



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY
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Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

New Items Agenda

Wednesday, March 14, 2018, 11:00 AM

Third Set

18-2672

Sponsored by: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), LUIS ARROYO JR, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, DEBORAH SIMS and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION**COMPREHENSIVE GUN CONTROL**

WHEREAS, According to national statistics, every year in our country, a firearm is used in nearly 500,000 crimes, resulting in the deaths and injuries of more than 110,000 people, and

WHEREAS, According to statistics from USA Today, between 2006 and 2017 there were mass shootings approximately every 16 days in the United States, with the most recent incident in Parkland Florida sparking a renewed and broad sweeping national conversation on the need for common-sense gun solutions to keep our citizens safe while protecting the 2nd Amendment, and

WHEREAS, In Chicago and Cook County, particularly minority communities that often have the greatest economic needs, gun violence is a traumatic and daily occurrence that has reached a crisis point, prevents economic growth and leads to increased incarceration and the perpetuation of the cycle of violence, and

WHEREAS, According to statistics in 2017, there were 743 homicides as a result of gun violence in Chicago and Cook County, and,

WHEREAS, Gun violence has taken a massive toll on Cook County, taking the lives of countless men and women, many young, leaving physical, psychology, emotional scars for the victims and their families that survive, and producing untreated and pervasive trauma in communities, individuals and children, and

WHEREAS, The effects and costs of gun violence can be seen throughout the county in our criminal justice system, included but not limited to the offices of the Sheriff, State's Attorney, and Public Defenders, the hospital system, and Medical Examiner's Office.

WHEREAS, The time is now for comprehensive gun control laws. It is time for our federal and state representatives to take a stand on this crisis, and

WHEREAS, Cook County echoes President Donald Trump's call for strengthened background checks, the ban of bump stocks and raising the age from 18 to 21 for the purchase of assault-style weapons, and

WHEREAS, Cook County calls upon its residents to reach out to their elected officials to urge the passage of a variety of common-sense gun control policies in Springfield, including but not limited to requiring gun dealers to be licensed, strengthened background checks, and banning the use of military-style weapons, high capacity magazines and the civilian sale of body armor , and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, A step toward more comprehensive gun safety laws is a step in the right direction because every gun death, is one too many.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Cook County President and the Cook County Board Commissioners call upon Washington D.C. and the State of Illinois to pass comprehensive gun control laws immediately to protect all residents of our country.

18-2658

Sponsored by: STANLEY MOORE and LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CALLING ON THE ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO CREATE AN INDIANA BORDER TAX AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

WHEREAS, Cook, Will, Iroquois and Kankakee Counties (the “Counties”) share a border with the State of Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Counties compete with Indiana for economic development, revenue, and employees, among other resources; and

WHEREAS, differing tax structures between Illinois and Indiana create disparate incentives for some landowners at the expense of Illinois business; and

WHEREAS, there is little coordination or strategy to determine how to ensure the Counties maintain a competitive advantage over Indiana; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of Cook County call on the Illinois General Assembly to create an Indiana Border Tax and Regional Economic Development Strategy to encompass Cook, Will, Iroquois and Kankakee Counties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Indiana Border Tax and Regional Economic Development Strategy shall include a strategy to attract and maintain businesses within the Cook, Will, Iroquois and Kankakee Counties;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Indiana Border Tax and Regional Economic Development Strategy shall include participants from various affected municipalities and elected officials from Cook, Will, Iroquois and Kankakee Counties.

18-2671

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION**ESTABLISHING A FOUNDATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE OF COOK COUNTY**

WHEREAS, pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/3-6021 the Sheriff shall be conservator of the peace in his or her county, and shall prevent crime and maintain the safety and order of the citizens of that county; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff manages and operates the Cook County Department of Corrections, located at 2700 S. California, Chicago, Illinois, 60608 ("CCDOC"); and

WHEREAS, the CCDOC is the largest single-site and consolidated detention facility in the country, housing and providing essential needs and services to approximately 10,000 inmates per day, with upwards of 100,000 inmates processed through CCDOC annually; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff has emphasized the importance of mental health and substance abuse treatment for detainees, in addition to educational and job skills programming in CCDOC and reentry planning to benefit detainees post-release; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff has expanded the Office's advocacy role in many ways to positively impact Cook County, including overhauling Cook County's approach to foreclosures and evictions, and working with criminal justice stakeholders to address issues impacting the Cook County Jail population; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff is also responsible for all security and maintenance at the 14 court facilities located throughout Cook County, staffed by the CCSO Court Services Department; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Police Department provides police services in unincorporated areas of Cook County and several suburban municipalities, and also assists the Chicago Police Department and many other municipal police departments; and

WHEREAS, in order to assist the Sheriff's Office in furtherance of its expansive missions, supportive members of the community incorporated a non-profit charitable Foundation in the State of Illinois for the benefit of the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Thomas J. Dart Foundation for the Advancement of Justice will achieve not-for-profit status for the purpose of accepting charitable contributions in the form of financial, property, or other donations appropriate to and in support of the mission of the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Foundation is to support the Sheriff's Office of Cook County, Illinois in its

mission, including but without limitation to providing services and programming to individuals in the custody of the CCDOC and alternative sentencing programs, to providing services to the community by and through the Cook County Sheriff's Police and/or Court Services Department, and to support additional policy initiatives within the Sheriff's mandate; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation will serve to maintain and strengthen the Sheriff's Office's role improving the quality of life for Cook County residents and CCDOC detainees; and

WHEREAS, the meaningful engagement of prominent, spirited citizens who are active in civic life, will advance the purpose of the Foundation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Cook County Sheriff is hereby authorized to create a five-member Founding Board for the Foundation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Founding Board of the Foundation will consist of at least 5 members, who shall create a Board of Directors, develop by-laws, to include the criteria for an executive director, and develop the articles of governance conducive to the not-for-profit status in keeping with the mission of the Foundation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Sheriff is hereby authorized to delegate County space to serve as initial headquarters for the Foundation, with said location being designated as Registered Office of the Foundation as such on all documentation submitted to the state and federal government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Sheriff is hereby authorized to disburse up to \$150,000 in initial funding to the Foundation as provided for in the FY2018 Budget. The Sheriff's Bureau of Fiscal Administration has verified that sufficient funds exist in the aforementioned account to meet the obligation.

18-2661

Sponsored by: BRIDGET GAINER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

TO DISCUSS THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 ACTUARIAL VALUATION REPORTS FOR THE COOK COUNTY AND FOREST PRESERVE EMPLOYEES' AND OFFICERS' ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUNDS

WHEREAS, actuarial reports for the Cook County Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund and the Forest Preserve District Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Cook County as of December 31, 2017 are expected to be released Spring 2018; and,

WHEREAS, the reports highlight the funded status and total unfunded pension liability of the Cook County Pension Fund and Forest Preserve Pension Fund; and,

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Cook County and Forest Preserve Pension Fund's Actuary that the Cook County Pension Fund adopt legislation that is sufficient to pay the Normal Costs of active plan members, plan expenses, and amortize the unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities over a period no longer than 30 years; and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 sales tax increase was passed with the intent to devote "90% of the funding to paying down the pension and the remaining 10% to debt service and infrastructure investments."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon their release the Cook County Pension Committee shall meet for the purpose of discussing the actuarial valuation reports for the Cook County Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund and the Forest Preserve District Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Cook County as of December 31, 2017.

18-2634

Presented by: RANJIT HAKIM, Director, Department of Human Rights and Ethics

PROPOSED CHANGES TO PUBLIC FACING RULES AND REGULATIONS

Department: Human Rights and Ethics

Summary: Revision to the Procedural Rules of the Cook County Commission on Human Rights (Approved by Cook County Commission on Human Rights at March 8, 2018 meeting)

Consistent with County Code, § 1.9, the following proposal, which was noticed and approved by the Cook County Commission on Human Rights at its March 8, 2018 meeting will not be effective until the sooner of May 7, 2018 or the date upon which this rule revision is received and filed by the Rules Committee of the Cook County Board of Commissioners.

Revision 1: Document Preservation Obligation Runs to All Parties

Existing rule:

Section 420.135 **Maintenance of Records by Respondent**

Once a Complaint has been served on a Respondent, the Respondent shall preserve all records and other material which may be relevant to the Complaint until the matter has been closed.

Revised rule:

Section 420.135 **Maintenance of Records by Respondent Parties**

~~Once a Complaint has been served on a Respondent, the~~ Complainant(s) and Respondent(s) shall preserve all records and other material which may be relevant to the Complaint or any defenses until the

matter has been closed by the Commission. Provided that a party has not previously incurred a duty to preserve evidence through agreement, contract, statute or its own affirmative conduct, a Complainant's preservation obligation begins when the Complainant files the Complaint with the Commission, and a Respondent's preservation obligation begins when the Complaint has been served on the Respondent. A party's failure to meet its preservation obligations under this Rule may result in the Commission drawing an adverse assumption about the content of the missing record or other material against the party that failed to preserve that record or other material.