



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Building and Zoning

Other Part(ies): Leyden Township

Request: Enter into and execute an intergovernmental agreement between Cook County ("County") and Leyden Township ("Township")

Goods or Services: Leyden Township will authorize township enforcement officers (TEO's) to enforce County Ordinances within areas of the County located within the township pursuant to the proposed intergovernmental agreement.

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: This agreement shall commence on the date of execution by the Cook County Board of Commissioners and shall continue in full force and effect until such time that either party provides thirty (30) days written notice of such termination to the other party.

Fiscal Impact: Revenue Generating

Accounts: N/A

Summary: Per Article VII, Section 10 of the Illinois Constitution, the Illinois Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., and other applicable law, units of local government are permitted to cooperate with and support each other in exercise of their authority and the performance of their responsibilities. In addition, per the provisions of the Township Code (60 ILCS 1/100-10(d)), the Township wishes to assist the County in the enforcement of County ordinances in unincorporated areas of the Township through its township enforcement officers ("TEOs").

The purpose of this Intergovernmental Agreement ("Agreement") is to authorize the collaboration and cooperation between the County and the Township pursuant to the provisions of 60 ILCS 1/100-10(d) and Article 13.2.4 of the 2001 Cook County Zoning Ordinance. Per the agreement, the Township TEOs shall enforce those provisions of the following ordinances mutually agreed to by the Township and County: County Land Development Ordinance; Part II of the Cook County Code of Ordinances, including Chapters 102 (Building and Building Regulations), 110 (Manufactured Homes and Trailers), 114 (Signs), 126 (Tree Preservation, Landscaping and Screening); and the Cook County Zoning Ordinance of 2001, as said Ordinances are amended from time to time (collectively, the "County Ordinances").

The County shall provide for the adjudication of all County Ordinance citations issued hereunder through the County's Department of Administrative Hearings. The County shall provide for the processing of citations and collection of fees pursuant to this Agreement through the County's Revenue Department. The County shall provide training for all authorized TEO's within 30 days of authorization and prior to any enforcement action by the TEO's. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the County shall have the sole and absolute authority and discretion to determine whether or not to prosecute any alleged County Ordinance violations hereunder.

As a result of the Townships willingness to assist in the enforcement of the County Ordinances, the County shall be

authorized to pay the Township thirty percent (30%) of the fines received from citations issued by TEOs under the provisions of the Agreement.

This agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form by the Cook County State's Attorney's Office.