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Title: Call for hearing(s) on odorous windows and doors issues installed plaguing northwest and southwest neighborhood homes, present testing results and give explanation of funding mechanism of this program

Committee(s) Assignment: Joint Committee: Aviation; Finance

ORDER

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago is a home rule unit of government pursuant to the 1970 Illinois Constitution, Article VII, Section 6(a); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its home rule power, the City of Chicago may exercise any power and perform any function relating to its government and affairs including the power to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, morals, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City is home to two international airports, Midway and O'Hare; and

WHEREAS, although international in reach, they are part of our neighborhood fabric; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to ensuring that the communities surrounding our airports deem them good neighbors; and

WHEREAS, to that end, the Department of Aviation has administered the Residential Sound Insulation Program (RSIP), which sound-insulates homes surrounding the airports; and

WHEREAS, over 10,000 homes near Midway have been insulated through the Midway RSIP and almost 11,000 homes have been received insulated windows and doors through the O'Hare RSIP; and

WHEREAS, since 2015, residents have expressed concerns regarding odors emanating from their windows and doors installed as part of these programs; and

WHEREAS, though the Department of Aviation has attempted to address these concerns and has begun to investigate and determine the source of the noxious odors, their responses have been slow and limited; and

WHEREAS, community residents and Members of the City Council deserve full disclosure of all information regarding these efforts; now, therefore,

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

That the Commissioner and representatives of the Chicago Department of Aviation appear before the City Council Joint Committee on Aviation and Committee on Finance to respond to questions that have been pre-submitted to the Department of Aviation regarding the odorous windows and doors issues plaguing neighborhoods on the northwest and southwest sides of the City; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

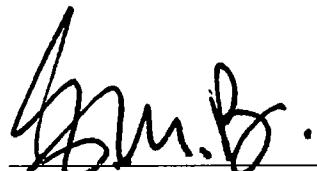
That representatives of the Chicago Department of Aviation and City consultant Amec, Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure, Inc. appear before the Joint Committee on Aviation and Committee on Finance to report on the results of the most recent testing of windows and doors performed by Amec; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

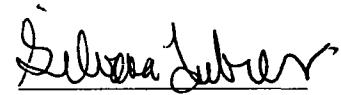
That the Commissioner and representatives of the Chicago Department of Aviation appear before the City Council Joint Committee on Aviation and Committee on Finance to give details on the new windows and doors replacement project created to replace these odorous windows and doors in homes that currently have RSIP windows installed that have been confirmed by RSIP, to explain the funding mechanism of this program, and to explain who determines the priority of replacement of windows and doors for the homes that have been confirmed, the Department of Aviation or the RSIP.



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