#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Finance Committee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County Meeting of October 5, 2023 (Recessed and reconvened October 12, October 24, October 25, October 26, 2023, and November 16, 2023)

The Board of Commissioners of Cook County

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County met pursuant to notice on Thursday, October 5, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. to consider the 2024 Executive Budget being made available for public inspection and the schedule of meetings for the purpose of conducting budgetary hearings.

## **ATTENDANCE**

PRESENT: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners

Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, Sean Morrison, Quezada, Stamps, Trevor, (17)

The following notices were distributed prior to commencement of the meeting:

## **NOTICE**

PUBLIC INSPECTION NOTICE FY 2024 EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION

NOTICE LYNNE M TURNER SECRETARY TO THE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC INSPECTION LOCATIONS FOR FY 2024 BUDGET

On October 5, 2023, the online version of the Executive Budget Recommendation will be available at https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/annual-budget due to the current health crisis, there will be no budget books available for in person inspection.

#### **NOTICE**

The Finance Committee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County has scheduled the meetings listed below for the purpose of conducting public hearings on the proposed 2024 Executive Budget.

Public speakers can register with the secretary of the Board of Commissioners' office and appear before the Finance Committee to speak at these meetings.

Date/Time:

Thursday 10:00 A.M.

October 12, 2023

Thursday 5:00 P.M.

October 12, 2023

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://\Ä#rww.cookcountyil.gov/service/watchlive-board-proceedings or in a viewing area at 69 W. Washington Street, 22nd Floor Conference Room F, 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.

#### **NOTICE**

The Finance Committee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County has scheduled the meetings listed below, for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the proposed 2024 Executive Budget. Changes and updates to this schedule will be posted on www.cookcountyil.gov/budget

Date Time

Tuesday, October 24, 2023 9:30 A.M. (all day)

Wednesday, October 25, 2023 9:30 A.M. (all day)

Thursday, October 26, 2023 12:00 P.M. (all day)

Friday, October 27, 2023 Reserve Day (all day)

In the event that additional time is required beyond the scheduled reserve day, a supplemental-schedule will be distributed.

Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved to adopt the schedule of hearings. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 12, 2023

October 12, 2023

Pursuant to notice, on October 12, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its recessed meeting commencing on October 5, 2023 (recessed and reconvened on various dates in the interim) for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing on the FY 2024 Executive Budget.

The following people offered testimony during the hearing:

Name Organization

In-person

1. Bob Glaves River Oaks Community Education and Development Corporation

Virtual

2. Elder Lanyaird A. Smith, MA Palos Heights

3. Sally Hazelgrove Restoring the Path DBA Crushers Club

4. Richard LaPtratt 211 Metro Chicago

5. Tonita S. LeShore Village of Bellwood

6. Elaine Grande Pathlights

7. Amanda Pyron

The Network: Advocating Against Domestic Violence

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 12, 2023.

# October 12, 2023

Pursuant to notice, on October 12, 2023, at the hour of 5:00 P.M. your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its recessed meeting commencing on October 5, 2023 (recessed and reconvened on various dates in the interim) for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing on the FY 2024 Executive Budget.

The following people offered testimony during the hearing:

# Name Organization

In-person

1. Rodney Harrington River Oaks Community Education and Development Corporation

Virtual

2. Todd Thielmann Palos Heights

3. Ashley L. Dunlap Burke Elementary School

4. April Haymond Cornerstone Community Development Corporation NFP

5. Dr. Muhammad Paracha Asian Human Services Family Health Centers

6. Kim Kislowski Chicago Southland CVB

7. Tasha Levy Storycatchers Theatre

8. Conner Bennett 211 Metro Chicago

9. Patrick Rush South Suburban College

10. Beth Kenefick Greater Chicago Food Depository

11. Gina Speckman Chicago's North Shore CVB

12. Misti Faust Housing Forward

13. Mayor Polk Village of Burnham

14. Zeeshan Ali Apna Ghar, Inc.

15. Sam Toia President of the Illinois Restaurant Association

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 9:30 A.M. on Tuesday, October 24, 2023.

### October 24, 2023

Pursuant to notice, on October 24, 2022, at the hour of 9:30 A.M. your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its recessed meeting commencing on October 5, 2023, for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the FY 2024 Executive Budget.

The following departments presented their budget during the hearing:

- 9:30 Bureau of Finance/Budget Overview
- 10:30 Offices under the President
- 11:45 Office of the Public Administrator
- 12:00 Cook County Health
- 12:45 Cook County Board of Review
- 2:00 Cook County Public Defender

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 9:30 A.M. on Wednesday, October 25, 2023

October 25, 2023

Pursuant to notice, on October 25, 2032, at the hour of 9:30 A.M your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its recessed meeting commencing on October 5, 2023, for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the FY 2024 Executive Budget.

The following departments presented their budget during the hearing:

- 9:30 Clerk of the Circuit Court
- 10:30 Secretary to the Board of Commissioners
- 10:40 Office of the Cook County Sheriff
- 12:00 Office of the County Clerk
- 12:30 Office of the Independent Inspector General
- 12:45 Cook County Assessor
- 1:30 Office of the Chief Judge
- 3:30 Capital Budget Hearing

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 9:30 A.M. on Thursday, October 26, 2023.

October 26, 2023

Pursuant to notice, on October 26, 2023, at the hour of 12:00 P.M., your Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County reconvened its recessed meeting commencing on October 5, 2023, for the purpose of conducting departmental reviews on the FY 2024 Executive Budget.

The following departments presented their budget during the hearing:

12:00 Cook County Treasurer

12:30 Cook County Board of Review

1:30 Land Bank Authority

2:00 Cook County State's Attorney

2:30 Veterans Assistance Commission

3:00 Chicago Board of Elections

Chairman Daley recessed the meeting to the hour of 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, November 16, 2023.

**NOTICE** 

**Board of Commissioners of Cook County** 

**Finance Committee** 

Virtual Meeting

Thursday, November 16, 2023, 10:00 AM

The Finance Committee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Meeting of October 5, 2023

(Recessed and reconvened October 12, October 24, October 25, October 26, 2023)

Shall reconvene at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following item, including proposed amendments thereto:

### 23-4949

Presented by: Toni Preckwinkle, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMENDATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024** 

Department: Office of the President

Summary: Executive Budget, Cook County Budget Resolution and Annual Appropriation Bill for Fiscal Year 2024

Legislative History: 10/5/23 Board of Commissioners refer to the Finance Committee

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET

#### **AMENDMENT #1**

Sponsors: Chairman Daley, Vice- Chairman Lowry

Budgetary Units: Various offices within the General Fund

Description: Technical amendment to make changes to offices under the General Fund not available at time of printing

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison, moved approval of Amendment #1. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #1 was APPROVED.

## **AMENDMENT #2**

Sponsors: Chairman Daley, Vice-Chairman Lowry

Budgetary Units: Various

Description: The proposed amendment revises the line-item budget within each special purpose fund. The fiscal impact is supported through use of special purpose funds' fund balance.

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison, moved approval of Amendment #2. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #2 was APPROVED.

### **AMENDMENT #3**

Sponsors: Commissioner Deer

Budgetary Unit: Various

Description: This amendment incorporates updates to the CCH budget not available at the time of printing. The amendment balances the changes within its own funds.

Commissioner Deer, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, moved approval of Amendment #3. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #3 was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDMENT #4**

Sponsors: Chairman Daley, Vice-Chairman Lowry

Budgetary Unit: Grant Programs

Description: Technical Amendment to make changes to grant program budgets and additional grants not available at time of printing.

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #4. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #4 was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDMENT #5**

Sponsors: Chairman Daley, Vice-Chairman Lowry

Budgetary Unit: Capital Improvement Program

Description: The following Capital Amendment reflects shifts between various funds within the capital accounts not available at the time of printing.

Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #5. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #5 was ACCEPTED.

