



Board Letter

Agenda Date: July 29, 2025

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Recommendation to approve the amended and revised Board Bylaws of the Chicago Housing Authority.

Presenter: James Bebley, Interim Chief Operating Officer

Recommendation

The Interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO) recommends that the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority (the "Board") approve the proposed amended and revised Board Bylaws, of the Chicago Housing Authority, dated July 29, 2025.

The requested action complies in all material respects with all applicable federal, state and local laws, and CHA policies. CHA staff has completed all necessary due diligence to support the submission of this initiative.

Background

In September 2016, the Board of Commissioners commenced a more systematic process for the review, updating and adoption of CHA rules and policy documents, including the Bylaws of the Board of Commissioners (the Board Bylaws), various charters, policies and rules governing public participation at Board and Committee meetings. Consistent with this process, in May 2020 the Bylaws were updated to reflect various operational, policy and authority guidelines of the CHA.

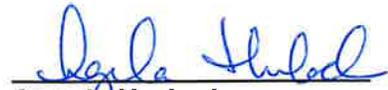
The CHA now seeks to update Board Bylaws with recommendations from the Inspector General; updates based on current laws, clarification of certain sections and rules, such as Committee rules and proxy voting; adoption of Commissioner training requirements; and by removing certain policies and rules from the Board Bylaws for separate review and approval such as the Significant Action Policy and Public Participation Rules.

Additional changes to the By-laws include:

- Commitment to Ethics and the Prohibition of Harassment (Article II).
- Attendance Expectations (Article III, Section 12)
- Indemnification provision for officers and employees consistent with current laws (Article VIII)
- Commissioner Accountability (Article XI).
- Commissioners Code of Conduct (Attachment 1).

Accordingly, the Interim CEO of the CHA recommends that the Board approve the attached amended CHA By-laws.

Respectfully Submitted:



Angela Hurlock
Interim Chief Executive Officer



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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-CHA-31

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board Letter dated July 29, 2025 entitled "Recommendation to approve the amended and revised Board Bylaws of the Chicago Housing Authority."

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY:

THAT, the Board of Commissioners approves the following amended and revised Board Bylaws of the Chicago Housing Authority, which generally includes the following additions and changes:

1. Removal of the Significant Action Policy and rules governing public participation for separate review and approval
2. Commitment to Ethics and the Prohibition of Harassment, including Commissioner Training requirements
3. Attendance Expectations
4. Indemnification provisions revisions
5. Commissioners Accountability
6. Addition of Commissioners Code of Conduct
7. Clarification of certain sections, concepts, and positions, including Committee rules and proxy voting

During the discussion and incident to approval of the proposed by-laws, the Board directed staff to maintain the Significant Action Policy as a separate independent policy pending future review.



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Matthew Brewer
Interim Chairman
Chicago Housing Authority