



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

10:30 AM

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

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

ATTENDANCE

Present: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

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

1. Sandy Norman
2. Zoe Leigh

26-0731

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 01/14/2026.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to approve 26-0731. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0302

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: McCullough Equipment Inc., d/b/a McCullough Kubota, Frankfort, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Tractor Mowers with Attachments

Contract Value: \$1,206,696.00

Contract period: 2/14/2026 - 2/13/2028 with one (1), one (1) year renewal option

Contract Utilization: The Contract-specific goal set on this Contract is Zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$960,000.00, FY 2027 \$123,348.00, FY 2028 \$123,348.00

Accounts: Capital Equipment: 11569.1500.21120.560155

Contract Number(s): 2457-10011R

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of proposed Contract between the County and McCullough Equipment Inc., d/b/a McCullough Kubota, Frankfort, Illinois. This Contract will provide for the capital purchase of twelve (12) new Tractor Mowers with Attachments. The new equipment will be used for mowing grass along Cook County roadways.

The new Tractor Mowers with Attachments will replace Tractor Mowers that are beyond their useful life. The cost to maintain the current Tractor Mowers is extensive. The new Tractor Mowers with Attachments will provide safe, reliable, and efficient equipment for the Maintenance Bureau.

The vendor was selected pursuant to a publicly advertised Invitation for Bids (IFB) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. McCullough Equipment Inc. d/b/a McCullough Kubota was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0302. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0333

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: Old Plank Road Trail Extension

Location: Village of Ford Heights, Illinois, Village of Lynwood, Illinois, Village of Sauk Village, Illinois, City of Chicago Heights, Illinois

Section: 24-OLDPR-00-BT

County Board District(s): 5, 6

Centerline Mileage: 6.55 miles

Fiscal Impact: \$3,000,000.00 (FY26 = \$750,000.00; FY27 = \$1,000,000.00; FY28 = \$1,000,000.00; FY29 = \$250,000.00)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution. The resolution is for the extension of the Old Plank Road Trail in the Villages of Ford Heights, Sauk Village, and Lynwood, and the City of Chicago Heights in Cook County. The resolution is appropriating funds for preliminary engineering, and an environmental (Phase I) study for improvements to the Old Plank Road Trail.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0333. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0335

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: Traffic Engineering Services

Location: Countywide

Section: 25-TCIDS-01-ES

County Board District(s): Countywide

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$2,000,000.00 (FY26 = \$400,000.00; FY27 = \$400,000.00; FY28 = \$400,000.00; FY29 = \$400,000.00; FY30 = \$400,000.00)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution for Traffic Engineering Services at various locations throughout Cook County. The resolution is appropriating funds for Traffic Engineering Services which includes traffic counts, projections, speed analysis, and intersection traffic control warrants analysis.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0335. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0340

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: BLA, Inc., Itasca Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction Management Services

Location: Old Orchard Road - Wood Drive to Skokie

County Board District(s): 13

Original Contract Period: 8/1/2023 - 7/31/2028

Section: 14-A8327-09-RP

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Section: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$2,709,097.00

Original Board Approval: 6/29/2023, \$2,709,097.00

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Contract Utilization: The vendor has met the Minority-and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Direct Participation.

This Increase Requested: \$2,375,663.00

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$2,375,663.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.560019

Contract Number(s): 2038-18429A

IDOT Contract Number(s): N/A

Federal Project Number(s): N/A

Federal Job Number(s): N/A

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Contract Amendment between the County and BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois.

This contract provides for construction management services in accordance with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) requirements. The Services include oversight in construction supervision, inspection and documentation in pre-construction, construction and post-construction phases. The Consultant will provide qualified individuals who will work under the direction and guidance of the Department's Bureau of Construction in various roles.

This amendment accounts for additional professional services needed for the extended duration of the Old Orchard Road construction project, additional efforts needed to resolve different site conditions, and additional coordination with Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the Village of Skokie.

This contract was awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with Cook County Procurement Code. BLA, Inc. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0340. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0341

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: R.M. Chin & Associates, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction Management Services

Location: 175th Street

County Board District(s): 6

Original Contract Period: 5/27/2024 - 10/28/2028

Section: 20-B6125-00-PV

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Section: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$2,492,387.00

Original Board Approval: 5/16/2024, \$2,492,387.00

Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s): N/A

Contract Utilization: The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Direct Participation. The Prime Vendor is Certified MWBE.

This Increase Requested: \$276,892.00

Potential Fiscal Impact: FY 2026 \$276,892.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.560019

Contract Number(s): 2316-05151A

IDOT Contract Number(s): N/A

Federal Project Number(s): N/A

Federal Job Number(s): N/A

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests the approval of the proposed Amendment 1 between Cook County and R.M. Chin & Associates, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois.

This contract will provide construction management services to the 175th Street Project located in the Village of Tinley Park. The Project locations consisted of 175th Street - Oak Park Avenue to Ridgeland Avenue; Ridgeland Avenue - 175th Street to Oak Forest Avenue and Oak Forest Avenue at Ridgeland Avenue, all in accordance with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) requirements.

The amendment accounts for additional professional services needed for the extended duration of the 175th construction project, additional efforts needed to resolve different site conditions, and additional coordination with various stakeholders.

This contract was awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. R.M. Chin & Associates, Inc., was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0341. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez
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Present: Daley and Morita (2)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0344

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: JESSICA VÁSQUEZ, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Traffic Engineering Services

Location: Countywide

Section: 25-TCIDS-01-ES

Contract Value: \$2,000,000.00

Contract period: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2031

Contract Utilization: The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: Direct Participation.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$300,000.00; FY 2027 \$400,000.00; FY 2028 \$400,000.00; FY 2029 \$400,000.00; FY 2030 \$400,000.00; FY 2031 \$100,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Contract Number(s): 2505-01130

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois.

This contract will allow for the performance of traffic engineering services including, but not limited to, traffic counts, traffic projections, speed analyses, intersection traffic control warrants analyses, crash analyses, permit reviews, intersection design studies, and plans preparation.

The purpose of this contract is to protect the public investment in the transportation system, provide safe, efficient and sustainable highways, and support development of the regional economy in accordance with the Department's mission statement. Furthermore, this improvement promotes the STAR initiative goals of ensuring safe travel and reducing congestion on County highways.

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0344. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0346

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

PROPOSED CONTRACT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department(s): Transportation and Highways

Vendor: Civiltech Engineering, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Preliminary Engineering Services and Preparation of a Phase I Study

Location: Old Plank Road Trail Extension

Section: 24-OLDPR-00-BT

Contract Value: \$2,628,605.00

Contract period: 3/1/2026 - 2/28/2030

Contract Utilization: The Contract Specific-Goal set on this contract is Zero.

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY 2026 \$750,000.00; FY 2027 \$814,303.00; FY 2028 \$814,302.00; FY 2029 \$250,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Contract Number(s): 2405-09261A

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Contract between Cook County and Civiltech Engineering, Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

This contract consists of the preparation of a full preliminary engineering and environmental (Phase I) study (through design approval) for the extension of the Old Plank Road Trail, to fill the gap between the existing terminus of Old Plank Trail at the Thorn Creek Trail in Chicago Heights, Illinois to a logical terminus just west of the state line. The project will include a mixture of on street and off-street trail alignments, including a trail along an inactive Norfolk Southern (NS) rail line through Ford Heights, Sauk Village and Lynwood, Illinois. The Phase I study will be completed in accordance with the respective requirements from Cook County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

This contract is awarded pursuant to a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. Civiltech Engineering, Inc., was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0346. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0347

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: FRANK J. AGUILAR, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED AGREEMENT (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Other Part(ies): BNSF Railway Company (“BNSF”)

Request: Approval of Proposed Agreement

Goods or Services: Construction

Location: City of Berwyn, Villages of Riverside, Brookfield, La Grange, Illinois

Section Number: 24-WCRSI-00-RR

County Board District: 16, 17

Centerline Mileage: N/A

Agreement Period: One-time Agreement

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Fiscal Impact: \$3,000,000.00 (\$2,888,000.00 to be reimbursed From the Federal Railroad Administration)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536 (\$3,000,000.00)

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed Agreement between the County and BNSF Railway Company. BNSF will be the lead agency for construction of Right of way fencing to fill gaps where practicable with the aim of fencing the entire length of the corridor from MP 9 to 14.1. BNSF will furnish all labor, materials, tools, and equipment for the installation of Right of way fencing required for the construction of the Project. The County will reimburse BNSF for its share of construction costs, up to, but not to exceed \$3,000,000.00.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0347. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)

Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)

Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

26-0408

Presented by: JENNIFER (SIS) KILLEN, Superintendent, Department of Transportation and Highways

Sponsored by: FRANK J. AGUILAR, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: West Cook Rail Safety Improvement Project

Location: Village of Brookfield, Illinois; Village of La Grange, Illinois; Village of Riverside, Illinois; City of Berwyn, Illinois

Section: 24-WCRSI-00-RR

County Board District(s): 16

Centerline Mileage: 3.3 miles

Fiscal Impact: \$870,000.00 (FY26 = \$130,500.00; FY27 = \$739,500.00)

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: 11300.1500.29150.521536

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the proposed improvement resolution. The work to be performed is for the West Cook Rail Safety Improvement Project which includes construction for Right-Of-Way (ROW) fencing and pedestrian diversions at stations along the BNSF railroad tracks. The location is between Willow Springs Road and Ridgeland Avenue in the Villages of Riverside, Brookfield and La Grange, and the City of Berwyn in Cook County.

A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to recommend for approval 26-0408. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)
Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)
Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

ADJOURNMENT

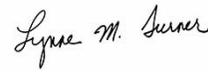
A motion was made by Vice Chairwoman Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Moore, Anaya, Aguilar, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Morita, Stamps, Trevor and Vásquez (11)
Absent: Lowry, Miller, and Scott (3)
Excused Absence: McCaskill, K. Morrison, and S. Morrison (3)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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