



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

Second New Items Agenda

Wednesday, September 14, 2016, 11:00 AM

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Sponsored by: RICHARD R. BOYKIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION TO EXAMINE THE STATUS OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, African American males face disproportionately poor outcomes in education and confront disproportionately high levels of unemployment; and

WHEREAS, African American males face disproportionately high levels of incarceration in the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center and Cook County Jail; and

WHEREAS, African American males are more likely to live in poverty and die as a result of gun violence; and

WHEREAS, African American males face disproportionately high numbers of police stops and detentions; and

WHEREAS, African American male children are significantly more likely to grow up in single parent households; and

WHEREAS, African American males suffer disproportionately from poor health outcomes including: high blood pressure; heart disease; diabetes; HIV and AIDS infection; and prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, despite the progress gained in the late 1960's and early 1970's, socio-economic outcomes for African American males have grown worse since the 1980's; and

WHEREAS, the resources of Cook County are best used on programs that effectively combat these aforementioned issues and improve the quality of life for its most vulnerable citizens; and

WHEREAS, the best way to ensure effective allocation of resources is to utilize the best available research; and

WHEREAS, Cook County is home to many great institutions with the ability and expertise to facilitate the gathering of data for analysis; and

WHEREAS, this Board should foster and promote such research so that it can enact the most effective policies to remedy these aforementioned disparate outcomes, so that African American male citizens of Cook County can fully reach their potential and contribute in a positive manner to the economic, social and cultural fabric of Cook County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of

Commissioners, that there be established a group composed of the necessary experts to examine the status of African American men within Cook County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall consist of 13 members, appointed in the following manner, and ascribed the following duties:

- (1) One member designated as the Commission Chairperson. The Chairperson shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Human Relations Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners.
 - a. The Chairperson shall serve as the official liaison between the Commission and local, state, and federal officials, and the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners.
 - b. The Chairperson shall compile a complete list of appointees and advise the Cook County Board of Commissioners' Committee on Human Relations of the names of the appointees, and retain a complete record of the Committee's membership.
 - c. The Chairperson shall be a member of the Cook County academic community and shall be affiliated with an institution of higher learning or social science research.
- (2) One Cook County Commissioner serving as an Ex-Officio Member of the Commission. The Ex-Officio Member selected from the Board of Commissioners shall be the same Commissioner tasked with chairing the Cook County Board of Commissioners' Committee on Human Relations.
- (3) Two members from Cook County based workforce organizations, to be appointed by the Chairperson.
- (4) Two members from Cook County Health and Hospitals System. One member shall be from the field of study involving narcotics use. The other member shall be from the field of study of mental health appointed by the Chairperson.
- (5) Two members from Cook County organizations that work with the formerly incarcerated, appointed by the Chairperson.
- (6) One member from a lawmaking body of a political unit within Cook County to be appointed by the Chairperson. The member shall be an elected official from a municipality in the southern or western section of Cook County.
- (7) One member designated by the Office of the Cook County State's Attorney.
- (8) One member designated by the Office of the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County.
- (9) One member from a public education institution, appointed by the Chairperson.
- (10) One member from an organization located in Cook County specializing in the field of Fair Housing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission will serve as an investigative body with the objective of studying the pertinent data relating to the disparate outcomes in several societal aspects faced by African American males in Cook County, including but not limited to:

- (1) The Criminal Justice System;
- (2) Public Health, including wellness, drug and alcohol abuse, and violence;
- (3) Employment opportunities and workforce training, including the formerly incarcerated;

- (4) Education, including higher education;
- (5) Housing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission will compile and analyze data gathered from around Cook County to identify areas where social policy has had either a positive or negative effect on the aforementioned socio-economic outcomes within the African American community. The Commission will investigate other major municipalities and identify what, if any, social policy has been effective in improving outcomes among the male, African American population; and

BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission shall conduct 3 public meetings around Cook County with the purpose of gathering data through personal accounts of Cook County residents. The public meetings shall be held one per quarter and one meeting shall be held in each of the following areas of Cook County:

- (1) At the Cook County Board of Commissioners;
- (2) At a location in the South Suburban area of Cook County; and
- (3) At a location in West Suburban Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission will generate a comprehensive report to be presented to the Cook County Board of Commissioners. The report shall consist of:

- (1) The methodology used by the Commission to determine its findings;
- (2) The raw data collected by the Commission;
- (3) An abstract of the findings of the Commission;
- (4) A detailed report of the findings of the Commission; and
- (5) A comprehensive set of policy recommendations based upon the analysis of the data and the Commission's findings.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CREATING A SOCIAL MEDIA GANG TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, gang violence in Cook County has devastated too many communities; and,

WHEREAS, much of the gun violence in Chicago and suburban Cook County has its origins in gang activity; and,

WHEREAS, police across the region have expressed frustration and stemming gang-related violence; and,

WHEREAS, many of the long-standing structures of street gangs in Chicago have eroded or broken down in recent years, creating a challenge for law enforcement when it comes to effectively combatting the criminal activity of gangs; and,

WHEREAS, gangs are located throughout the city of Chicago and suburban Cook County; and,

WHEREAS, there exist numerous, documented examples of communication and planning among and between gangs on social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and others; and,

WHEREAS, studies undertaken and findings published by Columbia University Professor Desmond Patton have shown a connection between online threats and offline violent incidents in Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, homicide is the second leading cause of death for young people; and,

WHEREAS, 90 percent of teenagers use the internet regularly; and,

WHEREAS, there exist numerous, documented examples of gangs and gang-affiliated individuals using social media for the purposes of selling drugs and the pursuit of other illegal activities; and,

WHEREAS, there exist numerous, documented examples of gangs recruiting new members online; and,

WHEREAS, there exist numerous, documented examples of offline conflicts between gang members being escalated via online platforms; and,

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility and duty of this Board of Commissioners and County government to use all of the resources at its disposal to investigate the root causes of deadly violence in Cook County and enact policies designed to reduce that violence to the greatest extent possible;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that there be established a taskforce composed of the necessary parties to study gang interactions with the assistance of the Cook County Sheriff's Department on social media in order to better equip law enforcement to end gang operations; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that the Task Force created herein shall consist of six members, appointed in the following manner:

- (1) A designee of the Cook County Sheriff
- (2) The Chair of the Human Relations Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners
- (3) The Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners

- (4) A designee of the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners
- (5) A designee of the Cook County State's Attorney; and,
- (6) A designee of the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that the Cook County Social Media Gang Task Force, created herein, shall meet not less than three times within a six month period following the enactment of this resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that the Cook County Social Media Gang Task Force shall, after having met in the manner and with the frequency described in the foregoing paragraph, furnish a report to the Cook County Board of Commissioners outlining a recommended strategy for a reduction in violence instigated on social media platforms.

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Presented by: KAREN A. YARBROUGH, Recorder of Deeds

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TECHNOLOGY)

Department(s): Recorder of Deeds

Vendor: ACS Enterprise Solutions, LLC, Dallas, Texas

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Recorder of Deeds Land Management and Cashiering System

Contract Value: \$3,809,111.00

Contract period: 9/24/2016 - 9/23/2021, with two (2) one (1)-year renewal options

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2016 \$100,000.00, FY 2017 \$2,264,551.00, FY2018 \$1,012,560.00, FY2019 \$216,000.00, FY2020 \$216,000.00

Accounts: 545-260 (545-266)

Contract Number(s): 1618-15637

Concurrence(s):

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance via direct participation and partial MWBE waiver

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs

The Bureau of Technology Concurs

Summary: CCRD seeks to replace its current lands record processing and transaction system with a new technically advanced solution that enables CCRD to achieve its external and internal business goals. The new solution will encompass all phase of the recording process and adapt to future advances in technology and changes in CCRD business and operational needs that will enable CCRD to continually improve it services to the public. The current application is more than 12 years old and has undergone modest enhancement over time. The current system is limited and outdated in its reporting and accounting schematics which impacts accuracy and efficiency. The system will enhance our overall efficiency and bring economies of scale overall.

This is a Comparable Procurement pursuant to Section 34-140 of the Procurement Code. ACS Enterprise Solutions, LLC. was previously awarded a contract by the Sacramento County, California, through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Cook County wishes to leverage this procurement effort.