

# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

## **Legislation Text**

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#### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

#### GRANT AWARD RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the value of infrastructure improvement to economic development and job creation in Cook County is well documented in a series of authoritative studies and plans produced in the last decade; and

WHEREAS, City of Harvey has jurisdictional authority of 156<sup>th</sup> Street and 157<sup>th</sup> Street from Commercial Avenue to Halsted Street including various maintenance obligations; and

WHEREAS, 156<sup>th</sup> Street and 157<sup>th</sup> Street improvements are needed to provide a safe and sustainable highway to accommodate increased truck and vehicular traffic associated with an existing steel manufacturer and supports development of the regional economy; and

**WHEREAS,** Cook County is willing to act as a lead agent for construction improvements along 156th Street and 157<sup>th</sup> Street from Commercial Avenue to Halsted Street; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to ensure the judicious use of funds available for County Highways to satisfy the needs of the general motoring public and regional redevelopment; and

**WHEREAS**, the undertaking of studies and investigations related to County highways and regional development is authorized under Section 605 ILCS 5/5-701.6 of the Road and Bridge Laws of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County is an eligible applicant for funding from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) and anticipates an award of \$150,000.00 in construction funding to be used for the 156<sup>th</sup> Street and 157<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that Toni Preckwinkle, President, of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, is hereby authorized to execute such documents as may be required to accept funds under this DCEO grant contract.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 156<sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction improvements shall include Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) pavement, removal of abandoned railroad tracks and railroad car scale, cleaning of the existing storm sewer, landscaping, replacement of existing street lighting, traffic protection; and 157<sup>th</sup> Street Resurfacing improvements shall include HMA surface coarse, repairing the existing distressed Portland Cement Concrete base pavement, concrete curb and gutter removal and replacement, drainage additions and adjustments, pavement marking, street lighting, traffic protection, landscaping and other necessary highway appurtenances; and that said services shall be designated as <u>Section:</u> 14-15632-01-FP,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Department of Transportation and Highways will submit a report to the County Board when DCEO Grant Award is approved/received,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Department of Transportation and Highways requests to authorize expenditure of the anticipated award and if the award is not received, a supplemental resolution for expenditure of MFT funds shall be submitted for approval; and,

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit two certified copies of this resolution to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO).