



## **Board of Commissioners of Cook County**

### **Finance Committee**

**Wednesday, May 15, 2024**

**9:30 AM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room,**

**Issued on: 05/09/2024**

**118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

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**24-3045**

### **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 04/17/2024

### **COURT ORDERS**

**24-2844**

### **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:** April 1, 2024 through April 30, 2024

**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.

## **SPECIAL COURT CASES**

### **24-2982**

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: 04/23/2024  
Time period: 02/20/2024 - 04/22/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$24,062.50  
Paid to Date: \$56,506.00  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

### **24-2983**

Firm: McCarthy & Valentini, LLC.  
Attorney(s): McCarthy & Valentini, LLC.  
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 88 CR 230902  
Date of This Order: 04/23/2024  
Time period: 04/02/2024 - 04/22/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$8,083.00  
Paid to Date: \$321,607.55  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

### **24-2985**

Firm: Office of the Special Prosecutor  
Attorney(s): Michael J. O'Rourke  
Case Name: Appointment of Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 92 CR 25596-01  
Date of This Order: 03/28/2024  
Time period: 10/30/2023 - 03/15/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$13,828.78  
Paid to Date: \$8,436,074.50  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**24-2988**

Firm: Office of the Special Prosecutor  
Attorney(s): Michael J. O'Rourke  
Case Name: Appointment of Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 04 CR 151701  
Date of This Order: 03/28/2024  
Time period: 10/20/2021 - 02/28/2022  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$4,376.25  
Paid to Date: \$8,436,074.50  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**24-2989**

Firm: Office of the Special Prosecutor  
Attorney(s): Michael J. O'Rourke  
Case Name: Appointment of Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 83 C 009326-01  
Date of This Order: 04/16/2024  
Time period: 10/01/2023 - 03/15/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$6,755.00  
Paid to Date: \$8,436,074.50  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**24-2992**

Firm: Law Office of Karla Fiaoni  
Attorney(s): Karla M. Fiaoni  
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 93 CR 2647704  
Date of This Order: 04/02/2024  
Time period: 03/13/2024 - 04/02/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$6,269.25  
Paid to Date: \$96,723.00  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**24-2993**

Firm: Law Office of Karla Fiaoni  
Attorney(s): Karla M. Fiaoni  
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 93 CR 2647704  
Date of This Order: 04/23/2024  
Time period: 04/03/2024 - 04/23/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$28,838.75  
Paid to Date: \$96,723.00  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**24-2994**

Firm: Law Office of Karla Fiaoni  
Attorney(s): Karla M. Fiaoni  
Case Name: In re Special Prosecutor  
Case No.(s): 99 CR 2602001 & 99 CR 2602002  
Date of This Order: 04/02/2024  
Time period: 03/13/2024 - 03/31/2024  
This Court Ordered Amount for fees and expenses: \$2,827.50  
Paid to Date: \$173,473.50  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A

**SPECIAL CRIMINAL COURT CASES**

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

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS**

**24-2978**

Case: Fitzgerald Mullins v. Cook County  
Case No: 2017 L 012175  
Settlement Amount: \$99,000.00  
Department: 1440 - Juvenile Temporary Detention Center  
Payable to: Saks, Robinson, & Rittenberg, Ltd.  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: Settlement of an alleged employment violation

**24-2979**

Case: John Doyle v. Cook County, et al.  
Case No: 2018 L 004059  
Settlement Amount: \$35,000.00  
Department: 1440 - Juvenile Temporary Detention Center  
Payable to: Saks, Robinson, & Rittenberg, Ltd.  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: Allegations of an employment violation

**24-2816**

Case: Ford, Charles J. v. Cook County Board of Review  
Case No: 21 C 5384  
Settlement Amount: \$42,000.00  
Department: 1050 - Board of Review  
Payable to: Charles J. Ford

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of employment discrimination

**24-2308**

Case: *Tompkins, Doris v. Cook County, et al.*  
Case No: 21 L 197  
Settlement Amount: \$57,500.00  
Department: 4891-Provident Hospital of Cook County  
Payable to: Doris Tompkins  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of premises liability

