



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

12:15 PM

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

NOTICE AND AGENDA

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

17-2746

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 3/22/2017

[17-2224](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Thurman Smith

Position: Director

Department/Board/Commission: Cook County Land Bank Authority Board of Directors

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: Three years from the date of approval or until a successor is appointed and qualified

Legislative History : 3/22/17 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernment

[17-2380](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Diane Limas

Position: Director

Department/Board/Commission: Cook County Land Bank Authority Board of Directors

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: Three years from the date of approval or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

Legislative History : 3/22/17 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernment

[17-2390](#)

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

**REQUESTING A HEARING OF THE LEGISLATION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
RELATIONS COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS PENDING LEGISLATION BEFORE THE
ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS**

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly and the United States Congress are currently considering numerous bills that effect the services and operation of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the County's intergovernmental relations staff and hired lobbyists are actively monitoring the legislation that effects Cook County's services and operations; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners wishes to be updated on the status of certain bills pending before the Illinois General Assembly and the United States Congress so that it may take

positions and communicate such positions to the legislation bodies on the relevant proposed legislation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that a meeting of the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee be convened to discuss the status of pending legislation in the Illinois General Assembly and the United States Congress; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the intergovernmental relations staff and all hired lobbyists of the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners appear before the Committee and be prepared to update the Committee on legislation pending before the General Assembly and the United States Congress that affects Cook County's services and operations.

Legislative History : 3/22/17 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernment

17-2389

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, JOHN P. DALEY and ROBERT STEELE, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

AN AMENDMENT TO THE VITAL RECORDS FEES FOR COUNTY CLERK ORDINANCE

Sec. 2-174. - Vital records fees for County Clerk. Section 32-1

(a) *Birth records.* The Cook County Clerk shall continue to charge and collect a fee for the first copy, and a fee for each additional copy of a birth record as set out in Section 32-1. The following individuals may receive a copy of their birth record at no cost:

- (1) Individuals, or a not for profit organization representing the individuals, who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate night-time residence or a person who resides in a shelter, welfare hotel, transitional program or place not ordinarily used as regular sleeping accommodations such as living on the street or in a car; or
- (2) Individuals in the custody of the Cook County Department of Corrections; or
- (3) Individuals residing in a shelter for victims of domestic violence.

The Cook County Clerk may promulgate regulations to determine how individuals can apply for

(b) *Marriage records.* The Cook County Clerk shall charge and collect a fee for the issuance of a marriage license, sealing, filing and recording the same and the certificate thereunto as set out in Section 32-1. The Cook County Clerk shall continue to charge and collect a fee for the first copy, and

a fee for each additional copy of a marriage record as set out in Section 32-1.

(c) *Death records.* The Cook County Clerk shall charge and collect a fee for the first copy, and a fee for each additional copy of a death record as set out in Section 32-1.

(d) *Genealogical records.* The County Clerk shall charge and collect a fee as set out in Section 32-1 for the first copy and a fee as set out in Section 32-1 for subsequent copies of any genealogical birth, death or marriage certificate.

(e) *Emergency fee.* The County Clerk shall charge and collect an emergency fee as set out in Section 32-1 for providing a copy of a vital record on an overnight basis. The emergency fee authorized in this subsection shall be in addition to any other fees authorized to be collected by the County Clerk for providing the requested document.

(f) *Waiver and refund of death record fee.* The County Clerk shall waive the County portion of the vital records fee for death records requested (first copy only) as set forth in Section 32-1 by those persons legally authorized to request and obtain a death certificate and seeking a copy of a death certificate for a decedent buried at Burr Oak Cemetery. Said waiver shall apply only to death records indicating a date of death prior to July 6, 2009, and burial at Burr Oak Cemetery; the waiver extends only to the County's portion of the fee for the first copy only and shall not extend to requests for additional copies. The County Clerk is required to continue to collect a \$2.00 fee for the first copy of the death record as required by State Statute unless waived by the State. The waiver shall run through September 15, 2009, unless otherwise authorized by the Cook County Board of Commissioners. In accordance with the County Clerk's records, the County Clerk is hereby authorized to refund Cook County's portion of the death records fee for death records requested (first copy only) to those individuals who legally requested and obtained a death record/certificate since July 6, 2009, for a decedent buried at Burr Oak Cemetery.

(g) *Civil Union records.* The Cook County Clerk shall charge and collect a fee for the issuance of a civil union license, sealing, filing and recording the same and the certificate thereunto as set out in Section 32-1. The Cook County Clerk shall charge and collect a fee for the first copy, and a fee for each additional copy of a civil union record as set out in Section 32-1.

(h) *Commemorative Certificates.* The Cook County Clerk shall charge and collect a fee for the issuance of a Commemorative Certificate of Marriage or for the issuance of a Commemorative Certificate of Civil Union as set out in Section 32-1. With each Commemorative Certificate issued, the Clerk shall also issue a certified copy of the underlying record. The fee charged and collected as set forth in Section 32-1 shall cover the cost of both the commemorative certificate and the certified copy.

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

Legislative History : 3/22/17 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernment



Secretary

Chairman: Suffredin
Vice-Chairman: Fritchey
Members: Committee of the Whole