



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

1:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

SECOND REVISED 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 virtual public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, email address, phone number, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized virtual public speakers shall 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 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 C, 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.

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 9/21/2021

[21-5411](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Michael Mango

Position: Trustee

Department/Board/Commission: Norwood Park Street Lighting District

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: 5/2/2022 - filling the vacancy of Larry Rogawski

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-5408](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Michael Ciszewski

Position: Trustee

Department/Board/Commission: Norwood Park Street Lighting District

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: Three years from date of approval

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-5310](#)

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Cassandra W. Elston

Position: Trustee

Department/Board/Commission: South Cook County Mosquito Abatement District

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: Four years from date of approval

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-5309](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Mayumi Grigsby

Position: Member

Department/Board/Commission: Cook County Commission on Human Rights

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: Three years from date of approval

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-5305](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Michelle Whatley

Position: Member

Department/Board/Commission: Employee Appeals Board

Effective date: Immediate

Expiration date: Two years from date of approval

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-5410](#)

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and ALMA E. ANAYA, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

COOK COUNTY COMMISSION ON WOMEN'S ISSUES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE VI. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, DIVISION 1.4 COOK COUNTY COMMISSION ON WOMEN'S ISSUES, SECS. 2-490 through 2-496 of the Cook County Code is hereby enacted as follows

DIVISION 1.4 COOK COUNTY COMMISSION ON WOMEN'S ISSUES

Sec. 2-490. Short title.

This Division shall be known and may be cited as the Cook County Commission on Women's Issues

Sec. 2-491. Policy and Purpose.

(a) Policy. The Cook County Commission on Women's Issues (the "Commission") was established

by Resolution of the Cook County Board of Commissioners March 1, 1994 to serve as an advisory body to the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the President of the Cook County Board.

(b) Purpose. The purpose of the Commission is to ensure that issues and perspectives of all women and girls are considered in the formation of public policy in Cook County and to codify the 1994 Resolution in the Cook County Code of Ordinances.

Sec. 2-492. Cook County Commission on Women's Issues Members

(a) Organization.

- (1) The Commission shall be composed of twenty-one members.
- (2) Seventeen (17) members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Cook County Board President upon recommendation of the seventeen (17) Cook County Board Commissioners.
- (3) Four (4) at-large members who reflect the population of Cook County shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the President of the Cook County Board and ratified by the Cook County Board.
- (4) The Chairperson and Vice-chairperson shall be appointed by the Cook County Board President.
- (5) The Commission may designate former Chairpersons of the Commission, County officials and leaders in the women's community as honorary members without voting privileges.

(b) Qualifications of members.

- (1) Commission members shall reside in Cook County and have demonstrated concern for the needs of all women and girls and the issues impacting women and families.
- (2) The Commission members shall be representative of the different races, faiths, ethnic groups, abilities, age groups and educational levels of the women of Cook County.
- (3) Members of the Commission may not be employed by Cook County government during their term.

(c) Term and vacancies.

- (1) Commission members shall serve a term of four (4) years from the date of their appointment as appointed under the previous 1994 Resolution or new appointments consistent with this ordinance. Members may be reappointed.

- (2) The Chairperson shall serve a term of four (4) years from the date of appointment as appointed under the previous 1994 Resolution or new appointments consistent with this ordinance. The Chairperson may be reappointed.
- (3) The Vice Chairperson shall serve a term of two (2) years from the date of appointment. The Vice Chairperson may be reappointed.
- (4) Any vacancies on the Commission caused by death, resignation, disqualification or removal shall be filled by the applicable appointing authority and shall be filled for the unexpired term of the member whose appointment has become vacant.
- (5) A vacancy on the Commission shall also be established when a member misses three (3) consecutive meetings without an excused absence or fails to actively participate in the Commission's work.
- (6) If there is a vacancy of the Chairperson's position, the Vice Chairperson will serve as the Interim Chairperson until a new Chairperson is appointed.

Sec. 2-493. Meetings.

The Commission shall ensure the following in regards to Commission meetings:

- (a) The Commission shall hold meetings six (6) times per year. Meetings will be held at a time and place agreed to by the full Commission or upon the call of the Chairperson or, in the Chairperson's absence, the Vice Chairperson.
- (b) Special meetings of the Commission may be called by order of the Chairperson or upon request of one-third of the total membership of the Commission.
- (c) Commission shall hold at least one hearing annually to receive public input on issues affecting women and girls. Public hearing input will be used to recommend actions by Cook County government.
- (d) Members may participate in remote meetings by means of electronic, video, audio, or telephonic communication pursuant to Section 2-470 of the Cook County Code of Ordinances and the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.
- (e) The Commission shall be subject to the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq, and the Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.

