



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

ADOPTION OF THE COOK COUNTY 2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation is a five-year strategic plan for the Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development; and

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation consists of two Federally-required plans based upon similar timeframes and content thereby helping the County maintain cohesiveness and be more efficient in coordinating and targeting a wide spectrum of Federal resources to address local needs; and

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation includes the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan (Con Plan) as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the continued receipt of Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds to support economic development, affordable housing, and community development in suburban Cook County with particular emphasis upon benefit to low- and moderate-income households and communities; and

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation also includes the 2020-2024 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) as required by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) within the U.S. Department of Commerce for eligible application for Federal funds to support economic development in the city of Chicago and suburban Cook County; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT) is partnering with Cook County to assist in the development of Moving to Implementation; and

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation was launched in April 2019, is inclusive of extensive data compilation and analysis as well as critical feedback provided by key stakeholders, and built on the extensive outreach that had been done as part of the development of the Cook County Policy Roadmap; and

WHEREAS, the two overarching principles of racial equity and resilience underpin the strategies outlined in Moving to Implementation; and

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation includes an assessment of local assets, resources, needs, market conditions, and development/service opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation helps the Department strategically plan for future needs throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, Moving to Implementation capitalizes on existing local and regional planning efforts, establishing countywide and sub-regional goals that will provide a higher quality of life for its residents, workers, and visitors over the next five years; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Department's Citizen Participation Plan that governs its HUD funding, the Consolidated Plan must be adopted by the Cook County Board of Commissioners prior to submission to HUD; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Development Subcommittee of the Cook County Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) and the full EDAC have provided feedback on Moving to Implementation throughout the process and approved the draft Moving to Implementation strategic plan to move forward for Cook County Board review and consideration for approval at their July 2020 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the draft Moving to Implementation strategic plan is now being presented to the Cook County Board of Commissioners for review and consideration for approval and adoption; and

WHEREAS, the adoption by the Cook County Board of Commissioners will enable the Department to submit the final Moving to Implementation strategic plan to HUD in advance of their August 2020 deadline; and

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

- Adopt in its entirety the Moving to Implementation strategic plan; and
- Permit the Department to submit the final Moving to Implementation strategic plan to HUD in advance of their August 2020 deadline.