



DECLARATION OF EQUITY/INTEGRITY PUBLIC SERVICE FOR COOK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

In the course of malfeasant and misfeasant events for Cook County government—including but not limited to allegations of the county’s chief executive peace officer disturbing the peace in his Mt. Greenwood household and Chicago police allegedly attempting to cover up repeated occasions of his alleged domestic violence, the county assessor fined for allegedly exceeding the limit for campaign contributions from tax attorneys while presiding over a dysfunctional property tax assessment system that U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders (D-Vermont) has described as the most discriminatory in the nation, and the county circuit court cler allegedly according to hearsay being just THIS close to an indictment allegedly for job selling in her office—We, Chicago’s urban fine arts community and the People at large, in accordance with free expression and social contract provisions in our federal and Illinoisan Anglo-North American charter of liberties, make the following appeal to the Finance Committee chair and his colleague members, either standing or ex-officio, toward a new culture of equity/integrity politics (and as the degreed and licensed attorneys among the Cook County commissioners well know, is it Roman law adapted into English common law that to come into equity, one must come with clean hands):

1. To rise above being all talk and no walk on government free of corruption, the board’s Legislative and Intergovernmental Committee, invoking Cook County’s home rule powers provided in Art. VII, Sec. 6, of the Illinois Constitution, ought to amend the Cook County Code by adding a provision for holding in contempt of

- the people and fining appropriately executive county officials who fail three times to answer directly or through a representative to the board, as representatives of county stakeholders, when summoned concerning any and all fiscal matters’
2. That in addition to 3-minute general public testimony per registered speaker and questions from the county commissioners and Cook County Board president, select representatives of Cook County’s stakeholders who are not elected, appointed or hired employees of Cook County ought to be allowed at 5 minutes per registered speaker to cross exam expert witnesses of and for the county.;
 3. That the Cook County Board of Commissioners, on advice of the Finance and Legislation and Intergovernmental committees, ought to appoint an uncompensated shadow cabinet of persons representing stakeholders subject to Cook County rule and are not elected, hired or appointed county employees, to work with the Inspector General toward assuring equity/integrity in Cook County government.;
 4. That, under its constitutional home rule powers, the Cook County Board of Commissioners, as advised by the Legislative and Intergovernmental Committee, Finance Committee and Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office, the Cook County executive officers who the statutory limits on carrying out their sworn duties (e.g., exceeding limits on campaign financing from special corporate interests) shall pay any all legal costs out of their own pockets and not out of the collective pockets of the county’s stakeholders.;
 5. That the Cook County Board of Commissioners, as advised by the Finance and Legislative and Intergovernmental committees, henceforth ought to create a culture of fiscal responsibility that takes due process and wealth discrimination into account.;
 6. That if the Cook County Board of Commissioners is going to wink at nepotism and other cronyism for appointed and hired county employees of Cook County’s executive office, said employees ought to be compelled to render most competent services for the benefit of the county’s stakeholders.;
 7. That the Cook County Board of Commissioners ought to establish a culture of transparency and accessibility on any and all fiscal matters that instantaneously gives stakeholders a comprehensive thumbnail and snapshot idea of how their revenues are being spent.;
 8. Pursuant to tackling wealth discrimination, the Cook County Board of Commissioners ought to declare a war on poverty pimping, especially the pseudo-academic kind pioneered by Pierre Devisé, that devalue residential, industrial, and commercial property and economic classification in communities throughout Cook County, thereby ghettoizing those communities, in the name of obtaining certain advantages for development and redevelopment in said communities. ;
 9. That the nomination, election, and powers of elected executive Cook County officers as decided by the multitude of the county’s stake-holding electors ought

not be undermined by any of the Cook County commissioners or Cook County Board president to suit the most vindictive purposes and intrigue wrought by the county's chief executive and members of its legislature.;

10. Any attempt by the Cook County Board president or any of the county commissioners to undermine the nomination, election, and powers of elected county executive officers as decided by the multitude of the county's stakeholding electors ought to be classified as a form of harassment subject to investigation and adjudication by the Inspector General.;
11. With a keen ear for what the grassroots among their constituents think about fiscal matters beyond the County Board Rm., the Cook County Board of Commissioners ought to conduct a circuit-riding listening tour of all 17 districts represented on the board.