



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

9:30 AM

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

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

ATTENDANCE

Present Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3) excused

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

23-4005

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 06/28/2023

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to recommend for approval 23-4005. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

COURT ORDERS

23-3900

REPORT

Department: Office of the Chief Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County

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

Report Period: June 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-3900. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

SPECIAL COURT CASES

23-3922

Firm: Law Office of Karla Fiaoni

Attorney(s): Karla M. Fiaoni

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 99 CR 602001 & 99 CR 2602002

Date of This Order: 06/27/2023

Time period: 06/01/2023 - 06/27/2023

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$10,176.47

Paid to Date: \$76,269.85

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-3926

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC.

Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 97 CR 20768-04

Date of This Order: 06/28/2023
Time period: 06/01/2023 - 06/27/2023
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$3,732.50
Paid to Date: \$5,506.25
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
A motion to approve 23-3926 passed.

23-3930

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC.
Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor
Case No.(s): 96 CR 25384-01
Date of This Order: 06/28/2023
Time period: 06/01/2023 - 06/27/2023
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$32,138.75
Paid to Date: \$289,290.70
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
A motion to approve 23-3930 passed.

23-3934

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC.
Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor
Case No.(s): 88 CR 05696-01
Date of This Order: 06/28/2023
Time period: 06/01/2023 - 06/27/2023
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$2,475.00
Paid to Date: \$18,647.75
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-3936

Firm: Reimer, Dobrovolny & LaBardi PC.
Attorney(s): Nemura Pencyla
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor
Case No.(s): 97 CR 511002
Date of This Order: 06/27/2023
Time period: 04/01/2023 - 05/31/2023
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$2,268.75
Paid to Date: \$14,918.75
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-3938

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: 06/27/2023
Time period: 04/01/2023 - 05/31/2023
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$6,325.00
Paid to Date: \$30,318.75
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
A motion to approve 23-3938 passed.

23-3939

Firm: 1) Lawrence Oliver II - Special Prosecutor (2) Sidley Austin - Deputy Special Prosecutor and
(3) FTI Consulting
Attorney(s): Lawrence Oliver II
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor
Case No.(s): 82 CR 1221 & 88 CR 7771
Date of This Order: 06/28/2023
Time period: 03/01/2023 - 04/30/2023
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$ Lawrence Oliver II - \$12,244.29
Paid to Date: \$363,741.18
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-3940

Firm: 1) Lawrence Oliver II - Special Prosecutor (2) Sidley Austin - Deputy Special Prosecutor and
(3) FTI Consulting
Attorney(s): Lawrence Oliver II
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor
Case No.(s): 82 CR 1221 & 88 CR 7771
Date of This Order: 06/28/2023
Time period: 05/01/2023 - 05/31/2023
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$Lawrence Oliver II - \$7,452.51 & FTI Consulting
\$2,842.50
Paid to Date: \$363,741.18
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-3839

Firm: Fox Law Offices LLC
Special State's Attorney(s): Julie E. Fox
Case Name: In Re Estate of Marquita Palmer
Case No.(s): 2023 P 000920
Time period: 02/09/2023 - 03/10/2023

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$1,710.00

Paid to Date: \$0.00

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-4020

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC.

Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 96 CR 0938501

Date of This Order: 06/28/2023

Time period: 05/30/2023 - 06/27/2023

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$6,985.50

Paid to Date: \$150,269.98

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

23-4021

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC.

Attorney(s): Maria McCarthy

Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor

Case No.(s): 88 CR 230902

Date of This Order: 06/28/2023

Time period: 05/30/2023 - 06/27/2023

This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$6,672.50

Paid to Date: \$196,820.30

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to approve the Special Court Cases. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

SPECIAL CRIMINAL COURT CASES

NOTE: There are no cases of the above item type to be approved for this meeting.

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

23-3759

Case: Foster, Durell v. O'Rourke
Case No: 21 C 5041
Settlement Amount: \$50,000.00
Department: 1210 - Office of the Sheriff
Payable to: Durell R. Foster
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: Alleged violation of civil rights.

23-3765

Case: Armstrong, Craig v. Vera McDonnel, et al.
Case No: 19 C 4827
Settlement Amount: \$33,750.00
Department: 1210 - Office of the Sheriff
Payable to: Mr. Stephen L. Richards
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: Alleged violation of civil rights.

23-3608

Case: Marshall, Richard v. Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center
Case No: ALS 19-388
Settlement Amount: \$15,000.00
Department: 1440 - Juvenile Temporary Detention Center
Payable to: Richard Marshall and Ponticelli & Vito
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

23-3779

Case: *Rentas, Carmen v. Cook County*
Case No: ALS 19-0479
Settlement Amount: \$17,500.00
Department: 4897 - John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
Payable to: Illinois Advocates, LLC
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

23-3826

Case: Jeanette Samuels v. CCSAO
Case No: 2022 CH 10171
Settlement Amount: \$8,265.00
Department: 1250 - State's Attorney)
Payable to: The Law Offices of Sierra Reed, LLC

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: An allegation of a FOIA violation.

23-2896

Case: Crawford, Dionte v. Parker
Case No: 19 C 7584
Settlement Amount: \$14,750.00
Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: Dionte Crawford
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

23-3170

Case: Johnson, Douglas v. Cermak et al
Case No: 20 C 0113
Settlement Amount: \$35,000.00
Department: 4240-Cermak Health Services of Cook County
Payable to: Douglas Johnson
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of civil rights violation

23-3487

Case: Hill, Eddie v. Dart, et al.
Case No: 21 C 6443
Settlement Amount: \$15,000.00
Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: Eddie Hill (\$6,000.00) / Thomas G. Morrissey, Ltd. (\$9,000.00)
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

23-3488

Case: Edwards, Jeremiah v. Dart, et al.
Case No: 21 C 5665
Settlement Amount: \$15,000.00
Department: 4240 - Cermak Health Services of Cook County
Payable to: Henry Gilmore Y52303 (\$6,000.00) / Thomas G. Morrissey, Ltd. (\$9,000.00)
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

23-3498

Case: Maisonet, Emilio v. Dart, et al.
Case No: 20 C 5793
Settlement Amount: \$3,000.00
Department: 1239-Department of Corrections

Payable to: Melissa Maisonet
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

23-3589

Case: Hughes, Mark, et al. v. Suffern, et al.
Case No: 19 M6 6777
Settlement Amount: \$73,000.00
Department: 1210 - Office of the Sheriff
Payable to: Naughton Law Office
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of automobile negligence

23-3674

Case: Davis v. Cook County
Case No: 19 L 2056
Settlement Amount: \$7,000.00
Department: 4897-John H. Stroger Hospital of Cook County
Payable to: Debbie Davis
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of premise liability

23-3692

Case: State Farm a/s/o Jason Kilarski v. Cook County Sheriff's Department
Case No: 23 M1 11165
Settlement Amount: \$2,900.00
Department: 1231 - Police Department
Payable to: Simon McClosky Bassali & Partipilo
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of automobile negligence

23-3814

Case: McNeary v. Dart, et al.
Case No: 22 C 2455
Settlement Amount: \$2,500.00
Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: The Blake Horwitz Law Firm, Ltd.
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

23-3822

Case: Johnson, Marilyn v. Cook County et al.
Case No: 16 C 144
Settlement Amount: \$3,000,000
Department: 4240-Cermak Health Services of Cook County
Payable to: Law Offices of Irene K. Dymkar
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 03/14/2023
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation
A motion to approve 23-3822 passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Vice Chairman Lowry, to approve as amended on the errata the Proposed Settlements Cases. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENTS/DECISIONS REPORT

23-3877

REPORT

Department: Civil Actions Bureau
Report Title: Workers' Compensation Payments Following CCSAO-Litigated Settlements & Awards
Report Period: July 1, 2023 - July 31, 2023
Summary: Authority to Pay Workers' Compensation Settlements & Awards

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, to recommend for approval 23-3877. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS PAYMENT REPORT

23-3794

REPORT

Department: Risk Management
Report Title: Workers' Compensation Payments - Risk Management Settlements
Report Period: 06/01/2023 - 06/30/2023
Summary: Authority to pay Workers' Compensation Settlements

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, to recommend for approval 23-3794. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

23-3795

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Workers' Compensation Claim Payments

Report Period: 06/01/2023 - 06/30/2023

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Workers' Compensation Claim Payments for the month ending June 2023. Payments total \$902,674.06

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, to recommend for approval 23-3795. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

PATIENT/ARRESTEE CLAIMS REPORT

NOTE: There are no cases of the above item type to be approved for this meeting.

SELF-INSURANCE CLAIMS REPORT

NOTE: There are no cases of the above item type to be approved for this meeting.

