

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, under State law, the Corporation Counsel is appointed by the Mayor, and serves as the legal adviser for the whole of City government; and

WHEREAS, recent years have shown how advising the executive and legislative branches of City government can present a conflict of interest – or at least the strong appearance of a conflict of interest – both for the Corporation Counsel and the Law Department, more generally; and

WHEREAS, local public opinion on such matters is important to public officials in a determination of what is wise public policy for the people of the City of Chicago; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. That pursuant to Section 28-6 of the Illinois Election Code (10 ILCS 5/28-6) and Section 3.1-40-60 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-60), the following public question is hereby certified to the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners for submission to the voters of all precincts within the City of Chicago at the consolidated primary election occurring on February 23, 2027:

Should the Chicago City Council establish and fully fund its own independent legal counsel separate from the City's Law Department?

☐ **YES**

☐ **NO**

SECTION 2. That the City Clerk of the City of Chicago shall certify the referendum question referenced herein to the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners to be submitted to voters at the consolidated primary election to be held on February 23, 2027, in accordance with Article 28 of the Election Code.

SECTION 3. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon passage.

13 Alderman, _____ Ward
42 Alderman, _____ Ward

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Scott Wagner Alderman, 32 Ward
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