

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
May 2022**

On May 19, 2022, at 10:04 am, the Committee on Finance held a remote meeting pursuant to applicable law.

The following members were present: Hopkins, Dowell, King, Sawyer, Sadlowski-Garza, Cardenas, Quinn, Burke, Lopez, Moore, Curtis, O’Shea, Brookins, Tabares, Burnett, Ervin, Taliaferro, Reboyras, Austin, Villegas, Mitts, Sposato, Napolitano, Reilly, Smith, Tunney, Osterman, Silverstein, Vice Chairwoman Hairston, and Chairman Waguespack.

The following members were absent: Mitchell, Harris, Beale, and Scott.

The following other alderpersons were present: Coleman, Cardona, and Rodriguez-Sanchez.

Chairman Waguespack opened the meeting with a statement regarding the impracticability of meeting in person. Chairman Waguespack took a roll call to establish a quorum, as reflected above.

Chairman Waguespack noted that Item 16 would be held at the request of Ald. Beale.

Chairman Waguespack opened the floor for public comment. There was none.

1. Approval of Rule 45 Report of the previous meeting of the Committee on Finance.

Chairman Waguespack opened the floor for corrections. There were none.

On Item 1, Ald. Austin moved do pass by the roll call taken to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

2. O2022-1247 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to issue multi-family low income housing bonds for the purchase and development of 3737 West Cortland Street by Encuantro Square II LP, Encuantro Square II GP and Latin United Community Housing Association (LUCHA) in the 26th Ward. Amount: up to \$19,500,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ester Sorrell with the Department of Housing to explain the item, which she did.

On Item 2, Ald. Villegas moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

3. O2022-1257 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute a Redevelopment Agreement with BUILD, Inc. (Broader Urban Involvement & Leadership Development) and BUILD Support Corporation (QALICB), developers, to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) for eligible costs of renovation and facility

addition of a youth community center with sports and fitness facilities located at 5100 and 5112 West Harrison Street in the 29th Ward. Amount: \$2,500,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Terrance Johnson with the Department of Planning and Development to explain the item, which he did.

Chairman Waguespack spoke in support of the ordinance.

Ald. Reboyras spoke in support of the ordinance.

Ald. Taliaferro spoke in support of the ordinance.

On Item 3, Ald. Ervin moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

4. O2022-1259 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of new soccer, track, softball and lacrosse fields at Northside College Preparatory High School, located at 5501 North Kedzie Avenue in the 40th Ward. Amount: \$4,541,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain the ordinance, which he did.

On Item 4, Ald. Reboyras moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

5. O2022-1260 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of turf field replacement at Peter A. Reinberg Elementary School, located at 3425 North Major Avenue in the 36th Ward. Amount: \$400,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain the ordinance, which he did.

On Item 5, Ald. Silverstein moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

6. O2022-1261 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of new soccer field and asphalt parking lot at Theodore Roosevelt High School, located at 3436 West Wilson Avenue in the 33th Ward. Amount: \$5,800,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain the ordinance, which he did.

Ald. Brookins asked that information about upgrades to schools outside TIF districts be provided to aldermen. Hansen said he expected to have that information by the end of June.

Ald. Cardenas reiterated Ald. Brookins's question.

Ald. Rodriguez-Sanchez spoke in support of the ordinance and introduced three students from the high school who also spoke in support.

Ald. Villegas spoke in support of the ordinance and noted that he is an alumnus.

On Item 6, Ald. Villegas moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

7. O2022-1262 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of turf field replacement at Salmon P. Chase Elementary School, located at 2021 North Point Street in the 1st Ward. Amount: \$100,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain the ordinance, which he did.

Chairman Waguespack asked how long a turf field will last, and Hansen said 10 to 15 years, depending on maintenance and use. Chairman Waguespack asked about field maintenance, and Hansen provided the information. Chairman Waguespack asked if there was data on injury reduction with the turf surfaces. Hansen said he would provide the data through the Chair.

Ald. Napolitano spoke in support of the ordinance and asked about a potential turf field at another school.

On Item 7, Ald. Napolitano moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

8. O2022-1263 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of replacement of high pressure steam mechanical system at Albert G. Lane Technical High School, located at 2501 West Addison Street in the 47th Ward. Amount: \$10,000,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain the item, which he did.

On Item 8, Ald. Mitts moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

9. O2022-1264 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of fire alarm system

replacement and chimney stack reduction at John Marshall Metropolitan High School, located at 3250 West Adams Street in the 28th Ward. Amount: \$560,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain the item, which he did.

