



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

New Items Agenda

Thursday, February 27, 2020, 10:00 AM

Third Set

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Sponsored by: ALMA E. ANAYA, Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF BORDER PATROL TACTICAL UNIT (BORTAC) TEAMS BY U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO SANCTUARY CITIES INCLUDING THOSE IN COOK COUNTY

WHEREAS, Cook County is a Fair and Equal County for Immigrants, as defined in Cook County Resolution 07-R-240; and

WHEREAS, all residents of Cook County deserve to live with respect for their civil and human rights and with freedom from trauma and intimidation; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Acting Secretary confirmed Border Patrol Tactical Unit (BORTAC) teams will be deployed to several sanctuary cities across the country; and

WHEREAS, the New York Times reported that the Federal Government would begin sending heavily armed forces to Chicago and other sanctuary cities in a "supercharged arrest operation" targeting immigrant communities between February 2020 and May 2020; and

WHEREAS, the timeline of this deployment overlaps with the U.S. Census 2020 outreach and may impact the ability for Cook County to achieve a complete count, putting the future of critical resources for the County at risk; and

WHEREAS, the American Civil Liberties Union has stated that this escalation will put lives at risk by "further militarizing our streets;" and

WHEREAS, the targeting of sanctuary cities seeks to undermine the home rule authority of Cook County municipalities and the recently passed Keep Illinois Families Together Act (KIFTA); and

WHEREAS, a November 2019 study published in the American Journal of Public Health concluded that the federal government's restrictive immigration policies and arrests were associated with worsening mental health among immigrant communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Cook County Board of Commissioners opposes this anti-immigrant initiative that will further lead to the vilification, profiling, and targeting of immigrant communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners reaffirms its commitment to defend Cook County immigrants and their families.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION**URGING THE ILLINOIS STATE LEGISLATURE TO PASS SENATE BILL 3356 TO EXTEND COOK COUNTY'S GRACE PERIOD FOR ANNUAL TAX SALE**

WHEREAS, property owners formerly had twelve (12) months to pay delinquent taxes before the Annual Tax Sale until 2014, when the legislature shortened the time period to its current nine (9) months; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 3356, introduced in the Illinois General Assembly on February 14, 2020, would set the deadline at thirteen (13) months. Cook County Treasurer Maria Pappas helped draft the bill, which is sponsored by Senator Elgie Sims Jr. and co-sponsored by Deputy Majority Leader Senator Laura Murphy; and

WHEREAS, for homeowners struggling to avoid the Annual Tax Sale, additional time can make the difference between losing a home and saving it; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 3356 will increase the time hard-pressed taxpayers have to pay delinquent taxes, as 57,515 property owners must pay \$188.2 Million before the Annual Tax Sale begins on May 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, The Annual Tax Sale, required by state law, imposes a hardship on the most vulnerable homeowners with about 20,800 owners who may be unaware of the Tax Sale because the U.S. Postal Service has returned their bills and notices, and about 24,600 owe less than \$1,000, and about 2,400 homes are owned by senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, tax buyers purchase the unpaid taxes at annually held tax sales. In exchange for fronting the money, tax buyers also buy a guarantee that indebted property owners will either repay them the full tax amount plus fees and interest, or else tax buyers have a right - - between six months and three years later (depending on the property classification) - to take title to the property; and

WHEREAS, although having more taxes auctioned would bring revenues more quickly to taxing districts, this accelerated schedule comes at the expense of taxpayers and benefits tax buyers the most; and

WHEREAS, Cook County taxpayers deserve the additional four months to pay their taxes before they are offered to tax buyers; and

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

state legislators and urge them to support passage of Senate Bill 3356, and extend the tax sale schedule to a thirteen (13) month grace period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented and distributed to the Illinois State Legislature.

[20-0981](#)

Presented by: JESSICA CAFFREY, Director, Real Estate Management Division

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Real Estate Management

Vendor: CBRE, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute

Good(s) or Service(s): Property Redevelopment Strategic Planning and Feasibility Analysis Consultant Services

Contract Value: \$537,851.00

Contract period: 4/1/2020 - 3/31/2022 with two, one-year renewal options

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: FY2020 \$482,101.00; FY2021 \$55,750.00

Accounts: Capital Improvement Program

Contract Number(s): 1823-17224

Concurrences:

The vendor has met the Minority-and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance via direct participation.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

Summary: This contract will allow the County to maximize the value of County assets, determine the highest and best use of the Oak Forest Campus and provide the County with a source of revenue while preserving flexibility for future County needs. This contract was awarded through a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process in accordance with the Cook County Procurement Code. CBRE, Inc. was selected based on established evaluation criteria.