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Dear Colleagues:

Attached is a summary of legislation introduced at the City Council meeting on December 12, 2018. This summary, prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau, describes code amendments, ordinances of general application, ordinances authorizing various types of transactions, and non-ceremonial resolutions. It is intended to provide useful details that may aid us in consideration of these items.

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Sincerely,

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CITY COUNCIL INTRODUCTIONS

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Legislation Introduced at City Council Meeting of December 12, 2018

This summary does not include local liquor moratoriums, routine traffic matters, zoning map changes, grants of privilege in the public way, waivers, refunds or routine SSA matters.



FINANCE

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS

Amendment of Municipal Code Section 8-4-085 to include cyberstalking as hate crime

Sponsors: **Burke, Tunney**

Wards Affected: **All**

[O2018-9341](#) This amendment adds “cyberstalking” to the misconduct constituting hate crimes prohibited under current code. The proposed change is responsive to the dramatic increase in digital forms of hate crimes (*e.g.*, electronic communication and the internet) documented in recent research.

TRANSACTIONAL ORDINANCES

Intergovernmental agreement with Chicago Park District for partial funding of Kosciusko Park renovation at 2732 N Avers Ave with Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) Funds from Pulaski Industrial Corridor Redevelopment Area

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **31, 1, 26, 27, 30, 35, 37**

[O2018-9559](#) The Chicago Park District is renovating Kosciusko Park on the Northwest Side by improving the fieldhouse, and constructing a playground, baseball and soccer fields, and a basketball court. The entire project will be financed by \$1.85 million from the Pulaski Corridor TIF.

Issuance of multi-family housing revenue bonds, notes or indebtedness for benefit of Borrower Parkside Four II, LP, for acquisition, construction and equipping 134 low-income mixed type dwelling units within area of W Division St, N Cleveland Ave, W Oak S

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Ward Affected: **27**

[O2018-9957](#) The ordinance authorizes the issuance of \$45 million in federal multi-family low-income housing bonds for the construction of 134 units of low-income housing on the North Side in two and three story townhomes, walk-ups, and a seven-story building.

Multi-Family Program Funds, construction loan, low-income housing tax credit and permanent loan with developer Cicero Senior Lofts LLC for acquisition and construction of 62 senior units at 4801-57 S Cicero Ave

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Ward Affected: **14**

[O2018-9534](#) The ordinance authorizes loaning \$2.3 million of federal multi-family low-income housing funds interest free for up to 35 years to finance a very small portion of the construction costs of 62 units of senior affordable housing on the Southwest Side.



FINANCE, CONT'D

RESOLUTIONS

Call for Commissioners of Department of Planning and Development, Transportation and 2FM presentation of plan for improving downtown pedestrian way system (Pedway) and ensuring its future maintenance

Sponsor: **Laurino**

Wards Affected: **All**

R2018-1395 The resolution calls on the Commissioners of Planning and Development, CDOT, and 2FM to appear at the next Finance Committee meeting with plans on developing a commission to oversee the Pedway.

Submission of public question by referendum to Chicago voters at February 26, 2019 election proposing to increase City of Chicago real estate transfer tax for benefit of providing resources for housing and services to combat homelessness

Sponsors: **Sadlowski Garza, Arena**

Wards Affected: **All**

R2018-1397 This resolution proposes a referendum question on the February 26, 2019 ballot asking whether to increase the "City Portion" of real estate transfer tax imposed from the current rate at three dollars and seventy-five cents (\$3.75) for every five hundred dollars (\$500.00) of transfer price, or fraction thereof, to nine dollars and seventy-five cents (\$9.75) for every five hundred dollars (\$500.00) of transfer price, or fraction thereof, for transfers over one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in transfer price. The increased revenue will be dedicated to the Homeless Transfer Tax Fund. The deadline for submitting questions for the February election has passed.

