

Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL



Journal of Proceedings

Thursday, February 5, 2026

9:00 AM

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

FRANK J. AGUILAR
ALMA E. ANAYA
SCOTT R. BRITTON
JOHN P. DALEY
BRIDGET DEGNEN
BRIDGET GAINER
BILL LOWRY
KISHA E. MCCASKILL

DONNA MILLER
STANLEY MOORE
JOSINA MORITA
KEVIN B. MORRISON
SEAN MORRISON
MICHAEL SCOTT JR.
TARA S. STAMPS
MAGGIE TREVOR
JESSICA VÁZQUEZ

**MONICA GORDON
COUNTY CLERK**

Board met pursuant to law and pursuant to Resolution 26-0385.

OFFICIAL RECORD

President Preckwinkle in the chair.

CALL TO ORDER

At 9:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

QUORUM

County Clerk Monica Gordon called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

REMOTE PARTICIPATION

In accordance with Cook County Code Section 2-102(i) Remote Participation in Meetings, a motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to allow for remote participation in meeting. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Authorization as a virtual public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, email address, phone number, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized virtual public speakers shall be sent a link to virtually attend the meeting and will 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 not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. After each speaker has completed their statement, they will be removed from the meeting. Once removed, you will still be able to follow the proceedings for that day at: <https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/watch-live-board->

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

proceedings or in a viewing area at 69 W. Washington Street, 22nd Floor Conference Room D, Chicago, IL. 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. Written comments will not be read aloud at the meeting but will be posted on the meeting page and made a part of the meeting record.

1. Mayor Michelle Nelson, Flossmoor, IL
2. David Hochberg, Northbrook, IL
3. Zoe Leigh, Chicago, IL
4. Danielle Carter, Chicago, IL
5. Apostle Sandy Norman, Chicago, IL
6. Jeanette Suleiman, Bridgeview, IL
7. Elliot Esparza, National Able Network
8. Marien Casillas Pabellon, PASO Suburban Action Network

Presented by: DR. KISHA E. McCASKILL, County Commissioner

PROPOSED TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Department: District 5 - Board of Commissioners

Request: Direct Approval

Reason: To supplement funding for Professional Services

From Account(s): 11000.1085.13920.501010, Salaries and Wages of Regular Employees, \$30,000.00

To Account(s): 11000.1085.13920.520830, Professional Services \$30,000.00

Total Amount of Transfer: \$30,000.00

On what date did it become apparent that the receiving account would require an infusion of funds in order to meet current obligations? What was the balance in the account on that date, and what was the balance 30 days prior to that date?

12/1/2025 - 1399.42

How was the account used for the source of transferred funds identified? List any other accounts that were also considered (but not used) as the source of the transferred funds.

Staff projections created a surplus in Salaries/Wages

Identify any projects, purchases, programs, contracts, or other obligations that will be deferred, delayed, or canceled as a result of the reduction in available spending authority that will result in the account that funds are transferred from.

none

If the answer to the above question is “none” then please explain why this account was originally budgeted in a manner that caused an unobligated surplus to develop at this point in the fiscal year.

Staff turnover during FY25 and delayed timeline for back-filling created a surplus

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Transfer of Funds be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF FINANCE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

26-0685

Presented by: TANYA S. ANTHONY, Chief Financial Officer, Bureau of Finance

REPORT

Department: Bureau of Finance

Report Title: Quarterly Update of the Long-term Revenue Forecast

Report Period: FY2025-FY2030

Summary: The following report provides an update between the Long-Term Financial Plan provided to the Independent Revenue Forecasting Commission and posted on the County's website in October 2025, and the most up-to-date forecast. This report includes a variance analysis comparing the two forecasts and provides an explanation for any significant variances. A summary of the impact of the revenue projections and our long-term expense projections on both the General and Health Funds is also included. We conclude with FY2026 project plans and an update on recent regional and relevant economic activity.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0686

Presented by: TANYA S. ANTHONY, Chief Financial Officer, Bureau of Finance

REPORT

Department: Bureau of Finance

Report Title: Covid-19 Financial Response Report

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Report Period: 3/1/2020 - 1/9/2026

Summary: This report serves as an update on Cook County’s Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF), FEMA PA and ERA fund use for COVID-19 efforts. It covers activity for the period from 3/1/2020, through 1/9/2026. This report includes updates on the County’s FEMA PA, Emergency Rental Assistance and American Rescue Plan Act grant allocations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

26-0699

Presented by: KANAKO ISHIDA, Budget Director

REPORT

Department: Department of Budget and Management Services

Report Title: Capital Improvements and Equipment Funding and Project Reports

Report Period: December 1, 2024 - November 30, 2025

Summary: Pursuant to Section 16 of the FY2025 Annual Appropriations Bill, please find enclosed preliminary FY2025 Year-end Capital Improvements and Equipment Funding and Project Reports. The preliminary reports outline adjustments to capital funding that occurred during, and the unencumbered balances that exist in the Capital Improvement and Capital Equipment funds at the end of, the 4th Quarter of FY2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF FINANCE
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMPTROLLER

26-0718

Presented by: SYRIL THOMAS, County Comptroller

REPORT

Department: Comptroller's Office

Report Title: Bills and Claims Report

Report Period: 12/23/2025-1/12/2026

Summary: This report to be received and filed is to comply with the Amended Procurement Code Chapter 34-125 (k).

The Comptroller shall provide to the Board of Commissioners a report of all payments made pursuant to contracts for supplies, materials and equipment and for professional and managerial services for Cook County, including the separately elected Officials, which involve an expenditure of \$150,000.00 or more, within two (2) weeks of being made. Such reports shall include:

1. The name of the Vendor;
2. A brief description of the product or service provided;
3. The name of the Using Department and budgetary account from which the funds are being drawn; and
4. The contract number under which the payment is being made.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF FINANCE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

26-0490

Presented by: RAFFI SARRAFIAN, Chief Procurement Officer

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Countywide

Vendor: ODP Business Solutions LLC, Boca Raton, Florida

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Office Supplies (Office Supply Products and Furniture)

Original Contract Period: 10/1/2021 - 9/30/2024, with two (2), one (1) year renewal options

Proposed Amendment Type: Increase

Proposed Contract Period: 10/1/2025 - 9/30/2026

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$5,227,864.14

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): Board, 9/23/2021, \$4,077,865.14

Increase Requested: 1,000,000.00

Previous Board Increase(s): 12/19/2024, \$1,000,000.00

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s): CPO, 6/7/2024 - \$149,999.00

Previous Board Renewals: 12/19/2024 - one-year renewal (10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025)

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Renewals: 1/16/26 (10/1/25-9/30/26)

Previous Board Extension(s): N/A

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

Potential Fiscal Impact: N/A

Accounts: OCPO: 11000.1030.19670.530605.00000.00000

Contract Number(s): 2045-18119A

Concurrences:

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Full MWBE Waiver.

Summary: This increase will allow various Countywide users to continue to purchase Office Supplies

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

(Office Supply Products and Furniture) for the duration of the contract term.

This Countywide contract will be available in Marketplace for end users to purchase office supplies and furniture such as carts, stands, podiums, bookcases, etc.

This contract was awarded through a publicly advertised competitive bidding process in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. ODP Business Solutions LLC was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Contract Amendment be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

COOK COUNTY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS SYSTEM

26-0651

Presented by: ERIK MIKAITIS, M.D., Chief Executive Officer, Cook County Health and Hospitals Systems

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD AMENDMENT

Department: Cook County Health

Grantee: Cook County Health

Grantor: Chicago Department of Public Health

Request: Authorization to increase

Purpose: Population Centered Health Homes - CDC-HIV Services

Supplemental Grant Amount: \$176,555.00

Grant Period: 1/1/2025 - 12/31/2025

Extension Period: N/A

Fiscal Impact: None

Date of Previous Board Authorization for Grant: 2/5/2025

Previous Grant Amount: \$126,111.00

Concurrences:

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

Summary: This is a formal request to increase the appropriation in FY26 in the amount of \$176,555.00 for Program #54707 for a total amount of \$302,666.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Grant Award Amendment be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

COOK COUNTY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS SYSTEM
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

26-0733

Presented by: ERIK MIKAITIS, M.D., Chief Executive Officer, Cook County Health and Hospitals Systems

REPORT

Department: Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH)

Report Title: CCDPH Quarterly Report -Q1 2026

Report Period: Q1 2026

Summary: CCDPH first quarter report, 2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be referred to the Health and Hospitals Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

26-0420

Presented by: ZAHRA ALI, Chief Administrative Officer, Bureau of Administration

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Bureau of Administration, Fleet Management

Vendor: Sutton Ford, Matteson, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Purchase of 2026 Ford Bronco Sport

Contract Value: \$380,256.00

Contract period: 2/16/2026 - 2/15/2028

Contract Utilization: The Contract specific goal set on this contract is Zero. The Prime vendor is a Certified MBE.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$380,256.00

Accounts: 11569.1335.21120.560265 (Clerk of the Circuit Court); 11569.1326.21120.560265 (Juvenile Probation); 11620.1250.21120.560265 (States Attorney); 11569.1021.21120.560265 (VACCC)

Contract Number(s): 2525-10301

Summary: This contract will allow County agencies to purchase 12, 2026 Ford Bronco Sport 4x4 (non-hybrid) vehicles. Each vehicle costs \$31,688.00; Clerk of the Circuit Court has two (2) vehicle counts totaling \$63,376.00, Juvenile Probation has two (2) vehicle counts totaling \$63,376.00, States Attorney has five (5) vehicle counts totaling \$158,440.00 and the VACCC has three (3) vehicle counts totaling \$95,064.00.

The County was approved for 12 Ford Escape Hybrids or similar vehicles by the Vehicle Steering Committee for Fiscal Year 2026. As of 2026, the hybrid version of the Ford Escape is no longer manufactured, and only the gasoline version is available. As a result, a bid solicitation was prepared for alternative vehicles such as the Ford Bronco Sport (non-hybrid). The County continues to make every

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

effort to purchase hybrid vehicles whenever they are available from the manufacturer.

The vendor was selected pursuant to a publicly advertised Invitation for Bids (IFB) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Sutton Ford was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0557

Presented by: ZAHRA ALI, Chief Administrative Officer, Bureau of Administration

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Bureau of Administration, Printing and Graphic Services

Vendor: Konica Minolta Business U.S.A., Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Lease of High-Speed Digital Copiers

Contract Value: Not to Exceed \$1,205,086.20

Contract period: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2031

Contract Utilization: The Contract specific goal set on this contract is Zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$200,847.70, FY 2027 \$241,017.24, FY 2028 \$241,017.24, FY 2029 \$241,017.24, FY 2030 \$241,017.24, FY 2031 \$40,169.54

Accounts: 11000.1490.33830.540130

Contract Number(s): 2602-12020

Summary: Printing and Graphic Services (PGS) requests authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute a contract with Konica Minolta Business U.S.A., Inc. for Lease of High-Speed Digital Copiers.

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Lease of 4 digital printers used by Printing and Graphic Services (PGS) to produce printed material for Cook County Departments. PGS is currently working with printers that are past their operational life. In addition, PGS provides printing services to all Cook County Bureaus, Departments and Elected Offices. Specifically, PGS prints various reports, flyers, election material, and various mailings. Obtaining new high speed digital printers will greatly increase our capability to make timely deliveries.

This is a Comparable Government Procurement pursuant to Section 34-140 of the Cook County Procurement Code. Konica Minolta Business U.S.A., Inc. was previously awarded a contract by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago through an RFP. Cook County wishes to leverage this procurement effort.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

26-0624

Presented by: SUZANNE MALEC-MCKENNA, Director, Department of Environment and Sustainability

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Environment and Sustainability

Vendor: Various Vendors, See “Summary” Below

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Environmental Services (Task Orders)

Contract Value: Not-to-Exceed \$6,659,000.00

Contract period: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2031 with two (2) one-year renewal options

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

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY2026 \$1,000,000.00; FY2027 \$1,291,800.00; FY2028 \$1,291,800.00; FY2029 \$1,291,800.00; FY2030 \$1,391,800.00; FY2031 \$391,800.00

Accounts: (11273.1161.35000.520830.00000.00000), (11286.1161.60977.520830.00000.00000), (11900.1161.54836.520830.00000.00000), (11286.1161.64679.520830.00000.00000)

Contract Number(s): 2523-01040

Summary: The Department of Environment and Sustainability (DES) respectfully requests authorization to enter into contracts with qualified firms to provide environmental services. Funding for assigned projects will be supported through a combination of current and anticipated grants, the Solid Waste Special Purpose Fund, and American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. These Environmental Services Task Order Contracts will enable DES to meet its obligations under U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) grant agreements and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Air Monitoring Plan.

The four firms listed under Group A will provide brownfield assessment and remediation services. Montrose Air Quality Services, LLC, listed under Group C, will provide air monitoring support services. The firms listed under Group D will provide technical assessments for businesses focused on pollution prevention. No awards were issued under Group B, Environmental Sustainability Services.

Vendor Pool FY 2026-2031
Not to Exceed Allocation

Group A (Brownfield Assessment and Remediation Services)
(2523-01040-BRWN1) Tetra Tech, Inc \$1,000,000.00
(2523-01040-BRWN2) Weaver Consultants Group North Central, LLC \$1,000,000.00
(2523-01040-BRWN3) Terracon Consultants, Inc. \$1,000,000.00
(2523-01040-BRWN4) Stantec Consulting Services Inc \$1,000,000.00

Group C (Air Monitoring Support Services)
(2523-01040-AMSS) Montrose Air Quality Services LLC \$659,000.00

Group D (Technical Assessments)
(2523-01040-TECH1) Tetra Tech, Inc \$1,000,000.00
(2523-01040-TECH2) UL Verification Services, Inc. \$1,000,000.00

These contracts were awarded through Request for Qualifications (RFQ) procedures in accordance with Cook County Procurement Code. The various vendors listed above were selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS

26-0329

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

REPORT

Department: Department of Transportation and Highways

Report Title: Cook County Safety Action Plan

Report Period: 2025

Action: Refer to Committee

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highway respectfully submits the Cook County Safety Action Plan (SAP). The SAP was developed by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) in partnership with the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DoTH). The SAP is a roadmap for improving traffic safety by reducing the risk of death and serious injury on all public roads in Cook County, particularly for people walking and biking and for communities with disproportionately excessive crash rates. By combining community experiences and data analysis. The SAP identifies practical actions and innovative solutions to make roads within Cook County safer for all. Presentation to follow.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Report be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0336

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Department: Department of Transportation and Highways

Grantee: Cook County

Grantor: Illinois Department of Transportation

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: Cook County received \$500,000.00 in 2024 Local Project Funding (LPF) grant funds to prepare detailed design engineering plans for the Burnham Multimodal Connector Bridge, a grade-separated pedestrian and bicyclist bridge over multiple railroad tracks in the Village of Burnham and City of Chicago

Grant Amount: \$500,000.00

Grant Period: 5 years from date of execution of the funding agreement

Fiscal Impact: FY26 \$0.00; FY27 \$300,000.00; FY28 \$200,000.00

Accounts: No cash match required. 11900.1500.54868.521536 (Grant Fund).

Concurrences:

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed grant award acceptance. This \$500,000.00 grant award from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will be used by DOTH to perform design engineering work for the construction of a grade-separated bicycle and pedestrian bridge in the Village of Burnham and City of Chicago.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Grant Award be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0337

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Department: Department of Transportation and Highways

Grantee: Cook County

Grantor: Illinois Department of Transportation

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: The Department is the recipient of \$5,000,000.00 in 2024 Local Project Funding (LPF) grant funds for the improvement of Touhy Avenue from Elmhurst Road to Mt. Prospect Road in the Village of Elk Grove Village, City of Des Plaines and City of Chicago and in coordination with the Illinois Tollway and the municipalities.

Grant Amount: \$5,000,000.00

Grant Period: 7 years from date of execution of the funding agreement

Fiscal Impact: FY26 \$0.00; FY27 \$2,000,000.00; FY28 \$3,000,000.00

Accounts: No cash match required. 11900.1500.54869.521536 (Grant Fund).

Concurrences:

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed grant award acceptance. This grant award of \$5,000,000.00 supports construction for the improvement of Touhy Avenue (15-34117-01-RP).

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Grant Award be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0338

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Department: Department of Transportation and Highways

Grantee: Cook County

Grantor: Illinois Department of Transportation

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: The Department of Transportation and Highways is the recipient of \$800,000.00 in Transportation Alternatives Program - Local (TAP-L) for the preliminary and environmental (Phase I) study to extend the Des Plaines River Trail between the CTA Forest Park Blue Line station and the Salt Creek Trail near 26th Street in the Village of North Riverside. The scope of the project includes identifying connections to the Illinois Prairie Path and the Salt Creek Trail, and the improvements will extend through the Villages of Forest Park, Maywood, North Riverside, as well as unincorporated Proviso Township.

Grant Amount: \$800,000.00

Grant Period: 10/1/2026 - 9/30/2028

Fiscal Impact: FY26 \$0.00; FY27 \$400,000.00; FY28 \$400,000.00

Accounts: No cash match required. 11900.1500.54870.521536 (Grant Fund).

Concurrences:

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed grant award acceptance. This project will utilize a TAP-L grant award of \$800,000.00 for the Central Des Plaines River Trail project with the balance funded by Motor Fuel Tax.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Grant Award be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED GRANT AWARD

Department: Department of Transportation and Highways

Grantee: Cook County

Grantor: Illinois Department of Transportation

Request: Authorization to accept grant

Purpose: The Department is the recipient of \$6,441,650.00 in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) grant funds for the improvement of Touhy Avenue from Elmhurst Road to Mt. Prospect Road in the Village of Elk Grove Village, City of Des Plaines and City of Chicago and in coordination with the Illinois Tollway and the municipalities.

Grant Amount: \$6,441,650.00

Grant Period: 7 years from date of execution of the funding agreement

Fiscal Impact: FY26 \$0.00; FY27 \$3,000,000.00; FY28 \$3,441,650.00

Accounts: No cash match required. 11900.1500.53665.521536 (Grant Fund).

Concurrences:

The Budget Department has received all requisite documents and determined the fiscal impact on Cook County, if any.

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed grant award acceptance. This grant award of \$6,441,650.00 supports construction for the improvement of Touhy Avenue (15-34117-01-RP).

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Grant Award be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: Lower Des Plaines River Trail Study Extension

Location: Village of Brookfield, Village of La Grange Park, Village of Lyons, Village of Riverside, Riverside Township, Illinois and the Forest Preserve of Cook County

Section: 24-LDPRT-00-BT

County Board District(s): 16, 17

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$300,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution for the extension of the Des Plaines River Trail in the Villages of Brookfield, LaGrange Park, Lyons, and Riverside, Riverside Township, and the Forest Preserves of Cook County in Cook County. Work includes preliminary engineering and an environmental (Phase I) study.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Improvement Resolution be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0501

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: HR Green, Inc., Aurora, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Preliminary Engineering Services and Preparation of Phase I Studies

Location: Countywide

Section: 25-6PESV-03-ES

Contract Value: \$3,500,000.00

Contract period: 4/1/2026 - 3/31/2031

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

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$500,000.00; FY 2027 \$700,000.00; FY 2028 \$700,000.00; FY 2029 \$700,000.00; FY 2030 \$700,000.00; FY 2031 \$200,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Funds: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Contract Number(s): 2561-03172A

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully request the approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and HR Green, Inc., of Aurora, Illinois.

This is a task order-based contract under which the vendor will provide various preliminary engineering services and prepare Phase I studies for the Department as directed. Assignments may include but are not limited to completing preliminary engineering and environmental (Phase I) studies for intersections, small roadway segments, roadway corridors, structures, and multi-use paths; performing traffic, crash, structural, or other supporting analyses as needed; completing feasibility studies; identifying and preparing applications for grant funding; and other tasks as directed. Phase I studies prepared under this contract will be completed in accordance with applicable policies from the County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. HR Green, Inc. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0502

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Preliminary Engineering Services and Preparation of Phase I Studies

Location: Countywide

Section: 25-6PESV-04-ES

Contract Value: \$3,500,000.00

Contract period: 4/1/2026 - 3/31/2031

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

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$500,000.00; FY 2027 \$700,000.00; FY 2028 \$700,000.00; FY 2029 \$700,000.00; FY 2030 \$700,000.00; FY 2031 \$200,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Funds: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Contract Number(s): 2561-03172B

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully request the approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois.

This is a task order-based contract under which the vendor will provide various preliminary engineering services and prepare Phase I studies for the Department as directed. Assignments may include but are not limited to completing preliminary engineering and environmental (Phase I) studies for intersections, small roadway segments, roadway corridors, structures, and multi-use paths; performing traffic, crash,

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

structural, or other supporting analyses as needed; completing feasibility studies; identifying and preparing applications for grant funding; and other tasks as directed. Phase I studies prepared under this contract will be completed in accordance with applicable policies from the County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0503

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: Peralte-Clark, LLC, Arlington Heights, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Preliminary Engineering Services and Preparation of Phase I Studies

Location: Countywide

Section: 25-6PESV-05-ES

Contract Value: \$3,500,000.00

Contract period: 4/1/2026 - 3/31/2031

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

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$500,000.00; FY 2027 \$700,000.00; FY 2028

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

\$700,000.00; FY 2029 \$700,000.00; FY 2030 \$700,000.00; FY 2031 \$200,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Funds: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Contract Number(s): 2561-03172C

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully request the approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and Peralte-Clark, LLC, of Arlington Heights, Illinois.

This is a task order-based contract under which the vendor will provide various preliminary engineering services and prepare Phase I studies for the Department as directed. Assignments may include but are not limited to completing preliminary engineering and environmental (Phase I) studies for intersections, small roadway segments, roadway corridors, structures, and multi-use paths; performing traffic, crash, structural, or other supporting analyses as needed; completing feasibility studies; identifying and preparing applications for grant funding; and other tasks as directed. Phase I studies prepared under this contract will be completed in accordance with applicable policies from the County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Peralte-Clark, LLC, was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0505

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: GFT Infrastructure, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Good(s) or Service(s): Professional Engineering Services and Preparation of Phase I Study

Location: Village of Riverside, Illinois

Section: 24-W8825-00-BR

Contract Value: \$1,511,824.00

Contract period: 4/1/2026 - 3/31/2030

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

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$600,000.00; FY 2027 \$600,000.00; FY 2028 \$311,824.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.560019

Contract Number(s): 2405-09261C

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully request the approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and GFT Infrastructure, Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

Under this contract, GFT Infrastructure, Inc. will prepare a preliminary engineering and environmental (Phase I) study to support the replacement of the Barrypoint Road Bridge over the Des Plaines River which is reaching the end of its useful life. The primary objective of the Phase I study is to develop an improvement plan which minimizes impacts to adjacent properties and environmental resources while also fulfilling all Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements to keep the project eligible for future federal funding opportunities.

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. GFT Infrastructure, Inc., was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0521

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: Barrypoint Road Bridge over the Des Plaines River

Location: Village of Riverside, Illinois

Section: 24-W8825-00-BR

County Board District(s): 16

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$1,900,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.560019

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution for the Barrypoint Road Bridge over the Des Plaines River Project which includes preliminary engineering for the removal and replacement of the Barrypoint Road Bridge in the Village of Riverside in Cook County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Improvement Resolution be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0522

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: Lake-Cook Road Bridge Deck Replacements

Location: Village of Deerfield, Village of Northbrook, and the Village of Palatine, Illinois

Section: 24-A5011-08-BR

County Board District(s): 14

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$1,500,000.00 (FY26 = \$500,000.00; FY27 = \$500,000.00; FY28 = \$500,000.00)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.560019

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution for the Lake-Cook Road Bridge Deck Replacements which includes preliminary engineering for the replacement of concrete bridge decks, in the Villages of Deerfield, Northbrook, and Palatine in Cook County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Improvement Resolution be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0556

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

REPORT

Department: Transportation and Highways

Report Title: Bureau of Construction Status Report

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Report Period: 12/1/2025 to 12/31/2025

Action: Receive and File

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests that the status report be received and filed for Construction for the month of December 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF ASSET MANAGEMENT
OFFICE OF ASSET MANAGEMENT

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

Accounts: 11569.1031.11190.560105.00000.00000
11569.1031.11190.560107.00000.00000

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 Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract be referred to the Asset Management Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF ASSET MANAGEMENT
CAPITAL PLANNING AND POLICY

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

Accounts: 11569.1031.11190.560105.00000.00000

11569.1031.11190.560107.00000.00000

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 Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract Amendment be referred to the Asset Management Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

26-0712

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and DONNA MILLER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Sibelco Glass Chicago, LLC 6B PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE REQUEST

WHEREAS, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development received and reviewed a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b application containing the following information:

Applicant: Sibelco Glass Chicago, LLC

Address: 999 Anderson Ave, Chicago Ridge, Illinois

Municipality or Unincorporated Township: Chicago Ridge

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Cook County District: 6th District

Permanent Index Number: 24-07-409-006-0000 24-07-409-011-0000, 24-07-410-001-0000, 24-07-410-002-0000, 24-07-410-003-0000, 24-07-410-005-0000, 24-07-410-006-0000, 24-07-410-010-0000, 24-07-410-015-0000, 24-07-410-016-0000 24-07-410-021-0000, 24-07-410-022-0000, 24-07-410-023-0000

Municipal Resolution Number: Village of Chicago Ridge Resolution No. 25-06-06

Number of month property vacant/abandoned: One (1) month vacant

Special circumstances justification requested: Yes

Proposed use of property: Industrial use - warehousing, manufacturing and distribution

Living Wage Ordinance Compliance Affidavit Provided: Yes

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an abandoned industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Classification System for Assessment defines abandoned property as buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 12 continuous months, have been purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, in the instance where the property does not meet the definition of abandoned property, the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, may determine that special circumstances may exist that justify finding that the property is abandoned for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 12 months and purchase for value, by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed abandoned; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires the validation by the County Board of the shortened period of qualifying abandonment in cases where the facility has been abandoned for less than 12 consecutive months upon purchase for value; and

WHEREAS, the municipality states the Class 6b is necessary for development to occur on this specific real estate. The municipal resolution cites the qualifications of this property to meet the definition of abandoned with special circumstances; and

WHEREAS, industrial real estate is normally assessed at 25% of its market value, qualifying industrial real estate eligible for the Class 6b can receive a significant reduction in the level of assessment from the date that new construction or rehabilitation has been completed, or in the case of abandoned property from the date of substantial re-occupancy. Properties receiving Class 6b will be assessed at 10% of the market value for 10 years, 15% for the 11th year and 20% in the 12th year; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the above-captioned property is deemed abandoned with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Business and Economic Development Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0714

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and KEVIN B. MORRISON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

C4T Properties, LLC 6B PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE REQUEST

WHEREAS, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development received and reviewed a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b application containing the following information:

Applicant: C4T Properties, LLC

Address: 1982 Lunt Avenue, Elk Grove Village, Illinois

Municipality or Unincorporated Township: Elk Grove Village

Cook County District: 15th District

Permanent Index Number: 08-35-104-045-0000

Municipal Resolution Number: Village of Elk Grove, Resolution No. 85-24

Number of month property vacant/abandoned: Three (3) months vacant

Special circumstances justification requested: Yes

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Proposed use of property: Industrial use - warehousing, manufacturing and distribution

Living Wage Ordinance Compliance Affidavit Provided: Yes

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an abandoned industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Classification System for Assessment defines abandoned property as buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 12 continuous months, have been purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, in the instance where the property does not meet the definition of abandoned property, the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, may determine that special circumstances may exist that justify finding that the property is abandoned for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 12 months and purchase for value, by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed abandoned; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires the validation by the County Board of the shortened period of qualifying abandonment in cases where the facility has been abandoned for less than 12 consecutive months upon purchase for value; and

WHEREAS, the municipality states the Class 6b is necessary for development to occur on this specific real estate. The municipal resolution cites the qualifications of this property to meet the definition of abandoned with special circumstances; and

WHEREAS, industrial real estate is normally assessed at 25% of its market value, qualifying industrial real estate eligible for the Class 6b can receive a significant reduction in the level of assessment from the date that new construction or rehabilitation has been completed, or in the case of abandoned property from the date of substantial re-occupancy. Properties receiving Class 6b will be assessed at 10% of the market value for 10 years, 15% for the 11th year and 20% in the 12th year; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the above-captioned property is deemed abandoned with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Business and Economic Development Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0715

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and DONNA MILLER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

SFG ISF TP Chicago Ridge, LLC 6B PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE REQUEST

WHEREAS, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development received and reviewed a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b application containing the following information:

Applicant: SFG ISF TP Chicago Ridge, LLC

Address: 6301 W. 101st Street, Chicago Ridge, Illinois

Municipality or Unincorporated Township: Chicago Ridge

Cook County District: 6th District Number

Permanent Index Number: 24-08-317-021-0000 and 24-08-317-022-0000

Municipal Resolution Number: Village of Chicago Ridge Resolution No. 24-09-10

Number of month property vacant/abandoned: 16 months vacant

Special circumstances justification requested: Yes or No

Proposed use of property: Industrial use - warehousing, manufacturing and distribution

Living Wage Ordinance Compliance Affidavit Provided: Yes

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an abandoned industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Classification System for Assessment defines abandoned property as buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 12 continuous months, there has been no purchased for value by a purchaser and the property is in need of substantial rehabilitation ; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, in the instance where the property does not meet the definition of abandoned property, the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, may determine that special circumstances may exist that justify finding that the property is abandoned for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of at least 12 months and no purchase for value by a disinterested buyer, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property as being deemed abandoned; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires a resolution by the County Board validating the property as abandoned for the purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, the municipality states the Class 6b is necessary for development to occur on this specific real estate. The municipal resolution cites the qualifications of this property to meet the definition of abandoned with special circumstances; and

WHEREAS, industrial real estate is normally assessed at 25% of its market value, qualifying industrial real estate eligible for the Class 6b can receive a significant reduction in the level of assessment from the date that new construction or rehabilitation has been completed, or in the case of abandoned property from the date of substantial re-occupancy. Properties receiving Class 6b will be assessed at 10% of the market value for 10 years, 15% for the 11th year and 20% in the 12th year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the above-captioned property is deemed abandoned with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Business and Economic Development Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES

26-0579

Presented by: VELISHA HADDOX, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

REPORT

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Department: Bureau of Human Resources

Report Title: Bureau of Human Resources Hiring Timeline Report

Report Period: 4th Quarter FY 2025

Summary: This report provides a quarterly analysis of the Bureau of Human Resources' hiring timeline showing the amount of time it takes to fill vacant positions. The timeline begins with the date the completed hiring request is submitted to the Bureau of Human Resources and ends with an employee's first day of employment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Report be referred to the Workforce, Housing & Community Development Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0582

Presented by: VELISHA HADDOX, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

REPORT

Department: Bureau of Human Resources

Report Title: Human Resources Bi-weekly Activity Reports

Report Period: Pay Period 25: November 16, 2026 - November 29, 2025 Pay Period 26: November 30, 2025 - December 13, 2025

Summary: This report lists all new hires and terminations of employees in executive, administrative or professional positions, Grades 17 through 24, and employees in such positions who have transferred positions, received salary adjustments, whose positions have been transferred or reclassified, or employees who are hired into positions as Seasonal Work Employees, Extra Employees, Extra Employees for Special Activities and Employees per Court Order.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUREAU OF TECHNOLOGY
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

26-0034

Presented by: F. THOMAS LYNCH, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Bureau of Technology

Vendor:

Various Law Firms:

Clark Hill, Chicago, Illinois

Norton Rose Fulbright, Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Technology Related Legal Services

Contract Value: Program: \$907,731.00

Contract period: All contracts: 2/15/2026 - 2/14/2029 with two (2) one-year renewal options

Contract Utilization:

2508-12101A- Clark Hill: The Vendor has met the Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Full MWBE Waiver

2508-12101B - Norton Rose Fulbright: The Vendor has met the Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Full MWBE Waiver.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 Spend Authority: \$102,577.00 (BOT) & \$200,000.00 (Sheriff); FY 2027 Spend Authority: \$102,577.00 (BOT) & \$200,000.00 (Sheriff); FY 2028 Spend Authority: \$102,577.00 (BOT) & \$200,000.00 (Sheriff)

Accounts: 11000.1009.35805.520830.00000.00000 (BOT), 11100.1214.15530.521054 (CCSO)

Contract Number(s):

2508-12101A- Clark Hill (all four categories)

2508-12101B - Norton Rose Fulbright (all four categories)

Summary: Requesting authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into contracts with the

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

law firms of Clark Hill and Norton Rose Fulbright to establish a prequalified pool of law firms with specialized experience in providing technology-related legal services for the Bureau of Technology and other County offices. Each of the categories represents an area where BOT and other County offices identified the potential need for the expertise of outside counsel in non-litigation technology-related matters. The four categories are as follows:

Category I - Cybersecurity and Data Breach Management

1. Advise County on issues related to cybersecurity and data breach prevention;
2. Represent and advise County in all aspects related to data breach procedures and response including but not limited to investigative strategies and legal mandates following a suspected data breach; and
3. Communicate directly with third party vendors related to any suspected breach and ensure vendor compliance with applicable procedures to manage the breach impact pursuant to the law.

Category II - Technology Contract Negotiation and Template Drafting

1. Offer legal counsel regarding the County's procurement templates, standard provisions and riders, ensuring compliance with legal requirements, industry best practices, and organizational requirements; and
2. Provide legal support throughout contract negotiations for technology-related transactions, identifying potential risks and liabilities to County and proposing mitigation strategies; and
3. Review and analyze vendor proposals and contract terms, conducting due diligence to assess vendor capabilities, reputation, and compliance with industry standards and regulatory requirements.

Category III - Technology-Related Legal and Regulatory Compliance

1. Provide legal analysis on regulatory impacts and compliance requirements associated with various technologies in the County's internal and external operations; and
2. Assist in development of policies and guidelines to ensure legal and responsible deployment of technology within the County's internal and external operations.

Category IV - Privacy and Data Protection Compliance

1. Advise County regarding legal and regulatory compliance related to privacy and data protection relevant to County's operations, including HIPAA and CJIS; and
2. Assist with regulatory compliance audits, investigations, and inquiries, providing legal representation and strategic guidance to resolve compliance issues and mitigate potential penalties for non-compliance with laws and regulations related to privacy or data protection relevant to the County's operations; and
3. Draft and negotiate data processing agreements, data sharing agreements, and other contractual arrangements with third-parties, ensuring appropriate safeguards personal data, and compliance with legal requirements.

These contracts are awarded through Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract be referred to the Technology and Innovation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0602

Presented by: F. THOMAS LYNCH, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TECHNOLOGY)

Department(s): Bureau of Technology

Vendor: Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, Washington

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Countywide technical support and technical services

Contract Value: \$4,760,239.20

Contract period: 4/1/2026 - 3/31/2029

Contract Utilization: The contract-specific goal set on this contract is zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY 26 Spend</u>	<u>FY 27 Spend</u>	<u>FY 28 Spend</u>	<u>FY 29 Spend</u>
State's Attorney	\$121,532.45	\$219,616.42	\$227,278.98	\$86,808.90
Sheriff	\$308,863.63	\$329,449.94	\$347,195.02	\$128,693.18
Bureau of Technology	\$343,916.44	\$360,527.36	\$373,655.62	\$143,298.52
County Clerk	\$76,286.69	\$79,581.15	\$82,510.25	\$31,786.12
Circuit Court	\$124,658.01	\$131,539.52	\$136,594.86	\$51,940.84
Assessor	\$90,264.78	\$94,187.65	\$97,370.93	\$37,610.33
Chief Judge	\$171,902.70	\$181,819.04	\$189,300.28	\$71,626.13
<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>\$187,087.67</u>	<u>\$196,385.95</u>	<u>\$201,904.96</u>	<u>\$77,953.20</u>
Total	\$1,511,324.27	\$1,593,107.03	\$1,655,810.90	\$629,717.20

Accounts:

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

DepartmentCharge Account
States Attorney11100.1250.14245.540130
County Clerk11306.1110.15050.531670
CCC11320.1335.15050.540130
Treasurer11854.1060.10155.520830
Chief Judge11100.1310.15050.520830
BOT/App Dev11000.1009.35005.540135
BOT/Server11000.1009.33940.540135
Assessor11000.1040.15050.520830
Sheriff11100.1217.15050.540135

Contract Number(s): 2510-11250

Concurrence:

BOT concurs on this procurement.

Summary: The Bureau of Technology is requesting authorization for approval of a new contract with Microsoft Corporation for Unified Support Services. The contract provides countywide technical support and services including platform health checks, risk assessments, and workshops for Microsoft technologies. It also ensures priority access to Microsoft engineers with guaranteed response times for critical issues affecting Microsoft 365 (Email, Teams, SharePoint and OneDrive), Microsoft Azure (Cloud) and Microsoft Server software.

This is a Sole Source Procurement pursuant to Section 34-139 of the Cook County Procurement Code.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract be referred to the Technology and Innovation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0614

Presented by: F. THOMAS LYNCH, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT (TECHNOLOGY)

Department(s): Bureau of Technology

Vendor: International Business Machines Corporation dba IBM Corporation, Armonk, New York

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to renew and increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Consulting Services for Enterprise Service Business (ESB) Services

Original Contract Period: 7/1/2021 - 6/30/2026, with two (2), one-year renewal options

Proposed Amendment Type: Renewal and Increase

Proposed Contract Period: Renewal period 7/1/2026 - 6/30/2028

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$4,411,115.00

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): Board, 6/24/2021, \$4,411,115.00

Increase Requested: \$2,131,044.00

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 and Partial MWBE Waiver.

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 - \$443,967.50, FY 2027 - \$1,065,522.00, FY 2028 - \$621,554.50

Accounts: 11000.1490.15050.540135 (IBM ESB (AST ESB) Managed Services)
11569.1009.21120.560225.00000.00000 (Capital Project source)

Contract Number(s): 2012-18385

Concurrence:
TECHNOLOGY: N/A

Summary: The Bureau of Technology is requesting authorization from the Board of Commissioners to amend contract no. 2012-18385 with Applications Software Technology LLC, (AST) to continue to manage the Enterprise Service Bus (ESB) platform. AST was recently acquired by International Business Machines Corporation (IBM). The ESB hosts data exchanges that securely moves sensitive data between County criminal justice offices and external partners. If approved, this amendment will take advantage of the two optional renewal years remaining in the agreement. The platform has enabled seamless interoperability with standards-based integration, automation, and business process

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

reengineering. The ESB is a very successful program and has led to many improvements like the Automated Court Reminder System (ACRS) and end-to-end tracking of the First Appearance Court processes which include requirements from the Pretrial Fairness Act. The Cook County Criminal Justice partners have agreed to continue to leverage the ESB as a platform to automate the exchange of data between key justice agencies, which includes pushing data to a new data warehouse. By leveraging the existing ESB the overall cost to implement additional data exchanges is lower given our ability to leverage existing components for agencies that actively participate in the ESB program.

This contract was awarded through Task Order Request (TOR) procedures in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Proposed Contract Amendment be referred to the Technology and Innovation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0644

Presented by: F. THOMAS LYNCH, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

REPORT

Department: Bureau of Technology

Report Title: Chief Information Security Officer Report

Report Period: Fiscal Year 2025

Summary: This report provides an update on Agencies' adoption of the information Security Framework and a summary of advice and recommendations for each Agency.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Report be referred to the Technology and Innovation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0645

Presented by: F. THOMAS LYNCH, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

REPORT

Department: Bureau of Technology

Report Title: Information Technology Projects Report

Report Period: September 2025 - March 2026

Summary: A report provided by Offices Under the President, represented by the Bureau of Technology and all other separately elected offices providing semi-annual updates to the Cook County Technology and Innovation committee of the Board of Commissioners regarding information technology projects related to their offices' strategic initiatives.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Report be referred to the Technology and Innovation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE
JUDICIARY

26-0483

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

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Office of the Chief Judge

Vendor: Ready Made Staffing, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Good(s) or Service(s): In-Person Foreign Language Judicial Interpreting Services

Original Contract Period: 5/1/2023 - 4/30/2028, with two (2), one-year renewal options

Proposed Amendment Type: Increase

Proposed Contract Period: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$1,749,150.00

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): Board, 2/9/2023, \$1,749,150.00

Increase Requested: \$1,562,335.56

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 Contract-Specific goal set on this contract is Zero.

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$646,483.68, FY 2027 \$646,483.68, FY 2028 \$269,368.20

Accounts: 11100.1310.15190.520830.00000.00000

Contract Number(s): 2112-09202

Summary: Requesting authorization for the Chief Procurement Office to increase the contract with Ready Made Staffing. The increase in non-English speaking participants and corresponding demand for in-person interpretation service in the Court has grown beyond the original estimated cost of the contract. The demand for in-person interpretation service has also increased due to after hour operations and probation officers using the service.

Competitive bidding procedures were followed in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Ready Made Staffing, Inc. was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, that the Contract Amendment be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0580

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

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Juvenile Temporary Detention Center, Circuit Court of Cook County

Vendor: Black Dog Foods, LLC, Lyons, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to renew, and increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Dry and Canned Goods

Original Contract Period: 5/1/2023 - 4/30/2024, with three (3), one-year renewal options

Proposed Amendment Type: Renewal and Increase

Proposed Contract Period: Renewal period 5/1/2026 - 4/30/2027

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$3,034,711.00

Original Approval (Board or Procurement): Board, 4/27/2023, \$2,059,603.00

Increase Requested: \$1,200,186.00

Previous Board Increase(s): 3/13/2025, \$975,108.00

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

Previous Board Renewals: 3/13/2025, (5/1/2025 - 4/30/2026)

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Renewals: 1/25/2024, (5/1/2024 - 4/30/2025)

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. The Prime Vendor is certified MBE.