**24-2316**

Case: Brown v. Dart, et al.  
Case No: 21 C 5400  
Settlement Amount: \$800.00  
Department: 4240-Cermak Health Services of Cook County  
Payable to: Randall Brown  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**24-2535**

Case: Richardson v. Cook County et al.  
Case No: 23 C 3637  
Settlement Amount: \$350.00  
Department: 4240 - Cermak Health Services of Cook County  
Payable to: Jamie Richardson  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**24-2576**

Case: Kennebrew v. Dr. Davis  
Case No: 22 C 4617  
Settlement Amount: \$1,800.00  
Department: 4240 - Cermak Health Services of Cook County  
Payable to: Kerry Kennebrew  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**24-2600**

Case: Mays, Anthony v. Dart  
Case No: 20 C 2134  
Settlement Amount: \$275,000.00  
Department: 1210-Office of the Sheriff  
Payable to: Loevy & Loevy Client Trust Account c/o Loevy & Loevy

Litigation Subcommittee Approval: 03/13/2024  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**24-2620**

Case: Pedro Martinez v. Barbara Davis et al  
Case No: 22 -cv- 5319  
Settlement Amount: \$8,000.00  
Department: 4240-Cermak Health Services of Cook County  
Payable to: Gregory E. Kulis & Associates, Ltd. and Pedro Martinez  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: Allegations of a Civil Rights Violation

**24-2765**

Case: Gordon v. Cook County  
Case No: 20 C 819  
Settlement Amount: \$12,500.00  
Department: 1210-Office of the Sheriff  
Payable to: Hinkhouse Williams Walsh IOLTA  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**24-2848**

Case: *Spears v. Mazon; Spears v. Lucas*  
Case No: 21 C 2738; 21 C 3102  
Settlement Amount: \$10,500.00  
Department: 1239-Department of Corrections  
Payable to: Courtney Spears  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**24-2874**

Case: Thadieus Goods v. Dart et al.  
Case No: 23 C 8824  
Settlement Amount: \$1,500.00  
Department: 1210-Sheriff  
Payable to: Thadieus Goods  
Litigation Subcommittee Approval: N/A  
Subject matter: an allegation of a civil rights violation

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENTS REPORT**

**24-2822**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Civil Actions Bureau

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

**Report Period:** April 18, 2024 to May 1, 2024

**Summary:** Authorization to Pay Workers' Compensation Settlements and Awards

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION SETTLEMENTS/DECISIONS REPORT**

**24-2859**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Workers' Compensation Payments - Risk Management Settlements

**Report Period:** 04/01/2024 - 04/30/2024

**Summary:** Authority to pay Workers' Compensation Settlements

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS PAYMENT REPORT**

**24-2861**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Workers' Compensation Claim Payments

**Report Period:** 03/01/2024 - 03/31/2024

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Workers' Compensation Claim Payments for the month ending March 2024. Payments total \$1,691,766.59.

**PATIENT/ARRESTEE CLAIMS REPORT**

**24-2855**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Receive and File Patient Arrestee Claims

**Report Period:** Month ending March 31, 2024

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Patient Arrestees Claims for the month ending March 31, 2024. Payment's total: \$18,671.55

## **SELF-INSURANCE CLAIMS REPORT**

**24-2851**

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Receive and File Self Insurance Claims

**Report Period:** Month Ending March 31, 2024

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information Self Insurance Claims for the month ending March 31, 2024. Payment's total: **\$9,656.03**

## **CLAIMS RECOVERY SETTLEMENTS**

**24-2689**

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Risk Management

**Report Title:** Receive and File - Subrogation Claim Recoveries

**Report Period:** Month ending April 30, 2024

**Summary:** The Department of Risk Management is submitting for your information, a summary of Claim Recoveries for the month ending 04/30/2024 -Total Recovery: **\$6,416.71** Number of Recoveries: **3**

## **COMPTROLLERS**

**24-3036**

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Comptroller Office

**Report Title:** Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report

**Report Period:** Four-month period ended March 31, 2024

**Summary:** Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Report for the four-month period ended March 31, 2024, for the Corporate, Public Safety, Health, Grants and Special Purpose funds of Cook County.