CLAIMS RECOVERY SETTLEMENTS

23-3609

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Receive and File - Subrogation Claim Recoveries

Report Period: Month ending July 31, 2023

Summary: Submitting for your information, a summary of Claim Recoveries for the month ending 07/31/2023 - Total Recovery: **\$4,529.90** - Number of Recoveries: **2**

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-3609. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

COMPTROLLERS

23-4015

REPORT

Department: Office of the Comptroller

Report Title: Analysis of Revenue and Expenses

Report Period: Six-month period ended May 31, 2023

Summary: Attached is an Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report for the six-month period ended May 31, 2023, for the Corporate, Public Safety, Health, Grants and Special Purpose funds of Cook County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-4015. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

HEALTH & HOSPITAL

23-4022

REPORT

Department: Cook County Health

Report Title: CCH Monthly Report

Report Period: July 2023

Summary: Provide details of report

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, to recommend for receiving and filing 23-4022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

23-3116

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR ARPA VITAL AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM INITIATIVES 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, the Cook County Board of Commissioners via Resolution 21-3654 accepted the ARPA federal award allocated to Cook County to assist the County in its recovery from the economic and health effects of COVID-19 in the amount of approximately \$1,000,372,385.00; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 21-3654 further authorized the Cook County Budget Director and Comptroller to create and implement a Special Purpose Fund for the ARPA award and other accounting measures to track the acceptance and spending of the federal award; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners authorized the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Director, Chief Procurement Officer and applicable using agencies to issue grants, contracts and agreements for ARPA programs approved via Resolution 22-0637; and

WHEREAS, to further the Policy Roadmap Goals, the Bureau of Economic Development (BED) has developed a menu of Vital Community and Healthy Community programs and initiatives 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.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of the following agreement by the BED to utilize ARPA funding for a multiyear

term through Fiscal Year 2026, subject to annual appropriation by the Board, for the BED program as follows:

1. Enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with **Elevate Energy** in an aggregate amount of up to **\$20,000,000** to implement the **Water Affordability Program**, an initiative that will provide water utility bill payment assistance to help struggling households in suburban Cook County and reduce uncollectable debt for municipal water utilities. Elevate expects to partner with CEDA to continue the water utility assistance program that CEDA has been operating since late 2021. Elevate will also focus on water debt relief in communities with a high water burden, meaning that the households in the community spend a significantly larger portion of their income on their water bill. The initiative will also promote water conservation through efforts including a leak repair assistance program, and a water affordability technical assistance program will test out innovative approaches and inform long-term plans to address affordability challenges in suburban Cook County.
2. Enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the **Illinois Public Health Institute (IPHI)** in an aggregate amount of up to **\$1,240,000** to implement the **Community Information Exchange (CIE) Program**, an initiative that will strengthen the coordination of healthcare and social services for Cook County residents by connecting people, service organizations, and community partners more efficiently through data sharing. A CIE will expand on the utility of the 211 Metro Chicago information and referral system for human services by developing a client profile that is shared across the resource systems landscape. This initiative will allow providers of health and social services greater shared visibility into the client/patient needs, create a more efficient experience, and strengthen communication between organizations. IPHI, through its Center for Health Information Sharing and Innovation program, will be responsible for carrying out the planning phase of this initiative, including coalition building, conducting needs assessments, establishing appropriate software, and creating a timeline to launch the CIE Program. IPHI will coordinate the regional network of partners and guide them through the process of realizing a shared vision and strategy, supporting aligned activities, establishing shared measurement practices, fostering public will and advancing policy, and mobilizing funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognizes that time is of the essence and authorizes the Chief of the Bureau of Economic Development to negotiate and enter into the various agreements that outline the specific metric and impact data, and compliance with all ARPA reporting and monitoring requirements with the agencies listed above to implement the above program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chief of the Bureau of Economic Development or its designee to modify the agreements and funding allocations to all BED selected organizations based upon need and utilization.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, to recommend for deferral 23-3116. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Morita, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps and Trevor (14)

Absent Deer, Gordon, and S. Morrison (3)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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

FINANCE MEETING OF JULY 19, 2023

TOTALS FISCAL YEAR 2023 TO PRESENT AND TO BE APPROVED FOR THIS MEETING

SPECIAL COURT CASES

SPECIAL COURT CASES APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2023 TO PRESENT: \$1,473,719.40

SPECIAL COURT CASES TO BE APPROVED: \$95,023.77

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2023 TO PRESENT: ~~\$13,688,267.71~~
\$15,088,267.71**

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS TO BE APPROVED: \$3,292,665.00