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$700,108.00, FY 2027 \$500,077.50

Accounts: 11100.1440.35225.530010.00000

Contract Number(s): 2304-12024

Summary: Contract 2304-12024 allows the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center the ability to supply various dry and canned goods, with recommendations from Good Food Purchasing Program (GFPP) for the residents that we serve. The first renewal option JTDC exercised for the contract terms of May 1, 2024, to April 30, 2025, we didn't ask for an increase on the contract amount. Competitive bidding procedures were followed in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Black Dog Foods, LLC was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, that the Contract Amendment be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (12)

Nays: None (0)

Present: Commissioner Aguilar and Commissioner Anaya (2)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

26-0670

Presented by: MONICA GORDON, County Clerk

PROPOSED PAYMENT APPROVAL

Department(s): County Clerk

Action: For Payment Only

Payee: Computer Products & Supplies International Inc., Crystal Lake, Illinois

Good(s) or Service(s): Office Supplies

Fiscal Impact: \$5,747.93

Accounts: 11306.1110.15050.531670

Contract Number(s): N/A

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Summary: The County Clerk’s Office is requesting approval of payment to Computer Products & Supplies International Inc. for various Department purchases of office supplies. This request is for a payment that resulted from orders exceeding the established threshold.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, that the Payment Approval be approved as amended. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

OFFICE OF THE INDEPENDENT INSPECTOR GENERAL

26-0691

Presented by: TIRRELL PAXTON, Inspector General

REPORT

Department: Office of the Independent Inspector General

Report Title: Independent Inspector General Quarterly Report, 4th Quarter 2025

Report Period: October 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Summary: This report was written in accordance with Section 2-287 of the Independent Inspector General Ordinance, Cook County, Ill., Ordinances 07-O-52 (2007) (“OIIG Ordinance”), to apprise the President and the County Board of the activities of this office during the time period beginning 10/1/2025 through 12/31/2025. It is being placed on the County Board meeting agenda for receipt and file or referral to the Litigation Committee pursuant to Section 2-287 of the OIIG Ordinance..

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, that the Report be referred to the Litigation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
FISCAL ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES

26-0221

Presented by: THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Cook County Sheriff's Office

Vendor: ABC Automotive Electronics, Berwyn, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Removal and Installation of Aftermarket Equipment in Leased Vehicles

Contract Value: \$271,750.10

Contract period: 2/15/2026- 2/14/2029, with one (1) two-year renewal option

Contract Utilization: The contract-specific goal set on this contract is zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$60,389.00, FY 2027 \$90,583.00, FY2028 \$90,583.00, FY2029 \$30,195.00

Accounts: 11900.1210.53650.530267 (Institutional Supply)

Contract Number(s): 2517-01314

Summary: The Cook County Sheriff's Office requests authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute a contract with ABC Automotive Electronics, Berwyn, Illinois to provide removal and installation of aftermarket equipment services for the Sheriff's Office leased vehicles. This contract will allow for retrofitting of police vehicle equipment into approximately 30 vehicles over the life of the contract.

Competitive bidding procedures were followed in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. ABC Automotive Electronics was the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

**LEGISLATION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING OF
JANUARY 14, 2026**

26-0429

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): William Little

Position: Commissioner

Department/Board/Commission: Housing Authority of Cook County

Effective date: 12/18/2025

Expiration date: 12/18/2030

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Proposed Appointment be deferred. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0430

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Zenobia Johnson-Black

Position: Commissioner

Department/Board/Commission: Housing Authority of Cook County

Effective date: 12/18/25

Expiration date: 12/18/30

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Proposed Appointment be deferred. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2026

26-0558
RESOLUTION

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT AND SEAN M. MORRISON,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

HANOVER DISPLAYS INC. 6B PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE REQUEST

WHEREAS, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development received and reviewed a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b application containing the following information:

Applicant: Hanover Displays Inc.

Address: 2400 East Devon Avenue, Elk Grove Village, Illinois

Municipality or Unincorporated Township: Elk Grove Village

Cook County District: 17th District

Permanent Index Number: 08-35-404-065-0000

Municipal Resolution Number: Village of Elk Grove Village, Resolution No. 56-24

Number of month property vacant/abandoned: 19 months vacant

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Special circumstances justification requested: Yes or No

Proposed use of property: Industrial use - warehousing, manufacturing and distribution

Living Wage Ordinance Compliance Affidavit Provided: Yes

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an abandoned industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Classification System for Assessment defines abandoned property as buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 12 continuous months, there has been no purchase for value by a purchaser and the property is in need of substantial rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, in the instance where the property does not meet the definition of abandoned property, the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, may determine that special circumstances may exist that justify finding that the property is abandoned for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of at least 12 months and no purchase for value by a disinterested buyer, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property as being deemed abandoned; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires a resolution by the County Board validating the property as abandoned for the purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, the municipality states the Class 6b is necessary for development to occur on this specific real estate. The municipal resolution cites the qualifications of this property to meet the definition of abandoned with special circumstances; and

WHEREAS, industrial real estate is normally assessed at 25% of its market value, qualifying industrial real estate eligible for the Class 6b can receive a significant reduction in the level of assessment from the date that new construction or rehabilitation has been completed, or in the case of abandoned property from the date of substantial re-occupancy. Properties receiving Class 6b will be assessed at 10% of the market value for 10 years, 15% for the 11th year and 20% in the 12th year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the above-captioned property is deemed abandoned with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

Approved and adopted this 5th of February 2026

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

Attest: MONICA GORDON, County Clerk

February 5, 2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner McCaskill, that the Resolution be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

**26-0559
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT AND SEAN M. MORRISON,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

WINONA 9505, LLC, NOGA FOOD INC. 6B PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE REQUEST

WHEREAS, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development received and reviewed a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b application containing the following information:

Applicant: WINONA 9505, LLC, Noga Food Inc.

Address: 9505 Winona Avenue, Schiller Park, Illinois

Municipality or Unincorporated Township: Leyden

Cook County District: 17th District

Permanent Index Number: 12-10-300-042-0000

Municipal Resolution Number: Village of Schiller Park Resolution No. 21-24

Number of month property vacant/abandoned: 11 months vacant

Special circumstances justification requested: Yes

Proposed use of property: Industrial use - warehousing, manufacturing and distribution

Living Wage Ordinance Compliance Affidavit Provided: Yes

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an abandoned industrial facility; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Classification System for Assessment defines abandoned property as buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 12 continuous months, have been purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, in the instance where the property does not meet the definition of abandoned property, the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, may determine that special circumstances may exist that justify finding that the property is abandoned for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 12 months and purchase for value, by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed abandoned; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires the validation by the County Board of the shortened period of qualifying abandonment in cases where the facility has been abandoned for less than 12 consecutive months upon purchase for value; and

WHEREAS, the municipality states the Class 6b is necessary for development to occur on this specific real estate. The municipal resolution cites the qualifications of this property to meet the definition of abandoned with special circumstances; and

WHEREAS, industrial real estate is normally assessed at 25% of its market value, qualifying industrial real estate eligible for the Class 6b can receive a significant reduction in the level of assessment from the date that new construction or rehabilitation has been completed, or in the case of abandoned property from the date of substantial re-occupancy. Properties receiving Class 6b will be assessed at 10% of the market value for 10 years, 15% for the 11th year and 20% in the 12th year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the above-captioned property is deemed abandoned with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

Approved and adopted this 5th of February 2026

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: MONICA GORDON, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner McCaskill, that the Resolution be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

**26-0560
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT AND SCOTT R. BRITTON,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

LAVAX, INC. OR ITS ASSIGNEE 6B PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE REQUEST

WHEREAS, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development received and reviewed a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b application containing the following information:

Applicant: Lavax, Inc. or Its Assignee

Address: 330 W Campus, Arlington Heights, Illinois

Municipality or Unincorporated Township: Arlington Heights

Cook County District: 14th District

Permanent Index Number: 03-07-204-005-0000

Municipal Resolution Number: Village of Arlington Heights Resolution No. R2024-20

Number of month property vacant/abandoned: Six (6) months vacant

Special circumstances justification requested: Yes

Proposed use of property: Industrial use - for manufacturing, research and development, warehousing and distribution of its products.

Living Wage Ordinance Compliance Affidavit Provided: Yes

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for an abandoned industrial facility; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, the Cook County Classification System for Assessment defines abandoned property as buildings and other structures that, after having been vacant and unused for at least 12 continuous months, have been purchased for value by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest; and

WHEREAS, in the instance where the property does not meet the definition of abandoned property, the municipality or the Board of Commissioners, may determine that special circumstances may exist that justify finding that the property is abandoned for purpose of Class 6b; and

WHEREAS, in the case of abandonment of less than 12 months and purchase for value, by a purchaser in whom the seller has no direct financial interest, the County may determine that special circumstances justify finding the property is deemed abandoned; and

WHEREAS, Class 6b requires the validation by the County Board of the shortened period of qualifying abandonment in cases where the facility has been abandoned for less than 12 consecutive months upon purchase for value; and

WHEREAS, the municipality states the Class 6b is necessary for development to occur on this specific real estate. The municipal resolution cites the qualifications of this property to meet the definition of abandoned with special circumstances; and

WHEREAS, industrial real estate is normally assessed at 25% of its market value, qualifying industrial real estate eligible for the Class 6b can receive a significant reduction in the level of assessment from the date that new construction or rehabilitation has been completed, or in the case of abandoned property from the date of substantial re-occupancy. Properties receiving Class 6b will be assessed at 10% of the market value for 10 years, 15% for the 11th year and 20% in the 12th year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the above-captioned property is deemed abandoned with special circumstances under the Class 6b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor.

Approved and adopted this 5th of February 2026

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: MONICA GORDON, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner McCaskill, that the Resolution be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

WORKFORCE, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2026

26-0523
RESOLUTION

Sponsored by
THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE,
PRESIDENT OF THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**SUPPORT FOR THE INNOVATION NEXUS OF THE CHICAGOLAND WORKFORCE
FUNDERS ALLIANCE**

WHEREAS, the Cook County Policy Roadmap 2024-2027, includes a key objective under Vital Communities to invest in economic sectors with good jobs and positive economic, environmental, and social impact; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Equity Task Force Report includes a recommendation to “Align Cook County’s workforce investment intentionally and strategically to support high quality jobs that promote residents’ economic mobility and equity”; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development’s (BED) 2025 Strategic Plan builds upon the recommendations of the Policy Roadmap and the Equity Task Force and recommends that BED meets the talent needs of employers in key sectors to increase opportunities for, and access to good jobs; and

WHEREAS, BED has a commitment to talent driven economic development which includes supporting industry-led partnerships to meet the talent needs of employers and to ensure that residents have opportunities for good jobs; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the above objectives the BED partners with and collaborates with the Chicagoland Workforce Funders Alliance (CWFA) ; and

WHEREAS, since 2012, the CWFA has engaged over 30 philanthropic and corporate funders to advance an equitable and prosperous Chicagoland built by employer, worker and community collaborations; and

WHEREAS, the Funder Alliance has used this role to carve out a unique position at the intersection of workforce development, social justice, education and economic development; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, Forefront, Illinois' statewide association, founded in 1974, representing nonprofits and grant makers, as well as their advisors and allies serves as a trusted resource and leader committed to educating, unifying, and mobilizing the sector in Illinois; serves as a Fiscal Agent for the CWFA ; and

WHEREAS, the CWFA launched the Innovation Nexus in 2023 to bring together the workforce, business and career education ecosystems to create innovative, tech-driven solutions for address shared challenges; and

WHEREAS, the CWFA and the Innovation Nexus link sector-based partnerships around shared workforce challenges and provides access to tools and resources to assist employers address their talent needs; and

WHEREAS, the Innovation Nexus' portfolio includes Career Pathways.net which is free and open online directory of post-secondary career training opportunities utilized by the Chicago Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, in 2026 and 2027, the Innovation Nexus will prioritize expansion of this resource into suburban Cook school districts; and

WHEREAS, given the reduced federal funding for workforce and talent solutions, the Innovation Nexus will provide BED with consulting and advisory services to support our work with key sectors, and promotion of good jobs; and

WHEREAS, given the US Department of Energy's termination of \$1.1 million solar installation grant to Cook County, Innovation Nexus and NEWs will provide support to BED to develop and support the Solar Synergy Advisory Committee in 2026 and 2027; and

WHEREAS, Cook County will continue to support as a lead sponsor, the annual sold out, standing room only, Chicagoland Workforce Symposium, which attracts over 275 workforce practitioners from over 200 organizations to learn about best practices and opportunities for collaboration and partnership; and

WHEREAS, providing BED and employers with new and improved channels to meet their talent needs, coupled with the development of resources to promote and share existing career pathway opportunities to both employers and job seekers will assist all parties; and

WHEREAS, the BED will develop a detailed scope of work that outlines deliverables, establishes reporting requirements with mutually agreed upon metrics; and

WHEREAS, the BED's FY26 budget includes \$150,000 to compensate the CWFA / Innovation Nexus for these services through payment to Forefront as Fiscal Agent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the Bureau Chief of the Bureau of Economic Development to enter into a two-year agreement for \$150,000 to with Forefront as fiscal agent, for CWFA / the Innovation Nexus to support BED's strategies related to talent solutions and advances Cook County's policy objectives as outlined in the Policy Roadmap and the Equity Task Force Report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners further authorizes the Bureau Chief of BED or its designee to modify the agreement and funding amount based upon need, performance, and utilization, subject to annual appropriation by the Board.

Approved and adopted this 5th of February 2026

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: MONICA GORDON, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Resolution be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2026

26-0597

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT AND BRIDGET DEGNEN,
COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

ENERGY BENCHMARKING

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that chapter 2 administration, article I- in general, section 2.8 of the cook county code is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 2-8. Cook County Building Energy Benchmarking.

(a) *Definitions.* The following terms used in this Section, shall have the meanings set forth below:

Benchmarking means to track and input a building's energy and water consumption data, greenhouse gas emissions, and other relevant building information for 12 consecutive months, as required by the benchmarking tool, to quantify the building's ~~energy use~~ operational footprint.

Benchmarking Tool means the website-based software, commonly known as "ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager", developed and maintained by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

track and assess the relative energy use of buildings nationwide. This term also applies to any successor system thereto, including any change or addition made to such tool by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Building means any structure built for the support, shelter or enclosure of persons, animals, chattels or movable property of any kind, and which is permanently affixed to the land. A fence is not a building. For purposes of this Section, a building is one that is owned and operated by or on behalf of Cook County.

Bureau Chief means the Bureau Chief of the Office of Asset Management

Certificate of Occupancy means the certificate issued by the Zoning Administrator, Building Commissioner or Cook County Department of Building and Zoning allowing building occupancy or use.

~~*Chief Sustainability Officer* means the Chief Sustainability Officer or if none has been designated, the Director of Environmental Control.~~

~~*County Building* means any Group 1 County building or Group 2 County building as defined by this Section. The term "County building" does not include any building with more than ten percent occupancy use classified as open air assembly units, storage units or parking structures. any building or group of buildings owned and operated by or on behalf of Cook County or for which the County regularly pays all of the annual utility bills, as identified by the Bureau Chief and Sustainability Manager in the Bureau of Asset Management.~~

~~*Director* means the Director of the Cook County Office of Capital Planning and Policy.~~

Energy means electricity, natural gas, fuel oil, steam or other product sold by a utility for use in a building, or renewable on-site electricity generation, for purposes of powering or fueling end uses in a building.

~~*Energy Manager* means the Cook County Energy Manager~~

Energy Performance Score means the "1" to "100" numerical score produced by the Benchmarking Tool, also known as "ENERGY STAR" score or any successor score thereto. The energy performance score assesses a building's energy performance relative to similar buildings, based on source energy use, operating characteristics, and geographical location.

~~*Group 1 County Building* means any building or group of buildings owned and operated by or on behalf of Cook County or for which the County regularly pays all of the annual utility bills, containing at least 250,000 gross square feet, as identified by the Director.~~

~~*Group 2 County Building* means any building or group of buildings owned and operated by or on behalf of Cook County or for which the County regularly pays all of the annual utility bills, containing at least 35,000 but less than 250,000 gross square feet, as identified by the Director.~~

Gross Square Feet means the total number of square feet measured between the exterior surfaces of the enclosing fixed walls of a building. The term Gross Square Feet includes vent shafts, elevator shafts, flues, pipe shafts, vertical ducts, stairwells, light wells, basement space, mechanical or electrical rooms, and interior parking.

Sustainability Manager means the Cook County Bureau of Asset Management Sustainability Manager or future position responsible for energy and water data for County Buildings.

(b) *Schedule.*

- (1) By ~~August 1, 2014, and by June~~ October 1 each year thereafter, the ~~County Energy Sustainability~~ Manager shall benchmark all ~~Group 1~~ County Buildings for the previous calendar year.
- (2) ~~By June 1, 2015, and by June 1 each year thereafter, the County Energy Manager shall benchmark all Group 2 County Buildings for the previous calendar year.~~

(c) *Verification.*

- (1) The ~~Director~~ Sustainability Manager shall verify all benchmarking information for each building.
- (2) Benchmarking information shall include at least the following:
 - (i) Building address;
 - (ii) Energy use intensity (EUI);
 - (iii) Annual greenhouse gas emissions; ~~and~~
 - (iv) ~~The Energy Performance Score that compares the energy use of the building to that of similar buildings, where available. Annual water use data; and~~
 - (v) The Energy Performance Score that compares the energy use of the building to that of similar buildings, where available.
- (3) ~~As of June 2016, Benchmarking shall also include Water Use data.~~

(d) *Reporting and Disclosure.*

- (1) The ~~Director~~ Bureau Chief and the ~~Chief Sustainability Officer~~ Manager shall prepare and submit an annual report to the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners reviewing and evaluating energy and water efficiency in County buildings, including the most recent reported Energy Benchmarking Information that compares the energy and water use of the building to that of similar buildings, where available, the actual energy and water use of each covered building, and the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the energy use. Said report shall also list any building that the Director exempts from the benchmarking requirement with an explanation, pursuant to subsection (e) below.
- (2) The ~~Director~~ Bureau Chief and the ~~Chief Sustainability Officer~~ Manager are authorized to make reported benchmarking information readily available to the public.

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

(e) *Exemptions.* The Director may exempt from the benchmarking requirement any building for which any of the following apply:

- ~~(1) The building had average physical occupancy of less than 50 percent throughout the calendar year for which benchmarking is required; or~~
- ~~(2) The building is new construction and the building's certificate of occupancy was issued during the calendar year for which benchmarking is required.~~
- (2) The building was purchased or leased during the year and does not yet have at least one full year of data to benchmark.

Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

Approved and adopted this 5th of February 2026

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: MONICA GORDON, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Aguilar, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Ordinance Amendment be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Ordinance Amendment was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

HEALTH AND HOSPITALS COMMITTEE
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2026

23-0202

Sponsored by: DENNIS DEER, FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRANDON JOHNSON, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, JOSINA MORITA, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON, ANTHONY J. QUEZADA AND MAGGIE TREVOR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

RESOLUTION REQUESTING A HEARING OF THE HEALTH AND HOSPITALS COMMITTEE FOR A REPORT FROM THE SENIOR STAFF OF COOK COUNTY HEALTH & HOSPITAL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Cook County Health and Hospital System (CCHHS) is the largest provider of healthcare services in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the County through CountyCare, a no-cost Illinois Medicaid managed care health plan, provides health insurance to thousands of Cook County residents; and

WHEREAS, the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, in recommending and approving the annual appropriation bill, has invested in many programs to protect the health and well-being of persons in Cook County; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2010, the Cook County Board of Commissioners voted to make permanent the independent Board of Directors overseeing the Cook County Health and Hospitals System; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners retains oversight authority over the hospital system through passage of the budget for CCHHS, as well as appointment authority over directors appointed to the Board of Directors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that a meeting of the Health and Hospitals Committee be convened to discuss the operations of the Cook County Health and Hospital System.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the senior staff of the Cook County Health and Hospital System appear before the Committee and be prepared to update the Committee on the CCHHS's services and operations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, that the Resolution be deferred. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0649

Sponsored by: TARA S. STAMPS, Cook County Board of Commissioner

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

REQUESTING THAT THE CCDPH IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CCHHS DEVELOP CTE DAMAGE AWARENESS PROGRAMS AND HELP FACILITATE REFERRALS TO CONCUSSION CLINICS FOR ATHLETES; THAT THE STATE OF IL REGULATE NIL DEALS; AND THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUND RESEARCH ON HOW THE PORTAL AND NIL DEALS MAY AFFECT CTE INJURIES AND THE MENTAL HEALTH OF YOUNG ATHLETES

WHEREAS, the Mayo Clinic explains Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE), as a brain disease likely caused by repeated head injuries, often occurring in contact sports or military combat. It causes the death of nerve cells in the brain, known as degeneration. The only way to definitively diagnose CTE is after death during an autopsy of the brain; and

WHEREAS, in people who were confirmed to have CTE at autopsy, symptoms have included cognitive impairment including trouble thinking, memory loss, and loss of executive planning; behavioral changes including impulse behavior, and aggression; mood changes including depression, emotional instability, substance misuse and suicidal thoughts and behavior; and movement changes including trouble walking, parkinsonism and gradual loss of control; and

WHEREAS, experts believe symptoms can appear early in life between the late 20s and early 30s, the first form of CTE may cause mental health and behavioral issues; and

WHEREAS, according to an article published by the Harvard Medical School, a study found that children ages 6 to 14 who played tackle football had 15 times more head impacts, and 23 times more hard head impacts, than those who play flag football. Researchers say CTE may be far more widespread in young people who play a lot of contact sports than previously believed. A study of brains from contact sport players who died before they reached age 30 showed that more than 40 percent had CTE; and

WHEREAS, the same Harvard Medical School article reports that CTE caused by repetitive mild Traumatic Brain Injury (mTBI) continues to progress decades after the injuries have stopped, indicating that once the cascades are initiated, they continue to execute their effects and that the longer the individual lives, the worse the symptoms become. Athletes engaging in high impact sports, whether it is at the professional, collegiate, or high school level, should be counseled on the importance of reporting symptoms as well as “occult” concussive events not visibly recognized by team trainers. Furthermore, if an individual is known to have sustained repetitive concussive or sub concussive blows to the head over time, they should be referred to a specialty center, such as a concussion clinic; and

WHEREAS, the NCAA transfer portal was introduced in October 2018 to streamline the transfer process for college student-athletes. It serves as a centralized database where student-athletes can officially declare their intent to transfer to a different school, allowing coaches from other programs to view their information and reach out if interested, which has significantly changed the landscape of college athletics, promoted athlete mobility and provided more opportunities for student-athletes to find programs that better suit their needs; and

WHEREAS, the transfer portal has led to a higher rate of student-athletes leaving their colleges, which can disrupt team dynamics and rosters. The lack of mandatory orientation sessions and protective guardrails has made it easier for student-athletes to make impulsive decisions that could derail their educational progress, giving up their scholarships; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, in “*The Unintended Consequences of the NCAA College Athletics Transfer Portal*”, published in the Journal of Higher Education Athletics and Innovation, Volume 2 Issue 1 (2023-12-28), Dr. Renford Reese states that “between March and April 2022, at least five student-athletes died by suicide, and there are data that show that college athletes are increasingly grappling with depression, anxiety, and thoughts of suicide. Furthermore, there is currently a lack of scholarly research on the dynamics of the NCAA transfer portal. Only after sports science researchers begin collecting empirical data and producing studies on the effects of the portal will we understand the true costs and benefits of this platform.”; and

WHEREAS, NIL stands for “name, image and likeness” and refers to a person's legal right to control how their image is used, including commercially. Three years ago, a combination of NCAA rule changes and state laws restored NIL rights to college athletes, allowing them to make sponsorship deals ever since; and

WHEREAS, according to an MSN article, published December 19, 2025, NIL deals coupled with the portal have changed the landscape of amateur athletics forever, with major colleges able to pay millions in NIL contracts for transferred students arguably older and more ready-made for an athletics program, to achieve a win immediately, while offering fewer roster spots and scholarships to talented high school recruits, while encouraging college students to stay around longer; and

WHEREAS, as of late 2025, 45 states, including Illinois, plus Washington, D.C. allow some form of high school NIL, while a small group of states still ban it or heavily restrict it; and

WHEREAS, the pressure to build a marketable brand alongside academic and athletic demands, a responsibility most teenagers are not developmentally prepared to manage, has added another layer of stress. Researchers have found that the pressure to maintain a public image fosters feelings of inadequacy and unhealthy comparisons among teammates. College students managing multimillion-dollar portfolios, while daunting, has become normalized, with the portfolio they’re managing leveraging their entire identity, image, and future. Any wrong step, whether that be an injury, a performance slump or a controversial social media post, could end in a loss of generational wealth, placing too much pressure on the shoulders of students who are still figuring out who they are; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon our Federal Government to fund studies of CTE in young athletes geared towards understanding the role these injuries play in suicides, self-harm and overall mental health deterioration and consider stricter regulations for how the Portal operates and NIL deals are offered and administered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby urge the United States Congress to fund comprehensive research on how the Portal and NIL deals may affect CTE injuries and the mental health of young athletes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby urge the Illinois General Assembly to regulate NIL deals to avoid their unintended consequences and impact on the mental health of young athletes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby request that the Cook County Department of Public Health in conjunction with the Cook County Health and Hospitals System develop CTE damage awareness programs to be offered to high school students involved in contact sports, and help facilitate a referral system to concussion clinics for young athletes; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to the Illinois' Congressional delegation, the House Speaker and Minority Leaders, the Senate Majority Leader and Minority Leader, and the White House; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this Resolution be tendered to IL Representative Emanuel Welch, Speaker of the House; IL Senator Don Harmon, President of the Senate; and IL Governor JB Pritzker.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, that the Proposed Resolution be deferred. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2026

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 Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Journal of Proceedings

February 5, 2026

Board of Commissioners

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

SPECIAL COURT CASES

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

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 Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Special Court Cases be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

Case: Hernandez v. Guevara, et al.
Case No: 25-cv-15375
Settlement Amount: \$3,000,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1250 (State's Attorney)

Journal of Proceedings

February 5, 2026

Board of Commissioners

Payable to: Ruben Hernandez and Gardiner Koch Weisberg & Wrona
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 09/17/2025
Subject matter: allegations of civil rights violations

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

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Settlements be approved as amended. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0638

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

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

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 Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

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 Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0713

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 Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0698

REPORT

Department: Cook County Health

Report Title: CCH Monthly Report

Report Period: January 2026

Summary:

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

ZONING AND BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2026

26-0578

Presented by: JAMES WILSON, Secretary, Zoning Board of Appeals

RECOMMENDATION OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Request: SU/UU-250003 First Developer LLC

Township: Rich

County District: 6

Property Address: 5901 Lincoln Highway, Matteson, IL 60443

Property Description: N/A

Owner: First Developer LLC, 15900 Wolf Road, Ste 204, Orland Park, IL 60462

Agent/Attorney: OneEnergy Development, LLC., 10 N Livingston Street, Ste 201, Madison WI 53703

Current Zoning: R-4 Single Family Residence District

Intended use: Applicant seek to construct and operate a solar facility that will generate 4.6 megawatts of electricity.

Recommendation: ZBA Recommendation to Receive and File

Conditions: None

Objectors: None

History:

Zoning Board Hearing: 08/06/2025

Zoning Board Recommendation date: N/A

County Board extension granted: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Aguilar, seconded by Commissioner Britton, that the Recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2026

26-0302

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: McCullough Equipment Inc., d/b/a McCullough Kubota, Frankfort, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Tractor Mowers with Attachments

Contract Value: \$1,206,696.00

Contract period: 2/14/2026 - 2/13/2028 with one (1), one (1) year renewal option

Contract Utilization: The Contract-specific goal set on this Contract is Zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$960,000.00, FY 2027 \$123,348.00, FY 2028 \$123,348.00

Accounts: Capital Equipment: 11569.1500.21120.560155

Contract Number(s): 2457-10011R

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of proposed Contract between the County and McCullough Equipment Inc., d/b/a McCullough Kubota, Frankfort, Illinois. This Contract will provide for the capital purchase of twelve (12) new Tractor Mowers with Attachments. The new equipment will be used for mowing grass along Cook County roadways. The new Tractor Mowers with Attachments will replace Tractor Mowers that are beyond their useful life. The cost to maintain the current Tractor Mowers is extensive. The new Tractor Mowers with Attachments will provide safe, reliable, and efficient equipment for the Maintenance Bureau.

The vendor was selected pursuant to a publicly advertised Invitation for Bids (IFB) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. McCullough Equipment Inc. d/b/a McCullough Kubota was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0333

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: Old Plank Road Trail Extension

Location: Village of Ford Heights, Illinois, Village of Lynwood, Illinois, Village of Sauk Village, Illinois, City of Chicago Heights, Illinois

Section: 24-OLDPR-00-BT

County Board District(s): 5, 6

Centerline Mileage: 6.55 miles

Fiscal Impact: \$3,000,000.00 (FY26 = \$750,000.00; FY27 = \$1,000,000.00; FY28 = \$1,000,000.00; FY29 = \$250,000.00)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution. The resolution is for the extension of the Old Plank Road Trail in the Villages of Ford Heights, Sauk Village, and Lynwood, and the City of Chicago Heights in Cook County. The resolution is appropriating funds for preliminary engineering, and an environmental (Phase I) study for improvements to the Old Plank Road Trail.

26-0333

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois, that the following described street(s)/road(s)/structure be improved under the Illinois Highway Code. Work shall be done by Contract; for Roadway/Street Improvements: Section: 24-0LDPR-OO-BT, 16th St State st., Norfolk Southern (Inactive Rail), From Edgewood Ave 16th st. To State st EJE (Inactive Rail) Darren St (IN State Line), and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposed improvement shall consist of Phase I Preliminary Engineering for the extension of the Old Plank Road Trail from the existing terminus of Old Plank River Trail at the Thorn Creek Trail in Chicago Heights, Illinois to a logical terminus just west of the state line. The project will include a mixture of on-street and off-street trail alignments. That there is hereby appropriated the sum of Three Million NO/100 dollars (\$3,000,000.00) for the improvement of said section from the Local Public Agency's Allotment of Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit four (4) certified originals of this Resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation.

February 5, 2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Improvement Resolution be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

26-0335

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: Traffic Engineering Services

Location: Countywide

Section: 25-TCIDS-01-ES

County Board District(s): Countywide

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$2,000,000.00 (FY26 = \$400,000.00; FY27 = \$400,000.00; FY28 = \$400,000.00; FY29 = \$400,000.00; FY30 = \$400,000.00)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution for Traffic Engineering Services at various locations throughout Cook County. The resolution is appropriating funds for Traffic Engineering Services which includes traffic counts, projections, speed analysis, and intersection traffic control warrants analysis.

26-0335

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois, that the following described street(s)/road(s)/structure be improved under the Illinois Highway Code. Work shall be done by Contract; for Roadway/Street Improvements: Section: 25-TCIDS-01-ES, Various Locations Countywide, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposed improvement shall consist of Traffic Engineering Services which include traffic counts, projections, speed analysis, intersection traffic control warrants analysis, crash analysis, permit review, intersection design studies, and plans preparation county wide. That there is hereby appropriated the sum of Two Million NO/100 dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for the improvement of said section from the Local Public Agency’s Allotment of Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit four (4) certified originals of this Resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation.

February 5, 2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Improvement Resolution be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

26-0340

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: BLA, Inc., Itasca Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction Management Services

Location: Old Orchard Road - Wood Drive to Skokie

County Board District(s): 13

Original Contract Period: 8/1/2023 - 7/31/2028

Section: 14-A8327-09-RP

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Section: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$2,709,097.00

Original Board Approval: 6/29/2023, \$2,709,097.00

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

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

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

This Increase Requested: \$2,375,663.00

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$2,375,663.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.560019

Contract Number(s): 2038-18429A

IDOT Contract Number(s): N/A

Federal Project Number(s): N/A

Federal Job Number(s): N/A

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Contract Amendment between the County and BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois. This contract provides for construction management services in accordance with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) requirements. The Services include oversight in construction supervision, inspection and documentation in pre-construction, construction and post-construction phases. The Consultant will provide qualified individuals who will work under the direction and guidance of the Department's Bureau of Construction in various roles.

This amendment accounts for additional professional services needed for the extended duration of the Old Orchard Road construction project, additional efforts needed to resolve different site conditions, and additional coordination with Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the Village of Skokie.

This contract was awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with Cook County Procurement Code. BLA, Inc. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Contract Amendment be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0341

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: R.M. Chin & Associates, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction Management Services

Location: 175th Street

County Board District(s): 6

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Original Contract Period: 5/27/2024 - 10/28/2028

Section: 20-B6125-00-PV

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Section: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$2,492,387.00

Original Board Approval: 5/16/2024, \$2,492,387.00

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

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

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

This Increase Requested: \$276,892.00

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$276,892.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.560019

Contract Number(s): 2316-05151A

IDOT Contract Number(s): N/A

Federal Project Number(s): N/A

Federal Job Number(s): N/A

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests the approval of the proposed Amendment 1 between Cook County and R.M. Chin & Associates, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois.

This contract will provide construction management services to the 175th Street Project located in the Village of Tinley Park. The Project locations consisted of 175th Street - Oak Park Avenue to Ridgeland Avenue; Ridgeland Avenue - 175th Street to Oak Forest Avenue and Oak Forest Avenue at Ridgeland Avenue, all in accordance with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) requirements.

The amendment accounts for additional professional services needed for the extended duration of the 175th construction project, additional efforts needed to resolve different site conditions, and additional coordination with various stakeholders.

This contract was awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. R.M. Chin & Associates, Inc., was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Contract Amendment be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (12)

Nays: None (0)

Present: Commissioner Daley and Commissioner Morita (2)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0344

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Traffic Engineering Services

Location: Countywide

Section: 25-TCIDS-01-ES

Contract Value: \$2,000,000.00

Contract period: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2031

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

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$300,000.00; FY 2027 \$400,000.00; FY 2028 \$400,000.00; FY 2029 \$400,000.00; FY 2030 \$400,000.00; FY 2031 \$100,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Contract Number(s): 2505-01130

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois. This contract will allow for the performance of traffic engineering services including, but not limited to, traffic counts, traffic projections, speed analyses, intersection traffic control warrants analyses, crash analyses, permit reviews, intersection design studies, and plans preparation.

The purpose of this contract is to protect the public investment in the transportation system, provide safe, efficient and sustainable highways, and support development of the regional economy in accordance with the Department's mission statement. Furthermore, this improvement promotes the STAR initiative goals of ensuring safe travel and reducing congestion on County highways.

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0346

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: Civiltech Engineering, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Preliminary Engineering Services and Preparation of a Phase I Study

Location: Old Plank Road Trail Extension

Section: 24-OLDPR-00-BT

Contract Value: \$2,628,605.00

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Contract period: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2030

Contract Utilization: The Contract Specific-Goal set on this contract is Zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$750,000.00; FY 2027 \$814,303.00; FY 2028 \$814,302.00; FY 2029 \$250,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Contract Number(s): 2405-09261A

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and Civiltech Engineering, Inc., Chicago, Illinois. This contract consists of the preparation of a full preliminary engineering and environmental (Phase I) study (through design approval) for the extension of the Old Plank Road Trail, to fill the gap between the existing terminus of Old Plank Trail at the Thorn Creek Trail in Chicago Heights, Illinois to a logical terminus just west of the state line. The project will include a mixture of on street and off-street trail alignments, including a trail along an inactive Norfolk Southern (NS) rail line through Ford Heights, Sauk Village and Lynwood, Illinois. The Phase I study will be completed in accordance with the respective requirements from Cook County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Civiltech Engineering, Inc., was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0347

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: FRANK J. AGUILAR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED AGREEMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Other Part(ies): BNSF Railway Company (“BNSF”)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Request: Approval of Proposed Agreement

Goods or Services: Construction

Location: City of Berwyn, Villages of Riverside, Brookfield, La Grange, Illinois

Section Number: 24-WCRSI-00-RR

County Board District: 16, 17

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Agreement Period: One-time Agreement

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$3,000,000.00 (\$2,888,000.00 to be reimbursed From the Federal Railroad Administration)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536 (\$3,000,000.00)

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Agreement between the County and BNSF Railway Company. BNSF will be the lead agency for construction of Right of way fencing to fill gaps where practicable with the aim of fencing the entire length of the corridor from MP 9 to 14.1. BNSF will furnish all labor, materials, tools, and equipment for the installation of Right of way fencing required for the construction of the Project. The County will reimburse BNSF for its share of construction costs, up to, but not to exceed \$3,000,000.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Agreement be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0408

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: FRANK J. AGUILAR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: West Cook Rail Safety Improvement Project

Location: Village of Brookfield, Illinois; Village of La Grange, Illinois; Village of Riverside, Illinois; City of Berwyn, Illinois

Section: 24-WCRSI-00-RR

County Board District(s): 16

Centerline Mileage: 3.3 miles

Fiscal Impact: \$870,000.00 (FY26 = \$130,500.00; FY27 = \$739,500.00)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution. The work to be performed is for the West Cook Rail Safety Improvement Project which includes construction for Right-Of-Way (ROW) fencing and pedestrian diversions at stations along the BNSF railroad tracks. The location is between Willow Springs Road and Ridgeland Avenue in the Villages of Riverside, Brookfield and La Grange, and the City of Berwyn in Cook County.

26-0408

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois, that the following described street(s)/road(s)/structure be improved under the Illinois Highway Code. Work shall be done by Contract; for Roadway/Street Improvements: Section: 24-WCRSI-OO-RR, BNSF Railroad Tracks, From Willow Springs Road To Ridgeland Avenue, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposed improvement shall consist of West Cook Rail Safety Improvement project which includes construction for Right-Of-Way (ROW) fencing and pedestrian diversions at stations along the BNSF railroad tracks between Willow Springs Road and Ridgeland Avenue in the Villages of Riverside, Brookfield and La Grange, and the City of Berwyn. The project will fill gaps where practicable with the aim of fencing the entire length of the corridor as well as installing pedestrian channelization devices at station crossings. That there is hereby appropriated the sum of Eight Hundred Seventy Thousand NO/100 dollars (\$870,000.00) for the improvement of said section from the Local Public Agency's Allotment of Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit four (4) certified originals of this Resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation.

February 5, 2026

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Improvement Resolution be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED.

LEGISLATION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2026

26-0511

Presented by: JENNIFER KING, Executive Director, Department of Human Rights and Ethics

REPORT

Department: Human Rights and Ethics

Report Title: 2025 Board of Ethics Annual Report

Report Period: 12/1/2024 - 11/30/2025

Summary: This is the annual report for the Board of Ethics for Fiscal Year 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0634

Presented by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

Appointee(s): Cheryl Johnson

Position: Trustee

Department/Board/Commission: South Cook County Mosquito Abatement District

Effective date: 2/5/2026

Expiration date: 2/5/2029

This item was WITHDRAWN at the request of the sponsor.

**26-0672
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE SCOTT R. BRITTON, BRIDGET DEGNEN, KEVIN B. MORRISON,
MICHAEL SCOTT JR., TARA S. STAMPS, MAGGIE TREVOR, JESSICA VÁSQUEZ,
DONNA MILLER, PRESIDENT TONI PRECKWINKLE, FRANK J. AGUILAR,
ALMA E. ANAYA, JOHN P. DALEY, BRIDGET GAINER, BILL LOWRY,
DR. KISHA McCASKILL AND JOSINA MORITA, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**SUPPORTING THE RESPONSIBILITY IN FIREARM LEGISLATION (RIFL) ACT (HB 3320 /
SB 2279)**

WHEREAS, *The Responsibility in Firearm Legislation (RIFL) Act* (HB 3320 / SB 2279) offers a fair, evidence-based solution by establishing a no-fault *Firearm Injury Restitution Fund* financed entirely by firearm manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, firearm injuries in Illinois generate an estimated \$18-20 billion in direct and indirect costs each year in medical care, mental health treatment, criminal justice, law enforcement, lost productivity, funeral and burial expenses; and resolution

WHEREAS, firearm injury is the number one cause of death for children and teens, pregnant women, and means by which suicide is committed; and

WHEREAS, despite this staggering financial and human toll, firearm manufacturers have been exempted from indirect regulation through tort liability by the 2005 federal law, the Protection in Lawful Commerce in Arms Act; and

WHEREAS, the tobacco, opioid, and other comparable industries have been held financially accountable for their for-profit activity's exorbitant social costs; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, the RIFL Act ensures that entities profiting from firearm sales share responsibility for the public costs and harm caused by their products, modeling its framework after longstanding and effective no-fault schemes such as *Workers' Compensation* and the *State Guaranty Association*; and

WHEREAS, this fund will provide support for medical and mental health care, rehabilitation, and other direct expenses following firearm injury-providing essential support to victims and their families while also providing additional funding support for proven community violence and suicide prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, in 2025, Cook County expanded evidence-based investments in gun violence prevention and intervention by supporting residents most at risk of gun violence and survivors of violence, strengthening the county's overall safety infrastructure through the successful Cook County Community Violence Intervention (CC-CVI) initiative; and

WHEREAS, in 2026, Cook County investing an additional \$5 million in grant funding under the Suburban Cook County Wraparound Services for Survivors of Gun Violence (SCC-SGV) initiative; and

WHEREAS, in addition to funding gun violence prevention services, Cook County has invested \$44 million in the Stronger Together Initiative to address behavioral health inequities across the county; and

WHEREAS, these efforts are producing measurable results, with gun homicides in Cook County down more than 35 percent from 2024 and over 45 percent from 2021; and

WHEREAS, Cook County Health, one of the largest public health systems in the nation serving as a safety-net for health care in Chicago and suburban Cook County, declared gun violence as a public health epidemic; and

WHEREAS, Cook County's progress illustrates the importance of policies like the RIFL Act that will ensure communities can sustain and scale effective strategies that reduce violence; and

WHEREAS, the Act introduces transparency and accountability by requiring law enforcement agencies to collect and report annual firearm recovery data-including manufacturer and model information-so that annual contributions are tied to actual impact, thereby incentivizing safer product design and responsible business practices; and

WHEREAS, for over a century, no-fault systems like Workers' Compensation have successfully balanced economic responsibility with public welfare, demonstrating that equitable frameworks can protect both communities and industries; and

WHEREAS, the RIFL Act Coalition, comprised of more than sixty organizations nationally and across Illinois, has united in strong support of this legislation, recognizing its potential to reduce financial hardship, promote fairness, and advance public safety statewide; and

WHEREAS, Cook County and its residents, like communities across Illinois, bear a disproportionate share of the costs and consequences of firearm-related injuries, and it is therefore both fiscally responsible and morally imperative for the County to support measures that equitably distribute these costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners expresses its strong support for the *Responsibility in Firearm Legislation (RIFL) Act (HB 3320 / SB 2279)* and urges the

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Illinois General Assembly to advance and enact this legislation during the 104th General Assembly legislative session; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that suitable copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Governor of Illinois, the President of the Illinois Senate, the Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives, and the Cook County delegation to the Illinois General Assembly, to affirm Cook County's support for responsible, equitable firearm legislation.

Approved and adopted this 5th of February 2026

TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: MONICA GORDON, County Clerk

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, that the Resolution be approved as amended. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried and the Resolution was APPROVED and ADOPTED as amended.

NEW ITEMS

In accordance with Cook County Code Section 2-102(g) Amendment or Suspension of rules, Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, moved to suspend Section 2-105(b) prior notice to public. The motion carried.

26-0551

Presented by: AVIK DAS, Executive Director, Justice Advisory Council

PROPOSED TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Department: Justice Advisory Council

Request: Approve proposed transfer of funds

Reason: The JAC and Department of Budget and Management Services determined that the incorrect account was used during initial FY 2026 budgeting for a subset of capacity building funds.

From Account(s): Grant Disbursements - 11100.1205.33918.580170, \$3,000,000.00

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

To Account(s): Professional Services - 11100.1205.33918.520830, \$3,000,000.00

Total Amount of Transfer: \$3,000,000.00

On what date did it become apparent that the receiving account would require an infusion of funds in order to meet current obligations? What was the balance in the account on that date, and what was the balance 30 days prior to that date?

January 5, 2026. The balance in the account at that date was \$3,739,596 and 30 days prior to that date it was \$3,739,596.

How was the account used for the source of transferred funds identified? List any other accounts that were also considered (but not used) as the source of the transferred funds.

The FY 2026 allocation for professional services was included in the direct grants disbursement account but should have been placed in the professional services account. No other funds were considered or implicated as a potential source of transferred funds.

Identify any projects, purchases, programs, contracts, or other obligations that will be deferred, delayed, or canceled as a result of the reduction in available spending authority that will result in the account that funds are transferred from.

None

If the answer to the above question is “none” then please explain why this account was originally budgeted in a manner that caused an unobligated surplus to develop at this point in the fiscal year.

This transfer is shifting costs to the correct account. The original budgeted amount was correctly budgeted.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Transfer of Funds be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0643

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

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Department(s): Department of Risk Management

Vendor: Aon Risk Services Central, Inc.,

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Insurance Brokerage Services - Various Lines of Commercial Coverage

Contract Value: \$2,628,023.00

Contract period: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2031 with two, two-year renewal options

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

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$495,000.00 FY 2027 \$509,850.00 FY 2028 \$525,146.00 FY 2029 \$540,900.00 FY 2030 \$557,127.00

Accounts: 11000.1490.13385.520830.00000.00000

Contract Number(s): 2523-02063

Summary: This contract will allow the Department of Risk Management to receive Insurance Brokerage Services - Various Lines of Commercial Coverage. Aon Risk Services Central, Inc will provide a comprehensive solution for a full range of insurance brokerage services across various lines of commercial insurance coverage, including Municipal Liability Insurance, Medical Malpractice and Managed Care Excess, Property Insurance (on behalf of Cook County, Cook County Forest Preserves, and the George W. Dunne Administration Building), and Cyber Liability Insurance. Brokerage services include program design and placement, risk exposure analysis, claims services, and general advisory services.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Contract be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (13)

Nays: None (0)

Present: Commissioner Gainer (1)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

26-0407

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Other Part(ies): Village of Bedford Park, Illinois

Request: Approval of Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement

Goods or Services: Construction and Construction Engineering

Location: Village of Bedford Park, Illinois

Section: 25-IICBP-00-SW

Centerline Mileage: N/A

County Board District: 6, 16

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: One-time Agreement

Fiscal Impact: \$250,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and the Village of Bedford Park. The Village will be the lead agency for construction and construction engineering for pedestrian sidewalk along the west side of Archer Road, extending from 71st Street to the firehouse located at Roberts Road. The County will reimburse the Village for its share of construction and construction engineering costs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement be referred to the Transportation Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0727

Presented by: XOCHITL FLORES, Chief, Bureau of Economic Development

Sponsored by: DR. KISHA E. McCASKILL, TARA S. STAMPS and JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Bureau of Economic Development

Other Part(ies): Illinois Housing Development Authority

Request: Authorization to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement for Court Based Rental Assistance for Cook County residents between Cook County and the Illinois Housing Development Authority, a body politic and corporate entity established pursuant to the Illinois Housing Development Act, 20 ILCS 3805/1 et seq., as supplemented and amended.

Goods or Services: Administration of Court Based Rental Assistance

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: 3/12/2026 - 11/30/2026

Fiscal Impact: FY26 - \$5,800,000.00

Accounts: 11000.1490.60317.580170

Summary: IHDA administers the statewide Court Based Rental Assistance (CBRA) Program which provides emergency rental assistance to tenants and landlords who have pending cases in eviction court. The CBRA Program is a critical resource for CCLAHD eviction clients. The \$42.5M in state CBRA funding is expected to run out two to three months prior to the end of the state fiscal year (6/30/2026).

The City of Chicago periodically releases Tax Increment Financing (TIF) dollars to itself and affected taxing bodies, and did so for its FY26 budget as approved by the City Council on 12/20/2025. Cook County receives a portion of its funds. In its own Fiscal Year 2026 budget passed on 11/20/2025, Cook County allocated these TIF funds toward critical social services. For funds allocated to Bureau of Economic Development programs, the priority was on keeping residents stable through additional funding for food and housing support as areas particularly affected by major federal policy and funding shifts. The CBRA Program in partnership with IHDA is intended to ensure continued availability of emergency rental assistance in Cook County.

Through the statewide CBRA Program IHDA has the capacity and infrastructure to accept and review applications for court-based rental assistance and process the payments to landlords and tenants. The

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Intergovernmental Agreement (“Agreement”) grants IHDA up to \$5,800,000.00 to provide financial assistance to eligible applicants within Cook County through the CBRA Program. Up to 15% of the funds may be used to administer the CBRA Program within Cook County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Proposed Intergovernmental Agreement be referred to the Finance Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0761

Sponsored by: Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), DR. KISHA E. McCASKILL, TARA S. STAMPS and JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR AN ARPA VITAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM INITIATIVE IMPLEMENTED BY THE BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the federal government authorized the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) which includes \$1.9 trillion in federal stimulus funds to hasten the United States’ recovery from the economic and health effects caused by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the federal government has authorized and allocated a federal award of approximately \$1,000,372,385 of ARPA funding to Cook County to assist the County in its recovery from the economic and health effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2021, the Cook County American Rescue Plan Act Framework (the “ARPA Framework”) was presented to the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, to effectuate the approach outlined in the ARPA Framework, the Cook County Board of Commissioners authorized the Chief Financial Officer and the Budget Director to expend a limited amount of ARPA funding via Resolution 21-3657 for the purpose of continuing and expanding existing County programs and initiatives, including any created under CRF, as well as for the purpose of building operational support capacity within County departments and offices to assist with managing the ARPA funded initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 22-0637 authorized the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Director, Chief Procurement Officer and applicable using agencies to issue grants, contracts and agreements for up to \$60M in ARPA funding for Healthy Communities programs approved via Resolution 22-0637; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, to further the Policy Roadmap Goal to pursue inclusive economic and community growth by supporting residents, growing businesses, attracting investment and nurturing talent, the Bureau of Economic Development (BED) has developed a menu of Vital and Healthy Communities programs and initiatives, including the Capacity-Building Investments in Food Access Sites Program, which have undergone review and approval through the Project Management Office process to utilize ARPA funding for such programs and initiatives pursuant to the issuance of grants, contracts and agreements; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 22-0637 provided that any grants issued in regard to ARPA programs in an amount over \$1M shall require the approval of the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Chicago Food Depository is an established Cook County local food bank agency, which has extensive experience and expertise in providing food for hungry people while striving to end hunger in communities; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 22-2807 authorized the Bureau of Economic Development to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the Greater Chicago Food Depository in an aggregate amount of up to \$2,000,000 to implement the Capacity-Building Investments in Food Access Sites Program; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 25-4395 amended the Subrecipient Agreement with the Greater Chicago Food Depository to increase the total funding by \$2,000,000, raising the original approved amount from \$2,000,000 to a revised total of up to \$4,000,000, to continue implementation of the Food Access Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago periodically releases Tax Increment Financing (TIF) dollars to itself and affected taxing bodies including Cook County, and did so for its FY26 budget as approved by the City Council on December 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in its own Fiscal Year 2026 budget passed on November 20, 2025, Cook County allocated these TIF funds toward critical social services. For funds allocated to the Bureau of Economic Development programs, the priority was on keeping residents stable through additional funding for food and housing support as areas particularly affected by major federal policy and funding shifts; and

WHEREAS, the Food Access program in partnership with the Greater Chicago Food Depository is intended to expand the availability of direct food aid in Suburban Cook County and Chicago; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of the following agreement amendment by the BED, subject to satisfactory performance of the program by the grantee and subject to appropriation by the Board:

Approve an amendment to the Agreement with the Greater Chicago Food Depository to increase the total funding by \$10,000,000 in corporate funds (via TIF reallocation) for a revised total of up to \$14,000,000 in ARPA and corporate funds to continue implementation of the Food Access Program, which provides assistance to residents throughout Cook County in meeting their household food needs.

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Bureau Chief of BED or its designee to modify the agreements and funding allocations to all BED selected organizations based upon need and utilization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funding for the BED TIF Programs shall be subject to availability of funds and appropriation of funding by the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Finance Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0762

Sponsored by: Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), DR. KISHA E. McCASKILL, TARA S. STAMPS and JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR A VITAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM INITIATIVE IMPLEMENTED BY THE BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Cook County Bureau of Economic Development, through its Department of Planning and Development, has a long-standing partnership with the Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County (the “Alliance”) to fund transitional housing facilities, wraparound services and homelessness prevention initiatives; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that preserving housing affordability and stability requires flexible strategies, the parties wish to establish a Problem-Solving Fund (PSF) to support direct assistance and staffing to provide creative, flexible and cost-effective solutions to quickly resolve a housing crisis; and

WHEREAS, the PSF will consist of the following components:

Homelessness Prevention resources for persons in danger of losing housing within weeks, including possible conflict mediation services, funds to pay rent or utilities, or a deposit for a new rental home; and

Shelter Diversion to help individuals and families seeking emergency shelter identify immediate alternative housing and connect them with social services and funding for transportation, vehicle repairs, etc. to the extent such assistance will help such persons to retain existing housing or obtain new housing; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Rapid Resolution services to identify creative, flexible safe, and cost-effective solutions to quickly resolve a housing crisis via personal networks and safety net services. Such services may provide limited funds for security deposits, application fees, up to three (3) months' rent, and similar interventions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago periodically releases Tax Increment Financing (TIF) dollars to itself and affected taxing bodies including Cook County, and did so for its FY26 budget as approved by the City Council on December 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in its own Fiscal Year 2026 budget passed on November 20, 2025, Cook County allocated these TIF funds toward critical social services. For funds allocated to Bureau of Economic Development programs, the priority was on keeping residents stable through additional funding for food and housing support as areas particularly affected by major federal policy and funding shifts; and

WHEREAS, the PSF in partnership with the Alliance is intended to expand resources for homelessness in suburban Cook County via a "problem solving fund" to help quickly resolve a housing crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of an agreement between the Bureau of Economic Development and the Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County using corporate funds from the above TIF resources in the amount of up to \$3,411,300 to be allocated for Homelessness Prevention, Shelter Diversion, and Rapid Resolution services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Bureau Chief of BED or its designee to enter into and modify the agreement and funding allocations based upon need and utilization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funding for the BED Programs shall be subject to availability and appropriation of funding by the Cook County Board of Commissioners

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Finance Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0763

Sponsored by: Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), DR. KISHA E. McCASKILL, TARA S. STAMPS and JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR AN ARPA VITAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM INITIATIVE IMPLEMENTED BY THE BUREAU OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the federal government authorized the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) which includes \$1.9 trillion in federal stimulus funds to hasten the United States’ recovery from the economic and health effects caused by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, specifically, the federal government has authorized and allocated a federal award of approximately \$1,000,372,385B of ARPA funding to Cook County to assist the County in its recovery from the economic and health effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2021, the Cook County American Rescue Plan Act Framework (the “ARPA Framework”) was presented to the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, to effectuate the approach outlined in the ARPA Framework, the Cook County Board of Commissioners authorized the Chief Financial Officer and the Budget Director to expend a limited amount of ARPA funding via Resolution 21-3657 for the purpose of continuing and expanding existing County programs and initiatives, including any created under CRF, as well as for the purpose of building operational support capacity within County departments and offices to assist with managing the ARPA funded initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 22-0637 authorized the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Director, Chief Procurement Officer and applicable using agencies to issue grants, contracts and agreements for up to \$100M in ARPA funding for Vital Community programs approved via Resolution 22-0637; and

WHEREAS, to further the Policy Roadmap Goal to pursue inclusive economic and community growth by supporting residents, growing businesses, attracting investment and nurturing talent, the Bureau of Economic Development (BED) has developed a menu of Vital Community programs and initiatives, including the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program, which have undergone review and approval through the Project Management Office process to utilize ARPA funding for such programs and initiatives pursuant to the issuance of grants, contracts and agreements; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 22-0637 provided that any grants issued regarding ARPA programs in an amount over \$1M shall require the approval of the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago periodically releases Tax Increment Financing dollars (TIF funds) to itself and affected taxing bodies including Cook County, and did so for its FY26 budget as approved by the City Council on December 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in its own Fiscal Year 2026 budget passed on November 20, 2025, Cook County allocated these TIF funds toward critical social services. For funds allocated to Bureau of Economic Development programs, the priority was to keep residents stable through additional funding for food and housing support as areas particularly affected by major federal policy and funding shifts; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, the Hotel Shelter program in partnership with BEDS Plus, Respond Now, Journeys, South Suburban PADS and Housing Forward is intended to expand resources for homelessness in suburban Cook County to help quickly resolve a housing crisis; and

WHEREAS, while ARPA funding is still available within the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program, the Bureau of Economic Development desires to provide funding from the TIF funds to BEDS Plus, Respond Now, Journeys, South Suburban PADS and Housing Forward to support their continuation of the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of the following agreement amendments by the BED, subject to satisfactory performance of the program by the respective subrecipients and subject to annual appropriation by the Board:

1. Amend the Subrecipient Agreement with shelter agency BEDS Plus to increase the total funding by \$ 465,600 in TIF funds from the current approved amount of \$2,880,750 to a revised aggregate amount of up to \$ 3,346,350 to continue their implementation of the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program. Under this Program, agencies provide safe and dignified sheltering, meals, and case management services, and work to connect residents and families to permanent housing options.
2. Amend the Subrecipient Agreement with shelter agency Respond Now to increase the total funding by \$ 42,600 in TIF funds, from the current approved amount of \$1,058,000 to a revised aggregate amount of up to \$ 1,100,600 to continue their implementation of the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program. Under this Program, agencies provide safe and dignified sheltering, meals, and case management services, and work to connect residents and families to permanent housing options.
3. Amend the Subrecipient Agreement with shelter agency Journeys to increase the total funding by \$67,500 in TIF funds, from the current approved amount of \$1,786,250 to a revised aggregate amount of up to \$1,853,750, to continue their implementation of the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program. Under this Program, agencies provide safe and dignified sheltering, meals, and case management services, and work to connect residents and families to permanent housing options.
4. Amend the Subrecipient Agreement with shelter agency South Suburban Pads to increase the total funding by \$63,000 in TIF funds, from the current approved amount of \$ 667,532 to a revised aggregate amount of up to \$730,532 to continue their implementation of the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program. Under this Program, agencies provide safe and dignified sheltering, meals, and case management services, and work to connect residents and families to permanent housing options.
5. Amend the Subrecipient Agreement with shelter agency Housing Forward to increase the total funding by \$50,000 in TIF funds, from the current approved amount of \$250,000 to a revised aggregate amount of up to \$300,000 to continue their implementation of the Hotel-Based Sheltering Program and repair and mitigate flood damage recently affecting its 24-Hour Emergency Shelter location. Under this Program, agencies provide safe and dignified sheltering, meals, and case management services, and work to connect residents and families to permanent housing options.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Bureau Chief of BED or its designee to modify the agreements and funding allocations to all BED selected organizations based upon need and utilization.