APPOINTMENTS

Ordinance Number	Committee	Appointment Information
<u>A2018-149</u>	Special Service Area No. 28-2014, Six Corners Commission	Breanna C. Beato
<u>A2018-148</u>	Special Service Area No. 28-2014, Six Corners Commission	Emanuel B. Zwick
<u>A2018-150</u>	Special Service Area No. 28-2014, Six Corners Commission	Franklin P. Jones
<u>A2018-152</u>	Special service Area No. 56, Bronzeville Commission	Letitia N. Powell
<u>A2018-147</u>	Special Service Area No. 28-2014, Six Corners Commission	Scott Hollander
Ordinance Number	Committee	Re-Appointment
<u>A2018-146</u>	Special Service Area No. 18, North Halsted Commission	James M . Ludwig
<u>A2018-151</u>	Special Service Area No. 28-2014, Six Corners Commission	Anna M. Zolkowski



BUDGET AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS & ORDINANCES

Amendment of Municipal Code 2-112-160 adding subpoena power to the Commissioner of Public Health for investigation of serious public health threats or location of persons possibly exposed to a health attack agent

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

O2018-9307 This amendment grants the Commissioner of Public Health the power to issue subpoenas to compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of books, papers, records, documents, data and other information relevant to public health investigations that the Commissioner conducts pertinent to a serious public health threat(s) and/or to locate persons who may have been exposed to an agent which can seriously affect their health.

Amendment of Municipal Code Section 2-112-230 adding vision service to health-related agreements with Chicago Board of Education and other City of Chicago schools

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

O2018-9339 This amendment adds vision services to the health-related agreements with the Chicago Board of Education and other City of Chicago schools currently allowed under the Municipal Code. These services are provided to non-secular elementary, middle or secondary schools through intergovernmental agreements negotiated between the Commissioner of Health, Chicago Board of Education and any of the governing bodies managing the local school entities.

COMMITTEES, RULES AND ETHICS

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS & ORDINANCES

Amendment of Municipal Code Sections 2-152-430 and 2-152-440 authorizing the Corporation Counsel of Chicago to approve appointments and payments for bureau of workmen's compensation

Sponsors: **Arena, Sadlowski Garza, Waguespack, Munoz, Mell, Smith, Cappleman, King, Foulkes, Pawar**

Wards Affected: **All**

O2018-9408 This ordinance seeks to amend the code by transferring authority from the Chairman of the Committee on Finance to the Corporation Counsel of the City of Chicago for processing compensation claims.

Amendment of Municipal Code Sections 2-156-149, 2-156-150 and 2-156-190 regarding governmental ethics scope of requirements and filing due dates

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

O2018-9438 The deadline for submitting a Statement of Financial Interests is moved up from May 31st to May 1st. The Board of Ethics must notify individuals who have not filed their Statements by April 1st of the May 1st deadline. This Board must provide these notifications within five business days of April 1st. This provision is effective in 2020.



COMMITTEES, RULES AND ETHICS, CONT'D

APPOINTMENTS

Ordinance Number	Committee	Appointment Information
A2018-145	Member of Board of Ethics	Barbara Mc Donald

ECONOMIC, CAPITAL, AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

TRANSACTIONAL ORDINANCES

[Support of Class 6\(b\) tax incentive for property at 3400 and 3501 S Hamlin Ave, 3501 and 3655 S Pulaski Rd, and 3500 S Central Park Ave](#)

Sponsor: **Munoz**

Ward Affected: **22**

[R2018-1394](#) This resolution supports a Class 6(b) tax incentive for property at 3400 and 3501 S. Hamlin Ave, 3501 and 3655 S. Pulaski Rd, and 3500 S. Central Park Ave. HRE Crawford LLC, will demolish existing structures, conduct environmental remediation and construct an approximately 1,054,852 square foot industrial facility on the property in the Little Village Industrial Corridor TIF.

[Support of Class 7\(b\) tax incentive for property at 3837 S Halsted St and 3849 S Halsted St, Lakeside Bank, owner](#)

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Ward Affected: **11**

[O2018-9627](#) This ordinance supports a Class 6(b) tax incentive for Lakeside Bank who plans to construct a new bank branch of approximately 6,344 square feet.

APPOINTMENTS

Ordinance Number	Committee	Appointment Information
A2018-153	Member of Community Development Commission	Latasha R. Thomas
		Re-appointment Information
A2018-154	Member of Community Development Commission	Eileen K. Rhodes



HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS

Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 11-4 by adding new Section 11-4-1100 concerning radiation monitoring

Sponsors: **Reilly, King**

Ward Affected: **4**

O2018-9323 From approximately 1916 to 1921, Carnotite Reduction Company operated an elemental radium separation and refining facility, consequently the property is a Superfund site. The property was later purchased by Michael Reese Hospital. The City acquired the entire Michael Reese Hospital complex in 2009 in advance of its unsuccessful bid for the 2016 Summer Olympics.

The ordinance requires a Health and Safety Plan be submitted to the Department of Fleet and Facility Management (2FM) prior to any planned work at the site. A radiation specialist must be present whenever work is performed. All contaminated material must be containerized. Reports must be submitted to 2FM within two weeks of completion of the work regarding detected radiation and the disposal of radioactive material.

Violations of this ordinance are subject of fines from \$5,000 to \$10,000. The City is authorized to sue to recover three times the costs it incurs. The ordinance is effective ten days after passage and approval.

RESOLUTION

Call for creation of Public Mental Health Clinic Service Expansion Task Force to determine which community areas in need for re-opening of mental health clinics and identifying budgetary and operational recommendations for expansion of existing facilities

Sponsors: **King, Villegas, Dowell, Ervin, Taliaferro, Scott, Hairston, Sawyer, Harris, Brookins, Lopez, Osterman, Moore, D., Curtis, Foulkes, Cappleman, Laurino, Thompson, Quinn, Reilly, Santiago, Moore, J., Cardenas, Pawar, Smith, Beale, Cochran, Silverstein, Sposato, Tunney, Mell, Munoz, O'Connor, Arena, O'Shea, Solis, Mitts, Maldonado, Napolitano, Austin, Waguespack, Burnett, Reboyras, Tabares, Moreno, Burke**

Wards Affected: **All**

R2018-1398 This resolution calls for the establishment of a Task Force with oversight of a 3rd party study that will provide needs assessment data necessary for the preparation of budgetary and operational recommendations for the equitable provision of the city's mental health services. Task Force members shall include two aldermen from wards which contained one of the six mental health clinics closed in 2012, two designees of the Chicago Department of Health, two designees of American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 31, and two designees of the Chicago Community Mental Health Board.



HOUSING AND REAL ESTATE

ORDINANCE

Amending Large Lot Sale Program agreement with Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) for enhanced services by increasing maximum compensation to be paid for 2018 and setting aggregate limit for 2015 through 2019

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

O2018-9444 This ordinance seeks to amend the LISC Agreement in order to increase the maximum compensation for calendar year 2018 to be paid to LISC in consideration of LISC's providing additional technical and maintenance services for the Large Lot Website and additional Large Lot Program community outreach services. The amendment authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Planning and Development to increase the maximum compensation for calendar year 2018 to be paid to LISC from \$66,000 to \$141,000 and to increase the maximum compensation to be paid to LISC for the term January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019 to a total of \$515,000.

TRANSACTIONAL ORDINANCE

Sale of City-owned property lots commonly known as 11914, 11920, 11924, 11926, 11928, 11934, 11942 and 11946 S Union Ave to developer, Habitat for Humanity Chicago

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Ward Affected: **34**

O2018-9479 This ordinance authorizes the sale of eight city lots that will be re-subdivided as ten city lots in the Pullman District to be used for single family, affordable housing. The sale price for the parcels is \$10 (or \$1 per buildable lot) The DPD ordered an appraisal which confirmed the developer's appraisal of the property for \$16,100.

ADJACENT NEIGHBORS LAND ACQUISITION PROGRAM

Each ordinance listed below authorizes the sale of a vacant, City-owned lot to someone who resides on the adjacent property. The purchaser must clean and landscape the property as a side yard within 6 months. For 10 years after taking title, the purchaser cannot sell the property or build on it, except to construct a garage to serve the purchaser's residence.

A property can only be sold through the ANLAP program if it has an appraised value of not more than \$50,000. If the appraised value of the property is \$10,000 or less, the minimum acceptable bid is \$1,000. If the property is appraised between \$10,000 and \$20,000, the minimum acceptable bid is \$2,000. If the property is appraised for more than \$20,000, the minimum acceptable bid is \$2,000, plus 50% of the appraised value in excess of \$20,000.

Combining the properties may enhance the value of both, while relieving the City of the expenses of maintenance and restoring the vacant parcel to the tax rolls. All ordinances are introduced by the Mayor and referred to the Committee on Housing and Real Estate.

