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Chicago Gambling Update - July 22, 2021



Alderman wants to lift ban on sports betting in Chicago

The Cubs have forged a \$100 million partnership with DraftKings that could pave the way for Wrigley Field to house the first stadium sportsbook in Major League Baseball. But, it can't happen unless the City Council lifts the ban on sports betting in Chicago.

... At Wednesday's City Council meeting, Ald. Walter Burnett (27th), introduced an ordinance that would lift Chicago's home-rule ban on sports betting and establish parameters for the city to issue those licenses and make money from it.

Under the plan, sports betting would be authorized either at Wrigley Field, Guaranteed Rate Field, Soldier Field, the United Center and Wintrust Arena or in a **“permanent building or structure located within a five-block radius”** of those stadiums.

... No more than 15 kiosks or wagering windows would be allowed at each location unless bettors can also purchase food and drink.

... Cubs spokesman Julian Green has said the partners hope to build an addition to the \$1 billion Wrigley campus that could be a year-round attraction, Green said. **“DraftKings says this would be their largest sportsbook in the country. [Read more](#)**

For Immediate Action

- If you live in the City, call your Alderman and ask him/her to OPPOSE.
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