## **HEALTH & HOSPITAL**

**24-1413**

### **REPORT**

**Department:** Cook County Health

**Report Title:** CCH Monthly Report

**Report Period:** May 2024

**Summary:** This report is provided in accordance with Resolution 14-4311 approved by the County Board on 7/23/14.



**24-2238**

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

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

**AMENDMENT TO COUNTY TAXPAYERS' INTEREST ASSURANCE ORDINANCE**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 34 Finance, Article I Generally, Section Number 34-4 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec. 34-4. Investment of public funds.**

(a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Cook County Taxpayers' Interest Assurance Ordinance".

(b) All elected and appointed public officials of Cook County are directed to invest public funds in their possession or for which they are custodians in interest-bearing accounts, except where prohibited by law or for which compelling economic reasons do not justify the use of an interest-bearing account. If any public funds are not invested in an interest-bearing account, the elected or appointed public official shall certify in writing to the Chief Financial Officer and the County Auditor the reason that such funds have not been invested in an interest-bearing account. The Chief Financial Officer and the County Auditor will forward to the President of the County Board who, in turn, will forward to the Chairman of the Audit Committee the correspondence received from the elected or appointed officials indicating why public funds have not been invested in an interest-bearing account. On an annual basis, the Chief Financial Officer shall report to the Audit Committee a listing of all depository accounts including the department number, department name, name of account, depository institution, account number, account balance, average daily balance, authorized signers, interest rate and any explanation or certification for any noninterest-bearing accounts.

(c) The County Auditor shall report to the County Board as part of an annual audit of the accounts of each elected and appointed public official:

- (1) The nature and amount of all funds for which such certifications have been received from elected or appointed public officials;
- (2) The rates of return received by elected and appointed public officials on invested funds; and
- (3) The average daily balance in the interest-bearing account in order to provide a benchmark against which to evaluate the rate of return the elected and appointed officials are earning on the funds.

(d) Any public funds in the possession or custody of an elected or appointed public official may be invested in any financial institution approved from time to time by the County Board as a depository of public funds. The minimum requirements for any financial institution to be an approved depository for

County funds shall include:

- (1) Minimum capital requirement of \$10,000,000.00;
- (2) The institution must have been in operation for at least five years;
- (3) Located in Cook County, and
- (4) Meet regulatory requirement of the Community Reinvestment Act and not engage in predatory lending practices.

No elected or appointed public official shall open any new account in an approved depository without reporting the opening of such account to the County Auditor and the Chief Financial Officer of the County within seven days of the opening of such account.

(e) Any elected or appointed public official who invests any public funds in any approved depository which are in excess of the insured limits of such depository shall require that such depository provide at least 102 percent collateral or provide a surety bond in an amount of 102 percent on any funds in excess of the insured limit of such depository, except as provided in Subsection (f) of this section.

(f) The Cook County Treasurer is authorized to make use of the Illinois Public Treasurer's Investment Pool (IPTIP), pursuant to 30 ILCS 235/2(e) (1992), ~~to on a limited basis~~ facilitate wire transfers of funds due and owing to Cook County payable by the State of Illinois. Such funds, as they become due to Cook County, may be invested by the Cook County Treasurer in the IPTIP for a period of time not to exceed ten calendar days at which point the funds must be transferred to the County and recognized as revenue in the County's financial records. Once such funds are recognized as revenue in the Cook County's financial records, the funds are eligible to be reinvested by the Cook County Treasurer's Office into a separate account registered with IPTIP for investment purposes. The collateral requirement on County funds invested by the County Treasurer in the IPTIP shall not be less than 102 percent.

Whenever a public agency deposits any public funds in a financial institution, the public agency shall enter into an agreement with the financial institution requiring any funds not insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation to be collateralized by securities, a letter of credit or mortgage backed securities in an amount equal to at least 102 percent of the market value of that amount of funds deposited exceeding the insurance limitation provided by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation. The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution that is rated "A" or better by at least two of the following rating agencies: Fitch, Moody's and Standard & Poor's. Mortgage backed securities used as collateral must be guaranteed by the Federal Home Loan Bank system, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or the Federal National Mortgage Association.