Ordinance Number	Ward	City-owned Vacant Property Address	Purchaser Information	Appraised Value/ Sale Price
<u>O2018-9392</u>	3	4111 S. Wabash Ave.	Robert Starks and Shandrel Starks	\$34,000/\$9,025



HUMAN RELATIONS

RESOLUTIONS

Call for United States Homeland Security to withdraw proposed rule expanding definition of "public charge" in determining type of immigrant status of a person

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

R2018-1396 This resolution calls for the City of Chicago to join New York City and 31 other municipalities in denouncing the proposed rule put forth by the federal Department of Homeland Security that would expand the definition of "public charge" in determining the immigrant status of a person. The Mayor's Office anticipates the proposed rule expansion to potentially have negative effects on both those individuals immigrating to the US as well as those already present who seek to become permanent residents. For instance, the expansion would allow for the federal government to use receipt of non-cash government benefit programs, including but not limited to food stamps, medical care, and housing assistance, in its determination of the citizenship eligibility of those immigrants lawfully present in the country – or for those seeking entry.

LICENSE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

RESOLUTION

Call for hearing(s) on predatory towing epidemic in Chicago

Sponsor: **Villegas**

Wards Affected: **All**

R2018-1393 This resolution calls for the License and Consumer Protection Committee to hold a public hearing, no later than March 1, 2019, to assess the extent and nature of the predatory towing epidemic in Chicago and to initiate design of a new process that will keep Chicagoans safe. The Commissioner of the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection is asked to testify at the hearing.

PUBLIC SAFETY

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT

Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 8-4 by adding new Section 8-4 305 regarding unlawful representation as transportation network driver

Sponsor: **Burke, Beale, Reilly, Smith**

Wards Affected: **All**

O2018-9321 This Amendment to current code renders it unlawful for any individual to provide vehicle transportation to individuals requesting service from the network by misrepresenting him/herself as a transportation network driver using counterfeit or imitation identification and signage – or any other method of falsifying network identity.



SPECIAL EVENTS, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND RECREATION

APPOINTMENTS

Ordinance Number	Committee	Appointment Information
A2018-143	Commissioner of Chicago Park District	Ashely Hemphill Netzy
		Re-Appointment Information
A2018-144	Commissioner of Chicago Park District	Timothy J. King

ZONING, LANDMARKS AND BUILDING STANDARDS

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS & ORDINANCES

Amendment of Municipal Code Section 17-3-0400 regarding eligibility of transit-served locations for zoning building requirements or adjustments to include newly-defined bus line corridor roadway segments as listed in new Table 17-10-0102-B.1.b

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

[O2018-9304](#) The City's transit-oriented development provisions encourage development around transit stations by in certain circumstances allowing for fewer parking spaces, greater height and density, and additional efficiency units. This ordinance extends those allowances around various heavily used bus routes in the City.

Amendment of Municipal Code Titles 2, 4, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17 and 18 regarding Building Code technical corrections and Fire Code modifications

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

[O2018-9443](#) In order to obtain a building permit, the applicant no longer has to obtain a surety bond protecting the City.

Currently the code requires electrical service disconnectors for one and two family dwellings to be inside the units, but it can be outside for other structures. This amendment allows two family dwellings to have their disconnectors outside.

In high rise buildings electrical closets must have a minimum fire rating of two hours, otherwise it is one hour. Electrical closets must comply with 110.31 of the NFPA 70, National Electrical Code, 2017 edition.

Currently branch circuit ungrounded conductors over 120 volts to 600 volts require a supervising electrician. This ordinance removes that requirement, but requires regular inspection and maintenance by such an electrician. Transfer equipment must be in a different closet than either generators or service entrance equipment.



ZONING, LANDMARKS AND BUILDING STANDARDS, CONT'D

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS & ORDINANCES

O2018-9443

Flexible metal conduit is added to the list of enclosures of branch circuits that do not require arc-fault circuit interrupter (AFCI) protection. This conduit can also be used for connecting electrical for office furniture, and up to thirty feet of office furniture can be connected by one cord and plug. The provisions regulating outlets and junction boxes must comply with Article 314 of NFPA 70, but exceptions 1 and 2 are eliminated. For flexible cords, Article 400 is adopted except for 400.10(A)(11) and exception 4 to 400.12.

Transformer disconnectors must be on the primary sides. Only boxes for raceways must be red, not the whole raceway.

Currently in a large renovation, reconstruction or conversion of a building to a new use, existing house sewers or drains may be used in certain circumstances. This ordinance eliminates that option.

