Village of Sauk Village
Board Meeting of the Corporate Authorities
Municipal Center 21801 Torrence Avenue Sauk Village, Illinois
Tuesday, August 11 2026, 7:00 p.m.

MEETING AGENDA

1) **CALL TO ORDER** – Honorable Mayor Marva Campbell-Pruitt
   A) Pledge of Allegiance
   B) Roll Call
   C) Adoption of the Agenda
   C) Meditation

2) **PUBLIC COMMENT**
   All questions and comments must be directed to the mayor. Each speaker may comment on any matter concerning the business of the Sauk Village Municipality. Each speaker is allowed **one opportunity** to speak for up to three (3) minutes and may not engage in debate, counter-replies, or rebuttals. Mayor Campbell-Pruitt will respond individually as comments are presented.

3) **EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION**
   a. Motion to Recess to Closed Session to Discuss Personnel Matters and Update of Pending Litigation, Collective Bargaining Matters, Review Executive Session Minutes, Real Estate, or Employment and Compensation as needed (5ILCS) 120/2 (c) (2021)

   b. Motion to Reconvene Regular Board Meeting

4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES -VILLAGE CLERK DEBBIE WILLIAMS**
   A) Motion to Approve the Journal of Proceedings for Committee Meeting of the Whole Meeting of July 7, 2026
   B) Motion to Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Board Meeting of July 14, 2026
   C) Motion to Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Committee of the Whole Meeting of July 21, 2026

5) **NEW BUSINESS**
6) **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

7) **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**
   a. Mayor - Marva Campbell-Pruitt
   b. Village Clerk – Debbie Williams
   c. Interim Finance Director, Fred McMillon
      i. Cook County Bridge Fund Program

8) **REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS**
   a. Senior Advisory Committee
   b. Zoning Board of Commissioners
   c. Police and Fire Commission

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9) PETITIONS, AGREEMENTS, ACTIONS

a. Motion to Approve the Consultation Fee Schedule and Expenses signed by Atty. Mike McGrath for Expert Witness John Ryan, in the case of Godinez v. Sauk Village

10) COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

a) Trustee Aretha Burns
b) Trustee Raven Johnson
c) Trustee Tyesha Jones
d) Trustee Diane Sapp
e) Trustee Michelle Sterling
f) Trustee Dr. Tonyia Winston

10) GENERAL COMMENTS FROM MAYOR MARVA CAMPBELL- PRUITT

11) ADJOURNMENT

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BRIDGE FUND FAST FACTS

Overview

Recognizing an expected delay in property tax distributions and in an effort to lessen the potential financial impact across the area, Cook County President Preckwinkle is reestablishing the Property Tax Bridge Fund Program to provide $300 million in no interest loans for local governments and taxing districts while prioritizing underserved and disinvested communities.

The program has been designed to offer local taxing jurisdictions a lower cost borrowing option. Qualifying taxing bodies such as municipalities, park districts, fire districts, schools, etc., will be able to apply for a short-term loan with the County.

Eligbility

Local taxing district meeting all the following eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply for the loan:

- **50% Reliance on Property Taxes:** Only local taxing jurisdictions (LTJ) that are reliant on property taxes for 50% or more of their total Governmental revenues (excluding enterprise funds) are eligible
- **Disinvested communities will be offered additional consideration.** The County will approve loans according to availability and need on a rolling basis
- **Only local taxing jurisdictions wholly within Suburban Cook County are eligible** for the loans
- **Paper Districts are Excluded:** All local taxing jurisdictions that pass-through property tax collections to a third party for the provision of services are ineligible
- Credit Ratings are no longer required as part of applications

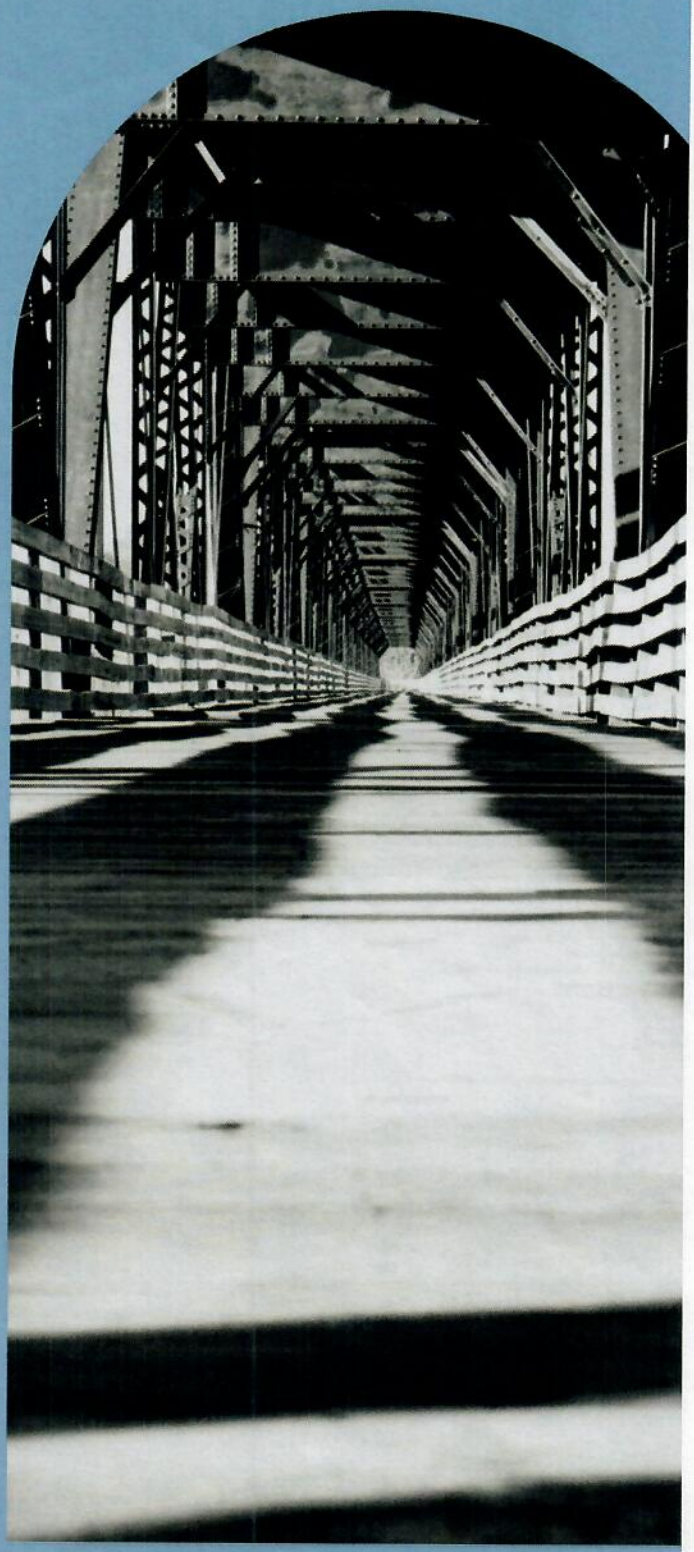
Loan Details

Cook County will be establishing a maximum loan amount for each local taxing district applicant this is intended to provide the equivalent of two months of property tax funds.

In response to feedback from taxing districts and community partners, the County also plans to expand eligibility from the previous year, allowing institutions heavily reliant on property tax revenue better access to this assistance.

Eligibility requirements have been modified as part of the County's concerted effort to expand the reach of this program. It will be imperative that local taxing bodies work quickly to gather supporting documents and submit applications as soon as possible.

CONTACT US: www.cookcountyil.gov/bridgefund



JULY 20
Applications Open

AUG 24
Applications Close

Winner of 2023 NaCo Achievement Award for Bridge Fund Program

$65M
Total Bridge Funds Distributed to Date

Cook County
Bridge Funding Program
Frequently Answered Questions

1) **What is Cook County's Bridge Funding Program?**
Understanding that local taxing jurisdictions will experience temporary short-term operational cash flow deficiencies caused by the deferred 2nd installment property tax bills, the County created the Property Tax Bridge Fund Program to provide local taxing jurisdictions with a streamlined and fully transparent access to no-interest cost working capital funds.

2) **How will the Bridge Funding Program be a low-cost option for Local Taxing Jurisdictions?**
The program was designed to offer local taxing jurisdictions a lower cost alternative to a stand-alone capital markets transaction. Each local taxing jurisdiction borrower will complete an application and upload the required documents for review by the County. Then the County will review the application and approve or deny the requested loan amount based on program eligibility. In some instances, the County may approve a loan amount that differs from that of the request; should this occur, explanation will be provided.

Financing documents will be standardized for consistency and specific directions for board action will be provided to each local taxing jurisdiction borrower. The loans will be capped at the projected two months of disbursement.

3) **What are the minimum requirements to apply to the Program?**
Local Taxing districts meeting all the following eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply for the loan:

1) 50% reliance on property taxes: only local taxing jurisdictions (LTJ) that are reliant on property taxes for 50% or more of their total Governmental revenue (excluding enterprise funds are eligible)
2) Disinvested Communities that do not meet the first criteria will be offered additional consideration. The county will approve those loans according to availability and need on a rolling basis using the Country's Equitable Allocation Model
3) Suburban Cook County: Only local taxing jurisdictions wholly within Suburban Cook County are eligible for the loans
4) Paper Districts are Excluded: All local taxing jurisdictions that pass-through property tax collections to a third party for the provision of services are ineligible

4) **How do I apply and what documents are required?**
Cook County has created a step-by-step checklist, a webinar, and a forms list that outlines the entire application process, from start to finish, including all required documents and submission requirements. Please refer to these resources for guidance on completing your application and

answers to common questions about the submission process. They are all available at cookcountyil.gov/bridgefund.

5) **Can a municipal library apply?**
Municipal libraries are not authorized to apply for a Bridge fund Loan due to the borrowing and repayment structure of these loans. However, these libraries can receive funds on behalf of their local taxing district. To do this, they should do the following:

1. Communicate with the local taxing jurisdiction that they want to receive funds from the Bridge Fund Loan.
2. When applying on behalf of a municipal library, the Local Taxing Jurisdiction must check "Yes" on the application in the following question: "*Does the applicant plan to use part of the loan for library purposes?*"

6) **Can you track your application?**
There is no way for applicants to track their application within the Cook County Bridge Fund portal. However, once you have completed the Docusign portion of the application you will receive an email confirmation stating your application was successfully received by Cook County. If you're missing documents or there are other issues, Cook County will contact you directly via email or phone.

7) **What are the documents and steps needed if a loan is approved?**
If your loan is approved, applicants will be contacted by Cook County bond counsel regarding next steps and must follow up with their respective board regarding approval to enter into a tax anticipation warrant. The following documents will be needed to receive the loan:

1. Most recent available Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) or annual financial statements, audited preferred
2. Letter from the CFO or authorized personnel certifying any unaudited financial statements
3. 2025 Property Tax Levy Package
4. 2025 Executed Levy Edit Report
5. OPTIONAL - Bond and Interest Levy Documentation is required ONLY if the Local Taxing Jurisdiction has any intercepts, pledges, trustee-directed payments, or other restrictions in place for their bond and interest levy or debt service property tax collections.

Bond counsel opinion will be required for each approved taxing district borrower participating in this program. The county will pay up to $1,000 to cover the cost of bond counsel for each taxing district borrower which will be paid at the closing. If borrower doesn't have current Bond counsel, Cook County's bond counsel, Chapman & Cutler has agreed to provide the opinion for the taxing district.

8) **How will the Local Taxing Jurisdiction borrower repay the County?**

2026 Bridge Fund Application Required Documents Guide

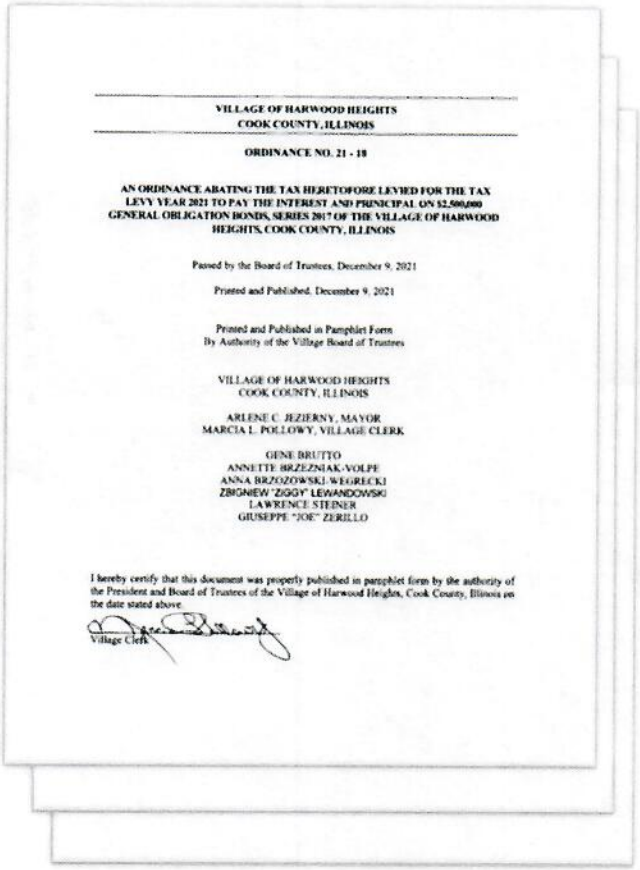
Bond and Interest Levy Documentation

Additional Information:

- Documentation in this category will need to be provided if the applicant confirms that they have any intercepts, pledges, trustee-directed payments, or other restrictions in place for their bond and interest levy or debt service property tax collections.
- Describe the arrangement and attach supporting documentation, including any bond ordinance, debt service schedule, trustee agreement, intercept agreement, or other relevant documentation.

Example:

Bond Ordinance



VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 21 - 18

AN ORDINANCE ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE TAX LEVY YEAR 2021 TO PAY THE INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL ON $2,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2017 OF THE VILLAGE OF HARWOOD HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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Village Clerk

Legal and Liability Risk Management Institute

CONSULTATION FEE SCHEDULE AND EXPENSE POLICY

Godinez v Sauk Village • Mike McGrath, Attorney • Jack Ryan, Expert

Preliminary discussions of cases: We welcome telephonic discussions of potential cases. There is no charge for this service.

Cases accepted for consultation: There is a flat case development fee when cases are accepted for consultation, development, and preparation. This case development fee is non-refundable.

FEE SCHEDULE:

$ 12,000.00

The case development fee covers **all** work done in Providence, RI area. This includes document review and evaluation, discovery and investigation of additional materials, research, written reports and affidavits, telephone, and copying. It also includes all follow-up discussions and reviews of additional materials. If you desire to come to Providence, RI area for case conferences, there is no extra charge for this service or time and we will be glad to assist in making local arrangements. The case development fee also covers **brief** meetings with you and your associates when we are in your locale on other matters and our schedule permits. Written reports are prepared only when specifically requested by you or your firm.

We have a flat rate rather than an hourly fee structure for several reasons. First, a flat fee promotes a better professional relationship and allows you to understand the costs you and your firm will incur at the outset. Second, we want to be an integral part of your case development to the fullest extent appropriate. The fee is structured to encourage you to draw upon this involvement and experience and to utilize us fully. Only then can we give you the best possible advice and be able to fully assist in presenting your case. When you consider our involvement with your case, we don't want you to feel constrained by the thought that the meter is running. Our experience in more than 950 police civil litigation cases with differing strategies, tactics, and demonstrative trial aids makes us a valuable resource in preparation, discovery and case development. Our experience in conducting training on liability issues and police agency audits provides you with a source of current and pragmatic knowledge of police practices.

Expanded cases: are those, which require much more time and generally involve agency pattern and practice, negligent retention, wrongful termination and other personnel related matters. Such cases require extensive documentation review. - personnel records, administrative hearing transcripts, and/or administrative investigation files and adjudications. We can usually determine whether yours is an expanded case during our initial discussion or soon after the initial review of materials based on time.

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Expedited cases: are those cases in which a report or evaluation is required within two (2) weeks of the date Legal and Liability Risk Management Institute are retained in the matter and result in an additional $2,500 expedite fee.

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Depositions, testimony, on-site inspections, and conferences: We will normally try to arrange our travel schedule to ensure meeting with you and your associates prior to deposition or testimony. Depositions are very taxing on both the deponent and the person(s) conducting the deposition. Therefore, it is our policy limit a deposition day to a maximum of eight (8) hours including breaks.

Depositions in Providence, RI area: $650 per hour with a minimum of 4 hours
4 Hour Non-Refundable Minimum to be paid prior to start of deposition.
A $1500 charge will be applied to cancellations within 24 hours of scheduled date/time

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Trial Testimony: $3000 per day or part thereof plus a $1000.00 fee for travel and expenses at cost

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Work away from Providence, RI area: $3000.00 per day or part thereof plus a $1000.00 fee for travel days:

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Expenses at actual cost: Airline travel will be at coach fare. When travel coincides with other business, costs are billed proportionally. Ground expenses, hotel, meals and incidentals are billed at actual cost. We reserve the right to require prepayment of these expenses.

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Revised reports: After final report has been accepted supplemental reports and review of additional material will be invoiced at $300.00 per hour.

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Case Material: Non-Digital will be digitized for case development at a rate of $200.00 per hour.

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Payment requirements: The case development fee is required before we review your material. Other fees and expense reimbursement are due when we arrive at your location unless other written arrangements are agreed upon. All bills are payable, in any other case, within 30 days of the work performed. We reserve the right to charge a fee of one percent (1%) per month on the outstanding balance. The tax identification number to be used for Legal and Liability Risk Management Institute/Law Enforcement Risk Management Group, Inc., Federal ID 81-0692135

Professional relationship: You are entering into a professional relationship with Legal and Liability Risk Management Institute for litigation consultant assistance with your case. **You and your firm, not your client or opposing litigants, are our client.** You and your firm are solely responsible for payment of our professional services. Any fee and/or expense incurred for deposition by the opposing side reverts to your firm if that entity fails to fulfill this obligation or if a court order reduces the fee or expense charge. Your firm is responsible for the increment should the court reduce the fee or expense charged. Please do not ask us to wait for reimbursement from your client. We also do not accept payment directly from your client unless prior arrangements have been agreed upon.

Agreement: This document constitutes a contract for our professional services in return for your agreement to reimburse us according to the terms and conditions of this document. The contract is governed by the terms and conditions set forth herein. This contract is intended to be enforceable under the laws of the State of Indiana or in the State in which the services are rendered, at the discretion of Legal and Liability Risk Management Institute.

AGREED TO:

08/06/2026
Date

Michael J. McGrath
Michael J. McGrath (Aug 6, 2026 13:55:51 CDT)
Signature

ACCEPTED:

August 5, 2026
Date

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