



**DUPAGE
COUNTY**

Information Technology Department

To: DuPage County Board

From: Tom Ricker, GIS Manager

Date: February 27, 2025

Re: Increase in the GIS Recording Fee

The GIS Division is proposing an increase in the GIS recording fee, which is charged when certain land-related documents are recorded in the County Recorder's office. This fee generates revenue to support geospatial information data and services in DuPage County. Currently, the fee is set at \$21 per recorded document. However, we propose raising it to \$31 per document.

The total annual GIS expenses amount to \$2,655,508, and over the past three years, an average of 86,604 documents have been recorded annually. At the current fee of \$21, we generate \$1,818,684 in annual revenue, resulting in a shortfall of \$836,595. To address this deficit, we have relied on reserve funds accumulated in the GIS account in previous years; however, these reserves are steadily being depleted.

To ensure the sustainability of future operations and expenses, we propose increasing the fee to \$31 per recorded document. This adjustment would generate an additional \$866,040 annually, bringing total yearly revenue to \$2,684,724. This increase would fully cover our current expenses of \$2,655,508.