



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CAPITAL PLANNING AND POLICY FOR BEING AWARDED THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES “2016 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD”

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy’s mission is to develop and provide day-to-day oversight of the County’s Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Cook County facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy is responsible for setting forth the plan for design, construction and renovation of County buildings and building systems; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy also remains focused on initiatives to reduce energy and natural resource usage by completing energy efficiency upgrades and executing guaranteed performance contracts that are aimed at ensuring County facilities are operating economically and ecologically to the greatest reasonable extent; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy recently has been awarded the National Association of Counties (NACo) *2016 Achievement Award* for the program entitled, “Guaranteed Energy Performance Contracting (GEPC)”;

WHEREAS, this innovative fiscal solution, with endorsement of President Preckwinkle and the County Board of Commissioners, addresses facility conditions and building performance, establishing Cook County’s leadership role in national, state and regional sustainability efforts; and

WHEREAS, in July of 2012, the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy adopted sustainability goals to reduce energy and water consumption and decrease emissions from its municipal facilities; and

WHEREAS, the GEPC projects target building energy use which is the single largest contributor of Greenhouse Gas Emissions; and

WHEREAS, at \$60M, it is the largest single-phase performance contracting project ever undertaken by a County with an estimated project savings of 20% reduction in energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions and \$4.1M in guaranteed annual utility savings; and

WHEREAS, the “Guaranteed Energy Performance Contracting” program was also achieved through innovation and collaboration across multiple agencies and stakeholders in order to focus on the best-interest of the County, its tax-payers and residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and Board of Commissioners do hereby congratulate Phil Boothby, Department Director, Tony Dover, Energy Manager, and the entire staff of the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy, for their receipt of this distinguished national award; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this text be spread upon the official proceedings of this Honorable Body in appreciation of the outstanding work performed by the Cook County Department of Capital Planning and Policy in the course of performing its duties needed to keep all Cook County properties functioning efficiently and effectively.

