



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

**9:30 AM**

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

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

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)

**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)

**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

No public speakers.

**26-0730**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 01/14/2026.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 26-0730. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)

**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)

**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

## **COURT ORDERS**

**26-0622**

**Presented by:** CHARLES S. BEACH II, Chief Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Office of the Chief Judge

**Report Title:** Report of Legal and Expert Witness Fees and Expenses Processed for Payment

**Report Period:** December 20, 2025 - January 8, 2026

**Summary:** This report includes court orders for the payment of fees and associated expenses to attorneys and experts for legal services provided on behalf of indigent litigants. The orders have been processed by the Office of the Chief Judge and submitted to the Cook County Comptroller's Office for payment during the period.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for receiving and filing 26-0622. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)

**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)

**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

## **SPECIAL COURT CASES**

**26-0689**

**Firm:** Law Office of Karla Fiaoni

**Attorney(s):** Karla M. Fiaoni

**Case Name:** In re Special Prosecutor

**Case No.(s):** 99 CR 2602001 & 99 CR 2602002

**Date of This Order:** 01/09/2026

**Time period:** 11/22/2025 - 01/09/2026

**This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses:** \$5,543.75

**Paid to Date:** \$255,578.91

**Litigation Subcommittee Approval:** N/A

**26-0690**

Firm: Office of the Special Prosecutor  
Attorney(s): Michael J. O'Rourke  
Case Name: Appointment of Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 91 CR 2145101  
Date of This Order: 01/07/2026  
Time period: 10/25/2025 - 12/18/2025  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$11,190.00  
Paid to Date: \$9,160,705.28  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve the SPECIAL COURT CASES. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)  
**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)  
**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS**

**26-0673**

Case: Hernandez v. Guevara, et al.  
Case No: 25-cv-15375  
Settlement Amount: \$3,000,000.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 1250 (State's Attorney)  
Payable to: Ruben Hernandez and Gardiner Koch Weisberg & Wrona  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 09/17/2025  
Subject matter: allegations of civil rights violations

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 26-0673. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)  
**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)  
**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

**26-0657**

Case: Tate, Steven, et al. v. Dart, et al.  
Case No: 18 CH 2749  
Settlement Amount: ~~\$3,213,944.44~~ **\$6,950,000.00**—  
Fixed Charges Department: 1210 - Office of the Sheriff  
Payable to: Multiple - See Attachment A  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 06/11/2025  
Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for approval as amended in the errata 26-0657.**

**26-0623**

Case: Daheya, Saber v. Alvarez et al.  
Case No: 24 C 1452  
Settlement Amount: \$1,905.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 1239-Department of Corrections  
Payable to: Saber Daheya  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: Allegation of a civil rights violation

**26-0635**

Case: Hernandez, Tomas v. Dart et al.  
Case No: 23 C 301  
Settlement Amount: \$7,000.00  
Fixed Charges Department: 4240 Cermak Health Services of Cook County  
Payable to: Crowell & Moring LLP  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve the PROPOSED SETTLEMENT CASES. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)  
**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)  
**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

## **WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS PAYMENT REPORT**

**26-0638**

**Presented by:** DEANNA ZALAS, Director, Department of Risk Management

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Workers' Compensation Payments - Risk Management Settlements

**Report Period:** 12/01/2025 - 12/31/2025

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is requesting authority to pay Workers' Compensation Settlements for the month ending December 2025.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 26-0638. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)

**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)

**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

## **CLAIMS RECOVERY SETTLEMENTS**

**26-0641**

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Receive and File Subrogation Claim Recoveries

**Report Period:** Month ending of January

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information, a summary of Claim Recoveries for the month ending 01/31/2026. Total Recovery: **\$2,055.86** Number of Recoveries: **1**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for approval 26-0641. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)  
**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)  
**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

## **COMPTROLLERS**

**26-0713**

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Comptroller

**Report Title:** Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report

**Report Period:** One-month period ended December 31, 2025.

**Summary:** Attached is an Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report for the one-month period ended December 31, 2025, for the Corporate, Public Safety, Health, Grants and Special Purpose funds of Cook County. The report presents estimates of revenues and expenses expected to occur during the fiscal period compared to actual revenues and expenses recorded.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to recommend for receiving and filing as amended 26-0713. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)  
**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)  
**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

## **HEALTH & HOSPITAL**

**26-0698**

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Cook County Health

**Report Title:** CCH Monthly Report

**Report Period:** January 2026

**Summary:** **Summary:** This report is provided in accordance with Resolution 14-4311 approved by the County Board on 7/23/14.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to recommend for receiving and filing 26-0698. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)  
**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)  
**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Ayes:** Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and Vásquez (12)  
**Absent** Miller, and Moore (2)  
**Excused Absence:** McCaskill, K. Morrison and S. Morrison (3)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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

#### **FINANCE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 04, 2026**

#### **TOTALS FISCAL YEAR 2026 TO PRESENT AND TO BE APPROVED FOR THIS MEETING**

#### **SPECIAL COURT CASES**

<b>SPECIAL COURT CASES APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2026 TO PRESENT:</b>	<b>\$43,320.90</b>
<b>SPECIAL COURT CASES TO BE APPROVED:</b>	<b>\$16,733.75</b>

#### **PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS**

<b>PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2026 TO PRESENT:</b>	<b>\$2,307,395.11</b>
<b>PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS TO BE APPROVED:</b>	<b><u>\$6,222,849.44</u>      <u>\$9,958,905.00</u></b>