Sec. 2-494. Quorum

The presence of a majority of the total voting members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum. A quorum shall be necessary in order to conduct all hearings and meetings of the Commission.

Sec. 2-495. Duties and responsibilities.

The Commission shall:

(a) Make recommendations for legislative and/or executive action to eliminate discrimination against all women and girls and to ensure equal opportunities;

(b) Work for the elimination of inequities in laws, practices and conditions, which particularly affect women and girls;

(c) Make recommendations that will promote the equal status of women and girls and create new opportunities for all women and girls where marginalized;

(d) Review county policies, procedures and practices for their impact on women and girls and offer recommendations;

(e) Work with the Cook County Board to make recommendations to improve the delivery of services to women and girls;

(f) Provide advisory opinions to the Cook County Board, the Cook County Health and the Cook County separately elected offices on issues affecting the women and girls;

(g) Assist in the collection and dissemination of data on the conditions of and opportunities for women and girls in Cook County and help develop programs to meet assessed needs.

Sec. 2-496. Division scheduled to be repealed on November 30, 2025.

This Division is repealed on November 30, 2025 unless extended by the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

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

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-5228](#)

Presented by: FRITZ KAEGI, Cook County Assessor

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

INCENTIVE CLASSIFICATION AFFIDAVIT REQUIREMENT WAIVER

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 74 TAXATION, Sec. 74-75 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

Sec. 74-75. - Incentive classification affidavit requirement waiver.

(a) This Section shall apply to existing incentives classifications, pending applications and eligibility/renewal applications submitted during the 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, ~~and 2021~~ and 2022 assessment years. The Assessor's Office shall liberally construe this Section to effectuate its intent as set forth in subsections (b) and (c) below.

(b) Compliance with the existing affidavit requirements of Sections 74-71(a)(2) and (a)(8), 74-71(b)(7), 74-71(c)(2), 74-72 and 74-74(b) and (d) shall be waived for the 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, ~~and 2021~~ and 2022 assessment years. Such waiver shall be lifted at the beginning of the ~~2022~~-2023 assessment year and the affidavit requirements of Sections 74-71, 74-72 and 74-74 that are then in effect shall be effective for the ~~2022~~-2023 assessment year and subsequent assessment years.

(c) Existing incentives classifications, pending applications and eligibility/renewal applications submitted during the 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, ~~and 2021~~ and 2022 assessment years shall not be suspended, revoked or terminated for failure to comply with the affidavit requirements of Sections 74-71(a)(2) and (a)(8), 74-71(b)(7), 74-71(c)(2), 74-72 and 74-74(b) and (d), and all affidavits submitted pursuant to such Sections shall be considered void for any purpose.

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

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

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Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

COOK COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE DATABASE FEE

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 2, ADMINISTRATION, Article IV, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, DIVISION 7. - ASSESSOR, Sec. 2-315 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

Sec 2-315. Cook County Assessor's Office database fee.

(a) *Definitions.* The following terms used in this Section shall have the meaning set forth below:

Authorized Users means:

- (1) In the case of commercial users organized as corporations, the commercial user's employees and third-party independent contractors who provide services exclusively to the corporations who execute a joinder agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Agreement between the Cook County Assessor's Office and the commercial user, each of whom, in compliance with said agreement; and
- (2) In the case of commercial users organized as partnerships, the commercial user's employees and partners and third-party independent contractors who provide services exclusively to the partnerships who execute a joinder agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Agreement between the Cook County Assessor's Office and the commercial user, each of whom, in compliance with said agreement; and
- (3) In the case of commercial users organized as limited liability companies, the commercial user's employees, and members, each of whom, in compliance with this agreement and third-party independent contractors who provide services exclusively to the limited liability companies who execute a joinder agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Agreement between the Cook County Assessor's Office and the commercial user, each of whom, in compliance with said agreement;
 - (a) Is covered by the applicable fee paid by the commercial user; and
 - (b) Has been issued a username and password.