On Item 9, Ald. King moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

10. O2022-1265 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of playground and sports field construction, and upgrades to the building automation system at Philip Murray Elementary Language Academy, located at 5335 South Kenwood Avenue in the 4th Ward. Amount: \$1,348,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain the item, which he did.

Ald. King spoke in support of the ordinance.

On Item 10, Ald. Curtis moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

11. O2022-1267 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of chimney stack reduction at Philip D. Armour Elementary School, located at 950 West 33rd Place in the 11th Ward. Amount: \$750,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Ivan Hansen with Chicago Public Schools to explain Items 11 through 16, which he did.

On Item 11, Ald. Tabares moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

12. O2022-1268 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of chimney stack reduction at John Milton Gregory Elementary School, located at 3715 West Polk Street in the 24th Ward. Amount: \$500,000

On Item 12, Ald. O'Shea moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

13. O2022-1269 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of chimney stack

reduction at John D. Shoop Math-Science Technical Academy ES, located at 11140 South Bishop Street in the 34th Ward. Amount: \$750,000

On Item 13, Vice Chairwoman Hairston moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

14. O2022-1270 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of chimney stack reduction at Simpson Academy High School for Young Women, located at 1321 South Paulina Street in the 28th Ward. Amount: \$750,000

On Item 14, Ald. Osterman moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

15. O2022-1271 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance concerning the authority to enter into and execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Chicago Board of Education to provide tax-increment financing (TIF) funds for eligible costs of chimney stack reduction at John Greenleaf Whittier Elementary School, located at 1900 West 23rd Street in the 25th Ward. Amount: \$750,000

On Item 15, Ald. Sadlowski-Garza moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

16. O2021-1227 A communication recommending a proposed ordinance amending Municipal Code Chapters 9-100 and 9-101 to further regulate the automated speed enforcement system.

Chairman Waguespack held Item 16 in Committee at the request of the sponsor, Ald. Beale.

17. Direct Introduction A communication transmitting reports of cases in which judgments or settlements were entered into for the month of April 2022.

Chairman Waguespack said Item 17 would be placed on file with the Clerk. Ald. Tunney asked if an entry on the report related to a verdict had been approved by the Committee. Committee Chief of Staff Anne Emerson noted that verdicts are paid pursuant to court order. Ald. Tunney asked that further information on two payments be provided through the Chair.

18. Direct Introduction A proposed order authorizing the payment of various small claims against the City of Chicago.

19. Direct Introduction A proposed order denying the payment of various small claims against the City of Chicago.

Chairman Waguespack said Items 18 and 19 would be placed on the Omnibus Agenda at City Council. There was no objection.

Chairman Waguespack moved to the Supplemental Agenda.

1. Two (2) proposed orders authorizing the Corporation Counsel to enter into and execute Settlement Orders in the following cases:

- A. Daniel Taylor v. City of Chicago, cited as 14 CV 0737 (N.D. Ill.) J. Lee.
Amount: \$14,250,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Jessica Felker with the Department of Law to explain the settlement, which she did. Felker also noted that, in regards to Item 17, one of the payments was for attorney's fees in a case where the City lost at trial.

Ald. Sposato asked when the Plaintiff asserted that he was innocent. Felker said it was at his original trial. Ald. Sposato asked how he was convicted, and Felker said he is asserting new evidence not previously disclosed.

Ald. Ervin asked how the settlement amount was arrived at, and Felker provided the information. Ald. Ervin asked if it was inclusive of fees, and Felker said yes. Ald. Ervin asked how much had been spent on outside counsel, and Felker said \$2.15 million. Ald. Ervin asked if the Plaintiff received his Certificate of Innocence before or after filing his suit. Felker said it was either immediately before or after filing. Chairman Waguespack asked about the process for filing for the Certificate and what it means, and Felker explained the process and meaning. Felker noted that a wrongful conviction is not always the result of police misconduct.

On Supplemental Item 1A, Ald. Ervin moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

- B. Brunilda Torres, as Independent Administrator of the Estate of Jose Angel Felipe Nieves, Deceased v. City of Chicago, et al., cited as 17 C 88 (Northern District of Ill.) J. Kennelly.
Amount: \$1,898,000

Chairman Waguespack invited Caroline Fronczak with the Department of Law to explain the settlement, which she did.

Ald. Brookins asked if there was a previous offer in judgment made, and Fronczak said yes. Ald. Brookins asked why it was so low, and Fronczak said it was due to ordinance.

On Supplemental Item 1B, Ald. Brookins moved do pass by the roll call used to establish quorum. Motion carried on a voice vote.

The Committee having no further business, on a motion by Ald. Dowell, the meeting was adjourned at 11:41 am.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott Waguespack
Chairman, Committee on Finance