



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

REQUESTING PROGRESS UPDATES ON ASSUMPTION OF DUTIES FROM RECORDER OF DEEDS BY THE COUNTY CLERK

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2016, the Cook County electorate voted by referendum to transfer the duties and responsibilities of the Office of the Cook County Recorder of Deeds to the Office of the Cook County Clerk by December 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the final assumption of duties from the Recorder of Deeds by the Cook County Clerk has occurred and the final implementation plan report, Item # 20-4191, was presented and filed with the Cook County Board of Commissioners on October 22, 2020 and the final assumption of duties was completed by November 30, 2020; and **WHEREAS**, it is in the interest of the Board and of the citizens of Cook County to ensure that the assumption of duties is moving smoothly and that the former functions of the Recorder of Deeds are being efficiently and effectively handled by the Clerk's office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby request that the Cook County Clerk present and deliver in writing quarterly reports on the functioning of the office concerning assumption of these duties, addressing, among other things, the backlog of recordings that existed at the time of the transfer; the ongoing delay between sale/purchase of property and recording the transfer instruments; property indexing; and the ability of staff to perform the required functions. Said reports are to begin with the first quarter of FY 2021. The Clerk is requested to appear before the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations Committee to present the report and to respond to questions from Commissioners.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption