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COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND EMPLOYMENT

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to Accept the Executive Director's 2016 Budget Recommendations and the Attached Changes

Dear Sir:

The attached changes to the Executive Director's 2016 Budget Recommendations (BF-19 budget forms) are submitted for your consideration during the Committee on Budget and Employment Special Meeting beginning on November 5, 2015. The requested net changes to appropriations are summarized below:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>NET CHANGE</u>
CORPORATE	General Administration	\$(34,300)
	Monitoring & Research	(16,100)
	Information Technology	(98,200)
	Law	(7,600)
	Maintenance & Operations	_____ 0
	TOTAL CORPORATE FUND	<u>\$(156,200)</u>
CONSTRUCTION		\$1,984,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BOND		\$165,500,000
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT		\$0

The total appropriation request for the 2016 Budget is \$1,210,182,530, an increase of \$167,327,800 from the initial appropriation request of \$1,042,854,730. Compared to the 2015 total adjusted appropriation of \$1,203,447,239, this is an increase of \$6,735,291, or 0.6 percent.

The estimated total tax levy for the 2016 Budget is \$577,833,062, unchanged from the initial budget request. Compared to the 2015 total adjusted levy of \$559,329,072, this is an increase of \$18,503,990, or 3.3 percent.

The total appropriation request for the Corporate Fund is \$364,062,200, a decrease of \$156,200 from the initial budget request of \$364,218,400. The net change in appropriation is primarily due to position changes.

The total appropriation request for the Construction Fund is \$34,914,400, an increase of \$1,984,000 from the initial budget request of \$32,930,400. The net change in appropriation is due to changes in the project schedule and cost estimates.

The total appropriation request for the Capital Improvements Bond Fund is \$453,792,000, an increase of \$165,500,000 from the initial budget request of \$288,292,000. The net change in appropriation is due to changes in the project schedule and cost estimates.

The total appropriation request for the Stormwater Management Fund is \$40,418,900, unchanged from the initial budget request. The net zero change in appropriation is due to changes in the project schedule, cost estimates, and an equity transfer to the Bond Redemption & Interest Fund to reimburse debt service expenses for stormwater management capital projects.

Revised budget pages 42-43 include appropriation changes with no change to the estimated tax rates.

Revised budget page 52-54 summarizes the appropriations and position counts and reflects all proposed changes for the 2016 Budget. There is a decrease of one position in the Corporate Fund from the Executive Director's Recommended Budget due to the drop of a Network Analyst position in the Information Technology Department. The total number of positions requested for 2016 is 1,974, a net decrease of eight positions from 2015.

Revised budget pages 74-75 present a detailed summary of revenues and expenditures for all funds for 2016, as budgeted, and 2015, as estimated.

Revised budget pages 353-354, 417-418, and 463 provide an updated list of capital projects for the Construction Fund, the Capital Improvements Bond Fund, and the Stormwater Management Capital Improvements Bond Fund.

Revised position analysis pages for seven departments in the Corporate Fund reflect the following changes:

General Administration: Section 067 on page 132 shows the implementation of a crosshatch #2 on one Management Analyst III #2, and page 133 shows the result of the crosshatch #2 implementation to one Senior Budget & Management Analyst.

Monitoring & Research: Section 126 on page 158 shows a correction to the grade level for one Laboratory Technician II #1.

Information Technology: Section 283 on page 209 shows the removal of a crosshatch #1 for one Telecommunications Specialist #1 and the drop of one Network Analyst; Section 287 on page 210 shows the removal of a crosshatch #2 for one Network Analyst #2 and the reclassification of this title to an A/V Analyst; and Section 288 on page 210 shows the removal of a crosshatch #2 and the reclassification of the grade level for one IT Support Analyst I.

Law: Section 342 on page 227 shows a correction to the grade level for one Public Affairs Specialist.

Maintenance & Operations, General Division: Section 635 on page 265 shows the transfer out of one Engineering Technician V to the Stickney Service Area and Section 679 on page 266 shows the transfer in of one Engineering Technician V from the Calumet Service Area.

Maintenance & Operations, Calumet Service Area: Section 823 on page 297 shows the transfer out of one Engineering Technician IV to Section 843 and Section 843 on page 299 shows the transfer in of one Engineering Technician IV from Section 823, the transfer in of one Engineering Technician IV from the Stickney Service Area (previously, there were no Engineering Technician IV positions in Section 843), and the transfer out of one Engineering Technician V to the General Division.

Maintenance & Operations, Stickney Service Area: Section 923 on page 314 shows the transfer in of one Engineering Technician V from the General Division and Section 924 on page 314 shows the transfer out of one Engineering Technician IV to the Calumet Service Area.

BF-19 budget forms, pages 1 through 13, detail all requested changes in appropriation and staffing. Revised "Pink Pages" 30, 32-34, 37-39, 41, and 43-45 reflect the BF-19 staffing changes.

Requested, Eileen M. McElligott, Administrative Services Manager, SAR:SKL

Respectfully Submitted, Kari K. Steele, Chairman Committee on Budget and Employment

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Special Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for November 5, 2015

Attachments

- 1) Revised budget pages 42-43, 52-54, 74-75, 132-133, 158, 209-210, 227, 265-266, 297, 299, 314, 353-354, 417-418, and 463, dated October 28, 2015
- 2) BF-19 budget forms, pages 1-13, dated October 28, 2015
- 3) Revised "Pink Pages" 30, 32-34, 37-39, 41, and 43-45, dated October 28, 2015