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funding for the above programs shall be subject to availability of funds from the United States Government and appropriation of funding by the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Finance Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0202

Presented by: THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Cook County Sheriff's Office

Vendor: Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Vehicle Leasing and Maintenance

Contract Value: \$1,869,590.40

Contract period: 2/15/2026-2/14/2030

Contract Utilization: The Contract-specific goal set on this contract is Zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$428,447.80, FY 2027 \$467,397.60, FY 2028 \$467,397.60, FY 2029 \$467,397.60; FY 2030 \$38,949.80

Accounts: 11900.1210.54653.550061, \$308,629.73 (Automotive Equipment Rental); 11900.1210.54654.550061, \$158,991.07 (Automotive Equipment Rental); 11900.1210.53650.580379, \$1,401,969.60 (Appropriation Adjustment)

Contract Number(s): 2512-10102

Summary: The Cook County Sheriff's Office requests authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute a contract with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, to obtain

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

leased vehicles and leased vehicle maintenance for the Sheriff's Child Support Unit and the Sheriff's Police Department Special Victims Unit.

This is a Comparable Government Procurement pursuant to Section 34-140 of the Cook County Procurement Code. Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. was awarded a contract by the State of Minnesota, via Sourcwell, through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. Cook County wishes to leverage this procurement effort.

This item was WITHDRAWN at the request of the sponsor.

26-0572

Presented by: THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Cook County Sheriff's Office

Other Part(ies): Village of Bellwood, Bellwood, Illinois

Request: Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Cook County Sheriff's Office and the Village of Bellwood

Goods or Services: The Cook County Sheriff's Office will provide 911 System dispatching/radio monitoring/call taking services for the Village of Bellwood, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: Upon execution by all parties and shall continue for five (5) years

Fiscal Impact: None - Revenue Neutral

Accounts: 11324-ETSB - 911 Special Purpose Fund

Summary: Authorization for the County of Cook on behalf of the Sheriff's Office to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement for 911 System dispatch/radio monitoring/call taking services for the Village of Bellwood, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The Village of Bellwood dispatch will transmit on a Cook County 800 mhz frequency.

The Village of Bellwood agrees to reimburse the Cook County Sheriff's Office monthly for all personnel and operational costs associated with this IGA, including but not limited to cost associated with any additional positions necessary for performance services ("Sheriff's Reimbursement"). Reimbursements shall take place in accordance with the following schedule, with any partial year prorated based on the number of days the IGA has been in effect for that year:

- 1st year of service - \$697,179.00
- 2nd year of service - \$725,066.00
- 3rd year of service - \$754,068.00

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

4th year of service - \$784,231.00

5th year of service - \$815,600.00

The Sheriff's Office will send the Village of Bellwood an invoice monthly. Payment to the Sheriff's Office be due within thirty (30) days if receipt of the invoice.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Intergovernmental Agreement be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0581

Presented by: THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Cook County Sheriff's Office

Other Part(ies): The City of Park Ridge, Park Ridge, Illinois

Request: Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Cook County Sheriff's Office and the City of Park Ridge

Goods or Services: The Cook County Sheriff's Office will provide 911 System dispatching/radio monitoring/call taking services for the City of Park Ridge, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: 2/16/2026 - 2/15/2031

Fiscal Impact: None - Revenue Neutral

Accounts: 11324-ETSB - 911 Special Purpose Fund

Summary: Authorization for the County of Cook on behalf of the Sheriff's Office to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement for 911 System dispatch/radio monitoring/call taking services for the City of Park Ridge, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The City of Park Ridge dispatch will transmit on a Cook County 800 mhz frequency.

The City of Park Ridge agrees to reimburse the Cook County Sheriff's Office monthly for all personnel

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

and operational costs associated with this IGA, including but not limited to cost associated with any additional positions necessary for performance services (“Sheriff’s Reimbursement”). Reimbursements shall take place in accordance with the following schedule, with any partial year prorated based on the number of days the IGA has been in effect for that year:

- 1st year of service - \$758,974.00
- 2nd year of service - \$774,153.00
- 3rd year of service - \$789,636.00
- 4th year of service - \$805,429.00
- 5th year of service - \$821,537.00

The Sheriff’s Office will send the City of Park Ridge an invoice monthly. Payment to the Sheriff’s Office be due within thirty (30) days if receipt of the invoice.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Intergovernmental Agreement be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0674

Presented by: THOMAS J. DART, Sheriff of Cook County

PROPOSED INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT

Department(s): Cook County Sheriff’s Office

Other Part(ies): University of Chicago’s Harris School of Public Policy, on behalf of the Applied for Data Fellowship (“ADF”), Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization to enter into an Interagency Agreement

Good(s) or Service(s): Data and Governance Fellowship program that will allow the County to receive one (1), top-performing post - graduate professional with data translation expertise.

Agreement period: Upon execution of this Agreement by all parties and continue through the twelve (12) month placement of up to one (1) Fellow at the Cook County Sheriff’s Office

Fiscal Impact: \$73,000.00

Accounts: 11100.1214.14195.520830

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Summary/Notes: The Fellowship Agreement between the Cook County Sheriff's Office and the University of Chicago, on behalf of the ADF within its Harris School of Public Policy, aims to use ADF's social impact consulting fellowship. ADF recruits top-performing post-graduate level professionals to implement innovative solutions to impact development projects within the County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Interagency Agreement be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0778

Presented by: ALMA E. ANAYA, County Commissioner

REPORT

Department: Cook County Commission on Social Innovation

Report Title: Cook County Commission on Social Innovation 2024 and 2025 Annual Report

Report Period: January 2024 - December 2025

Summary: Report from the Cook County Commission on Social Innovation, highlighting the Commission's work and priorities for 2024 and 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Report be received and filed. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0765

Presented by: MARIA PAPPAS, Cook County Treasurer

PROPOSED PAYMENT APPROVAL

Department(s): Cook County Treasurer

Action: For Payment Only

Payee: Catalis Tax & CAMA, Inc., Alpharetta, Georgia

Good(s) or Service(s): Revenue Collection System Maintenance and Support Services

Fiscal Impact: \$133,222.33

Accounts: 11854.1060.10155.540135

Contract Number(s): 2210-04191

Summary: The Cook County Treasurer's Office respectfully requests authorization of a one-time payment to Catalis Tax & CAMA, Inc. in the amount of \$133,222.33 for one outstanding invoice for services incurred in Fiscal Year 2025 prior to the contract expiration date of 12/31/2025. The outstanding balance remains within the original contract capacity of \$384,492.25 and does not exceed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Payment Approval be approved. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0798

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), ALMA E. ANAYA, DONNA MILLER, JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, FRANK J. AGUILAR, TARA S. STAMPS, JOSINA MORITA, SCOTT BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRIDGET GAINER, BILL LOWRY, DR. KISHA McCASKILL, KEVIN B. MORRISON, MICHAEL SCOTT JR and MAGGIE TREVOR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS NOT TO ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT (ICE) AND THE U.S. CUSTOMS

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP) GIVEN THE AGGRESSIVE AND DANGEROUS TACTICS BY FEDERAL AGENTS

WHEREAS, the Trump Administration's assault on communities in the name of immigration enforcement continues to erode constitutional rights and endanger residents; and

WHEREAS, in September 2025, the Cook County Board of Commissioners passed Resolution #25-3451, denouncing the tactics of federal agents including U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agents (ICE) and calls for strong congressional oversight; and

WHEREAS, immigration authorities continue to employ increasingly dangerous tactics, such as engaging in unprovoked violence, pointing firearms at civilians, violently arresting civilians including U.S. citizens, and deploying chemical weapons without warning in residential areas, causing harm to schoolchildren and local law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, from September 2025 through January 30, 2026, immigration agents have shot twenty individuals, including three that resulted in their deaths: Silverio Villegas González, a father of two, in Franklin Park, IL; Renee Good, a U.S. citizen and mother of three, in Minneapolis, MN; and Alex Pretti, a U.S. citizen and federal employee who served as an intensive care nurse for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, also in Minneapolis, MN; and

WHEREAS, conditions in immigration detention facilities continue to deteriorate, with dangerous overcrowding and reports of substandard food, inadequate access to clean water, excessive use of solitary confinement, and medical neglect including an active measles outbreak at a detention center in Dilley, Texas that houses children; and

WHEREAS, since President Trump assumed office on January 20, 2025, an unprecedented thirty-eight individuals have died in the custody of ICE, and an average of 170 children a day have been held in custody under the current leadership; and

WHEREAS, approximately ninety percent of individuals being detained are in for-profit facilities, which have a long history of cutting corners on essential services to generate profits; and

WHEREAS, the federal immigration system is a civil system, not a criminal system, and immigration detention is intended to be non-punitive, as explicitly stated on ICE's official website; and

WHEREAS, in July 2025, Congress gave the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) historic additional funding through the reconciliation process, providing \$64 billion for Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and \$75 billion for ICE alone, making ICE the highest funded U.S. law enforcement agency; and

WHEREAS, on Thursday, January 29, 2026, U.S. Senators voted against a federal funding package that includes a DHS funding bill that would have provided billions of new tax dollars to ICE and CBP; and

WHEREAS, negotiations continue between the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate, and the White House, on whether additional funding should be granted given the recent actions of federal agents; and

Journal of Proceedings

Board of Commissioners

February 5, 2026

WHEREAS, immigration enforcement activity such as Operation Midway Blitz in Cook County, has contributed to the erosion of public trust in local law enforcement and has caused economic and social distress countywide, leading to revenue drops for small businesses, gaps in attendance records for students of color, and a steep drop in 911 calls made between September and December 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners calls on Congress to not allocate any additional funding for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security until there is an end to the aggressive and dangerous tactics of ICE and CBP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Cook County Board expresses support for safeguards that:

1. Mandate that DHS obtain a judicial warrant for arrests, cease employing masked agents for immigration enforcement actions, and prohibit enforcement at sensitive locations;
2. End detention abuses by eliminating the use of private, for-profit detention facilities, prohibiting funding for facilities that pose a threat to the health, safety, or due process rights of detained individuals, and restoring access to bond hearings;
3. End improper U.S. Border Patrol deployments in communities nationwide, both of which are compromising public safety, endangering the health and safety of residents, unduly harming children and vulnerable adults, and violating the legal and constitutional rights of American citizens and immigrants and refugees; and
4. Mandate independent investigations of lawlessness and violence perpetrated by immigration agents with meaningful consequences for agents engaging in unprovoked violence and violations of individual constitutional rights, including mandatory referral for excessive use of force, in-custody deaths, and firearm discharges.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be tendered to the Illinois Congressional delegation, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Majority and Minority Leaders to emphasize the significance and urgency of this issue.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

26-0805

Sponsored by: BRIDGET GAINER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CALLING FOR A HEARING ON CHICAGO AND COOK COUNTY’S WORKFORCE PREPAREDNESS FOR THE ADOPTION OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

WHEREAS, in recent years, the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and generative AI has become essential in the economy and workforces across the globe, with a Pew Research Center study citing 62% of adults interact with AI on a weekly basis and as many as 70% of teens reported using AI; and

WHEREAS, the successful implementation of AI in workplaces and beyond has enormous potential for streamlining operations, improving workflow and process automation, and building decision support systems; and

WHEREAS, AI has many key applications outside the workplace, including automating mundane tasks, utilizing technology like “smart” home devices and virtual assistants, and use of generative AI tools; and

WHEREAS, in order for the potential benefits of AI to be realized, it is critical that public and private entities have preparedness plans for its implementation, draw from insights and best practices, and create opportunities for proper training and educational tools for employees as AI evolves in workplaces; and

WHEREAS, it is also imperative that members of the general public have access to AI educational tools and training to learn new technology and enhance their professional skills.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, a hearing on Chicago and Cook County’s Workforce Preparedness for the Adoption of Artificial Intelligence be conducted in the Workforce, Housing and Community Development Committee at the March Committee meeting, or as otherwise scheduled by the Chair; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, strategic partners and thought leaders in the AI space, as well as key partners in the local economic and workforce development, shall be invited to attend the hearing, including but not limited to representatives from Microsoft, Google, City Colleges of Chicago, the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership and the Chicagoland Workforce Funders Alliance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the Proposed Resolution be referred to the Workforce, Housing and Community Development Committee. The vote of the yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry, McCaskill, Morita, K. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (14)

Nays: None (0)

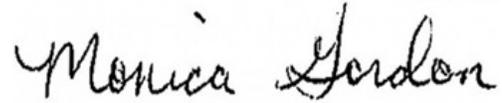
Absent: Commissioner Miller, Moore and S. Morrison (3)

The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lowry, that the meeting do now adjourn to meet again at the same time and same place on March 12, 2026, in accordance with County Board Resolution 26-0385.

The motion prevailed and the meeting stood adjourned.



COUNTY CLERK