



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

9:00 AM

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

SUPPLEMENTAL 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.

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 6/27/2018

[18-4549](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): Jay E. Stewart

Position: Bureau Chief

Department/Board/Commission: Economic Development

Effective date: 6/25/2018

Expiration date: N/A

Legislative History : 6/27/18 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[18-4548](#)

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

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

Appointee(s): F. Thomas Lynch

Position: Chief Information Officer

Department/Board/Commission: Enterprise Technology

Effective date: 6/25/2018

Expiration date: N/A

Legislative History : 6/27/18 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

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Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, RICHARD R. BOYKIN, JERRY BUTLER, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, LUIS ARROYO JR, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, GREGG GOSLIN, EDWARD M. MOODY, STANLEY MOORE, SEAN M. MORRISON, TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS and JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE REDUCTION OF AIR AND WATER POLLUTION STANDARDS IN WISCONSIN FOR THE PROPOSED FOXCONN DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Foxconn Technology Group (“Foxconn”) is a manufacturer of computer, communication and electronics; and

WHEREAS, Foxconn is constructing a fabrication plant in Mount Pleasant, Wisconsin to manufacture LCD glass panels. Mount Pleasant is in Racine County, Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the proposed plant is sited at the headwaters of the Des Plaines River and is located approximately 50 miles from the border of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, Cook County shares the Des Plaines Watershed Region, and our water and air resources are all interconnected; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has passed legislation that waives environmental regulations for the Foxconn plant;

WHEREAS, the legislation allows Foxconn to fill 26 acres of wetlands with dredged materials without an Environmental Impact Study or input from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency exempted Racine County, Wisconsin from air quality requirements for ozone, allowing Foxconn to avoid having to install stringent pollution control equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Foxconn plant will divert approximately 7 million gallons of water from Lake Michigan a day; and

WHEREAS, the greatest natural resource Cook County has is Lake Michigan and the proposed plant will adversely affect that resources; and

WHEREAS, there has been no stormwater management plan for the proposed plant, even though the plant will encompass thousands of acres of farmland; and

WHEREAS, the Des Plaines River has had significant flooding and removing permeable land at the headwaters of the River will likely increase the downstream flood risk; and

WHEREAS, without a proper study of all potential environmental impacts of the plant, it is unknown if there will be adverse effects to the environment and population of Cook County

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County call on the State of Wisconsin and the United States Environmental Protection Agency to require the Foxconn Development to comply with all applicable environmental regulations in the construction and operation of

its proposed plant at Mount Pleasant, Wisconsin; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County urges the State of Wisconsin and the United States Environmental Protection Agency to uniformly apply and enforce all applicable regulations and laws as written without any exemptions, waivers or variances to ensure negative impacts are not imposed on the residents of downstream Cook County;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County supports the Illinois Attorney General, Illinois General Assembly and Illinois agencies in taking whatever actions possible to protect Cook County and the State of Illinois against the loss of water resources, potential flooding, and other ecological impacts from this development; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Governor of Wisconsin, the Director of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Governor of Illinois, the Illinois Attorney General, the Director of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, the Director of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Director of Region 5 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Legislative History : 6/27/18 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[18-3358](#)

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A HEARING OF THE LEGISLATION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS PENDING LEGISLATION BEFORE THE ILLINOIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly and the United States Congress are currently considering numerous bills that effect the services and operation of Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the County's intergovernmental relations staff and hired lobbyists are actively monitoring the legislation that effects Cook County's services and operations; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners wishes to be updated on the status of certain bills pending before the Illinois General Assembly and the United States Congress so that it may take positions and communicate such positions to the legislation bodies on the relevant proposed legislation;

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

hereby request that a meeting of the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee be convened to discuss the status of pending legislation in the Illinois General Assembly and the United States Congress; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the intergovernmental relations staff and all hired lobbyists of the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners appear before the Committee and be prepared to update the Committee on legislation pending before the General Assembly and the United States Congress that affects Cook County's services and operations.

Legislative History : 4/25/18 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmenta

[16-6437](#)

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

COOK COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE FUND

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 34 Finance, Sec. 41 of the Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

Sec. 34-41. - Cook County Board of Review Operation and Administrative Fund.

Beginning on or before January 1, 2017, the Board of Review of Cook County shall create a Cook County Board of Review Operation and Administrative Fund, which shall be subject to appropriation by the Board, to be used to offset the costs incurred by the Board of Review in performing the additional duties required to fairly and impartially review the assessments of all property within Cook County. The Treasurer shall allocate any savings incurred from the defense of property tax appeals by the Board of Review to the Illinois State Property Tax Appeals Board to the fund as determined in conjunction with the Commissioners of the Board of Review. The Commissioners of the Board of Review shall be the custodian, ex officio, of this fund and shall use the fund to perform the duties required by the office. Expenditures shall be made from the fund by the Commissioners of the Board of Review for expenses related to the fair and impartial review the assessments of all property within Cook County.

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

Legislative History : 11/16/16 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Legislation and Intergovernmen



Secretary

Chairman: Suffredin
Vice-Chairman: Fritchey
Members: Committee of the Whole