

Lake County Illinois

*Lake County Courthouse and Administrative Complex
18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Agenda Report - Final

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

1:00 PM

**Assembly Room, 10th Floor or register for remote attendance at
<https://bit.ly/3SfzpRn>**

Legislative Committee

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The public can attend Lake County Committee and Board meetings (two options):

- (1) In-person attendance is on the 10th Floor of the County Administrative Tower (9th Floor, if necessary), 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois.
- (2) Remote attendance through an electronic conferencing application (register via the link on the front page of the agenda).

RECORDING: Meetings, to include Public Comment, will be recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Time is reserved near the beginning of the meeting for all Public Comment. At the Chair's discretion, Public Comment for an item(s) on the agenda may be presented during consideration of that specific item. Public Comment will proceed in the following order: (1) Public Comment by individuals in attendance and then (2) Public Comment by individuals attending remotely through an electronic conferencing application. Individuals may provide written Public Comment that must be received by 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting (emailed to PublicComment@Lakecountyil.gov or delivered to the County Board Office 18. N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois, (10th floor)). Written comments will be circulated to the Members, but not read aloud.

Individuals providing Public Comment will provide the following information:

Meeting: Legislative Committee (Subject line for written Public Comment)

Topic or Agenda Item #: (REQUIRED)

Name: (REQUIRED)

Organization/Entity Represented: (REQUIRED) ("Self" if representing self)

Street Address, City, State: (Optional)

Phone Number: (Optional)

Email: May be REQUIRED for remote attendance

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Members
4. Addenda to the Agenda
5. Public Comment
6. Chair's Remarks
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business

CONSENT AGENDA (Item 8.1)

MINUTES

8.1 [23-1656](#)

Committee action approving the Legislative Committee minutes from October 3, 2023.

Attachments: [LEG 10.3.23 Final Minutes](#)

REGULAR AGENDA

8.2 [23-1657](#)

Update and discussion regarding the State of Illinois 2023 Legislative Sessions.

8.3 [23-1658](#)

Update and discussion regarding Federal Legislative items.

8.4 [23-1659](#)

Resolution approving the Lake County Fiscal Year 2024 Legislative Agenda.

- Annually, Lake County develops a list of legislative priorities that are submitted to our State Legislators.
- The County's 2024 Legislative Agenda includes items for sponsorship, and items of support during the upcoming sessions. The Agenda also includes topics of importance for Lake County.
- Items were solicited from department heads and elected officials. All items were reviewed and discussed by the County's lobbyist and the Legislative Committee for discussion and inclusion.

Attachments: [2024 Legislative Program Draft V9](#)

8.5 [23-1653](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with Strategic Advocacy Group LLC, Springfield, Illinois for state level advocacy and legislative consulting services in the annual amount of \$75,000.

- There is a need for Lake County to contract with a firm to assist in the development of a long-term cohesive state lobbying strategy and provide legislative consulting services.
- A Request for Proposal (RFP) was sent to 13 vendors and responses were received from two firms.
- A selection committee comprised of representatives from the County Administrator's Office, State's Attorney's Office, Planning, Building and Development, Stormwater Management, and the Lake County Division of Transportation recommend Strategic Advocacy Group LLC, Springfield, Illinois as the firm that best meets the needs of the County based on the RFP evaluation criteria.
- The contract authorizes the Purchasing Agent to enter into a one-year agreement with four additional one-year renewal options that will cost the County the annual amount of \$75,000. For each renewal year exercised the cost shall increase by three percent.

Attachments: [Summary Score Matrix-](#)
[Draft - Strategic Advocacy Group State Lobbyist Agreement](#)
[Strategic Vendor Disclosure](#)

8.6 [23-1652](#)

Joint resolution authorizing a contract with McGuireWoods Consulting, Richmond, Virginia for federal level advocacy and legislative consulting services in the annual amount of \$96,000.

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Attachments: [Summary Score Matrix-Federal](#)

[MWC GB Vendor Disclosure](#)

[Draft Agreement-23124 Federal Lobbyist](#)

9. County Administrator's Report

10. Executive Session

10.1 [23-1603](#)

Executive Session to review closed session minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21).

10.1A [23-1604](#)

Committee action regarding periodic review of closed session minutes.

11. Member Remarks and Requests

12. Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 5, 2023