# **AMENDMENT #6**

Sponsors: Commissioner Morrison, K., Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Lowry, Commissioner Britton, Commissioner Anaya, Commissioner Morita, Commissioner Stamps, Commissioner Trevor, Commissioner Quezada, Commissioner Aguilar, Commission er Gordon, Commissioner Deer

Budgetary Unit: N/A

Description: The following sections of the Resolution and Annual Appropriation Bill For FY 2024 found in Volume 1 of the Executive Budget Recommendation shall be amended as provided below. The amendments address funding from the Pension Stabilization Account, creates the special purpose fund for the Disaster Response and Recovery fund, updates the Analysis of Safe Roads Amendment Expenditures Report to further clarify excluded programs, and amends the remaining section numbers.

Commissioner K. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, moved approval of Amendment #6. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #6 was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDMENT #7**

Sponsors: Chairman Daley, Commissioner Morrison,

K., Commissioner Lowry, Commissioner Britton, Commissioner Anaya, Commissioner Morita, Commissioner Stamps, Commissioner Trevor, Commissioner Quezada, Commissioner Aguilar, Commissioner Gordon, Commissioner Deer

Budget Unit: 1021- Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Description The proposed amendment is to appropriate FY2022 unassigned fund balance in the amount of \$100 million to establish and fund County's Disaster Response and Recovery Fund for usage.

Commissioner K. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, moved approval of Amendment #7. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #7 was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDMENT #8**

Sponsor: Commissioner Morrison, K., Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Lowry, Commissioner Britton, Commissioner Anaya, Commissioner Morita, Commissioner Stamps, Commissioner Trevor, Commissioner Quezada, Commissioner Aguilar, Commissioner Gordon, Commissioner Deer

Budgetary Unit: 1265- Department of Emergency Management and Regional Security; 1490- fixed Charges and Special Purpose Appropriations, Corporate

Description: The proposed amendment is to appropriate funds for the Special Purpose Fund 11292-Disaster Response and Recovery fund for use as prescribed by Amendment 6. The proposed amendment is funded by the increase in General Fund revenue as reflected in Amendment 7.

Commissioner K. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, moved approval of Amendment #8. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #8 was APPROVED.

### **AMENDMENT #9**

Sponsor: Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Aguilar, Commissioner Anaya, Commissioner Britton, Commissioner Deer, Commissioner Degnen, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Gordon, Commissioner Lowry, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Morrison, K., Commissioner Morrison, S., Commissioner Quezada, Commissioner Stamps, Commissioner Trevor

Budgetary Unit: 1452- Veterans Assistance Commission, 1011- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund, 1490- Fixed Charges and Special Purpose Appropriations-Corporate

Description: Amends the President's Executive Recommendation FY24 budget appropriations by adding an appropriation adjustment to Grant Disbursements for ARPA Funding and to Special or Coop Programs for Fixed Charges and Special Purpose Appropriations to increase funding for Special or Coop Programs in the Veterans Assistance Commission of Cook County budget to fund increased benefit services for qualified Veterans in Cook County

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #9. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #9 was APPROVED.

### **AMENDMENT #10**

Sponsor: Commissioner Gordon

Budgetary Unit: 1085- Fifth District

Description: Realignment of funding in accounts to better reflect spending

Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #10. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #10 was APPROVED.

## **AMENDMENT# 11**

Sponsor: Commissioner Trevor

Budgetary Unit: 1089- Ninth District

Description: Amending 1089 9th District Budget

Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, moved approval of Amendment #11. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #11 was APPROVED.

## **AMENDMENT #12**

Sponsor: Commissioner Gainer

Budgetary Unit: 1090- Tenth District

Description: Updates to the 10<sup>th</sup> District FY24 Budget

Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Moore, moved the approval of Amendment #12. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #12 was APPROVED.

### **AMENDMENT #13**

Sponsor: Chairman Daley

Budgetary Unit: 1013- Department of Planning and Development

Description: The proposed amendment is to appropriate collections of the special assessments on the property tax for C-Pace program in the PACE not and Interest Fund as required by the County Ordinance 20-4202

Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #13. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #13 was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDMENT #14**

Sponsor: Chairman Daley

Budgetary Unit: 1013- Department of Planning and Development

Description: The proposed amendment is to appropriate the PACE Note and Interest Fund to record financial transactions as required by the County Ordinance 20-4202. The proposed budget amendment will be funded by the special assessments on the property tax as reflected in Amendment 13.

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #14. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #14 was APPROVED.

## **AMENDMENT #15**

Sponsor: Commissioner Moore

Budgetary Unit: 1014- Budget and Management Services, 1050- Board of Review, 1490- Fixed Charges

Description: Amendment to add four FTEs and increase various accounts in Board of Review

Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #15. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #15 was APPROVED.

## **Amendment #16**

Sponsor: Commissioner Anaya, Commissioner Quezada

Budgetary Unit: 1002- Human Rights and Ethics, 1490- Fixed Charges

Description: Amendment to add an additional Community Outreach and Training Coordinator to the DHRE budget

Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, moved approval of Amendment #16. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #16 was APPROVED.

### **AMENDMENT #17**

Sponsor: Commissioner Degnen, Commissioner Britton

Budgetary Unit: 1490- Fixed Charges, 1018- Office of the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners

Description: This amendment increases the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners' FTE count by 1 to add a Special Assistant for Legal Affairs

Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, moved approval of Amendment #17. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #17 was APPROVED.

### **AMENDMENT#18**

Sponsor: Commissioner Deer

Budgetary Unit: 4890- Health System Administration, 4897- Stroger Hospital

Description: Increase funding in Cook County Health's Food as Medicine ARPA initiative

Commissioner Deer, seconded by Vice-Chairman Lowry, moved approval of Amendment #18. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #18 was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDMENT #19**

Sponsor: Commissioner Miller

Budgetary Unit: 4897- Stroger Hospital, 4893- Ambulatory and Community Health Network

Description: Amends the President's Executive Recommendation FY24 budget appropriations by adding an appropriation adjustment to Registry Services appropriations for Stroger Hospital to be appropriated to Professional Services in the Ambulatory and Community Health Network and Stroger Hospital to fund increased Doula/Social Support Services to improve Maternal Morbidity/Mortality rates for women in Cook County.

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, moved approval of Amendment #19. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #19 was APPROVED.

## **AMENDMENT #20**

Sponsor: Commissioner Lowry, Commissioner Miller, Commissioner Quezada

Budgetary Unit: 4890- Health System Administration, 4893- Ambulatory Community Health Network

Details: The proposed amendment is to reclassify existing vacant positions to add dentistry positions and medical, dental and lab supply budget for Oral Health program within the Ambulatory Community Health Network.

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Quezada, moved approval of Amendment #20. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #20 was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDMENT #21 -S1**

Sponsor: Chairman Daley

Budgetary Unit: N/A

Details: The following sections of Volume III, Leaves of Absence, Section 1. Leaves of Absence with Pay, Subsection A., Designation of Holidays, and Subsection E. Vacation Leave shall be amended as provided below. The amendment addresses modifications the vacation leave accruals and ensures the designation of holidays for Cook County Health employees.

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved to accept the substitute of Amendment #21-S. On a voice vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #21-S was ACCEPTED.

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner K. Morrison, moved approval of Amendment #21-S as substituted. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #21-S1 as substituted was APPROVED.

#### **AMENDEMENT #22**

Sponsor: Chairman Daley

**Budgetary Unit:** 

Details: The following section of the Resolution and Annual Appropriation Bill for FY 2024 found in Volume 1 of the Executive Budget Recommendation shall be amended as provided below

Vice-Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved approval of Amendment #22. On a roll call vote the motion carried 17-0 and Amendment #22 was APPROVED.

#### Item #23-4949

## **EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMENDATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024**

Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, moved that the Finance Committee recommend to the Board of Commissioners the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, AS AMENDED.

A Roll Call was taken, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

# ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO APPROVE #23-4949, as amended

Yeas: Chairman Daley, Vice Chairman Lowry, Commissioners Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Miller, Moore, Morita, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Quezada, Stamps, Trevor (17)

Nays: None (0)

Present: None (O)

Absent: None (O)

The motion carried and the recommendation of the Finance Committee to adopt the 2024 Annual Appropriation Ordinance as Amended, was APPROVED.

Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton moved to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously on a voice-vote and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Finance

John P. Daley, Chairman

John & Deley

Attest:

LYNNE M TURNER, Secretary