



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

9:30 AM

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

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

ATTENDANCE

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

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (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.

26-0599

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 12/17/2025.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 26-0599. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

COURT ORDERS

26-0496

Presented by: CHARLES S. BEACH II, Chief Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County

REPORT

Department: Office of the Chief Judge

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

Report Period: November 21, 2025 - December 19, 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 Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for receiving and filing 26-0496. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

26-0525

Case: Curry, Jordan v. Sims, et al.

Case No: 22 C 5679

Settlement Amount: \$1,500.00

Fixed Charges Department: 4240 - Cermak Health Services of Cook County

Payable to: Jordan Jalil Curry

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

26-0489

Case: Caples, Bernette v. Cook County

Case No: 25 L 11785

Settlement Amount: \$180,000.00

Fixed Charges Department: 899 (Health)

Payable to: Bernette Caples, and her attorneys Karlin, Fleisher & Falkenberg, LLC, only

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 12/17/2025

Subject matter: Settlement of a medical malpractice claim.

26-0519

Case: Al Abadi, Umniat v. Cook County (consolidated with Ayyash v. Cook County)
Case No: 23 L 5410 (consolidated with 23 L 8547)
Settlement Amount: \$700,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 899 (Health)
Payable to: Emad Ayyash, Umniat Al Abadi and Milo W. Lundblad Law, P.C.
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 12/17/2025
Subject matter: Settlement of a medical malpractice claim.

26-0239

Case: Terry, Dimari v. White et al.
Case No: 24 C 4003
Settlement Amount: \$1,000.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: Dimari Terry (Y54425)
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

26-0363

Case: Kerby, Brandon v Dart et al.
Case No: 25 C 2575
Settlement Amount: \$7,500.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: Brandon Kerby
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of failure to protect

26-0492

Case: Barker v. Brown, et al.
Case No: 23 C 3003
Settlement Amount: \$750.00
Fixed Charges Department: 1239 - Department of Corrections
Payable to: Robert Barker
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve the PROPOSED SETTLEMENT CASES. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)
Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

QUARTERLY LITIGATION DISBURSEMENT REPORT

26-0513

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Quarterly Litigation Disbursements

Report Period: 09/01/2025 - 11/30/2025

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information a summary of paid amounts for the Q4 fiscal year 2025. Payments total \$38,575,232

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for approval 26-0513. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENTS/DECISIONS REPORTS

26-0509

REPORT

Department: Civil Actions Bureau

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

Report Period: December 17, 2025, to January 13, 2026

Summary: Authorization to Pay Settlements & Awards

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for approval 26-0509. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS PAYMENT REPORT

26-0512

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Workers' Compensation Claim Payments

Report Period: 11/01/2025 - 11/30/2025

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information a summary of paid amounts for the month ending November 30, 2025. Payments total \$1,071,950.67

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 26-0512. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

26-0526

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Workers' Compensation Payments - Risk Management Settlements

Report Period: 12/01/2025 - 12/31/2025

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is requesting authority to pay Workers' Compensation Settlements for the month ending December 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 26-0526. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

SELF-INSURANCE CLAIMS REPORT

26-0500

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Self Insurance Claim Payments

Report Period: 12/1/2025 12/31/2025

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information a summary of paid amounts for the month ending 12/31/2025. Payments total \$10,870.20

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for approval 26-0500. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

CLAIMS RECOVERY SETTLEMENTS

26-0495

REPORT

Department: Risk Management

Report Title: Receive and File - Subrogation Claim Recoveries

Report Period: Month ending of December

Summary: The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information a summary of Claim Recoveries for the month ending 12/31/2025 - Total Recovery: **\$48,760.05** - Number of Recoveries: **3**

A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to recommend for approval 26-0495. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

COMPTROLLERS

26-0585

REPORT

Department: Comptroller

Report Title: Preliminary Analysis of Revenues and Expenses

Report Period: 12-Month Period Ended November 30, 2025

Summary: Attached is a **Preliminary** Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report for the twelve-month period ended November 30, 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 26-0585. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

HEALTH & HOSPITAL

26-0583

REPORT

Department: Cook County Health (CCH)

Report Title: CCH Monthly Report

Report Period: DECEMBER 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 26-0583. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

26-0220

Presented by: TINA CONSOLA, Director, Department of Revenue

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Revenue / Offices Under the President, Office of the Cook County Treasurer, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Cook County Sheriff's Office, Cook County Clerk's Office

Vendor: LexisNexis VitalChek Network, Inc., Brentwood, Tennessee

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

Good(s) or Service(s): County-wide Credit and Debit Processing Services

Contract Value: Revenue Generating

Contract period: 2/1/2026 - 1/31/2031 with two (2) one-year renewal options

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

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: 2.08% Transaction Fee (DOR absorbs the fee up to \$370,000.00 annually)

Accounts: 11000.1007.11880.520675

Contract Number(s): 2314-02062

Summary: The Cook County User Agencies requests authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to execute a contract for a Countywide Credit/Debit Card Acceptance Processing Service with LexisNexis VitalChek Network, Inc. This contract will allow the vendor to process all credit/debit card transactions on behalf of Cook County User Agencies provided at a 2.08% transaction fee. Only the Cook County Department of Revenue (CCDOR) is absorbing the fees, CCDOR anticipates an increase in revenue collection, as taxpayers are more likely to pay funds owed to the County using their credit/debit cards as a more convenient method of payment.

This contract is awarded through Request for Proposal (RFP) procedures in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. LexisNexis VitalChek Network was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to recommend for approval 26-0220. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (13)

Present: Commissioners: Anaya (1)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Chairman Daley, Commissioners Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Degnen, Gainer, Miller, Moore, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Scott, Stamps, Trevor, and (14)

Excused Absence: Commissioner McCaskill, Morita, Vásquez (3)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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

**FINANCE MEETING OF JANUARY 14, 2026
TOTALS FISCAL YEAR 2026 TO PRESENT AND TO BE APPROVED FOR THIS MEETING**

SPECIAL COURT CASES

SPECIAL COURT CASES APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2026 TO PRESENT: \$43,320.90

SPECIAL COURT CASES TO BE APPROVED: \$00.00

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2026 TO PRESENT: \$1,416,645.11

PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS TO BE APPROVED: \$890,750.00