



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois (Board Room  
Closed to Public - Meeting Virtual for Public)**

**New Items Agenda**

**Thursday, July 28, 2022, 10:00 AM**

**Sixth Set**

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

**PROPOSED APPOINTMENT**

**Appointee(s):** Dr. Jay D. Bhatt

**Position:** Director

**Department/Board/Commission:** Cook County Health and Hospital System Board of Directors

**Effective date:** 10/8/2022

**Expiration date:** 10/8/2026

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

**PROPOSED APPOINTMENT**

**Appointee(s):** Sam A. Robinson, III, PhD

**Position:** Director

**Department/Board/Commission:** Cook County Health and Hospital System Board of Directors

**Effective date:** 10/8/2022

**Expiration date:** 10/8/2026

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**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and JOHN P. DALEY, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**INDEPENDENT INSPECTOR GENERAL SEARCH COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS,** in 2007, the Cook County Board of Commissioners through enactment of a Cook County Ordinance created the first Office of Independent Inspector General for Cook County; and

**WHEREAS,** following the enactment of the Ordinance, the Cook County Bar Association and the

Chicago Bar Association agreed to convene a nominating committee tasked with the responsibility to recommend qualified candidates; and

**WHEREAS**, thereafter, secondary interviews of the recommended candidates were conducted by a bipartisan selection committee that was comprised of four Cook County Commissioners, the Director of Ethics and the Cook County State's Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, upon completion of this process, the current Independent Inspector General, Patrick M. Blanchard was nominated for appointment and in October of 2008, Mr. Blanchard was appointed Cook County's first Independent Inspector General. Mr. Blanchard was thereafter appointed to a second six-year term; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 2-282 of the Cook County Code of Ordinances, Patrick M. Blanchard was appointed to an additional two-year term which expires on October 14, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 2-282 of the Cook County Code of Ordinances, it is hereby recommended that the independent search for Mr. Blanchard's replacement be convened; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chicago Bar Association (CBA), the Black Women Lawyers' Association of Greater Chicago (BWLA), the Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois (HLAI), and the Puerto Rican Bar Association of Illinois (PRBA) have agreed to appoint volunteers from their membership to form the Independent Inspector General Search Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, Timothy Tomasik, the 2022-2023 President of the Chicago Bar Association or his designee shall chair the Independent Inspector General Search Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Independent Inspector General Search Committee shall consist of seven members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Independent Inspector General Search Committee shall be authorized to convene the search for the Cook County Independent Inspector General.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby

Authorize the convening of the Independent Inspector General Search Committee which shall be chaired Timothy Tomasik, the 2022-2023 President of the Chicago Bar Association or his designee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Independent Inspector General Search Committee shall consist of seven members; three of which shall be members of the CBA and selected by the CBA 2022-2023 President, two of which shall be members of the BWLA and selected by the BWLA President, one member shall be selected by the President of HLAJ and one member selected by the President of the PRBA; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Independent Inspector General Search Committee shall be authorized

to determine the identity of a national executive search firm, such search firm may be of the Independent Inspector General Search Committee's own choosing or the Independent Inspector General Search Committee may utilize one of the executive search firms contracted by the County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the national executive search firm selected by the Independent Inspector General Search Committee shall perform its services and submit the identities of the 20 most qualified candidates ("Pool") for the position of Independent Inspector General, including resumes, qualifications, and statements detailing each member of the Pool's credentials for the appointment of Independent Inspector General, to the Independent Inspector General Search Committee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, following the Independent Inspector General Search Committee's completion of its comparative review and analysis of the members of the Pool, the Independent Inspector General Search Committee shall provide the names of three candidates (the "Candidate List") who are duly qualified and do not possess a personal or business relationship (business relationship does not exclude any current or former County employees from submitting an application for candidacy) with any county elected official. The Candidate List shall be accompanied by each candidate's resume, qualifications, and a brief statement detailing each individual's credentials for the appointment of Independent Inspector General; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the President shall submit the Candidate List to a bipartisan selection committee ("Selection Committee"), which the President appoints in accordance with Section 2-282 of the Cook County Code of Ordinances. The Selection Committee shall conduct interviews and/or any other such investigations of the candidates as the Selection Committee deems fit and determine which candidate from the Candidate List shall be submitted to the County Board for consideration for the office of Independent Inspector General. The Candidate which the Selection Committee selects shall be submitted to the County Board for consideration at the meeting of the Board next succeeding the vote of the Selection Committee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Cook County Board President's Legal Counsel shall aid the Independent Inspector General Selection Committee as necessary or requested; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that meeting conference space in the Cook County Building located at 118 N. Clark or the George Dunne Building located at 69 W. Washington shall be made available to the Independent Inspector General Search Committee at their request.

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

#### **PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

#### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that CHAPTER 2,

ADMINISTRATION, DIVISION 2. - RULES OF ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE, SECTION 2-106 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

**Sec. 2-106. Public Testimony at meetings of the Board, its Committees, Joint Committees, and Subcommittees.**

The Board encourages public participation in the legislative process. The following rules shall apply at any meeting of the Board and its committees at which public comment or testimony is taken:

- (a) *Public testimony at all meetings.* Subject to the provisions herein, public testimony will be permitted at all meetings of the Board, its committees, joint committees, and subcommittees. Any member of the general public may address the Board or any of its committees at any remote meeting required to be open to the public under the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1, et seq.) in writing, or orally from a remote location by means of electronic, video, audio, or telephonic connection if permitted in the meeting notice.
- (b) *Authorization to speak.* Authorization as a public speaker or to provide written testimony to be read into the record of a meeting of the Board, its committees, joint committees, and subcommittees shall be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, ~~municipality of residence~~, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary.
- (c) *Public comment period.* Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda, or at the discretion of the chair, but prior to final action by the meeting body as is practicable. ~~For remote meetings, the public comment period may be limited to written testimony which will be read into the record.~~
- (d) *Germane subject matter encouraged.* Public testimony should be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda. ~~To preserve order and decorum and in the interest of efficiency, the presiding officer may impose subject matter limits on public comment or testimony.~~
- (e) *Time limits*
  - (1) *Time limits for public speakers.* ~~Written public testimony or e~~Oral testimony will be limited to three minutes. The Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Responses to inquiries of the public speaker by the presiding officer or members shall not count towards any time limit. With leave, the presiding officer or members may extend a public speaker's time as desired.
  - (2) *Overall time limit for public comment.* All public comment shall be limited to sixty (60) minutes per meeting provided that the Board President or Committee Chairperson may allow a greater period of time for public comment subject to the consent of a majority of the Board when doing so will not interfere with the conduct of business or the maintenance of order and decorum at the meeting.

- (f) *Prohibited behavior for public speakers.* Public speaker or written testimony shall not include the 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.
- (g) *Disruptions of meetings prohibited.* Disruptions of meetings are prohibited. Disruptions include, but are not limited to:
- (1) Speech or testimony by an individual after expiration of the time allotted for the speaker's public comment or testimony;
  - ~~(2) Speech or testimony by an individual that is not germane to a specific item or items on the meeting agenda;~~
  - ~~(3)~~(2) Speech or testimony by an individual who has not been recognized by the presiding officer for public comment or testimony, who is speaking in a volume louder than a low, conversational level appropriate for communication between persons seated next to each other in the chamber, or whose speech is audible by others;
  - ~~(4)~~(3) Holding or placing a banner or sign during a meeting in a way that may endanger other individuals or that obstructs the free passage or view of others attending or viewing the meeting;
  - ~~(5)~~(4) Verbal comments and testimony must be conducted in respectful speech with no personal attacks;
  - ~~(6)~~(5) If an individual engages in disruption of the meeting, including, but not limited to, any of the actions described above, the presiding officer may: rule the individual out of order, direct the individual to cease the activity and impose other reasonable conditions for the individual's continued presence at the meeting. If the individual does not immediately comply with the presiding officer's order, the presiding officer may direct the removal of the individual from the meeting. Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, any individual ordered to be removed from a meeting is excluded from returning to that meeting, unless the decision of the presiding officer is overruled by a majority vote of those members in attendance. Any two members may place before the body the question of whether to permit the individual to return to the same meeting;
  - ~~(7)~~(6) If an individual is removed either from two or more committee meetings within a 15-day period or from two or more consecutive meetings of the Board, the Board President or Committee Chairperson may exclude the individual from participation in public comment or testimony periods at future Board or committee meetings:

- a. The Board President or Committee Chairperson shall notify the individual in writing of

the type of exclusion, the specific reasons for the exclusion and the specific terms and length of the exclusion.

- b. The notice of exclusion shall advise that the individual may submit written comments to the ~~Clerk~~ Board Secretary for distribution to the Board members at future public comment or testimony periods.
- c. The notice of exclusion shall be filed with the ~~Clerk~~ Board Secretary, who shall post it on the door to the Board chambers and on the Board's web page, provide a copy of the notice to Board members and mail the notice to the individual's last known address, if any. The notice is effective when posted. The exclusion order shall remain posted on the door to the chambers for the duration of the exclusion period.

~~(8)~~(7) In determining the scope and length of an individual's exclusion, the Board President or Committee Chairperson may consider the seriousness of the disruptions to the orderly conduct of the meeting, the number of disruptions in which the individual participated and other reasons deemed relevant by the President or Committee Chairperson.

- a. The Board President or Committee Chairperson may issue an exclusion from future participation in public comment or testimony periods for up to 28 calendar days.
- b. At the next regular meeting of the Board, following the filing and posting of the exclusion notice, the exclusion order may be overruled or modified by a majority vote of those Commissioners in attendance. Any two members may place before the body the question of whether to overrule or modify the exclusion decision.

~~(9)~~(8) Any individual excluded from participation in future public comment or testimony periods may appeal the exclusion by submitting a written appeal to the ~~Clerk~~ Board Secretary within five calendar days after the exclusion notice is posted. The ~~Clerk~~ Board Secretary shall distribute copies of the appeal to all Board members. The Board shall consider the appeal at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting if any two members place it before the body. The individual's exclusion from public comment or testimony periods shall remain in effect during the Board's consideration of the appeal.

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

[22-4699](#)

**Sponsored by:** KEVIN B. MORRISON, Cook County Board of Commissioners

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**REQUESTING A MEETING OF THE COOK COUNTY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS COMMITTEE TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ON MPV (MONKEYPOX) IN SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, in May 2022, cases of MPV started appearing in Europe with the first case appearing the U.S. on May 19, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the virus has spread globally and cases have totaled 3,591 cases in the U.S. by July 26, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization declared MPV a global health emergency on July 23, 2022 and;

**WHEREAS**, in the U.S., Illinois has consistently been in the top three states with the highest cases since the start of this outbreak with a concentration in the Chicago area; and

**WHEREAS**, MPV is a viral zoonosis (a virus transmitted to humans from animals) with symptoms similar to those seen in the past in smallpox patients, although it is clinically less severe. Human-to-human transmission can result from close contact with respiratory secretions, skin lesions of an infected person or recently contaminated objects. Transmission via droplet respiratory particles usually requires prolonged face-to-face contact; and

**WHEREAS**, a two-dose vaccine is available for MPV that was previously developed and is highly effective in reducing severity of illness but supplies remain limited; and

**WHEREAS**, the limited supply of vaccine, at this time, has reduced eligibility for receiving the vaccine to very few individuals with confirmed cases or known exposure from close contacts; and

**WHEREAS**, at this time, a disproportionate amount of cases have affected the LGBTQ+ community; and

**WHEREAS**, given the history of stigma and discrimination against LGBTQ+ people during the 1980s/90s HIV/AIDS crisis, all public health entities need to prioritize combatting misinformation and disinformation that can perpetuate the targeting of a marginalized community; and

**WHEREAS**, although MPV is not spread in the same way nor has it caused deaths in the U.S. thus far, public health officials should nonetheless use every resource acquired and every lesson learned from the COVID-19 pandemic to combat this virus and control its spread; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Health and Hospitals Committee convene a meeting to discuss the Cook County Department of Public Health's MPV response for Suburban Cook County and coordination with the Chicago Department of Public Health; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Department of Public Health, Chicago Department of Public Health and community-based organizations working to combat this virus attend this meeting to discuss their MPV response and planning.



[22-4669](#)

**Presented by:** MARY MODELSKI, County Auditor

**REPORT**

**Department:** Office of the County Auditor

**Report Title:** Cook County 2020 Census Program Audit

**Report Period:** Duration of the Cook County 2020 Census Program

**Summary:** Cook County 2020 Census Program Audit

[22-4516](#)

**Presented by:** ISRAEL ROCHA JR., Chief Executive Officer, Cook County Health & Hospitals System

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR ARPA HEALTHY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM INITIATIVES IMPLEMENTED BY COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (“CCDPH”).**

**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**, Cook County's Policy Road Map, adopted by Cook County in 2018, is the foundation of the County's strategic plan with pillars focused on Healthy Communities, Thriving Communities, Sustainable Communities, Vital Communities, Smart Communities, and Open Communities.

