



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

10:45 AM

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

Issued on: 5/6/2025

NOTICE AND AGENDA

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have registered to speak, with the Secretary, 24 hours in advance of the meeting. To register as a public speaker, go to the meeting details page for this meeting at <https://cook-county.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> to find a registration link. Duly authorized public speakers may speak live from the County Board Room at 118 N. Clark Street, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL or 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 virtual 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://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/watch-live-board-proceedings> or in a viewing area at 69 W. Washington Street, 22nd Floor Conference Room D, 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.

[25-2753](#)

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 4/9/2025

[25-2199](#)

Presented by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners, DONNA MILLER, County Commissioner

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Carl Smits

Position: Trustee

Department/Board/Commission: Lincoln-Lansing Drainage District

Effective date: 4/10/2025

Expiration date: 4/10/2028

Legislative History : 4/10/25 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[25-2308](#)

Presented by: TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Dr. Kiran Joshi

Position: Chief Operating Officer

Department/Board/Commission: Cook County Department of Public Health

Effective date: Effective upon approval; The Cook County Board hereby authorizes said appointment and approves the Compensation Package negotiated by Cook County Health for Dr. Joshi. See Exhibit A Compensation Package

Expiration date: Not Applicable; At-Will Employment

Legislative History : 4/10/25 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[25-2282](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Anthony LoSasso

Position: Member

Department/Board/Commission: Independent Revenue Forecasting Commission

Effective date: 5/15/2025

Expiration date: 5/15/2028

Legislative History : 4/10/25 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[25-2325](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Alexandra Lara

Position: Member

Department/Board/Commission: Juvenile Temporary Detention Center Advisory Board

Effective date: 5/15/2025

Expiration date: 5/15/2025

Legislative History : 4/10/25 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[25-2328](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): John Zapala

Position: Member

Department/Board/Commission: Justice-Willow Springs Water Commission

Effective date: 5/15/25

Expiration date: 5/15/29

Legislative History : 4/10/25 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[25-1822](#)

Sponsored by: KEVIN B. MORRISON, DR. KISHA E. McCASKILL, MAGGIE TREVOR and BRIDGET DEGNEN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE I, SECTION 2-9, GENDER INCLUSIVE DOCUMENTS AND FORMS

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 2 - Administration, Article I, Section 2-9 - Gender Inclusive Documents and Forms, of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

Sec. 2-9. Gender Inclusive Documents and Forms.

- (a) ~~Instead of sex, forms and documents issued by the county shall ask for an individual's gender. No form issued by the County shall ask an individual's sex unless it is necessary for medical reasons, legitimate government data collection, or required by another law.~~
- (b) ~~Where selection of gender from predetermined options is required by design of any County form, the gender options on said forms shall include at least multi-select options for "man", "woman", "non-binary", "cisgender", "transgender", "a gender not listed here", and "decline to answer" and may include additional genders. Any time the County asks for an individual's sex,~~

~~the form or document shall ask for an individual's "sex assigned at birth".~~

- (c) Where honorifics or titles are made available on any County form, the County shall recognize and make available in any list of predetermined options the gender-neutral honorific "Mx." and an option for an individual to choose to not use an honorific.~~The County shall also ask for the gender identity of an individual any time that a form or document asks for an individual's sex assigned at birth.~~
- (d) Where templates are used to create identification cards, business cards, stationery, letterheads, or other personalized documentation, said templates shall include designated space for pronouns. Where selection of pronouns from predetermined options is required by design of any form or template, the pronoun options on said form or template shall include "he/him", "she/her", "they/them", and an option for an individual to fill in their pronouns. The County shall provide a written explanation on any County form or document that requires an individual's sex assigned at birth and gender identity including:
- ~~(1) Why this data needs to be collected.~~
 - ~~(2) How the data will be used.~~
 - ~~(3) How this data will be kept confidential.~~
- (e) No form issued by the County shall ask an individual's sex unless it is necessary for medical reasons, legitimate government data collection, or required by another law. Where selection of gender identity from predetermined options is required by design of any County form, the gender identity options on said forms shall include at least "man", "woman", "transgender woman/transfeminine", "transgender man/transmasculine", "nonbinary/gender nonconforming", an option to fill in, and "decline to answer" and may include additional gender identities.
- (f) The County shall provide a written explanation on any County form or document that requires an individual's sex including:
- (1) Why this data needs to be collected.
 - (2) How the data will be used.
 - (3) How this data will be kept confidential.

~~Where honorifics or titles are made available on any County form, the County shall recognize and make available in any list of predetermined options the gender neutral honorific "Mx." and an option for an individual to choose to not use an honorific.~~

- (g) Nothing in this ordinance prevents medical providers from asking medically necessary questions about patients' physical attributes. Asking or collecting information about "sex" or "sex at birth," however, shall not be used as a substitute for obtaining information about

~~specific reproductive organs, whether external or internal. Where templates are used to create identification cards, business cards, stationery, letterheads, or other personalized documentation, said templates shall include designated space for pronouns. Where selection of pronouns from predetermined options is required by design of any form or template, the pronoun options on said form or template shall include "he/him", "she/her", "they/them", and an option for an individual to fill in their pronouns.~~

(h) Exemptions:

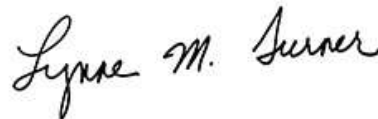
(1) All forms and other documents that are already printed may continue to be used until the stock is exhausted or until June 1, 2025, ~~January 1, 2023~~, -Whichever comes first.

(2) All online forms and documents that do not have the technological capacity to make the updates by the effective date in this section shall detail an explanation in the Implementation Timeline Report and implement these updates as soon as is feasible and no later than June 1, 2025, ~~January 1, 2023~~.

(3) The Cook County Bureau of Technology shall compile an Implementation Timeline Report to present to the Cook County Technology and Innovation Committee within three months of passage of the Ordinance that will determine when online documents and forms can feasibly be updated to comply with this Section. The report should detail an explanation of the forms or documents that cannot be updated by the effective date of this Ordinance and the steps needed to meet the June 1, 2025, ~~January 1, 2023~~, deadline.

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

Legislative History : 4/10/25 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta



Secretary

Chair: Britton
Vice-Chair: Degnen
Members: Committee of the Whole