moody, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (14)

**Absent:** Moore, Gainer and Goslin (3)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Arroyo, to adjourn the meeting.. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** García, Arroyo, Boykin, Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Moody, Morrison, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (14)

**Absent:** Moore, Gainer and Goslin (3)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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