ORDINANCE NO. 020-114  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING  
AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
AGREEMENT WITH THE COOK  
COUNTY ASSESSOR’S OFFICE  
TO ACCESS GEOGRAPHIC  
INFORMATION SYSTEM DATA

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority (“Authority”) provides transit services in the Chicago metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is constantly evaluating and accessing right of way and property information and attributes for properties that are adjacent to its system in order to make informed planning decisions; and

WHEREAS, The Cook County Assessor’s Office has a Geographic Information System (GIS) database that it is willing to make available to the Authority at no cost; and

WHEREAS, Accessing the GIS will facilitate the Authority’s decision-making process with respect to managing and maintaining its properties and rights of way; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends entry into an agreement with the Cook County Assessor’s Office for a term of one (1) year for access to the needed data at no cost to the Authority; and

WHEREAS, The agreement requires that the Authority indemnify the Cook County Assessor’s Office and Cook County for any third-party claims and further requires that the Authority keep confidential all data obtained under the agreement; and

WHEREAS, The Authority also wishes to enter into an agreement with the Assessor’s Office, as shown in Exhibit B hereto, to permit the Authority to share GIS data with certain Authority consultants; and

WHEREAS, Cooperation between and among governmental agencies and entities through intergovernmental agreements is authorized by the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act (5 ILCS 220/1 et seq); now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD  
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:
SECTION 1. The Vice Chair of the Chicago Transit Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 7 of the Chicago Transit Authority Bylaws, Rules and Regulations and Rules of Order due to the absence of a Board Chair, to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Assessor’s Office of the County of Cook, Illinois to permit the Authority to access data in the Assessor's Geographic Information System (GIS).

SECTION 2. The IGA has a term of one (1) year, permits the Authority to access the Cook County Assessor’s Office GIS at no cost, requires that the Authority indemnify the Assessor’s Office and the County of Cook, Illinois against third-party claims and keep confidential all data accessed, and contains such other terms as are substantially in conformance with the Not-for-Profit Database Subscription Agreement attached as Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 3. The Board further authorizes the Chief Planning Officer or designee to execute the consultant letter, substantially in conformance with the Agency Letter attached as Exhibit B hereto, for each Authority consultant or contractor that needs to access Assessor’s Office GIS data for Authority work.

SECTION 4. The Vice Chair, or her designee, is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED: ___________________________  PASSED: ___________________________

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Vice Chair                        Assistant Secretary

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