



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

9:30 AM

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

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

ATTENDANCE

Present Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to allow for remote participation in meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Present Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

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

No public speakers.

25-1678

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 02/05/2025

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to approve 25-1678. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

COURT ORDERS

25-1430

REPORT

Department: Office of the Chief Judge

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

Report Period: February 01,2025 through February 28, 2025

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 Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to recommend for receiving and filing 25-1430. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

SPECIAL COURT CASES

25-1489

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: 02/11/2025

Time period: 12/16/2024 - 02/11/2025

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$7,483.90

Paid to Date: \$210,783.22

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

25-1490

Firm: Reimer, Dobrovolny & LaBardi PC

Attorney(s): Nemura Pencyla

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 97 CR 2956002

Date of This Order: 02/11/2025

Time period: 11/23/2024 - 02/06/2025

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$15,801.20

Paid to Date: \$136,061.13
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

25-1493

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC
Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor
Case No.(s): 88 CR 230902
Date of This Order: 02/11/2025
Time period: 10/22/2-24 - 02/10/2025
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$58,072.95
Paid to Date: \$368,818.30
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

25-1495

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: 02/10/2025
Time period: 11/19/2024 - 02/07/2025
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$59,387.50
Paid to Date: \$8,847,334.41
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

25-1577

Firm: James F. Dunneback, P.C.
Special State's Attorney(s): James F. Dunneback
Case Name: In Re Estate of Jacob Howard
Case No.(s): 2024 P 007312
Time period: 10/31/2024 - 12/13/2024
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$2,177.50
Paid to Date: \$0.00
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to approve the SPECIAL COURT CASES. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

25-1342

Case: Sanchez v. City of Chicago, et al.
Case No: 18 C 8281
Settlement Amount: \$7,500.00
Fixed Charges Department: 499 (Public Safety)
Payable to: Law Office of Samuel S. Bae P.C.
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

25-1435

Case: Gray, Monica v. Cook County
Case No: 23 C 7934
Settlement Amount: \$7,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 4897 - John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
Payable to: Monica Gray and Pietrucha Law Firm, LLC
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

25-1438

Case: McCarthy, Theresa v. Cook County Health System
Case No: 440-2023-03329
Settlement Amount: \$295,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 4897 - John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
Payable to: 440-2023-03329
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 01/15/2025
Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

25-1511

Case: Lucy Parsons Labs v. CCSO
Case No: 2024 CH 06099
Settlement Amount: \$4,500.00
Fixed Charges Department: 499
Payable to: Loevy & Loevy Attorneys at Law
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: An allegation of a FOIA violation.

25-0950

Case: Reese, Deiel v Dart, et al., and Reese, Deiel v Delitz, et al.,
Case No: 20-C-7488, 20-C-7487
Settlement Amount: \$30,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: UB Greensfelder LLP
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: An allegation of civil rights violation

25-1163

Case: Krentowski v. Dart et. al
Case No: 23 cv 379
Settlement Amount: \$2,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1210 (Office of the Sheriff)
Payable to: Carl Krentowski
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: An allegation of a civil rights violation

25-1173

Case: Lopez, Michael v. Cook County, et al.
Case No: 23 L 6343
Settlement Amount: \$160,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1210-Office of the Sheriff
Payable to: Michael A. Lopez and Clifford Law Offices, P.C.
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 01/15/2025
Subject matter: an allegation of premises liability

25-1444

Case: Diaz v. Dart, et al.,
Case No: 2021M1300141
Settlement Amount: \$12,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: Manno Law Group
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: An allegation of automobile negligence

25-1496

Case: Sykes, Gregory v Cobble et al.,
Case No: 23 C 16570
Settlement Amount: \$1,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: Gregory Sykes
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

25-1512

Case: Cullum, Denyia as Administrator of the Estate of James Jamal Taylor v. Wondrasek, et al.
Case No: 20 C 6914
Settlement Amount: \$1,400,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1239-Department of Corrections
Payable to: Tyler Law Offices and Denyia Cullum as Independent Administrator of the Estate of James Jamal Taylor
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 02/05/2025
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to approve the PROPOSED SETTLEMENT CASES. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENTS/DECISIONS REPORTS

25-1492

REPORT

Department: Civil Actions Bureau

Report Title: Workers' Compensation Payments Following Cook County State's Attorney's Office - Litigated Settlements & Awards

Report Period: February 5, 2025, through March 11, 2025

Summary: Authorization to Pay Workers' Compensation Settlements & Awards

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to recommend for approval 25-1492. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS PAYMENT REPORT

25-1497

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

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Workers' Compensation Claim Payments

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

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Workers' Compensation Claim Payments for the month ending January 2025. Payments total \$1,025,225.19

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to approve 25-1497. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

PATIENT/ARRESTEE CLAIMS REPORT

25-1529

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Receive and File - Patient Arrestee Claims

Report Period: The month ending January 31, 2025

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information a summary of Patient Arrestee Claims for the month ending 12/31/2024 - Total: \$23,282.36

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to recommend for receiving and filing 25-1529. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

CLAIMS RECOVERY SETTLEMENTS

25-0894

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Receive and File - Subrogation Claim Recoveries

Report Period: The month ends in February

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information a summary of Claim Recoveries for the month ending 02/28/2025 - Total Recovery: **\$20,507.40** - Number of Recoveries: **6**

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to recommend to defer 25-0894. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

COMPTROLLERS

25-1630

REPORT

Department: Comptroller

Report Title: Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report

Report Period: two-month period ended January 31, 2025

Summary: Attached is an Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report for the two-month period ended January 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 S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 25-1630. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

HEALTH & HOSPITAL

25-1167

REPORT

Department: Cook County Health

Report Title: CCH Monthly Report

Report Period: March 2025

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

A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Trevor, to recommend for receiving and filing 25-1167. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

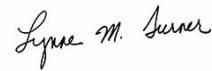
Ayes: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Degnen, McCaskill, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Scott, Stamps, and Trevor (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner: Britton, Gainer, and Miller (3)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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

FINANCE MEETING OF MARCH 12, 2025

TOTALS FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO PRESENT AND TO BE APPROVED FOR THIS MEETING

SPECIAL COURT CASES

SPECIAL COURT CASES APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO PRESENT: \$273,765.63

SPECIAL COURT CASES TO BE APPROVED: \$142,923.05

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2025 TO PRESENT: \$9,369,550.51

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS TO BE APPROVED: \$1,919,000.00