(g) Except as provided in Subsection (f) of this section, Cook County funds placed in the IPTIP shall be invested in the same manner, in the same types of investments and subject to the same limitations provided for the investment of funds in the State Treasury.

(h) The Cook County Treasurer, the Chief Financial Officer of Cook County, and the County Comptroller are authorized to execute on behalf of Cook County, an "Application and Agreement to Participate in the Illinois Public Treasurer's Investment Pool", the terms of which shall not be inconsistent with this section.

(i) As used in this section, the term "public funds" shall mean current operating funds, special funds, interest and sinking funds, and funds of any kind or character belonging to or in the custody of any elected or appointed public official. The County Board may supersede the provisions of this section should the authorizing ordinance specify the permitted investments and with respect to similar funds held in a fiduciary capacity pursuant to statute or specific ordinance.

**Effective date:** This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-2242**

**Presented by:** KENNETH HARRIS, Director, Department of Revenue

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Department of Revenue

**Vendor:** Revenue Solutions, Inc. (RSI), Pembroke, Massachusetts

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to extend and increase contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Integrated Home Rule Tax Processing System - Upgrade, License, Support and Maintenance

**Original Contract Period:** 10/1/2015 - 9/30/2020, with five (5), one (1) year renewal options

**Proposed Amendment Type:** Extension and Increase

**Proposed Contract Period:** Extension period 10/1/2025 - 9/30/2028

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$15,430,839.00

**Original Approval (Board or Procurement):** Board, 9/9/2015, \$10,971,946.00

**Increase Requested:** \$3,320,655.00

**Previous Board Increase(s):** 8/3/2016, \$692,000.00; 9/24/2020, \$3,766,893.00

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

**Previous Board Renewals:** 9/24/2020, 10/1/2020 - 9/30/2025

**Previous Chief Procurement Officer Renewals:** N/A

**Previous Board Extension(s):** N/A

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

**Potential Fiscal Impact:** FY 2024 \$457,000.00, FY 2025 \$1,264,260.00, FY 2026 \$791,785.00, FY2027 \$807,620.00

**Accounts:** (11000.1490.11880.521531.00000.00000)

**Contract Number(s):** 1518-14681

**Concurrences:**

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance via: Full MWBE waiver.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

**Summary:** Through this contract amendment, the Department of Revenue seeks to extend the License, Support and Maintenance of the Integrated Home Rule Tax Processing System (ITPS) software suite as well as to modify the scope to include upgrading the software to a newer version with enhanced functionality. The ITPS is a fully integrated accounting system with comprehensive financial reporting, case management, fully electronic audit workpapers, exception tracking, and online filing and payment capabilities. The system digitizes and streamlines many of the Department of Revenue’s core functions.

The original contract was a Comparable Government Procurement pursuant to Section 34-140 of the Cook County Procurement Code. Revenue Solutions, Inc. was previously awarded a contract through a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process by the State of Rhode Island.

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-2120**

**Presented by:** VELISHA HADDOX, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Various Cook County Bureaus, Agencies, and Office of the Elected Officials

**Vendor:** Sanchez Daniels & Hoffman, LLP Chicago, Illinois

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Labor Consultation and Representation Services (Target Market) for two (2) categories of legal services:

Category IV - Employment Law

Category V - Employment Benefits and Pension

**Contract Value:** Program: \$500,000.00

**Contract period:** 6/1/2024 - 5/31/2027, with three (3), one (1) year renewal options

**Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact:** NA

**Accounts:** Countywide

**Contract Number(s):** 2308-02060A

**Concurrences:**

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance Via: direct participation. The prime vendor is MWBE.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

**Summary:** The selected firm may provide legal consultation and representation services for various County bureaus, agencies, and offices of the elected officials.

These contracts are awarded through Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code.

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-2121**

**Presented by:** VELISHA HADDOX, Chief, Bureau of Human Resources

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Various Cook County Bureaus, Agencies, and Office of the Elected Officials

**Vendor:** Various Law Firms:

Franczek P.C., Chicago, Illinois

Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, Chicago Illinois

Laner Muchin, Ltd. Chicago, Illinois

Robbins, Schwartz, Nicolas, Lifton, & Taylor Ltd. d/b/a Robbins Schwartz, Chicago, Illinois

Charles H. Wintersteen d/b/a Charles H. Wintersteen, P.C., Chicago, Illinois

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Labor Consultation and Representation Services (Non-Target Market) for six (6) categories of legal services:

Category I - Union Contract Negotiations,

Category II - Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) Interpretation and Implementation

Category III - Labor Relations Board Matters

Category IV - Employment Law

Category V - Employment Benefits and Pension

Category VI - Employment of Foreign Nationals

**Contract Value:** Program: \$4,100,000.00

**Contract period:** All Contracts: 6/1/2024 - 5/31/2027, with three (3), one (1) year renewal options

**Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact:** NA

**Accounts:** Various - Countywide

**Contract Number(s):**

2308-02061A Laner Muchin, Ltd.

2308-02061B Franczek P.C.

2308-02061C Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP

2308-02061D Robbins, Schwartz, Nicolas, Lifton, & Taylor Ltd. d/b/a Robbins Schwartz

2308-02061E Charles H. Wintersteen d/b/a Charles H. Wintersteen, P.C.

**Concurrences:**

The Contract specific goal on this contract is Zero.

The Chief Procurement Officer Concur.

**Summary:** The selected firms may provide legal consultation and representation services for various County bureaus, agencies, and offices of the elected officials.

These contracts are awarded through the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code.

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-1676**

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**TO PROVIDE ARPA FUNDS TO SUPPORT COOK COUNTY ARTS VIA SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH LISC CHICAGO**

**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 Resolutions 22-3657 and 22-0637; and

**WHEREAS**, to further the Policy Roadmap Goals, the Bureau of Economic Development (BED) developed a menu of Vital Community programs and initiatives which received approval through the Project Management Office process to utilize ARPA funding for such programs and initiatives pursuant; and

**WHEREAS** Resolutions 22-3657 and 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; and

**WHEREAS** Cook County Bureau of Economic Development seeks to advance industry-sector strategies to build vibrant, sustainable and inclusive communities where people want to live, learn, work and play; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Policy Roadmap includes a key objective under Vital Communities to “Invest in economic sectors with good jobs and positive economic, environmental and social impact”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County arts sector is an essential driver of community vibrancy and livability that continues to experience increased operating costs, audience loss and decreased revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, to advance the above the Bureau of Economic Development established the Cook County Arts (NT830) as an initiative to support artists and arts organizations with grants, engage with municipalities to promote arts investments and explore strategies for Cook County to support arts sector beyond ARPA; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 22-4414 authorized the Bureau of Economic Development to enter into a Sub-recipient Agreement with the Arts Alliance Illinois in an aggregate amount of up to \$5,000,000 to encourage investment in the arts and promote economic recovery in this hard-hit sector in suburban Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Arts Alliance Illinois and the Bureau of Economic Development have mutually agreed to a modified scope of work and reduction of the allocated funding totaling up to \$1.8 million to focus on distribution of relief grants to suburban Cook nonprofit arts organizations, conduct an analysis of the suburban Cook arts landscape and assist the County identify opportunities to further support integration of the arts into the county’s programs and policies, with the intention of supporting the sector’s long-term vitality and growth; and

**WHEREAS**, to ensure expediency in the effective implementation of the Cook County Arts’ objectives, Cook County seeks to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with LISC Chicago (“LISC”) for up to \$2.0 million, a regional nonprofit affiliate of the national Local Initiative Support Corporation, to develop an arts-focused creative placemaking initiative in suburban Cook; and

**WHEREAS**, LISC has a track record of building organizational capacity by organizing and engaging stakeholders to further community-driven economic and cultural development.