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

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-5431](#)

Sponsored by: KEVIN B. MORRISON, ALMA E. ANAYA and BRANDON JOHNSON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING TEXAS SENATE BILL 8 AND CALLING ON COOK COUNTY TO USE EVERY TOOL TO SUPPORT REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

WHEREAS, Cook County has been and should continue to be a beacon for those seeking safe, reliable, and comprehensive healthcare including reproductive healthcare; and

WHEREAS, every individual who is able to be pregnant has a right to make the personal decision about their reproductive health and family planning free from government interference; and

WHEREAS, the decision to terminate a pregnancy is deeply personal and is not made lightly; and

WHEREAS, accessing reproductive care is not a crime and should not be treated as such; and

WHEREAS, restricting access to reproductive healthcare hurts everyone but has a disproportionately negative impact on people of color, immigrants, and LGBTQ+ people due to factors such as income, where they live, or societal bias; and

WHEREAS, in 1973 the Supreme Court of the United States ruled in Roe v. Wade to protect legal rights to safe abortions; and

WHEREAS, the Guttmacher Institute, a reproductive health non-profit, found that women around the world access abortion services at a statistically same rate whether they are legal and safe or illegal and unregulated ; and

WHEREAS, laws limiting access to reproductive healthcare just forces unsafe and dangerous conditions including potential severe health complications or death; and

WHEREAS, Texas legislators have passed Texas Senate Bill 8 and the Governor of Texas has signed into law legislation that essentially bans abortion after 6 weeks and creates a mechanism that can penalize any person with knowledge of or who offers support to someone seeking an abortion; and

WHEREAS, this draconian and appalling law not only puts the lives of people seeking reproductive

healthcare at risk but creates a dangerous bounty system that essentially encourages “vigilante” justice; and

WHEREAS, this villainizes healthcare providers who are simply seeking to provide basic health information as is a tenant of their Hippocratic Oath; and

WHEREAS, this law goes beyond the pale and is counter to settled law and to all public health recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice under the Biden Harris Administration has sued the State of Texas to prevent enforcing this law with Attorney General Merrick Garland stating, “The Act is clearly unconstitutional under longstanding Supreme Court precedent.”; and

WHEREAS, it is unacceptable that major corporations, including some that do business with Cook County, helped fund elected officials who authored and sponsored this bill; and

WHEREAS, these same corporations have failed to condemn this attack on reproductive rights; and

WHEREAS, Cook County will continue to serve as a leader supporting access to reproductive services; and

WHEREAS, Cook County residents overwhelmingly support a person’s right to make autonomous decisions about their health; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners should support their constituents by responsibly using their taxpayer dollars to do business only with companies that are not funding a war on access to healthcare; and

WHEREAS, Cook County Health should look at every option possible to expand access to reproductive healthcare for anyone who needs it; and

WHEREAS, Cook County Government, as a whole, should ban non-essential County-funded travel or other travel to Texas for Cook County business and any official business with the State of Texas Government in response to Texas Senate Bill 8; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Cook County Board of Commissioners do commit to vote no on all future renewals, extensions, and new contracts with corporations that fund such abhorrent laws that run counter to public health and residents’ rights to healthcare; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we formally request that the Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office conduct a legal opinion on options to sever any contract with a corporation that has funded the

efforts to pass Texas SB8 or similar laws across the country.

Legislative History : 9/23/21 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[21-0565](#)

Sponsored by: BRANDON JOHNSON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Cook County, IL currently occupies territory that Sovereign Nations, including the Potawatomi, Ojibwe and Odawa, Ho-Chunk, Miami, Sac and Fox, Peoria, Illini and many others consider to be a part of their historical and modern day homelands; and

WHEREAS, Cook County, has a responsibility to support diversity, equity and inclusion from all communities, however, this effort must begin with acknowledging and reconciling with the fact that America's Native peoples were systematically removed and killed in order to provide economic opportunities to European settlers on this land; and

WHEREAS, Cook County recognizes that Native Americans in the county make up the ninth largest Urban Native community in the country who continue to practice their cultural traditions, caretaking of the land and educating others about the American Native perspective; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day was proposed to the United Nations in 1977 by a delegation of Native Nations as a way to bring education around the ongoing impact of colonization and awareness of genocide committed against Native Peoples; and

WHEREAS, Cook County, IL has always been home to American Native Nations with vibrant cultural traditions and relationships to the land. This land has a violent history of genocide and removal that must be acknowledged and reconciled in order to create a County where diversity, equity and inclusion are the cornerstone of policies and procedures.

WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day shall be an opportunity for celebration of Indigenous cultures and contributions to the County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the second Monday in October shall exclusively be recognized as Indigenous Peoples' Day in Cook County in perpetuity.

Legislative History : 12/17/20 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmen

LYNNE M. TURNER

Interim Secretary

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