

NEW ITEMS AGENDA

**Meeting of the Cook County Board of Commissioners
County Board Room, County Building
Tuesday, October 2, 2012, 10:00 A.M.
Issued: Friday, September 28, 2012

COMMISSIONER

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

NEW ITEM #1

Submitting a Proposed Resolution sponsored by

LARRY SUFFREDIN, JOHN P. DALEY AND EDWIN REYES, Cook County Commissioners

**Establishing an Exploratory Committee to Examine Financing Initiatives
for the Office of the Cook County Sheriff**

WHEREAS, according to the February 2012 Cook County Sheriff's Reentry Council Research Bulletin, the Cook County Jail ("Jail") has operated at a 90% to 98% capacity over the past few years including an average daily population of over 9,000 in 2012; and

WHEREAS, according to that same study, 17.5% of males and 12.4% of females held at the Jail entered the jail two or more times over the course of 2011; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 budget for the Cook County Department of Corrections was \$236.7 million; and

WHEREAS, the cost of holding one individual in custody at the Jail averages \$143 per day; and

WHEREAS, efforts to reduce the Jail population would reduce the daily expenditures of the Jail; and

WHEREAS, the State of Massachusetts and New York City, have begun using "Social Impact Bonds" (also known as "Pay for Success" or "Social Benefit" bonds) to reduce the recidivism rates in their juvenile jail populations; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago Community Trust has expressed an interest in pursuing the use of Social Impact financing at the Jail; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Cook County recognizes the potential for the use of Social Impact financing to reduce the Cook County Jail population; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cook County Sheriff create and lead an exploratory committee of financial and correctional experts to examine the use of Social Impact financing at the Cook County Jail;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the exploratory committee contain members of the Sheriff's staff, a representative of the Chicago Community Trust, a representative of the John Howard Association, a representative of the research community, the Chair of the Cook County Board of Commissioners' Law Enforcement Committee, a representative of the financial services industry with expertise in public/private partnerships, a representative from the treatment community and others that the Sheriff deems fit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the exploratory committee examines possible reductions of population at the Cook County Jail in the following areas:

- Inmates suffering from Mental Illness
- Inmates suffering from alcohol or narcotic dependencies
- Inmates who may safely remain in the community pending trial
- Inmates without adequate housing upon release
- Youthful offenders ages 17 to 25
- Effective reentry programming

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the exploratory committee discuss possible program implementation methods and structure, evaluation methods, cost effectiveness, service providers and other areas necessary to implement an effective program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the exploratory committee report to the Board of Commissioners at the first board meeting of 2013 on its findings.

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT

NEW ITEM #2

Transmitting a Communication, dated September 21, 2012 from

THOMAS J. DART, Cook County Sheriff

by

ALEXIS HERRERA, Chief Financial Officer, Cook County Sheriff

requesting approval of payment in the amount of \$1,269,416.00 to Motorola Solutions, Inc, of Schaumburg, Illinois, for Maintenance and Parts for the Interoperable Radio System through December 31, 2012.

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NEW ITEMS #2 cont'd

Reason: Motorola Solutions, Inc. is the sole source provider of Maintenance and parts for the County-wide Interoperable Radio System. This approval will allow for the payment of Maintenance and Parts from April 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 unless a new contract is executed before that time.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$1,269,416.00. (\$937,396.00 769-449 Account and \$332,020.00 211-449 Account).