**WHEREAS**, LISC currently provides grants, loans, technical assistance, and other resources to more than 70 nonprofit partners in low- and moderate-income communities across Chicago and this program will expand its footprint into suburban Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, the initial project scope of the Arts Alliance Illinois included the creation and delivery of training curriculum to foster and support the arts in local communities; and



**WHEREAS**, based upon mutual agreement between the Bureau of Economic Development and the Alliance, and in recognition of LISC’s experience in this area, BED will engage LISC to develop initiatives to support the arts, often called creative placemaking projects, provide capacity building to support project development and create the framework to provide implementation grants for said projects in suburban Cook County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the Bureau Chief of the Bureau of Economic Development to amend the Arts Alliance Illinois’ original scope of work and reduce its budget and then enter into a new subrecipient agreement with LISC Chicago for Cook County Arts for up to \$2.0 million through 2026 to provide technical assistance to projects that support the arts in suburban Cook as well as administer, and distribute grants to advance these projects; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Bureau Chief of the Bureau of Economic Development or its designee to modify the agreement and funding amount based upon need, performance, and utilization, subject to annual appropriation by the Board.

**Legislative History :** 3/14/24 - Board of Commissioners - withdraw

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-2131**

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR AN ARPA VITAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM INITIATIVE 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**, to effectuate the approach outlined in the ARPA Framework, the Cook County Board of Commissioners authorized the Chief Financial Officer and the Budget Director to expend a limited amount of ARPA funding via Resolution 21-3657 for the purpose of continuing and expanding existing County programs and initiatives, including any created under CRF, as well as for the purpose of building operational support capacity within County departments and offices to assist with managing the ARPA funded initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 22-0637 authorized the Chief Financial Officer, Budget Director, Chief Procurement Officer and applicable using agencies to issue grants, contracts and agreements for up to \$100M in ARPA funding for Vital Community programs approved via Resolution 22-0637; and

**WHEREAS**, to further the Policy Roadmap Goal to pursue inclusive economic and community growth by supporting residents, growing businesses, attracting investment and nurturing talent, the Bureau of Economic Development (BED) has developed a menu of Vital Community programs and initiatives, including the Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt Program, 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 in regard to ARPA programs in an amount over \$1M shall require the approval of the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 22-2807 authorized the Bureau of Economic Development to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the Chicago Bar Foundation in an aggregate amount of up to \$13,929,400 to implement the Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt Program; and

**WHEREAS**, ARPA funding is available within the Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt Program, and the Bureau of Economic Development desires to provide additional funding to the Chicago Bar Foundation to support their implementation of the Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of the following agreement amendment by the BED, subject to satisfactory performance of the program by the subrecipient and subject to annual appropriation by the Board:

1. Amend the Subrecipient Agreement with the **Chicago Bar Foundation** to increase the total funding by **\$4,815,527** from the original approved amount of **\$13,929,400** to a revised aggregate amount of up to **\$18,744,927** to continue their implementation of the **Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt Program**, a program to help Cook County residents resolve eviction, foreclosure, consumer debt, and tax deed issues prior to court and during the court process.

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that funding for the BED ARPA Programs shall be subject to availability of funds from the United States Government and appropriation of funding by the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-2513**

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**PROPOSAL FOR ARPA FUNDING-HOMEBUYER DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**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 \$1,000,372,385 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 Resolutions 22-3657 and 22-0637; and

**WHEREAS**, to further the Policy Roadmap Goals, the Bureau of Economic Development has developed a menu of programs to support economic recovery, inclusive of the development of affordable and supportive housing in the post COVID era, 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 loan agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolutions 22-3657 and 22-0637 provided that any awards issued regarding ARPA programs in an amount over \$1M shall require the approval of the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, The Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development was designated the lead for ARPA Initiative NT093: Mortgage Assistance, a \$16,000,000.00 initiative geared toward offsetting the inflationary pressures on housing prices, home mortgage interest rates, new home supply deficiencies and further offsetting marginalized appreciation and equity gains of families within Qualified Census Tracts and Disproportionately Impacted Areas under the COVID pandemic.