**WHEREAS**, to further the Policy Roadmap Goal, the Cook County Health has developed a menu of Healthy Community programs and initiatives 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** 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.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of the following agreement by Cook County Health to utilize ARPA funding for multi-year terms through Fiscal Year November 30, 2024, subject to annual appropriation by the Board, for Cook County Health programs and initiatives as follows:

1. Enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with **NAMI Chicago** in an aggregate amount of up to **\$1,485,000** to implement the **Sustaining Mental Health Hotline for Suburban Residents**, a program to utilize NAMI Chicago's existing mental health and crisis lines within in the city of Chicago to provide support for suburban Cook County residents. NAMI's Helpline will provides phone service Monday - Friday, 9am to 8pm and Saturday and Sunday, 9am to 5pm to suburban Cook County callers. The Helpline is expected to field 3,500 - 4,000 calls per year in suburban Cook County. The Helpline will provide emotional support, information on mental health and substance use, refer callers to appropriate mental health or substance use resources, and assist in connecting to other social services when needed. NAMI will also provide intensive case support for callers with significant needs using their Clinical Support program.

2. Enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the **Chicago Food Policy Action Council (CFAC)** in an aggregate amount of up to **\$1,381,545.00** to implement the Good Food Purchasing Program, a program to direct institutional food purchasing towards five core values: local economies, environmental sustainability, valued workforce, animal welfare and nutrition. It provides a metric-based, flexible framework to assess the progress of public institutions as they work to become a recognized Good Food Provider. In 2018, Cook County approved a resolution promoting GFPP that requires all Cook County food-procuring departments and agencies to participate, including: Cook County Health, Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center, Cook County Sheriff's Office, and Cook County Bureau of Asset Management. CCDPH has partnered closely with Chicago Food Policy Action Council (CFPAC) on Cook County's Good Food Purchasing Policy implementation since its adoption in May 2018 (Resolution

18-1650), which specifically identified CFPAC as a key implementation partner. CFPAC is a non-profit organization that co-develops, facilitates, advocates for, and supports implementation of policies that advance food justice and sovereignty for all residents across Chicago and the region. CFPAC specifically focuses on advocacy, network building, resource sharing and cooperative movement to dismantle systemic racism in the food system and uplift Black, Indigenous, Latinx and People Communities of Color who are mobilizing food in community. CCDPH and CFPAC jointly convene the Cook County Good Food Task Force (which includes all procuring departments and agencies, as well as local leaders in food system change). The task force is working collectively to ensure that GFPP implementation builds a more racially equitable, accountable, and transparent food supply chain. CCDPH and CFPAC will continue to partner with Illinois Public Health Institute/Alliance for Health Equity to expand participation in GFPP across the Cook County region by advancing good food standards in suburban Cook County hospitals. CCDPH and CFPAC have identified areas that require additional capacity to achieve our goals over the next five years including: program evaluation, communications/design, audits for scratch cooking equipment kitchen audit, food waste reduction auditing, scratch cooking kitchen staff trainings, and translation/interpretation services for GFPP-related outreach and events. Over the next five years, CCDPH will build upon existing Cook County GFPP implementation efforts with CFPAC, that which includes continuing to work with County Departments (Cook County Health, Cook County Sheriff's Office, and Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center) and our national partners at the Center for Good Food Purchasing to track and analyze Department's food purchases, create Good Food Action Plans, and tackle plan recommendations. CFPAC will work with CCDPH and the Cook County Office of Chief Procurement Officer to incorporate GFPP in all County food-related solicitations based on latest recommended language and product availability/research. CFPAC will also work with CCDPH and the Cook County Office of Chief Procurement Officer to identify best practices and pilot innovative equity focused procurement and evaluation processes. In years 2-4, CFPAC will manage/monitor the release of micro-grants for suburban Cook County BIPOC food producers, suppliers, and cooperatives to expand their capacity to access Cook County institutional procurement channels.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Cook County Board of Commissioners recognizes that time is of the essence and authorizes the CEO of Cook County Health or his designee to negotiate and enter into the various agreements that outline the specific metric and impact data, and compliance with all ARPA reporting and monitoring requirements with the subrecipients listed above to implement the aforementioned programs.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Cook County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the CEO of Cook County Health or his designee to modify the agreements and funding allocations to the above identified subrecipients based upon need and utilization.

[22-4694](#)

**Presented by:** ISRAEL ROCHA JR., Chief Executive Officer, Cook County Health & Hospitals System

**REPORT**

**Department:** Cook County Health

**Report Title:** Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) Quarterly Report

**Report Period:** Third Quarter 2022

**Summary:** The Cook County Department of Public Health hereby presents its Quarterly Report to the Cook County Board of Commissioners in their capacity as the Board of Health of Cook County