

**Adoption of Substitute Ordinance at March 14, 2007 City Council
Meeting Authorizing City of Chicago to Enter Into and Execute
Various Agreements in Conjunction with Bid to Host
2016 Olympic Games.
(Document No. SO2007-464)**

**SUBSTITUTE
ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, the Columbian Exposition of 1893, which was the last and greatest of the world's fairs of the 19th Century, first enabled the City of Chicago ("City") to emerge as a world-class city; and

WHEREAS, the City's status as world-class city grew throughout the 20th century due to its manufacturing and industrial strength, its innovative commercial and financial markets, its exceptional universities, its stellar cultural institutions, its rich architectural legacy and its diverse international community of citizens; and

WHEREAS, at the outset of the 21st century, the City's world-class stature has continued to grow through the development of Millennium Park, the expansion of the City's thriving convention and exhibition facilities at McCormick Place, the City's efforts to transform public housing and revitalize public schools, the attraction of the international and national headquarters of global businesses such as The Boeing Company, Mittal Steel and United Airlines, and the City's incorporation of "green" and environmentally sustainable development requirements in City-supported projects; and

WHEREAS, just one year after the Columbian Exposition of 1893, modern Olympism was conceived by Pierre de Coubertin, on whose initiative the International Athletic Congress of Paris was held in June 1894; and

WHEREAS, the International Olympic Committee ("IOC") constituted itself on June 23, 1894, and the first Olympic Games of modern times was then celebrated in Athens, Greece in 1896; and

WHEREAS, for over a century, the Olympic Games have been the world's greatest festival, a unique blending of sport with culture and education; and

WHEREAS, the Olympic Games celebrate a way of life based on the joy of effort, the educational value of a good example, the respect for universal fundamental ethical principles, all in the context of athletic competitions held in a spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play; and

WHEREAS, the City has proposed hosting the summer Olympic Games, including the Paralympic Games constituting a part thereof, in 2016; and

WHEREAS, in July 2005, the United States Olympic Committee ("USOC") elevated the City to the status of Domestic Applicant City; and

WHEREAS, since such time, the City has worked cooperatively with the Chicago 2016 Exploratory Committee, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation (the "Bid Committee"), which Bid Committee was formed for the purpose of assisting and representing the City in the Olympic Games bid application process; and

WHEREAS, the Bid Committee is now preparing to submit the City's final bid application materials to the USOC, which is then anticipated to select the United States' host city candidate in April 2007; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the City's bid application, and consistent with IOC and USOC candidature procedures, the City must demonstrate the support and cooperation of the City and various other governmental bodies whose participation will be required to insure the successful staging of the Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, to demonstrate the broad-based support and cooperation behind the City's bid application, the City desires to execute and enter into the undertakings and intergovernmental agreements attached to this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the spirit, principles and ideals underlying the Olympic Games are beneficial to the citizens of the City, and to the international community of athletic participants, the host cities, host states and sponsoring countries, as well as to spectators and observers; and

WHEREAS, the privilege of hosting the Olympic Games would be a great honor for the City and serve as catalyst to the City's continued redevelopment and flourishing as a world-class city in the 21st Century; and

WHEREAS, the City is a home rule unit of government by virtue of the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970, and as such, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby adopted as the findings of the City Council and are incorporated herein and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor of the City (the "Mayor"), or the Commissioner of the Department of Planning and Development, as the Mayor's designated representative ("Commissioner"), to execute and deliver, and the City Clerk to attest to, the following undertakings, agreements and documents on behalf of the City: (a) a City of Chicago Olympic Commitments Agreement in substantially the form of Exhibit A; (b) an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the City and the Chicago Park District in substantially the form of Exhibit B; (c) an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the City and the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority in substantially the form of Exhibit C; (d) an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the City and The Board of Education of the City of Chicago in substantially the form of Exhibit D; (e) intergovernmental agreements with other public bodies whose properties shall serve as venues for Olympic Games competitions, which agreements shall be in substantially the form of Exhibit E; (f) both a Joint Undertaking and Joinder Agreement (the latter, the "Joinder Agreement") in substantially the forms attached hereto as Exhibit F; and (g) such venue use agreements with private parties as may be necessary or appropriate, which shall be in similar form to the intergovernmental agreements referred to in the immediately preceding clause; and (h) such further

undertakings, agreements, and documents as may be necessary or appropriate to the City's submission and implementation of its bid for the Olympic Games at the domestic and international levels. With respect to the Joinder Agreement, the City shall appropriate amounts sufficient to pay the obligations of the City pursuant to the Joinder Agreement (if any), and the City hereby covenants to take timely action as required by law to carry out the appropriation provisions of this sentence. All documents referred to in this Section 2 shall be subject to the review and approval of the Corporation Counsel. Subject to the express limiting terms and conditions of this Ordinance, it is the intent of the City Council that the grant of authority contained in the immediately preceding three sentences shall be broadly construed to permit the Mayor and the Commissioner to take all necessary or appropriate actions to complete and prosecute the City's bid submission and the implementation thereof without further City Council action or approval, and, if the City is selected by the USOC as the United States host city candidate, and if the City is subsequently selected by the IOC as the host city, to execute such documents as may be necessary or appropriate to confirm such acceptances, time being of the essence.

SECTION 3. The City Council, in confirmation of its prior resolution, dated September 13, 2006, hereby again (a) expresses the City's support of the spirit, principles and ideals embodied in the Olympic Charter and the development of community embodied in the meeting of athletes from throughout the world at the Olympic Games, (b) guarantees the City's respect of the Olympic Charter, (c) confirms that the City will take all necessary measures in order for the City to fulfill its obligations under the agreements attached to this Ordinance and otherwise undertaken by the City with respect to the Olympic Games; (d) pledges that any sport and non-sport venues owned by the City will be made available at either no cost or at no more than market rental rates for the purpose of hosting the Olympic Games; and (e) pledges that the City will abide by the USOC Codes and implement and fully respect the IOC's and USOC's Anti-Doping Codes.

SECTION 4. The City Council hereby designates and empowers the Bid Committee to represent the City in connection with the City's preparation, submission and negotiation of the City's bid application for the Olympic Games.

SECTION 5. If any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. All ordinances, laws, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval.