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CLERK VALENCIA ANNOUNCES ONLINE PORTAL, TOWN HALL FOR RESIDENT FEEDBACK ON CITY'S FINES & FEES PRACTICES

Asking resident input as part of the City's Fines, Fees and Access Collaborative

Today, Chicago City Clerk, Anna M. Valencia, announced an online portal to gain resident feedback on their experiences with the City's fines and fees practices. The portal, which will be housed on the City Clerk's website, will allow residents to submit feedback that will be reviewed by the Fines, Fees & Access Collaborative.

"The best policy is made when those who are most impacted by it have a seat at the table," Clerk Valencia said. "In order to make impactful and meaningful policy, we want to hear directly from residents about their experiences, what has worked and what hasn't."

From now through March 31st, residents can visit www.chicityclerk.com to provide their feedback anonymously. Residents can also leave their name and contact information for follow up from members for the Collaborative.

In addition to the website, the Clerk also announced that there would be a Town Hall on Tuesday, March 12 at 6:00 PM at the Douglas Park Field House in North Lawndale where residents could come and share their ideas and feedback in a public-hearing style meeting.

The Fines, Fees and Access Collaborative was launched in December of 2018 as a collaboration of City departments, elected officials, community-based organizations, as well as academic and civic institutions to conduct a comprehensive review to build an understanding of the current landscape, highlight existing issues, and suggest reforms that work for all Chicagoans, the financial health of the City, and our communities.

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