After February 1, 2019, all buildings receiving permits taller than 55 feet up to 80 feet must have manual dry standpipes in each stairwell. While the City must inspect them annually, an inspection fee will not be charged by the City. Above each valve must be a sign that reads "MANUAL DRY STANDPIPE."

Plumber's licenses currently can be from 1-4 years in length. This ordinance establishes the length at one year and beginning on July 1, 2019, requires four hours of continuing education. The Commissioner of Buildings may require plumbers who violate the Code to take an additional two hours of continuing education. The Commissioner is explicitly authorized to issue rules regarding plumbers' licenses.

The ordinance provides that sign permits are not required for interior signs which are not visible from off the premises and for signs required by law. It is clarified that general contractors and electrical contractors are responsible for ensuring that they have the proper sign permits prior to commencing work. The ordinance specifies that if part of a sign structure is removed (not by vandalism) and what remains is insufficient to display a non-conforming sign, then the remnants are deemed an abandoned sign and cannot be used to revive the sign permit.

Currently owners of vacant buildings must provide a watchman at the site between 4 p.m. and 8 a.m. unless the site is secured to the satisfaction of the Commissioner. This ordinance provides that if a watchman is needed, a watchman must be present at all times.

Wrecking applications must include the name of the contractor to perform the work. The pest control inspection requirement does not apply to the removal of rooftop structures.

The requirement that a Supervising Electrician sign permits is eliminated.

It is specified that the Commissioner must prioritize building inspections based on public health and safety, but the 21 day limit to begin inspections is eliminated. Since building violations that have been issued appear on the City's website, the requirement of maintaining a resource center of violations open to the public is eliminated.



ZONING, LANDMARKS AND BUILDING STANDARDS, CONT'D

MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS & ORDINANCES

[O2018-9443](#)

The ordinance makes it explicit that the Commissioner of Buildings may establish sub-classes and categories of licenses and permits, and may impose additional requirements on work at a specific site as deemed appropriate.

The ordinance is effective on the later of passage and approval, or February 1, 2019.

[Amendment of Municipal Code Section 13-20-550 regarding one acknowledgment panel per art mural on sign permit](#)

Sponsor: **Tunney**

Wards Affected: **All**

[O2018-9300](#) This ordinance amends the code by adding that the any art mural that contains a business name, logo, slogan, trademark, social media identifier or other business identification, including business sponsorship, in the mural itself shall be considered a sign and thus subject to Code provisions regarding sign permits, provided however that the artist or a partner entity may acknowledge the name of sponsors or partners of the art mural in a single acknowledgement panel, not to exceed two square feet in area, adjoining at the bottom edge of the art mural. This provision does not allow more than one acknowledgment panel in a single art mural or in adjacent art murals located on the same lot.

[Historical landmark designation for Cook County Hospital Administration Building at 1835 W Harrison St](#)

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Ward Affected: **27**

[O2018-9247](#) The ordinance recommends landmark status for Cook County Hospital. The hospital is architecturally striking and significant. It is also the site of the nation's first blood bank and was the first major hospital in the country to be managed by a woman.

APPOINTMENT

<u>Ordinance Number</u>	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Re-Appointment Information</u>
<u>A2018-142</u>	Members of Chicago Plan Commission	Raul Garza and Smita N. Shah



JOINT: FINANCE AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT & AUDIT

TRANSACTIONAL ORDINANCE

Implementation of Pension Fund Stabilization Bonds for benefit of city's obligations to various pensions, utilizing revenues from Chicago Water and Sewer Tax Ordinance, and revenues from Sales Tax Securitization Corporation when authorized

Sponsor: **Mayor**

Wards Affected: **All**

O2018-9961 The ordinance authorizes the issuance of \$10 billion of bonds to stabilize the City's four pension funds. \$2.3 billion of bonds will be paid from the proceeds of the water and sewer tax, while the remaining \$7.7 billion of bonds will be paid from sales tax revenues and issued by the Chicago Sales Tax Securitization Corporation. The interest rate on the bonds cannot exceed 10%.

The board members of the Corporation are the CFO, Budget Director, Comptroller, and the Chairmen of the City Council's Committee on Finance and Budget Committee. The Corporation's operating expenses may not exceed \$250,000 annually.

The ordinance sunsets at the end of 2019.