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Planning and Development is recommending funding \$3,000,000 in American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA) to Stifel, Inc., to fund Down Payment Assistance Funding to prospective homebuyers.

**WHEREAS**, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company Incorporated (Stifel, Inc.) will be the County’s representative both marketing and underwriting the down payment assistance program. Stifel, Inc., is a wealth management and investment banking firm providing services to individuals, institutions, corporations and municipalities. Stifel, Inc., will contract with a mortgage service provider and subordinate mortgage bankers to provide multiple options of both services and products to homebuyers. The network is projected to continue to have more than twenty lenders in the Cook County market, including the City of Chicago.

**WHEREAS**, Funds will be used to directly support homebuyers in Disproportionately Impacted Areas (DIA), HUD Qualified Census Tracts (QCT) and the general market with the latter supporting homebuyers with incomes less than 120% of Area Median Income. Buyers purchasing properties within the DIA and QCT will not have income limitations. All homebuyers must reside in the property as their primary residence.

**WHEREAS**, Homeowners will have two primary benefit options that may be used unilaterally or in combination to maximize benefit to the homeowner.

1. Using Down Payment Assistance to buy down the principal amount of their home mortgage
2. Using Down Payment funds to buy down the interest rate of the permanent mortgage

Down Payment Assistance awards will be evidenced by a subordinate mortgage on the property requiring buyer affordability provisions and primary residency through a five-year period. Subordinate mortgages may be partially satisfied or forgiven pro rata annually during the initial five-year period to allow immediate wealth accumulation and to not limit homebuyer mobility during the residency period.

**WHEREAS**, Down Payment Assistance will be the lesser of five percent (5%) of home purchases or \$25,000 to the extent it closes the homeownership gap of projected homeownership costs at 30% of Household Income.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the allocation of ARPA funds to support homebuyer down payment assistance and authorizes the Director of Planning and Development to further negotiate required evidentiary documents to enter into agreement with Stifel, Inc., to administer the down payment assistance program.

**Legislative History** : 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-2735**

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, BRIDGET DEGNEN, BRIDGET GAINER, MONICA GORDON, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, JOSINA MORITA, KEVIN B. MORRISON, SEAN M. MORRISON, ANTHONY J. QUEZADA, TARA S. STAMPS and MAGGIE TREVOR, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**PROPOSAL FOR ARPA NT 093 MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE - SINGLE FAMILY HOME 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 \$1,000,372,385 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; 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 user agencies to issue grants, contracts and agreements for ARPA programs approved via Resolutions 22-3657 and 22-0637; and

**WHEREAS**, to further the Policy Roadmap Goals, the Bureau of Economic Development has developed a menu of programs to support economic recovery, inclusive of the development of affordable and supportive housing in the post-COVID era, 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 loan agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolutions 22-3657 and 22-0637 provided that any awards issued regarding ARPA programs in an amount over \$1M shall require the approval of the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Economic Development through its Department of Planning and Development was designated the lead for ARPA Initiative NT093: Mortgage Assistance, a \$16,000,000.00 initiative geared toward offsetting the inflationary pressures on housing prices, home mortgage interest rates, new home supply deficiencies and further offsetting marginalized appreciation and equity gains of families within HUD Qualified Census Tracts (QCT) and Disproportionately Impacted Areas (DIA) under the COVID pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Planning and Development is recommending funding \$12,000,000 of the ARPA-NT093 initiative funds to support a single-family initiative to develop homes demonstrating modular construction techniques, constructing up to 150 single family home units; and

**WHEREAS**, the communities including Humboldt Park in the City of Chicago, the City of Chicago Heights, and Maywood, Broadview and Bellwood within Proviso Township have been identified as communities for the demonstration in the first phase of development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Land Bank has acquired vacant land in various DIA and QCT areas in Cook County, along with funding to support buyer assistance, the County seeks to enter into agreement with the Cook County Land Bank to develop homes on land within the Cook County Land Bank ownership and utilize available home buyer assistance administered by the Cook County Land Bank in combination with proposed developer subsidies contained within the subject development structure to offer new homeownership opportunities within the County; and

**WHEREAS**, municipalities within Cook County and not-for-profit organizations have acquired land for the purpose of redeveloping single family home communities and are willing to make land available for development under this program, such land may be incorporated into this program; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding for development will be structured as a construction loan to designated developers to support the development of the homes, with the loans collateralized by the land and homes developed, repayable from the proceeds of sales to homebuyers, net of the homebuyer subsidy. Proceeds of the sale will be accumulated per development to finance additional development of single-family homes within additional (2nd or 3rd) phases of development as proceeds remain available; and

**WHEREAS**, single family homes provide the basis for community, family stability and wealth accumulation, the single-family homes will be developed to support family with incomes less than 120% of Area Median Income, supported by a subsidy of no greater than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) per unit in developer subsidy convertible in part or in whole to a homebuyer subsidy directly benefitting the household purchasing the home as their primary residence; and

**WHEREAS**, homebuyer subsidy awards will require homebuyers reside in the property as their primary residence; and

**WHEREAS**, with homes developed within the Disproportionately Impacted Areas (DIA) or Qualified Census Tracts (QCT), homebuyers with household income exceeding the 120% AMI may purchase the homes without subsidy: and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the use of \$12,000,000 of ARPA funds for the demonstration of single-family homes utilizing modular technologies and authorizes the Director of Planning and Development under the Bureau of Economic Development to select and structure developments and enter into development, partnership and loan agreements required for development of the single-family homes.

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**24-1503**

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

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR AN ARPA VITAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM INITIATIVE 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 programs and initiatives, including the Water Affordability Program, 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; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 23-3116 authorized the Bureau of Economic Development to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with Elevate Energy in an aggregate amount of up to \$7,820,000 to begin implementation of the Water Affordability Program; of which \$7,500,000 was intended to be provided to CEDA to administer a household water utility assistance program; and

**WHEREAS**, BED, Elevate Energy and CEDA worked to design the household water utility assistance program and jointly determined that such program would not be feasible and cost-effective to administer, and the funding initially intended for such program will be allocated to Elevate Energy for the programs provided herein; and

**WHEREAS**, ARPA funding is available within the Water Affordability Program, and the Bureau of Economic Development desires to provide additional funding to Elevate Energy to support their implementation of the remaining components of the Water Affordability Program which include residential water efficiency efforts; a municipal bulk household debt relief strategy in income-qualified and high water-burdened communities; and a water affordability technical assistance program for municipalities in suburban Cook County; and



**WHEREAS**, the remaining \$8.5 million in BED’s Vital Communities Water Affordability Program will be transferred to the Connected (formerly Smart) Communities Pillar to support Build Up Cook water capital projects.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of the following agreement amendment by the BED, subject to annual appropriation by the Board:

1. Amend the Subrecipient Agreement with **Elevate Energy** to increase the total funding by **\$3,680,000**, from the original approved amount of \$7,820,000 to a revised aggregate amount of up to \$11,500,000 to continue their implementation of the **Water Affordability Program**. Elevate will operate several components of the Water Affordability Program: residential water efficiency efforts, including a leak repair assistance program; a municipal bulk household debt relief strategy in income-qualified and high water-burdened communities that incorporates water affordability best practices; and a water affordability technical assistance program for municipalities in suburban Cook County.

**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.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that funding for the BED ARPA Programs shall be subject to availability of funds from the United States Government and appropriation of funding by the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

**Legislative History :** 4/18/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Finance Committee

**FINANCE MEETING OF MAY 15, 2024**

**TOTALS FISCAL YEAR 2024 TO PRESENT AND TO BE APPROVED FOR THIS MEETING**

**SPECIAL COURT CASES**

**SPECIAL COURT CASES APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2024 TO PRESENT:                 \$712,408.09**

**SPECIAL COURT CASES TO BE APPROVED:   \$95,041.03**

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS**

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2024 TO PRESENT: \$38,676,964.29**

**PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS TO BE APPROVED:   \$543,950.00**