

# **Board of Commissioners of Cook County**

## **Criminal Justice Committee**

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

10:30 AM

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

## 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 submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall 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 be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. 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.

16-6312

# **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 3/2/2016

**Legislative History:** 11/17/16 - Criminal Justice Committee - no action taken

17-1639

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 11/17/2016-Public Hearing

## 17-1126

**Sponsored by:** RICHARD R. BOYKIN, SEAN M. MORRISON, JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER and GREGG GOSLIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

# A RESOLUTION CALLING ON PRESIDENT-ELECT DONALD J. TRUMP TO SEND FEDERAL RESOURCES TO FIGHT VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO

**WHEREAS**, at least 762 people were murdered in Chicago in 2016, which is nearly 300 more people than were killed in all of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 4,300 people were shot in Chicago in 2016, which is about 1,400 more shooting victims than in all of 2015; and

WHEREAS, Chicago had more people killed by gun violence in 2016 than New York and Los Angeles combined; and

WHEREAS, minorities are most often the victims of the rising violence in Chicago; and

WHEREAS, the incoming presidential administration has indicated that it will send additional federal resources to combat violence if leaders here request them; and

WHEREAS, Cook County government must be proactive in its anti-violence efforts by initiating the dialogue with the incoming presidential administration to develop strategies and request the needed resources to help tackle the epidemic of violence; and

WHEREAS, those resources should come in the form of economic investment in endangered communities; and

WHEREAS, the federal government can assist Chicago police by utilizing federal law enforcement officers to help local officers in curbing the violence and solving more homicides; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that elected officials in their leadership capacities provide the crucial moral and public support to law enforcement officials as they undertake the difficult and dangerous task of combating the epidemic of violence; and

**WHEREAS**, these measures will have an immediate and significant impact on reducing the violence in Chicago without utilizing the National Guard; and

WHEREAS, the issue of violence is not a political one, and every citizen of Chicago and Cook County should have a right to be safe in their neighborhoods and live without fear of being shot and killed; and

WHEREAS, elected officials must make every effort to fight the violence in Chicago to prevent 2017

from seeing even more people killed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners and President of the Board that this Resolution serve as a formal request to President-elect Donald Trump to provide additional resources to fight the violence plaguing Chicago and that the Cook County Administration, under the leadership of President Toni Preckwinkle, take the necessary steps of communication to initiate this most critical appeal for assistance.

**Legislative History:** 1/18/17 - Board of Commissioners - approve

**Legislative History:** 1/18/17 - Board of Commissioners - motion withdrawn

**Legislative History:** 1/18/17 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Criminal Justice Committee

Secretary

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Chairman: Garcia Vice-Chairman: Moore

Members: Committee of the Whole